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Mass literacy confce March 19

A conference of education officials connected with mass education will be held in Dacca on March 19 to review action plans and progress of the literacy campaign now underway in the country, says ENA.

Prime Minister Shah Azizur Rahman will address the conference. The conference to be attended by additional deputy commissioners (mass education), district educational officers, district

school inspectors and specialists of the academy of fundamental education. Meanwhile the crash programme on mass literacy campaign is making steady progress. The primers and teachers guides have been completed and 42 lakh copies of primers (Jek ha para) and 4 lakh copies of teachers guides have been printed.

Ministry of education has so far distributed 34 lakh copies of primers to sub-divisional officers of 68 subdivisions at the

rate of 50 thousand copies for each subdivision. 1.44 lakh copies of teachers guides have also been distributed to district educational officers of 18 districts.

The first phase of training of trainers and teachers at national, district, thana and union level has been completed.

So far, in 246 unions 22,322 teachers are engaged in teaching 1,33,063 students enrolled under them.