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Quality education in primary schools underscored

Education Adviser Ayub Quadri on Monday stressed the need for concerted efforts of all stakeholders to ensure quality education in primary schools across the country, reports UNB.

"We're all stakeholders... so, participation of all of us is needed to implement the PEDP project," he said addressing a review workshop on the 'Second Primary Education Development Programme'.

Asian Development Bank (ADB) country director Hua Du was the special guest at the workshop held at the Directorate of Primary Education in the city.

Directorate of Primary Education organised the workshop to have necessary recommendations for making a success of the 'Mid Term Review' to be held next October.

The government in collaboration with 11 development partners has been implementing the six-year 'Primary Education Development Programme (PEDP)' since 2004 to improve the quality of

primary education in the country.

He said there have been some achievements, including the infrastructure development, employment opportunity and good governance in primary education.

"The number of trained teachers has increased substantially," he said, adding, "but we expect a lot more from this programme."

ADB Country Director Hua Du in her remarks said the core objective of PEDP-II is to improve the quality of primary education and to improve access, both in line with the government's international commitment to MDGs and 'Education for All'.