

## ENSURING QUALITY TEXTBOOKS JS sub-committee asked to recommend ways

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PARLIAMENTARY standing committee on primary and mass education ministry on Thursday asked its sub-committee to recommend ways to check corruption in the printing of textbooks of primary schools and to ensure their distribution amongst the students in time.

The parliamentary watchdog made the instructions in its 17th meeting in Jatiya Sansad Bhaban as 21 business houses were found printing and supplying sub-standard textbooks for pre-primary and primary schools

in 2015 academic year.

The five-member sub-committee headed by ruling party lawmaker Shamsul Haque Chowdhury was formed on July 8 to recommend ways to ensure quality of the printing of textbooks.

The Thursday meeting also asked the sub-committee to recommend ways to strengthen the monitoring on the printing of textbooks and ensure that the books were printed on quality papers.

The committee asked the primary and mass education ministry to extend its all-out cooperation to the sub-com-

mittee.

The committee members agreed on giving special allowance to the primary teachers of islands, haor and tea garden areas as enjoyed by the teachers in hill districts and recommended that the ministries concerned should take necessary steps in this regard.

The committee chairman, Md Motahar Hossain, primary and mass education minister Mostafizur Rahman, committee members AKM Jahangir Hossain, Ali Azam, Mohammad Ilias and Umme Razia Kaja were present.