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## Today's HSC exams shifted to June 30

The Secondary and Higher Secondary Education Boards in the country on Wednesday decided to shift all HSC examinations scheduled for June 18 to June 30, reports BSS.

A Press Note of the Education Ministry said the timetable of the examinations will remain unchanged.

"The Opposition's countrywide hartal call after their long march programme centering Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT) issues coincided with the HSC examinations and the hartal call was unwanted to the people", the Press Note said.

It said the government and the people expected that considering greater interest of the HSC examinees the Opposition would withdraw their hartal programme or keep the examinations outside the hartal activities.

Different national newspapers, guardians and teachers association pleaded through published news and articles for withdrawal of hartal, it said.

"The civil society expected that hartal calls will be differed considering HSC examinations and scheduled dates of the examinations will not be shifted for observing hartals", it observed.

The Press Note opined that the civil society was disappointed by the indifference shown by the Opposition to the greater national (educational) interest and anxieties of the examinees.

The Education Ministry following no initiative from the Opposition has given advice to the educational boards in the country to postpone all examinations scheduled on June 18 considering safety of the examinees, the Press Note added.

Meanwhile, Bangladesh Madrasa Shiksha Board has shifted all examinations scheduled on June 18 to June 24.