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EDUCATION minister Nurul Islam Nahid says that surveillance on the activities of teachers should be increased to resist extremism in the country.

He alleges that a quarter is trying to spread extremism to obstruct the development of the country.

Mentioning that the government will continue anti-extremism activities, the education minister said that teachers have to play an effective role in developing a social movement against extremism.

The minister made the statements while addressing a programme as chief guest at Sylhet Secondary and Higher Secondary Education Board office auditorium in the city on Thursday morning.

Sylhet Secondary and Higher Secondary Education Board authorities organised the programme, titled Better Atmosphere of Education, Militancy-free Educational Institution.

He said that the attack on Sylhet Government Women's College student Khadiza Akter Nargis proved that female students were not secured even inside the educational institutions.

Nahid urged all quarters, including guardians and governing bodies of educational institutions, to come forward to resist miscreants like Badrul, who attacked Khadiza.

He requested people from all walks of life to attend the countrywide human chain programmes and rallies, scheduled for October 18 and 20, to ensure security of female students.

Among others, education ministry secretary Sorab Hossain, additional secretary Chowdhury Mufayed Ahmad, Sylhet divisional commissioner Jamal Uddin, Secondary and Higher Secondary Education Directorate director general Wahiduzzaman and Sylhet deputy commissioner Zaynal Abedin, addressed the programme.

Besides, heads of different schools and colleges in the region attended the programme. **11**