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SSC exam results to be published in due time

Results of the just-concluded Secondary School Certificate (SSC) examination under the Dhaka Education Board will be published in due time, said the Chairman of the Board on Sunday, reports UNB.

His assertion came amidst the teachers strike in non-government schools and colleges that began April 18.

"We have conducted the examinations of more than 6.5 lakh students across the country without facing any major problem and hope to publish the result after three months of

the examination as per schedule," said Dhaka Board Chairman Prof Md. Latifur Rahman.

He told UNB that examination papers of Bengali and English 1st and 2nd papers—almost 40 percent of the total papers had already been distributed among the examiners and other papers would be distributed soon according to the schedule.

Prof Latif said a large number of teachers had already joined their duty. Teachers of all schools in the city, except three, are taking classes regularly in the greater interest of the students, he added.

He said, "most of the teachers we communicated showed interest in examining the answer scripts and hoped to complete the job within the stipulated time."

The Dhaka Board Chairman, however, declined to comment on the teachers strike, saying that "the government is sincerely trying to solve the problem but the situation remains unchanged due to the rigidity of some teachers."

About 1.5 lakh teachers and employees of about 11,000 private schools and colleges went on the strike demanding job security, a full-fledged pay-scale and rise in the government's contribution to their basic pay from 70 to 100 percent.

The striking teachers will hold a 'grand sit-in' on June 11 in front of Jatiya Press Club as part of their agitation programme.

The 4-point demand of the Liaison Committee also includes equal facilities for the students of private and government schools and colleges.