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# Literacy campaign forges ahead in Khulna

From Our Correspondent

DAULATPUR, June 21.—Out of 2,760 villages in Khulna district 2,439 have come under the second phase of mass literacy campaign. About 2,21,616 illiterate people are being taught at present in the mass education centres of these villages. Of them 1,36,709 are male and the rest are female an official source said.

For this purpose 2,87,841 primary books have so far been distributed among them—and 17,315 teachers have been given training at district, thana and union levels.

A total of 6,571 literacy squads have also been formed in this connection. Besides, seven voluntary organisations have been engaged for the removal of illiteracy, the source added.

An ejahar was lodged with the local police station it is learnt.

## Adult education centre

An adult education centre for women was opened at the Madhyadanga Primary School premises in response to the call of President Ziaur Rahman for removal of illiteracy.

Mr. Shaikh Abdul Jabbar, President of Daulatpur Thana Unit of Bangladesh Nationalist Party formally inaugurated the centre.

The inaugural ceremony was rounded off with a discussion meeting which was largely attended by the students and elite of the locality.

Presided over by Mr. Fazlur

Rahman, the meeting was addressed among others by Mr. Abdus Sattar, Mr. Matiar Rahman and Mr. Tahmina Rahman.

A preparatory committee was also formed in this connection.

The first ladies' evening meeting was held at the Rotary School premises Khalishpur recently under the auspices of Rotary Club of Khulna North with Rtn. Sarwar Khan in the chair.

The meeting was rounded off with a cultural function. Members of the Club and some other local artistes participated.

Rtn. Nasir Haider directed the function.