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English Medium Under NCTB

Sir,
 In order to respond to the fast growing demand of English NCTB introduced the English version of the existing text books of different subjects from class VI to X. Welcoming the decision Rajuk Uttara Model School and College introduced the English medium section and admitted students to Class VI in the year 1998 who are going to sit for the SSC exam. in the year 2003. But the students of this medium are facing some problems which I feel constrained to let the authority concerned know along with some other necessary points

(i) Though the English version books on various subjects are available for the students of this medium. Islamiat book has not yet been translated in English causing serious problems to the students of this medium. Teachers try to make notes for the students in the light of the Bengali version book which fails to cater to the demand of the students

(ii) English version general science and social science books don't contain the recent data which appear in the Bengali version books. Students of the English medium are aware of the old facts and information available in the 1998 version book. Whereas the Bengali Medium students are aware of the recent information of their text books as these books are being made up to date every year. Necessarily they are supposed to do better than the English Medium students.

(iii) NCTB translated books in 1998 for the students of Rajuk College. Since then no book has yet been revised. Moreover, the first batch students are going to sit for the SSC Exam. in the year 2003. We don't know whether any initiative is taken yet to publish English version books of HSC class for these students. When they will see the scarcity of standard books with current information, they may lose their interest in studying the English version. If this situation really appears, the very noble objective of the NCTB as well as of the govt. to produce English knowing students will go in vain.

(iv) It is learnt from the experience of Viqarunnesa School and College that English medium students show comparatively poor results in the Board exams in spite of their having more merit than the students of Bengali medium. This fact reveals doubt, whether the scripts of English medium students are

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 sources said Director of CHT
 Development Facilities, Michael
 Heyn is scheduled to visit the
 Project areas of Belachhari
 upazila in Rangamati tomorrow.
 sources added, reports HSS