

Pry, ibtedayi terminal exams begin *2.14 do not take exams*

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THE Primary and Ibtedayi Terminal Examinations of the Class V student began on Wednesday, with 2,14,031 students not taking the mathematics examinations, the primary and mass education ministry control room said.

Besides, 12 students were expelled for cheating in the exams on the day.

Of the 2,14,031, who did not take the exams, 1,60,973 were from general education and 53,058 from madrrasah education.

This year, 29,69,393 students — 26,41,067 from primary schools and 3,28,326 from madrassahs — took the terminal examinations. Of the total number of examinees, 6,05,414 are girls and 13,63,979 boys.

The examinees will take the Bengali exam today.

The examinations,

which will end on November 29, will be held every day from 11:00am to 1:00pm. Students with physical disabilities will get 20 more minutes to write their answers.

From this year, answer scripts would be sent to other upazilas for evaluation. Earlier, the answer scripts were evaluated by teachers within the same upazilas.

Education minister Nurul Islam Nahid and primary and mass education minister Afsarul Islam visited different centres on the day.

In the past year, 23,16,521 students — 12,49,693 girls and 10,66,828 boys — took the primary and ibtedayi terminal examinations.

The Primary and Ibtedayi Terminal Examinations, the largest public examinations of the country, were introduced in 2009.