

Hundreds of applications for rescrutiny filed

Gross mistakes in SSC Exam results alleged

From Our Correspondent

CHANDPUR, Oct. 25:—The correctness of recently declared results of the SSC Examination of Comilla Board like all other boards has created suspicion in the minds of examinees and their guardians.

It is alleged that the computerised results have many errors. Many meritorious students could not find their roll numbers in the published results. After receiving the computerised mark sheets many examinees became perplexed to see that they failed in such subject as they have not even dreamt of.

It is learnt from a reliable source that a brilliant student of a Cadet College who was expecting a place in the merit list, was found failed in Elective Mathematics. The candidate along with his parents came to Comilla Board and urged the authorities to re-scrutinise his Elective Mathematics script. But the Board could not help the bewildered examinee and his parents as the relevant documents of the candidate are kept with the computer centre of BUET in Dhaka. The Board authority wrote to the computer centre to supply the necessary particulars of the candidate. There are many more cases of this nature have been reported to the board. The results of about 1000 candidates have been kept withheld by keeping the tabulation sheet blank. It will take a long time to solve the withheld cases.

This year the responsibility of preparing the results of SSC and HSC Examinations of the four boards has been entrusted with the computer centre of BUET, Dhaka. This involved crores of Taka of the boards. The computer centre tabulated the results with code for each candidate to maintain secrecy. It is not possible for any person including the Board officials to detect the answer scripts without the help of the computer centre.

The scripts of objective type questions were examined by the computer directly and the essay type scripts were examined by the teachers. The examinees are to fill up the optical mark of the computer sheet with the mark obtained by a candidate. If an examiner made any mistake in filling up the optical mark reader (OMR) from the obtained mark of an examinee will be different to that of

actually secured by the candidate. In this process many examinees may become victims of irresponsible work of some examiners and the head examiners, it is alleged.

The students and their guardians in general hailed the computerisation system of examination. But they complain that this modern system has been introduced in a public examination like SSC in a hurry without any experiment.

It is alleged that the students and the examiners were not sufficiently trained up. As a result many examiners, and head examiners made gross mistakes which ultimately affected many candidates.

It is learnt that a large number of applications has been submitted to the Board for re-scrutiny of answer scripts. But they do not know when the re-scrutiny will be started and completed.

Many students may miss the admission in intermediate classes. The examinees are demanding quick disposal of the re-scrutiny to relieve them of mental anxiety.

They stressed the importance of close cooperation between the board and the computer centre in solving the re-scrutiny and withheld cases.

Jessore

Our Jessore Correspondent reports: Many students passing SSC Examinations this year may be deprived of higher education in reputed colleges of Jessore district due to shortage of seats. A total of 13,739 students passed the SSC Examinations in Jessore district this year. About 8,318 examinees passed in the First Division, 5,256 in the Second Division and 135 got third division in the district this year.

According to a survey, the five colleges of the district considered as standard colleges are Govt MM University College, Govt City College, Govt Women's College, Cantonment College and BAF Shaheen College. These colleges can accommodate only 3,585 students and the majority of 10,154 SSC passed students will not be able to get admission in these colleges. Even only the First Division holders will not be able to be

accommodated in those five colleges.

Besides, there are 16 more colleges including the colleges at thana level. These colleges except the thana level colleges are unable to accommodate many students. They suffer from accommodation problem. In addition, many students may not get themselves admitted into those colleges due to lack of facilities.