

021

Text Book Board to distribute 3.4 cr books by Jan end

By Abdur Rahman Khan
The Text Book Board plans to complete distribution of 3.4 crore books it has published for the primary and secondary levels, by the end of January setting a record a providing books to the students at the beginning of the session.

Talking to the Bangladesh Times, the Chairman of the National Curriculum and Text Book Board, Prof. Eltas Uddin said that 90 per cent of the books had already been delivered.

The distribution had begun in October last year. The printing of 60 titles had started in the middle of 1985 and these included 22 titles for the primary sections (up to class V) which were published by the

Text Book Board through its approved printers, he said.

The board published six new titles in primary level and four in the lower secondary level this year. These new books includes: Islamic Studies and English of class

Contd. on page 8 col. 4

Text Book Board

Contd From Page 1

III; English and Social Science of class IV and V; Mathematics of class VI Mathematics and Geometry of class VII and Geometry of class VIII. These books were changed this year after five years.

The Board has published 34 lakh sets of two books for class I; 25 lakh sets of two books for class II; 17 lakh sets of six books for class III; 13 lakh sets of six books for class IV and 13 lakh sets of six books for class V, according to board's administration.

All these books for primary-level are being distributed among the students free of

cost.

When his attention was drawn to the open market sale of free books, Prof Eltas said the responsibility of the distribution of free books were done by the Directorate of Primary Education.

The Chairman further said the guardians need not buy 'free books' because adequate and sufficient books had been printed to meet the total requirement of the primary students in the country.

Referring to production quality of books the chairman said quality of books this year had been improved a lot and further improvement would be made next year.