

Commercial Education: Its Needs

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Education is the harmonious development of body, mind and soul — the famous poet Milton had said. It is the backbone of a nation. The importance of education is very great for our human life. Without education a nation can't prosper in the world. The importance of education has been stressed greatly in Islam. The prophet Mohammad (SM) said, "seek knowledge from cradle to grave". The importance and necessity of education has been mentioned in different religion. Philosopher Plato told: "Know thyself".

So, the importance of education is as great for the total development of any country, any nation as the necessity more. Education makes a man perfect. Education is a blessing, a blazing star in our dark mental horizon. It is the key which unlocks a new world to the people in ignorance. Education is the most effective weapon for fighting all sorts of moral, intellectual, social and political degeneration. It enables a man to know himself. From those days of invention of fire and wheel, upto this day of scientific and modern advancement and heavy industrial complexes, education is the predominant factor for all evolutions.

Need of education in our country was not so keenly felt as it is today.

Commercial education is chiefly associated with the progress and prosperity of mankind. This education provides a man with the knowledge by which he can overcome the hindrances that stand as barriers on the way. Commercial education is the integrated and comprehensive study of all relevant subjects which

are required to make a man self-driving.

Men must learn the way how to earn their living for which both vocational, scientific and general education are essential. These two vital components are found only in commercial education because this education is imbued with higher ideals and a higher sense of values. Commercial education which has vocational bias like type writing, shorthand, bookkeeping, accountancy, secretarial practice, income tax etc is useful. Definitely commerce is more lucrative, more independent and more prospective than any other profession although it requires strong courage, vigilance, and risk bearing ability.

Bangladesh, being a developing nation should stress on the importance of commercial education which actually drives the country's commerce and industry and helps to accelerate the economic development. The people of Bangladesh today with all their burdens and problems, live on the frontiers of a new world which they are helping to build. In order to cross this frontier, they have to possess courage and enterprise, the spirit of endurance and capacity of hard work and vision of future. In this decisive stage, people of Bangladesh must be equipped with that type of culture and character which will make them socially desirable and human in outlook. But all these qualities could be achieved through the advancement of commercial activities all over the country run through efficient persons, having sufficient commercial education.