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The Education Minister, Mr. Mabbubur Rahaman, said in Dhaka on Wednesday that a national education committee would be set up to formulate recommendations on the education system, reports BSS.

The committee would submit its recommendations within the given time, he said, while speaking at the concluding session of the National Education Week at the Shilpakala Academy Auditorium. Deputy Minister for Education Golam Sarwar, Milan, Education Secretary M. A. Sayeed and Director General of Secondary and Higher Secondary Education A. H. M. Karim were present on the occasion.

A total of 21 schools from the country's old districts and five colleges from the four divisions were chosen as the best institutions and were given awards on the occasion. Besides, winners of the cultural competitions arranged in

observance of the week were also given prizes by the Minister.

Mr. Mahbub said that there would be one University College in each of the 21 old districts of the country during the next three years. Besides, he pointed out that honours courses would be introduced in the colleges where required facilities and standard would be available. These would be in addition to the colleges where honours courses had already been introduced.

The Minister referred to the work on the establishment of two Universities and said the Sylhet and Khulna Universities would start functioning by 1990. He pointed out that the education system would be made in a pyramid pattern where the area of primary education would be vast and higher education would gradually be made for the deserving student.

The Minister described the holding of national education week as a "significant" step and said observance of this week would be a regular annual feature and from next year one college from each of the old districts and one high school from each of the 64 districts would be selected for awards. He said that the government would provide all possible assistance to the educational institutions where proper and due education would be given but he warned such assistance would also be withdrawn from those institutions where performances would be bad.

Mr. Mahtab noted that a trend had been developed to shift the examination centres from the urban areas to the rural areas by a section of examinees with a view to adopting unfair means. In this context, he said that the go-

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overnment was thinking to cancell those examination centres where such unfair means would be found. He sought the cooperation of all concerned to make success a new education system the government was going to introduce from his year.