

## Pry teachers for status rise of head teachers

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THE leaders of the Bangladesh Primary Teachers Association on Saturday issued a fresh ultimatum as part of their movement pushing their 12-point demand, including a rise in the status of the primary head teachers.

The teachers at a press conference at the Mukti Bhaban warned that their movement would grow stronger if the government failed to respond by November 13.

The next phase of their agitation after November 13 will include a human chain in front of the National Press Club and submission of a memorandum to the prime minister.

Association leaders said they would submit memorandums to the primary and mass education minister and the prime minister through the upazila nirbahi officers on October 15 and through deputy commissioners on October 22.

The demands include a rise in status of the primary head teachers from the present third class gazetted officer to second class.

Among their other demands are appointment of orderlies and night guards for the primary schools, implementation of the National Education Policy 2010 and introduction of Class VI to at least one primary school in every union from 2013.

Association general secretary Anwarul Islam read out the written statement at the press conference also attended by its president Abul Bashir and senior vice-president Jahanara Begum.