

### Clarification on text book

The government on Saturday made it clear that the word 'creator' instead of Allah in a text book of class five was written during the past regime, reports BSS.

A government handout issued in Dhaka on Saturday night said in clear terms that the present government is not at all responsible for that change which was decided in May last.

The handout said attention of the government has been drawn to a news item published in a daily on Saturday under the headline 'firm determination expressed for resisting the proposal to replace the word 'Allah' by the word 'creator'. By this headline an attempt has been made to give an impression that the present Caretaker Government has either made the change in the school text book or is trying to do so, the handout added.

It said the latest edition of the 'paribesh-parichiti (Samaj)', a text book for class five, was published in October this year. On page 27 of that

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book it was written 'to keep full confidence and faith in the creator and to show tolerance to other religions is the duty of every citizen. During the past regime perhaps in the context of making Islam the state religion, the word 'creator' was written in place of the word Allah.

The present Government is not at all responsible for the change which was decided in May last, the handout concluded.