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Spread of female education stressed

The President and Chief Martial Law Administrator Lt. Gen H.M. Ershad on Wednesday emphasised the need for expanding the facilities of women education in the country reports BSS

Speaking at the foundation laying ceremony of the new building of Khilgaon Girls High School in Dhaka the President said women who constitute half of the country's population must get proper education so that they

could be meaningfully involved in the mainstream of our development efforts.

He advised the students to keep themselves away from alien culture instead they should uphold our own culture and heritage. "In our daughters we want true reflection of our mothers and their values" he added.

The Administrator of Dhaka Municipal Corporation Major General Mahmudul Hassan and the Headmaster of the school Mr. M.A. Yakub Ali also spoke on the occasion.

President Ershad urged the students to devote themselves to the pursuit of knowledge so that they could build themselves as worthy citizens. He said the students must not allow themselves to be swayed away by social unrest and erosion of moral values. "You should not indulge in any activities which may tarnish your image in the society" he added.

He said student life was solely meant for acquiring knowledge and not for politicking. He asked them to fulfil the dreams of the parents as well as the country in equipping themselves to shoulder the onerous responsibility that lies ahead of them.

Earlier President Ershad formally laid the foundation stone of the land donated by the Dhaka Municipal Corporation. The President during an earlier visit to the area announced

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a grant of Taka ten lakh for the construction of the school building.

On arrival at the site of the school he was given a standing ovation by jubilant students. He showered flower petals profusely garlanded him. The function was rounded off with a variety show presented by the students of the school. The President visited the school under construction in the Market of Dhaka Municipal Corporation.