

Month-long Khulna book fair begins

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THE month-long Khulna Ekushey book fair began on the Khulna divisional public library premises at Bayra in Khulna on Wednesday with the slogan 'book for developing life'.

This 14th edition of the fair is organised by the Khulna district administration.

Mashiur Rahman, economic affairs advisor to the prime minister, inaugurated the fair as chief guest in the afternoon.

Chaired by Khulna deputy commissioner Nazmul Ahsan, the inaugural session was also addressed by Khulna Government Women's College principal Salma Parveen, divisional library deputy director

Harendra Nath Basu, Puṣṭok Prokashok O Bikreta Samiti's Khulna unit president Md Alamgir.

The speakers urged children and young people to practice reading alongside reading their textbooks to learn more about society, culture and history.

They encouraged buying books and called on the parents to motivate their children to read more books.

The fair will remain open from 4:00pm to 9:00pm and discussion meetings and cultural events will be held on the fair venue each evening until February 28, according to the organisers.

As many as 82 stalls were set up on the fair ground, they said.