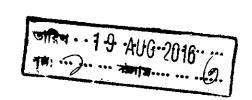
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COMMITTEE formed by the National Curricu-lum and Textbook Board Wednesday has been asked to submit a report within a month on whether text-books contain lessons that could encourage extremism.

The 11-mmember committee has been asked to identify whether or not textbooks for schools and madrssahs published or approved by the NCTB contain lessons that could encourage extremism.

The NCTB ordered the probe s following a report on the issue New Age published on August 4.

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madrassahs: schools, Textbooks, guidebooks give extremist interpretation re-

textbooks and guidebooks for class eight to 12.

'At the very first meeting\_ of the committee Wednes-

ing Jihad as compulsory for Muslims, professor Mia Enam, NCTB member for textbooks, told New Age.

The committee would, he said, also scan the guidebooks and referral books to find out whether or not they offer extremists' interpreta-

extremists' interpretations of Jihad and their publishers, he said. The

New Age report raised the question what's the justification of teaching school and madrassah students the complex issue of · 1 Jihad.

The report showed that day, we took the New Age report seriously to scan the textbooks and the guidebooks, committee convener Mia Enamul Hoq Siddique said Thursday.

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Tions of Jihad.

He said that if necessary extremists' interpretations of Jihad were offered in textbooks for schools and madrassahs published by NCTB would be requested to take action against guidebooks and the guidebooks and referral books offering to the said that extremists' interpretations of Jihad.

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