



Chief Martial Law Administrator Lt. Gen. H. M. Ershad inaugurating the "Computerized system of Educational Administration and Management" on Wednesday. — Photo PID.

Make education realistic, work-oriented : CMLA

Chief Martial Law Administrator Lt. Gen. H. M. Ershad on Wednesday inaugurated the Computerised system of educational administration and management underlining the need for correct information and statistics to formulate plans and proper administration in education sector, reports BSS.

The CMLA said with the expansion of educational facilities the Government wants to bring about a qualitative improvement in the system. We are earnestly eager for making education work-oriented and realistic he said adding the Government is already engaged in materialising various reformative measures in this regard.

Gen Ershad expressed the hope that the use of computer will save time and resources in the proper implementation of plans and its evaluation for building up a healthy and successful educational system in the country.

The CMLA said there are one crore twenty-five lakh children of school-going age in the

country of whom nearly thirty-nine lakh do not go to school at all. He said 80 per cent of the total children who go to school discontinue their studies before completion of the primary level.

Gen Ershad described this situation as alarming and said we need to undertake realistic and effective steps immediately to halt this trend. The government is aware of this situation and have already taken various programmes to improve the situation he added.

He said the primary-level education administration has already been taken to the Upazila level under the decentralisation programme of the government. He pointed out that only government's effort is not adequate to make the primary education universal and emphasised the need for active participation and cooperation of the people in accomplishing this objective.

Gen. Ershad said the guardians have an important role to play in sending their wards to

school and ensuring that they (children) complete their primary level education. He said in order to get the fruits of the expanded facilities in education sector there is a need for creating an atmosphere of cooperation and close contacts among the educational institutions, education administration and the local people.

He expressed his satisfaction to learn that beside compiling all information and statistics in education sector the new computer system at the Bureau of Educational Information and Statistics will work out smoothly.

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schools, colleges and madrasahs.

The function was also addressed by the Minister for Education Dr A Majeed Khan.

Ministers and senior civil and military officials were among others present on the occasion.

Welcoming Gen Ershad the Education Minister Dr Majeed Khan said the introduction of use of computer in the educational administration and management was "the most significant event" in the sphere of education.

Computerised administrative mechanism will help the government streamline overwhelming task of disbursing government contribution to the salary of more than two lakh teachers and employees of non-government educational institution the Minister said.

Dr Khan said use of computer in educational administration would also help the Government to rationalise the administrative apparatus for managing the state-run primary schools and about one lakh 25 thousand primary teachers throughout the country.

The Education Minister ruled out the 'popular allegation' that use of computer would replace men by machine and added that introduction of the machine would not only help us streamline the administrative methodology but also open up newer opportunities for employment of Educated and qualified people.

Dr Khan emphasised that to meet the presentday problems of administration use of computerised devices and modern methodologies was unavoidable need.