

Dhaka gets first govt college after independence

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Shaheed Begum Sheikh Fazilatunnesa Mujib Government College, the first public college founded in the capital after 42 years of independence, started its journey yesterday.

Inaugurating the institution in Hazaribagh, Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid said the college would ease the sufferings of the deprived and poor children whose access to the costly education in the capital was limited.

The four-storey college equipped with four laboratories, a library, and an information technology lab, will offer secondary and higher secondary education. Some 173 students have been enrolled in the college under the current academic session.

The college authorities said two more floors would be added to the college building soon.

At present, the capital has 24 government secondary schools and 11 colleges. The construction of 11 new secondary schools and five colleges in the capital are underway, said Nahid, adding that the Tk 453 crore project was due to end in June 2014.

Lawmaker Rashed Khan Menon, also chairman of the parliamentary body on the education ministry, was present on the occasion.

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