

# The Daily Star

Wednesday, "March 27, 2019"

Home » Back Page

12:00 AM, March 26, 2019 / LAST MODIFIED: 10:52 AM, March 26, 2019

## HSC Exams: Coaching centres to be shut for 36 days



Education Minister Dr Dipu Moni addressing a press conference at her Secretariat office in Dhaka on March 25, 2019. Photo: BSS

---

**Staff Correspondent**

---

The government has imposed a 36-day closure on all coaching centres across the country from April 1, when the Higher Secondary Certificate (HSC) examinations will begin.

Education Minister Dipu Moni made the announcement yesterday after holding a meeting at her office at the ministry. The measure was taken to prevent question paper leaks.

The HSC exams are to be held across Bangladesh from April 1 till May 11, according to schedule.

Dipu Moni also gave briefing on some general guidelines for the HSC examinees, including instructions for examinees to enter the exam centres 30 minutes before the tests begin. She said anyone who fails to enter within this time will have to mention the reason for delay, along with name and roll number, in the examination register.

No mobile phone, watches or unapproved electronic devices will be allowed in exam centres. Those in-charge of the centres are allowed only to bring mobile phones that cannot take pictures or have internet facilities, said Dipu Moni.

She added that no electronic device will be allowed within 200 yards of the exam centres. Upon violation of these rules, legal action will be taken, she warned.

The education minister also said the set code of the question papers would be announced 25 minutes before each exam and the package containing the question papers will have to be opened in presence of authorised people following the code of conduct.

Dipu Moni said law enforcement agencies or relevant departments of the government would strengthen their activities against question paper leaks on social media, those involved in the leaks, and any rumour spread in this regard.

“Law enforcement agencies and district administrations will take stern legal actions against anyone [found to be] involved with question paper leaks or supplying answers to examinees,” she said.

A total of 13,51,309 students will be sitting for the HSC and equivalent exams this year in 2,580 exam centres across the country.

**Stay updated on the go with The Daily Star Android & iOS [News App](#). [Click here](#) to download it for your device.**

### The Daily Star **Breaking news** alert on your phone

Grameenphone:

Type **START** <space> **BR** and send SMS it to **22222**

Robi:

Type **START** <space> **BR** and send SMS it to **2222**

Banglalink:

Type **START** <space> **BR** and send SMS it to **2225**

*Find more information on SMS subscription*

---

## LEAVE YOUR COMMENTS COMMENT POLICY

0 Comments

Sort by **Newest** ▾



Add a comment...

 Facebook Comments Plugin

---

## TOP NEWS

---