

Educated young women must play their due roles in national life

By A Staff Reporter

President Abdus Sattar on Wednesday called upon the educated young women to play their due role in awakening the women for national upliftment as visualised by Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman.

Inaugurating the Shaheed Ziaur Rahman Juba Mohila College at Dhanmandi, the President underlined the great responsibility that devolved on the educated women.

The educated young women of today would not only be good housewife and ideal mothers tomorrow but also leave their mark in all spheres of national life, the President said.

Presided over by the Chairman of the Governing Body of the College and Minister for Youth Development Mr. Abul Kashem, the function was also addressed by the Minister for Public Works and Urban Development and patron of the College, Mr. Abul Hasnat and Mrs. Jahanara Begum, Principal of the College.

State Minister for Foreign Affairs Mr. Jamiruddin Sircar,

State Minister for Industry, Mr. Mohibul Hasan, Deputy Minister for Manpower Development and Social Welfare, Begum Quamrunnahr Zafar, members of Parliament and BNP leaders were present on the occasion. Begum Khaleda Zia sent a message wishing the college a success.

President Abdus Sattar called for activating and making fruitful the process of awakening and developing the womenfolk in the rural areas as was being done in the urban areas. He also called upon the educated and affluent sections of the society to come forward in shouldering this onerous responsibility.

President Abdus Sattar further said that the movement for awakening the womenfolk initiated by the late President Ziaur Rahman will meet with success on the day when the neglected and distressed women would attain their rightful dignity in the society by dint of their merit.

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that the responsibility of grooming the girls and young women of today into a self-reliant workforce, and inspiring them with the spirit of Bangladeshi nationalism does not rest with the guardians alone. He expressed optimism that the social workers, today teachers and progressive women would continue to discharge their responsibilities with dedication in this regard.

Referring to late President Ziaur Rahman's call for women's emancipation to build up a self-reliant Bangladesh, President Sattar said that the late leader had established Jatiya Mahila Sangstha and Juba Mahila Sangstha besides the Women Affairs Ministry with this objective in view. He said that we attained some success towards this effort for emancipation of women but the real success would come when the women would rid themselves of the curse of illiteracy, lethargy and superstition to work side by side with men.