

Help smooth conduct of exams : Majeed Khan

Education Minister Dr Abdul Majeed Khan appealed to the countrymen on Wednesday to extend their all-out cooperation for the successful conduct of the Higher Secondary Certificate examinations that begin today (Thursday) throughout the country reports BSS.

In a statement on the eve of the examinations Dr Khan said it was the duty and responsibility of all citizens irrespective of government servants, members of the public guardians and teachers to make the conduct of the examinations a success.

While the administrative authorities and the guardians will try to maintain peaceful environment outside the examination centres the superintendents and the teachers as invigilators will keep the internal

atmosphere smooth and disciplined he said.

Urging all concerned to perform duties entrusted to them with vigilance and impartiality in their respective centres, the Minister said stern measures will be taken against persons involved in corrupt practices.

Following is the full text of the statement of the Education Minister Dr Abdul Majeed Khan given in Dhaka on Wednesday on the eve of the Higher Secondary Certificate examinations which begin all over the country today.

"You know, the Higher Secondary Certificate examinations 1983 under all the four boards begin simultaneously tomorrow Thursday April 28. The examinations will continue till May 22.

The Higher Secondary Certificate examination is an event of special importance in our national life particularly in the context of the existing educational stage. The examination

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in Agriculture group, and the remaining candidates in Islamic Studies, Home Economics, Music, and Industrial groups.

The highest number of candidates 46,634 is from the Dhaka Education Board; followed by 35,375 from Rajshahi Board, 35,529 from Jessore Board, and 34,593 from Comilla Board.

The boards have already completed all formalities to ensure that the examinations were held in a peaceful atmosphere.

The district, subdivision, and concerned thana administrations, and members of law enforcing agencies at those levels have taken measures in cooperation with the respective education boards for helping proper conduct of the examinations.

All the boards have formed teams which will move from centre to centre, and appointed Flying Guards to keep watch on the examination halls. These are in addition to the examination centre level committee's entrusted with specific functions.

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A total of 15,119 candidates are appearing from 20 sub-centres (colleges) of the Dhaka city. They include 4,854 female candidates. Of them 7,738 are in Science group, 5,078 in Humanities group, 2,003 in Commerce group, 42 in Agriculture group, 198 in Home Economics, 4 in Islamic Studies, and 6 in Music

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tions, basing on merit and aptitude, heavily influences the life and livelihood of the examinees in deciding their future profession and proper field of education.

The Government has in the meantime made necessary arrangements for holding the examinations smoothly. The dates for the examinations were announced earlier in order to relieve the examinees from uncertainties. We have become able to hold the examinations, which were cumulatively lagging behind in the past, in proper time and arrangements have been made to hold the examinations under all the four boards simultaneously. An integrated programme has been chalked out with proper attention so that no illogical burden lie on the examinees.

This year the number of examinees of the Higher Secondary examinations under all four boards is 1,52,133. The number is far more than in the past. In all 341 centres have been opened all over the country to conduct the examinations. In the capital city and other main cities, sub-centres have been opened under the centres. The examination centres have been selected keeping in view the advantages of the students.

Different education boards have made necessary arrangements for holding examinations in a disciplined way in their respective areas in cooperation with the local authorities.

To maintain law and order peace in the examination centres, that is, to conduct the examination smoothly, is the responsibility of the local administration. In the meantime, the education boards and the Ministry of Education have been keeping contacts with the local administration at all levels.

I am appealing to the guardians, teachers and the members of the public, in addition of the concerned authorities to extend their cooperation to the successful completion of the examinations. Though sad but it is true that unfair means at the examinations have lowered the standard of education by eroding our educational sphere. The examinees must resist this unfair means and erosion at any cost. The degrees attained through unfair means will never make our student community

qualified. So stern measures will be taken against persons involved in corruption.

In this regard, while the administrative authorities and the guardians will try to maintain peaceful environment outside examination centres, the superintendents and the teachers as invigilators will keep the internal atmosphere smooth and disciplined. It is in this regard that the teachers and invigilators have wider responsibilities. I hope, they will perform the duties entrusted to them with consciousness and impartiality in their respective centres.

The future of the nation depends on the success of the educated youths of the country. So, to make the conduct of such an important examination a success is the duty and responsibility of all citizens irrespective of government servants, members of the public guardians and the teachers. I appeal to the countrymen to come forward with full sense of cooperation in successfully leading such a national programme of H.S.C. examinations.

Our dear students have been appearing at the Higher Secondary examinations with new hopes and future dreams. They will go upward to the professional or higher educational goals and ensure their future potentialities through the success at the examinations.

I wish them a total success and bright future".

HSC exams begin today

By A Staff Reporter

The Higher Secondary Certificate (HSC) examinations of 1983 will begin all over the country today (Thursday) under the four education boards—Dhaka, Comilla, Rajshahi, and Jessore.

This year a total of 1,52,133 candidates are appearing at the examinations from 341 centres. The number of candidates has increased by about 19,000, and the number of centres by 22 over last year's.

Of the total candidates 59,778 are appearing in Science group, 55,706 in Humanities group, 31,655 in Commerce group, 4,697

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