

## Books worth Tk 10 crore imported

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Bangladesh imported books worth about Taka 10 crore as against export of books of about Taka 20 lakh during 1987-88. There is prospect of increasing the export market of Bangladeshi books.

Mr. Mohiuddin Ahmed of Exporter Committee of Bangladesh Publishers said this at a news conference at a local hotel on Wednesday. Mr. Ahmed also introduced an Indian delegation of publishers now in the city in connection with promotion of book trade between the two countries. Led by Mr. Machawe, the delegation met Education Secretary, high officials of the Commerce Ministry, university teachers and writers with the proposals of co-publication of books.

Mr. A. Machawe said as per discussion with relevant quarters India would arrange display of Bangla

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Academy publication at the ninth world book fair in New Delhi next year. SAARC publishers congress will be held in Dhaka in June next to coincide with SAARC education meeting, he said. The Dhaka University will organise workshop of authors in June to promote authorship in Bangladesh and expand cooperation between publishers between the two countries, he said.

In November this year Bangladesh-India seminar will be organised in Calcutta. It will be followed by exhibition of Bangladeshi books. There are nearly 800 members of publishing association in Bangladesh and about 2,000 books are published annually in English and Bengali.

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