

## 5,53,000 candidates to appear SSC, Dakhil exams begin today

**By A Staff Reporter**

The Secondary School Certificate (SSC) Examination '96 and Dakhil Examination '96 under five Education Boards and Madrasha Education Board begins today (Sunday) in the country.

The SSC examination was to begin on March 27 last, but

it had to be shifted to April 7 due to political unrest in the country.

A total of 4,78,275 candidates is appearing in the SSC examination in 750 centres throughout the country while about 75,000 candidates will appear in the Dakhil examination in 295 centres the total number of the candidates in both SSC and Dakhil examinations is 5,53,000.

Authorities have also set up five centres abroad for SSC candidates.

Authorities of the five education boards and madrasha board have already completed all arrangements for holding the examination peacefully.

Meanwhile, the Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP) imposed ban on gathering and movement of more than four people within 200 yards of the SSC and Dakhil examination centres for smooth and peaceful holding of the examination in the capital.

Of the SSC candidates, 1,41,000 students under Dhaka Board, 1,20,000 students under Rajshahi Board, 85,000 under Jessore Board, 84,000 under Comilla Board and 46,000 students under newly-established Chittagong Board are expected to sit for SSC examination.

In the capital, the SSC examination will be held in 60 school centres while Dakhil candidates will appear in two madrasha centres.

Our Jessore Correspondent reports, of the total SSC candidates under Jessore Board, 44,462 are male and 31,229 are female. The number of total centres under this board are 155.

According to authorities of Chittagong Board, over 46,000 candidates will appear in 68 centres. Of the total centres, 21 are in the city while the rest are in the four districts of Cox's Bazar, Bandarban, Rangamati and Khagrachhari.