Present govt X made no change in textbook

DHAKA, Dec 22 (BSS): The Government today made it clear that the word creator instead of Allah in a text book of Class Five was written during the past regime.

A government handout issued here tonight 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 today (December 22) under the headline (firm determination expressed for resisting the proposal to replace the word Allah by the word creator by this headline in attempt has been made to give an

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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 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 that change which was decided in May last.