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## Non-govt primary schools in disarray

Our Correspondent

JHENIDAH, Dec 27 : All the 93 non-government primary schools in Jhenidah district have been facing manifold problems causing serious setback to primary education.

According to Primary Education Office, the upazila break-up of unrecognised primary schools are : 16 in Jhenidah Sadar, 28 in Shaikopa, 14 in Kaliganj, 15 in Maheshpur, 13 in Harinakundu and 7 in Kotchandpur.

About 19000 students are studying in these schools and 380 teachers are serving without salary.

With financial shingency affecting the teachers, the education of the children have been adversely affected.

Most of the schools are without furniture. Many of them are holding classes under the open sky.

Guardians complained that even those school functioning for over 15 years have not been recognised by the government.

Consequently it is feared that most of the schools in the district might go for abrupt

closure due to the prevailing situation.

Elite of the town have urged for early government recognition to those primary schools which have been functioning for about two decades.

### MANIKGANJ

Our Manikganj correspondent adds : The government Debendra College here has been facing multiferous problems adversely hampering education of the students.

Established in 1942, the college was nationalised in 1980. But educational facilities and requisite number of teachers have not yet been provided to run the college smoothly.

Only 50 teachers are there in the college out of 65 posts to teach a total of 2150 students.

The class-rooms are inadequate to cope with the need of the students. The condition of the library is quite unsatisfactory. Absence of catalogue and paucity of books have multiplied the problems.