IT education stressed

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Speakers at a seminar on Thursday said students should pay more attention to information technology (IT) education so that they can develop themselves as efficient individuals for taking the challenges of the fast-changing world.

They also underscored the need for allocating more funds to IT sector.

Brac University organised the seminar on 'Enhancing IT skills with Cisco curricula in Bangladesh' at LGED auditorium at Agargaon in the city.

Inaugurating the seminar, Prof Jamilur Reza Choudhury said students should adopt new technology for enhancing their capacity.

"It is obvious that the policymakers, institutions and the academia of the country need to gear themselves up to deal with the challenges posed by the new situation. It is time for all of those, who are associated with planning and implementation of educational programmes, to revitalise their thinking and focus on the subject (IT)," he said.

He also said that present caretaker government has recently formed a committee to update the draft on national policy of IT.

Lokesh Mehra, regional manager of Corporate Responsibility for Cisco System, the worldwide leader of networking for the internet, said IT knowledge has become a must for everyone's survival.

Jagan Jothivel, academy manager of India and Saarc regional for the Cisco Networking Academy, also spoke.