

# HSC exams start today

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The Higher Secondary Certificate and equivalent examinations are going to be started across the country except in the Sylhet division today.

The education ministry earlier postponed the examinations in the division till July 8 following the worsening flood situation.



From July 9, the examinations in the Sylhet division would continue as per schedule, said Dhaka Education Board chairman professor Tapan Kumar Sarkar.

In 2023, the same exams under three boards were deferred for flood.

Today the examinations will kick off with the Bangla first paper under nine general education boards, Bangla under the Technical Education Board and Quran Majid under the Madrassah Education Board.

The theoretical part of the exams will be held between June 30 and August 11 and the practical part of the exams will be held between August 12 and August 21.

All coaching centres across the country will remain closed from June 29 to August 11 to keep the exam environment free from copying and rumours of question paper leaks.

Earlier on June 20, the education ministry postponed the exams in the Sylhet division till July 8.

Tapan Kumar Sarkar, also chief of the inter-education board coordination committee, said that the routine of the deferred examinations would be published later for the division.

The north-eastern Sylhet division is going to grapple with yet another spell of flash flood within the next two days soon after partial receding of the second phase floodwater, read a warning bulletin issued by the Flood Forecasting and Warning Centre under the Bangladesh Water Development Board on Friday.

Earlier on May 28, more than 10 lakh people in the Sylhet district, including the city, were marooned by the first flash flood of the current monsoon.

The second flash flood was triggered only hours before Eid-ul-Azha by heavy downpours and onrush of water from the upstream Meghalaya and Assam states in India in the early hours of June 17, marooning more than 25 lakh people in four districts of the Sylhet division and 30 wards out of 42 in the Sylhet City Corporation.

Last year, the HSC and equivalent exams began on August 17 under eight boards except under the Chattogram, madrassah and technical education boards due to flood situation.

Later, the exams started under these three boards on August 27.

A total of 14,50,790 students — 7,50,281 male and 7,00,509 female — are expected to sit for the exams at 2,725 centres from 9,463 educational institutions this year.