

## Kids must be enrolled in local schools

Says PM

BSS, Dhaka

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday urged the authorities concerned to ensure admission of every child in their local schools, saying it is the right of a child to get admission in the schools in the area they live in.

She also asked the officials concerned to monitor and coordinate with the ministries in this regard.

The PM directed the ministries of women and children affairs and social welfare to take necessary steps to ensure food, shelter and education of street children.

"No children would live on the streets. The government has the capacity to feed reportedly 34 lakh street children as we have ensured food security for 16 crore people," she said.

Hasina said this while inaugurating the World

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Children Day and Children's Rights Week-2015 at Bangladesh Shishu Academy auditorium in the capital.

She reiterated her call not to make education as burden for children but create an atmosphere in the schools, and families where they would agree to take lessons on their own and feel encouraged in learning.

The premier also unequivocally said the government by no means would accept violence on domestic helps and engagement of children in any risky job, saying the government would not tolerate any oppression on children.

State Minister for Women and Children Affairs Meher Afroze Chumki presided over the function organised by the ministry. Unicef country representative Edouard Beigbeder attended the function as the special guest.