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## Nat'l textbook festival today for 35.21crore students

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The National Textbook Festival will be celebrated today (Tuesday) while free books will be distributed among the students of schools and madrassahs across the country. Today 35,21,97,882 free textbooks would be distributed among 4,26,19,865 primary and secondary level students for the academic year of 2019. The education minister Nurul Islam Nahid is scheduled to inaugurate the festival centrally for secondary level students at Azimpur Government Girls' School and College playground at 9:30am, said the ministry officials. At the programme he would also distribute free textbooks among the students, they added. Meanwhile, the primary and mass education minister Mostafizur Rahman is scheduled to inaugurate the festival centrally for primary level students at on Dhaka University central playground at 10:00am, said the ministry officials. Earlier on December 24, prime minister Sheikh Hasina formally inaugurated the festival. As per the National Curriculum and Textbook Board, this year 35,21,97,882 textbooks will be distributed among over four crore pre-primary, primary, secondary, Ebtedayee, dakhil vocational, SSC vocational, ethnic minority groups and visually challenged students across the country. The number of textbooks has been reduced by 20,92,280 this year which was 35,42,90,162 in 2018 academic year following a decision not to print extra books.



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