

Mother's and their children's school admission

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THIS is a very crucial month for many mothers especially those who are planning to put their children to school for the first time.

At private schools, admission is now going on. Children have to sit for a test to get a seat. At English medium tutorials as long as one is ready to pay money one is sure to get a seat except in the very good ones like Sunbeams, BIT, Scholastica and Aga Khan.

In Sunbeams one has to really prepare a child well to get a seat and form for admission has to be collected one year in advance. Said Mrs N. Ahmed, "The way things are going, I think in the future, parents will have to book seats as soon as a child is born."

"Don't laugh, the way things are going. This will be the picture in five year's time unless we have more good schools."

The same is the case with good Bangla school admission. Coaching centres have sprung up to coach five year old kids to tackle admission tests. Unless one takes coaching for a couple of months ahead of the admission schedule, it is next-to-impossible for a child to qualify. Schools of repute are few but the rush to get in is immense. The entire population it seems wants admission in a good school. Even with two shifts many such schools are finding it very difficult to increase admission.

Viquarunnessa Noon School is a place where admission can be ensured on payment of a handsome

donation or by qualifying in the admission test. Said a competitor, "Unless you send your ward for coaching to a teacher

Viquarunnessa School for a couple of months ahead of the admission test, the child never qualifies. Teachers know what comes in the exams and they teach accordingly. The question of patronising a coaching centre no matter how reputable it is, does not arise.

The same sentiment is expressed by many mothers who have faced admission tangle.

I feel, the best tutor that a child can have is her mother. If a child is coached properly for a considerable period of time there is no reason why the child should do bad in exams. But the mother must know what to teach. She must be acquainted with the syllabus, technique of exams, process of marking etc. etc.

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Let us not put undue pressures on our tiny tots unnecessarily. Let us give them a chance to grow as they want to grow and not force our wishes on them and make



Durjya Nari Sangha brought out a procession in the city in observance of International Women's Violation Prevention day.



Guests at nurses certificate awarding ceremony.