

Square Group helps rebuild century-old public library

From Our Correspondent

PABNA, Dec 18: "We should establish at least one rich and modern public library in each and every thana for enabling the new generation to be equipped with the required knowledge to face the challenge of the new century."

Samson H Chowdhury, chairman of the Square Group of Industries and a former chairman of Dhaka Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and Industries, told this recently while laying the foundation stone of a new building of the century-old Annada Gobinda

Public Library in Pabna.

At a discussion meeting held on this occasion with Waziuddin Khan MP, President of the executive committee of the library in the chair, Rafiqul Islam Bakul MP, Mahbubur Rahman, Deputy Commissioner, Asaduzzaman Miah, Superintendent of Police, Pabna, Abdul Matin Khan, Secretary of the managing committee of the library participated in the discussion.

The speakers recalled the glorious tradition of Annada Gobinda Public Library which

was set up in 1887 by late Annada Gobinda Choudhury, a zamindar of Tantibandha in Pabna district.

One minute silence was observed to pay respect to the departed soul of the great founder of this library which is not only one of the oldest but also one of the richest public libraries in Bangladesh.

A new multi-storied building is going to be constructed at a cost of Tk one crore. The Square Group will bear the expenses.

Elite of the town attended the function.