

## Technical vocational education, training stressed for growth

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DEVELOPMENT activists and professionals on Saturday said technical vocational education and training institutions were necessary to foster the country's socio-economic growth and support underprivileged youths.

They said this at a MoU signing ceremony held at UCEP head office in Dhaka to establish a technical vocational education and training complex with a Polytechnic Institute of UCEP at Kalurghat, Chittagong.

The MoU had been signed between AK Khan Foundation and UCEP to establish AK Khan-UCEP TVET Complex, said a press release.

The complex would include vocational skills training facilities, said officials.

The UCEP Training Institute would be provided along with the Polytechnic Institute with four years diploma-in-engineering education facilities in different subjects and a dormitory for the students.

The initiative would offer high quality technical education in the country and have vision to provide free of cost vocational skills training for youth from underprivileged communities.

UCEP BoG chairperson A Matin Chowdhury stressed the importance of strengthening skills training sector to foster the socio-economic growth.

The ceremony was attended, among others, by AK Khan Foundation trustee secretary Salahuddin Kasem Khan.