

## Superior Posts Examination

Sir Bangladesh Public Service Commission is going to hold the second ever full fledged competitive examination this year under the name and style: Superior Posts Examination. A notice to that effect was served through national dailies on 2nd February last.

No doubt this decision of the Commission will create hope among educated ambitious youths of the country. Doubtless it is also that, this is a rare opportunity for a young man who entertains a one cherished aim to start his career as a Civil Servant and thereby render service to the nation. Added to it is the fact that this is the last opportunity for many either to build up their career upto choice or spend lives with jobs never expected. All these considerations reveal that to make haste with the holding of the competitive examination of the sort is bound to frustrate the real purpose of the examination precisely because a considerable number of candidates, as experience goes come from heterogeneous services and the bulk of the rest from universities. Of the main two groups one is engaged in jobs and the other is preoccupied with vast syllabi for the courses of studies provided by the universities.

All these factors apparently go to show that for candidates described above it is hardly possible to appear at a competitive examination with comprehensive syllabi for thirteen written papers with a preparation of three or four months only. Besides, in almost all the cases candidates would be bound to offer some subjects which are not known to them. Not only that, for the purpose of competitive examination, they have to acquire knowledge on those subjects equivalent to that of a student who has passed the B.A. (Hons.) Examination in those subjects with at least 50% marks. The problem does not end there. Candidates living in Mofussil Towns and in rural areas are beset with crisis of necessary books and in fact they have to spend much of their time in collection of books in most of the papers.

Now this is my fervent hope that the Commission will take all these factors into active consideration in fixing date for the examination. As for my opinion on the time, it should not be less than six months from the date of notification. We came to know that the Commission intends to hold the Examination in June next. --Yours, etc. M. MOAZZAM HOSSAIN PASHA, Central Ghop, Jessore.

## Problem Of Admission

Sir—With a view to improve in the standard of instruction the Government sanctioned an amount of Taka 50 lakh last year to as many as 30 private schools for the extension of their external facilities. But most of the schools have reportedly failed to complete the extension work during the last year. While we appreciate the above step of the Government, we would at the same time like to suggest to take some other measures for the all-round improvement of the existing institutions. Among the measures setting up of new schools with double-shift arrangement and increasing the accommodation capacity of the existing ones may be mentioned. This will minimise the present admission rush to the standard schools to a great extent. Until the existing institutions are provided with necessary equipment competent teachers and other facilities, it will be quite impossible on the part of the standard schools numbering only 35 to cope with the rising problem of admission rush.

It is hoped concerned authorities would give thoughts to and make effort for a reasonable solution of this problem. --Yours etc. F. A. JILANI, Dacca.