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## Private tuition now a commercial practice

From Our Correspondent

BARGUNA, Dec 11: Private tuition has become a commercial practice in the town and other 5 thanas of the district.

Teachers of both the government and non-government school and colleges are mostly engaged in private tuition business to earn extra money, it is learnt reliably.

Local guardians allege that, teachers hardly teach the students sincerely in the classes. As a result, the students find it difficult to understand their lessons taught in the classes due to which the guardians are compelled to engage private tutors to get their wards academically fit for the class.

Most students enrolled in primary, secondary schools and colleges belonging to affluent families usually employ their school teachers as house-tutors for intensive studies and making good results in the examinations.

Local elite feel that private tutorial practice has become an extra professional business of most of the teachers here, particularly the science and commerce teachers who get a large number of students for coaching in batches.

It is also learnt that private coaching by the teachers in batches starts before and after

the school or college hours. Teachers receive handsome amounts for such private coaching in batches.

It is further reported that private coaching is also being practised in the higher secondary and degree levels for securing good marks in practical subjects.

Science students say that it has become impossible to get better results without the aid of the private tutors as in the class the teachers are not found fully devoted to their responsibility.

They further inform that the teachers often advise the students in the class to engage private tutor for gathering clear and thorough knowledge on the hard topics.

Besides, the teachers engaged as private tutors of

particular students even abet in malpractices personally entering into the examination halls through various means. But the poor and honest families have been facing manifold problems as they are not in a position to afford and maintain private tutors. Favouritism is shown in examination results of students engaging private tutors, it is alleged.

Many teachers of local Government Boys High School, Girls High School, Government College, Womens College etc are resorting to excessive private tuition.

Besides, teachers of the schools and colleges of the thanas, have also been practising private tuition purely on commercial basis.