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## Facilities for copying in exam. centres

# Rush of degree examinees in mofussil colleges

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MANIKGANJ, Jan. 18:—Degree examinees are rushing to the colleges of the rural areas in order to take the advantage of adopting unfair means in the examination.

Meanwhile a large number of students have been admitted to the colleges of the rural areas to appear at the degree examinations of 1989 after taking transfer certificates from most of the colleges of the district headquarters.

The date for taking transfer certificates has been extended upto next March.

A section of the teachers of mufossil colleges have now got an opportunity to earn money from the students rushing to their colleges.

### Accommodation problem

Without seeking prior permissions from the authority of Dhaka University, the number of the degree examinees of the colleges at the district headquarters has dramatically decreased.

Due to the influx of the students into examination centres of the mufossil colleges an acute problem of

accommodation has been created. It is now impossible to solve the problem.

The university authority sent a circular before the commencement of degree examination of 1988 that no students would be allowed to take transfer certificate without prior permission from the university authority. It also said that the authority would cancel the examination of those examinees who would violate the rule. Last year the authority cancelled the examination of nearly 300 examinees.

### Facility at the rural centres

According to the teachers of some colleges at the district headquarters, the examinees rush to the rural centres with the hope to adopt unfair means in the examinations which is allowed to continue unhindered.

It is also learnt that the guardians of the examinees applied to the concerned authorities for the transfer certificates of their wards. Silent support of the authority help take TC and it occurs during the period from November to March. The influx of

students from the colleges of district headquarters to the rural colleges has abnormally increased during the past three years. Because the percentage of pass at the rural colleges is much higher than those of the urban colleges. It has become possible for the facility of adopting unfair means in the examination.

According to a source, the rush of the examinees was observed at 62 mufossil examination centres during the degree examinations of 1988. About 82,000 examinees appeared at the degree examinations held in 1988. Of the total examinees, 17,000 were private candidates. The number of the examinees increased by 42 per cent in 1988 than the previous year.

### Unfair means encouraged

According to a statistic of the University for the past three years, 80 per cent of the private examinees appeared at the examinations of the remote rural centres after leaving towns.

It is alleged that the adoption of unfair means in the examination is encouraged in many centres instead

of preventing the examinees from doing it.

A section of dishonest teachers are involved in this illegal affair. The matter has been brought to the notice of the higher authority many times but no effective action has been taken against the concerned teachers and the concerned examination centres. The authority has cancelled only 3 centres.

### English teacher not available

It may be mentioned here that the standard of education is declining rapidly causing frustration among the intellectuals of the country.

The authority has withdrawn English from BA pass course as a compulsory subject. Now no students read English in BA class. As a result English teacher is not available to teach English in the secondary schools and madrasahs of Manikganj district.

In the near future the teaching of English will be hampered in the secondary educational institutions unless the government re-introduce English as a compulsory subject in BA class immediately.