

## Grading in exam results matched with previous class/division

The government made changes to the system of determining results of public examinations, matching the existing grades with the previous classes or divisions according to obtained marks, reports UNB.

A gazette notification has been issued to this effect from the Education Ministry, an official announcement said on Wednesday.

The ministry has set separate criteria equivalent to the grading system for the HSC and SSC levels to reintroduce 1st, 2nd and 3rd divisions/classes in proportion to grad-point average (GPA) marks.

In the first tier, Grade Point Average (GPA) 3.50 or above is equivalent to first division while GPA less than 3.50 to 2.50 second-division and GPA less 2.50 to 1 third division for the students who passed SSC and equivalent exams during 2001-2003 period and who passed HSC and its equivalent

exams in 2003.

The second tier goes up as regards score of marks: GPA 4 or above is equivalent to first division while GPA less than 4 to 3 second division and GPA less than 3 to 1 third division for the students who passed SSC and HSC and equivalents in 2004 and thereafter.

"From now on, these criteria will continue to be in effect," says the announcement.

Besides, the approved universities will have to fix their Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) scale (4 or 5) equivalent to 80 percent marks. Then division or class will be fixed converting the achieved CGPA to hundred percent numbers.

In this regard, 60% or above number is first class/division while less than 60% to 45% second class/division and less than 45% to 33% third class/division.