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Expansion of science edn stressed

Academics suggested an education system with up-to-date arrangements for science and technology curriculum so that students show eagerness for science and technology, says UNB.

The suggestion came from an education conference marking the National Education Week-97, held on Saturday at the TSC auditorium of Dhaka University.

Professor Dr Mohammad Ibrahim of DU Physics Department presented a paper on Development of Science and Technology Education.

Varsity Treasurer Professor M Shamsul Islam delivered the inaugural address in the function, chaired by Vice-Chancellor AK Azad Chowdhury.

Outlining the historical necessity of science and technology education, Prof Ibrahim said penchant for science education had been on the wane day by day in absence of a proper atmosphere.

Particularly, the female students' participation in science and technology education is marginal, he noted, stressing a new education policy focused on science and technology.

Calling upon the government to take positive steps for expanding science and technology education, VC Azad Chowdhury in his speech said science education need to be spread immensely to face the challenge of 21st century.

Education on science and technology is also important for the creation of skilled manpower which is essential for industrial development, the VC said.

He in this context cited Malaysia and Korea as an example. They got part of their manpower western-trained preceding their strides.