

Nahid wants stern steps against stalking

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Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid yesterday urged the authorities concerned, including law enforcement agencies, to take strong measures to check stalking and thus help ensure a congenial academic atmosphere for girls.

"A social resistance must be created against eve-teasing, and necessary steps should be taken to ensure the security of female students..." he told a meeting arranged by the Education Ministry at Bangladesh Secretariat in the capital.

Nahid said guardians of school- and



college-going girls are now worried following the news of a stalker's attack on a schoolgirl in Madaripur.

The minister said stalking must be eliminated from society to implement various programmes of the government aimed at expanding female education in the country.

He said this is not possible to prevent the social menace only by enforcing laws, but a social movement must be created to stop it.

Education Secretary Md Sohrab Hossain and senior officials of the ministry were present at the meeting. ||