

# Body on pry edn to submit report to CA today

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The consultation committee on quality improvement of primary and non-formal education is scheduled to submit its report to the chief adviser today with its major recommendation that education till Class XII should be made universal.

The report contains around 100 recommendations, according to a press release.

The primary and mass education ministry on September 30 last year formed the 9-member consultation committee, tasking it with giving recommendations on quality improvement.

A press release issued by the ministry on Sunday read that the adviser to the ministry Bidhan Ranjan Roy Podder would submit the committee report to chief adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus at 5.05pm today at the Foreign Service Academy in the capital.

Committee head Manzoor Ahmed, also BRAC University professor emeritus, told New Age on the day that they had divided the report into eight parts based on issues including—teaching and learning, teachers and education workers and professionals, access, disparity, special needs students, pre-primary education, non-formal learning and out of school children, and gender.

The committee gave recommendations implementable in immediate, medium and long terms, after reviewing the existing teaching and learning activities, training and skill development activities, research and overall management structure in primary education.

‘We gave a recommendation for making universal the entire school education—from primary level to Class XII,’ Manzoor Ahmed said.

He said that without keeping consistency between the primary and secondary level education the quality of education would not improve.

The committee also recommended formation of a temporary consultation council which could be transformed to a permanent commission when the political government would take over, he added.

Member secretary of the committee is primary and mass education ministry joint secretary (school) Md Asaduzzaman, while among its members are former ministry officials, educationists and a representative from non-profit Gonoshahajjo Sangstha.