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Well-educated citizen must for honest leadership: CA

Chief Adviser Dr Fakhruddin Ahmed on Saturday said conscious and well-educated citizen is essential for the success of nation's effort to establish honest leadership and real democracy by uprooting corruption in the country, reports UNB.

It is also necessary to set up knowledge-based enlightened society through establishing good governance and ensuring justice and human rights, and to keep the wheels of economy moving, he said.

"For this, today it is very urgent to enlighten all citizens with the light of education in the shortest possible time."

The Chief Adviser made the remarks formally inaugurating the main programme marking the International Literacy Day 2007 at the Osmani Memorial Auditorium.

This year's theme of the Literacy Day is 'Literacy: Key to health and wellbeing'.

Dr Fakhruddin said ensuring quality education for all is one of the major national issues while eradicating illiteracy within shortest possible time is now the prime challenge.

He said combined effort by all is essential to face the challenges and implement the initiatives already taken.

"Specially setting up an effective connection between schools and society is a demand of time."

Apart from the government, he said, it is also essential to build up firm institutional foundation comprising private organizations, representatives of civil society and elite in conducting the schools.

Strengthening supervision is necessary for ensuring quality

education and for its expansion, he added.

The Chief Adviser called upon teachers, guardians, officers and employees, governing committees of schools, NGOs and members of civil society to work together in this regard.

The Chief Adviser urged all to contribute in raising the status of our dearest motherland having enormous potentials through patriotism and productive and moral education.

He expressed the hope for successful completion of all efforts to establish a modern and prosperous Bangladesh and in making worthy citizens by ensuring quality education.

Education Adviser Ayub Quadri presided over the function organized by the Primary and Mass Education Ministry.