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Education Minister Jamiruddin Sircar laid emphasis on improved planning and management for developing a balanced education system to cater to the need of the students, reports BSS.

The Education Minister was speaking as chief guest at a seminar on educational planning and management in Dhaka on Wednesday chaired by Education Secretary Shafiu Alam. The seminar was addressed by State Minister for Education Principal Eunus Khan as special guest. Representatives of the UNDP, IDA, SIDA and other funding agencies and high officials of different departments and agencies participated in the seminar.

The Education Minister said

the present democratic government has already launched Compulsory Primary Education Programme to eradicate illiteracy by the year 2000. He added that the government had attached top priority to primary education with fifty per cent of sectoral allocation, but primary education was still characterised by low enrolment, high drop-out, low attendance, weak management and lack of data and information, he said and sought increased cooperations and assistance of the donor agencies in strengthening educational management, information and training system for achieving high literacy rate of the people.

In his address the State Minis-

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ter for Education said education played an important role in human resource development providing skilled manpower and increasing national income of country.

He also underscored the need for inter-sectoral linkage for ensuring desired efficiency in management and administration of the education sector.

Presiding over the seminar, Education Secretary said the government had identified education as one of the key sectors in the current Fourth Five-Year Plan. He also laid stress on early implementation of the projects for achieving the desired objectives of educational planning.

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