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Withdrawal of ban on publication of note books urged

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Bangladesh Book Publishers and Sellers Association has urged the government to allow the publication of 'Guide Books' and withdrawal of the ban on the publication of 'note books'.

The association has also demanded that its allottee member publishers under the control of National Educational Curriculum and Text Book Board should continue to enjoy the facilities for printing and marketing of books. The recent government decision to accord approvals to three books on each subject at the secondary levels and marketing of the same through publishers in the private sector should be withdrawn and the 'submit' system should not be re-intro-

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duced, it has suggested.

It has felt that the ban on import of books, having no relevance to the natural culture, values and traditions and posing a severe threat to the viability of the local printing and publishing industry should be imposed.

The demands were endorsed at the special conference of the association held yesterday at Lalkuti with its president Mohammad Adel, MP in the chair.

Education Minister Sheikh Shahidul Islam attended the conference as special guest.

Mr Md Abu Taher, secretary general of the association, placed before the minister various problems faced by the country's book publishers and sellers at the conference.