

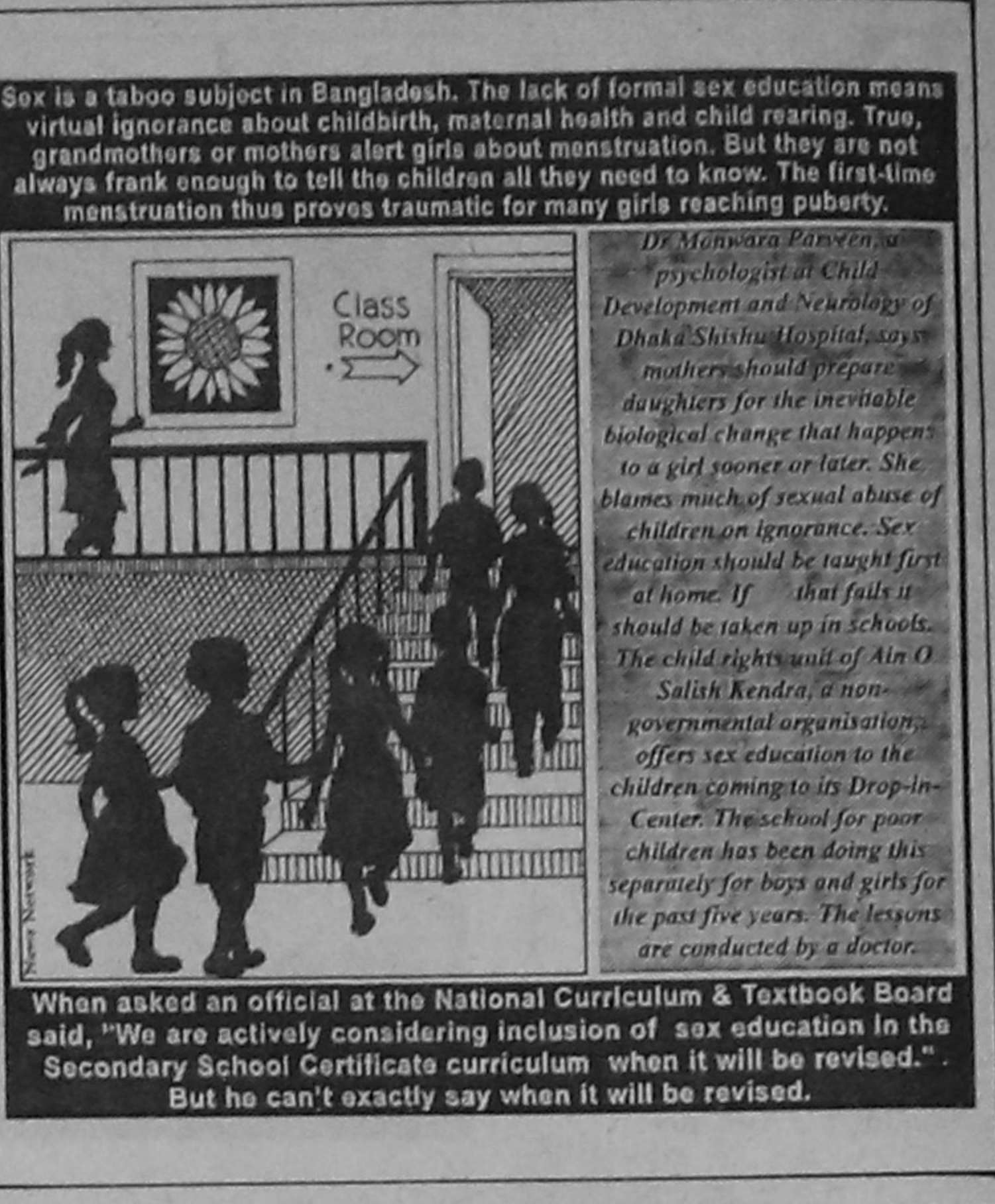
Gender-based Violence Undermines Rights of Women and Girls

FIVE years after the Beijing World Conference on Women called for global action to end violence against women, a UNICEF study states that not enough progress has been made in halting domestic abuse of women and girls. The report finds that as many as 60 million women "missing from population statistics globally" are likely victims of domestic violence.

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Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Mexico, Nicaragua, Peru, Puerto Rico and Uruguay. While some countries have begun to legislate against marital rape, including Mexico, Namibia, South Africa, and the USA, the report notes that sexual abuse and rape by an intimate partner is not considered a crime in most countries.

report notes the relationship between domestic violence and the spread of HIV/AIDS. It also highlights the link between domestic violence and the increasing availability of weapons.



ACCORDING to the Bangladesh Statistics Bureau, 47.60 per cent of urban population and 44.30 per cent of rural population still live under the poverty line.

Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women defines violence against women as encompassing, but not limited to three areas: violence occurring in the family, within the general community and violence perpetrated or condoned by the state.

In a signed article in the report, Radhika Coomaraswamy, United Nations Special Representative on Violence Against Women, points to the special responsibilities of the state in addressing the issue of domestic violence.

The UNICEF study on Domestic Violence lists a horrifying catalogue of types of violence perpetrated against women throughout the life cycle by family members.

When asked an official at the National Curriculum & Textbook Board said, "We are actively considering inclusion of sex education in the Secondary School Certificate curriculum when it will be revised."

such as the bloody conflicts of Kaligonj-Debbata, Ghughudah Beel, Beel Kuraila, Beel Gajna, Baro Beela, Rani Sankail are the instances.

To the contrary, vested interest groups comprising of local influential — rural touts and matbars — dishonest politicians and government officials and comprador bourgeoisie (in the urban area) have emerged in the process.

landless population has doubled over the last three decades. Large sections of these landless people are forced to migrate and accept sub-human living in slums of big cities. A free and fair distribution of khas land could resolve this rural-urban migration to a certain extent.

Most of the participants of the said workshop instantly disagreed with the main recommendation "government reserves khas land for the landless who have little or no experience of farm management but the market price".

commitment of government that could not be met for constraint of resources. Henceforth the distribution of khas land among the landless poor could be a useful instrument to meet this commitment.

in our context, land can provide one's social, political, economic and above all psychological security. Land in many respects forms the basis of our power structure.

After independence, Bangladesh Sheikh Mujibur Rahman started the process of khas land distribution among the landless poor, which suddenly stopped due to his unexpected, unnatural and pathetic death.

Water Rights for the Rural Poor in Bangladesh. This is a part of their larger effort to reduce poverty in Bangladesh through improved realisation of human rights by the poor and enabling them in their pursuit of sustainable livelihood.

The main recommendations of the study are:

DFID Bangladesh has been playing a very significant role in the development activities in Bangladesh for a long time. It provides a large amount as grant to GOs and NGOs of the country each year to implement different projects in order to reduce poverty.

TV Guide

Saturday 10th June (All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme)

ALPHA TV 6:30 Aalap 7:00 Monihaar 8:00 Serial: Bhavanepur Chhatgung 8:30 Serial: Mittr Bari 9:00 Plabon 9:30 Bahari Aahar 10:00 Gribosajja 10:30 Serial: Jhara Samayer Upkatha 11:00 Serial: Daag 11:30 Serial: Sanghaat 12:00 Serial: Sapanil 12:30 Jigisha 3:00 Aapnadar Jannyee 1:30 Bahari Aahar 2:00 Serial: Aamra Probashi 2:30 Bangla Movie: 5:00 Bharat Bhromam 5:30 Asian Sky Show 6:00 Manabi 6:30 Zee Jalsa 7:00 Aapnadar Jannyee 7:30 News In Bangali 8:00 Serial: Shoni-Robi Mogar Chobi #13 8:30 Ek Palak 9:00 Serial: Major Khala Kabitay 9:30 Serial: Halh Chocolate 10:00 News In Bangali 10:30 Serial: Jiban Jeban 11:00 Serial: Annay Bhuban 11:30 Serial: Hiyar Majhe 12:00 Daag 12:30 Bharat Bhromam 1:00 Gribosajja 1:30 Bangla Movie: 4:00 Serial: Keen 4:30 Serial: Shoni-Robi Mogar Chobi #13

Harish, Chandni, Kader Khan 12:30 Midnight Hours: CATS #16 Ep: The Witness Pt-2 1:00 Aahat #222 Ep: 1:30 Missing #49 Ep: Harjeet Singh (Pre-Jackey Shroff) 2:00 CID #117 Ep: The Unknown Body Pt-1 2:30 Rang Birangee 3:00 The Poppadum Show 3:30 Cine Night-Film

South Africa Cricket South Africa, England, Zimbabwe Tri Series Kimberly, SOUTH AFRICA- Zimbabwe Vs England 5th ODI, 2nd Session 5:30 LPGA Golf Weggmans Rochester International Pittsford, NY U.S.A. Second Round 7:30 Racehorse Digest 8:00 NBA Action 9:20/2000 8:30 NBA Finals Game #2 11:00 Pepsi Asia Cup 2000 Dhaka, BANGLADESH- India Vs Sri Lanka 3rd ODI, Highlights 12:00 NCAA College World Series Omaha, NE USA Game #2

7:15 Gillette World Sports Special 7:45 Live- UK Domestic Cricket- Benson & Hedges Cup Final 2nd Session 11:30 Asian Pga Tour Davidoff Tour: Ericsson Classic- Taipei TAIWAN Highlights 12:30 Pga Tour Golf Buick Classic Rye NY USA Day Two