

Standard of Secondary edn deteriorates in Maulvibazar

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The average standard of secondary education in Maulvibazar district has deteriorated. There are about 100 non-government high schools in all the 6 thanas of the district. But these schools are beset with innumerable problems hampering education about 40 thousand students.

According to a survey, qualified and meritorious persons do not take up teaching at the non-government secondary schools as their profession due to the lack of facilities like gratuity, house rent, bonus and pension which are given in government high school teachers. Besides, a good number of schools of the district cannot pay 20 per cent salary to teachers due to lack of necessary funds. Moreover, there is a government ban to increase tuition fees of the students and the institutions have no other source of income. Hence teachers who have no proper qualifications have been engaged in the non-government high schools.

Good English language teachers and good Arithmetic teachers are not available in the non-government high schools. As a result the S.S.C. examinees are compelled to adopt unfair mean in the examination halls due to the deteriorating trend of teaching in the secondary educational institu-

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tions. Meanwhile experienced Science teachers are very few in these schools.

The private coaching has been commercialised in a large scale throughout the district. The teachers being tired with their private coaching can hardly give full attention to their students in the classes.

The school do not have their own syllabus. Besides, question papers are not made by the respective institutions. Erroneous question papers are bought from various commercial question sellers at cheap rate though the examination fees is collected from the students at very high rate, guardian alleged.

Classes are not held during the first 3-4 months of the academic year on the pretext of non availability of the govt approved book lists. Sometimes books are not available in the market even after receiving the book list. Education of the students is very much affected as classes remain postponed for about 20 days in almost all the schools of the district and

thana Headquarters which are used as S.S.C. examination centres. In addition, these schools also remain closed as Ramadan vacation. For this, First terminal examination is held practically without completing even one-fourth portion of the syllabus.

The Headmasters do not make class visit regularly and as a result the teachers also do not perform their duties in the classes according to the principle of education. The teachers do not follow modern method of teaching. They impart lesson in the classes without any lesson plan. Home task is not given to the students.

A few schools have library but these are not functioning well. Library fees are collected as usual but books are not distributed among the students.

Guardians said if the authority concerned do not take any necessary action relating these problems and not mitigate students sufferings immediately, the average rate and standard of non-government secondary education in Maulvibazar district will be miserable.

