

Govt urged to nationalise non-govt primary schools

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The Bangladesh Non-government Primary Teachers Association leaders urged the government to nationalise 19 thousand 684 non-government primary schools within March 27, next. Otherwise the association will announce action programme to realise the demand.

The action programmes include wearing of black badges from March 29 to March 31, abstention from work from April 7 to 9, submission of memorandum to all the deputy commissioners and district primary education officers on April 16, sit-in strike of leading teachers for two hours at Muktangan on April 24 and rally of teachers at the central Shaheed Minar and submission of memorandum to the Prime Minister on May 22.

Secretary General of the association Md. Munsur Ali said at a Press conference on Saturday at the National Press Club that the ruling party is not following its election pledge regarding nationalisation of non-government primary school. Founder and Chief Adviser of the association former State Minister Dr. Mohiuddin Khan Alamgir also spoke at the press conference.

Responding to a question Dr. Mohiuddin Khan Alamgir said, the Awami League government had enhanced the monthly salaries of non-government teachers from Taka 500 to Taka 1987.50. The number of non-government primary teachers is roughly 80 thousand. Awami League government had plan to nationalise those schools. Both the Awami League and BNP projected the issue in their election manifestos for the realisation of demand.

He said in the interest of the nation the government should nationalise all the registered non-government primary schools of the country.