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28000 deprived of primary education in Joypurhat

From Our Correspondent

JOYPURHAT, Feb. 6.—At least 28,000 students in the age group of 6 to 10 years are deprived of primary education in five thanas of the district.

The total number of students enrolling in 350 primary schools is about 82 thousand while 28 thousand students who are not going to schools are deprived of primary education. The number of such boys is increasing gradually.

The govt. programme "education for all by the year 2000" may not be achieved if the govt fails to take necessary steps at the initial stage to make it success. In this regard, the programme of Compulsory Primary Education should be strengthen throughout the country without further delay.

In addition to this, govt must enhance the physical facilities to the existing primary schools such as sufficient furniture, adequate accommodation, arrangement of latrines and urinals, supply of pure drinking water and teaching materials.

The non-govt primary schools should be nationalised as soon as possible.

Rajbari

Our Rajbari Correspondent writes : The District Primary Education office has distributed 1,14,350 sets of books to primary schools for distribution among the primary students of Class I to V during the current academic session under the compulsory free primary Education Programme. Out of the total books, 43,400 were distributed in sadar thana, 35,700 in Goalundoghat thana.

The classwise distribution is as follows : 34,100 sets for Class I, 30,500 Class II, 18,900 for Class III, 16,850 for Class IV and 14,000 sets for Class V.

There are 263 government primary and 59 registered primary schools in the district. The distribution of the books has been completed.

Sale of note-books

The sale of notebooks is going on unabated in all thanas of the district hampering the development of the mental faculty of the students. The note-books are being sold at random in book shops of the market.

It may be mentioned here that the government has imposed ban on

publishing and selling of note-books upto Class III. Some dishonest traders are publishing note books with fake names of and addresses of renowned authors. These note-books are full of errors and distortion of facts.

The students are reading note books without going through the textbooks. As a result, they acquire partial knowledge of the subjects. The pressure on the buying of note-books is increasing day by day.