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# Literacy movement in 4 dists progressing

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The phase-1 programme is being implemented with the financial assistance from the Asian Development Bank. Other donor agencies for the programme are World Bank, IDA, SDC Norad.

The main objective of the pilot project is to educate 281,574 adults, including 130,963 males and 150,611 females, through the 9,540 centres by August 2000.

In a bid to give light of elementary education to adult men and women, the programme was launched in four upazilas Sadar, Raipura, Monohardi and Belabo in August 14, last year.

Of the total, some 38,469 males and 38,997 females were taken from Raipura, 44,042 males and 60,386 females from Sadar, 29,638 males and 30,287 females from Monohardi and 18,814 males and 20,941 females from Belabo upazilas.

Upazila-wise centres are: Sadar-2,607, Raipura-3,555, Monohardi-2,011 and Belabo-1,367.

These centres under 60 pilot education centres, set up on experimental basis, are imparting knowledge of reading, writing and simple arithmetic to 1,800 illiterate people of 56 unions in these upazilas. Some 30 persons are enrolled in each centre.

To teach the adult learners, some 9,540 trained teachers were appointed and some 630 supervisors were engaged to monitor progress of the programme. Each teacher is being given Tk 300 and a supervisor Tk 500 for their

services.

The supervisors who are the teachers of local government primary schools are guiding the teachers of the centres.

The government has allocated over Tk 2.07 lakh initially for the programme.

The centres also provide books, slates, black boards, chalks, dusters, lamps, kerosene oil and sitting arrangements for the learners. Per head cost of learners has been estimated at Tk 313.

Local administration sources said it has sent a proposed budget of over Tk 11.44 crore to the higher authorities for successful implementation of the TLM project.

Commenting on progress of the project, Deputy Commissioner Rafiqul Islam told that the programme is not progressing satisfactorily, as the villagers are less interested to take the opportunity due to abject poverty. The teachers and supervisors are also less interested to work with nominal salary.

The programme will be effective if the existing problems are solved and the learners are provided with financial incentives," he added.

Second phase of the TLM programme would be started after successful implementation of the first phase.

Long run aim of the programme is to develop human resources by growing awareness about life and livelihood, sanitation, drinking water, food and nutrition, population control, health care, plantation and income generating activities like agriculture, handicrafts, small and cottage industries.

About 2.50 lakh illiterate people will be brought under the project.

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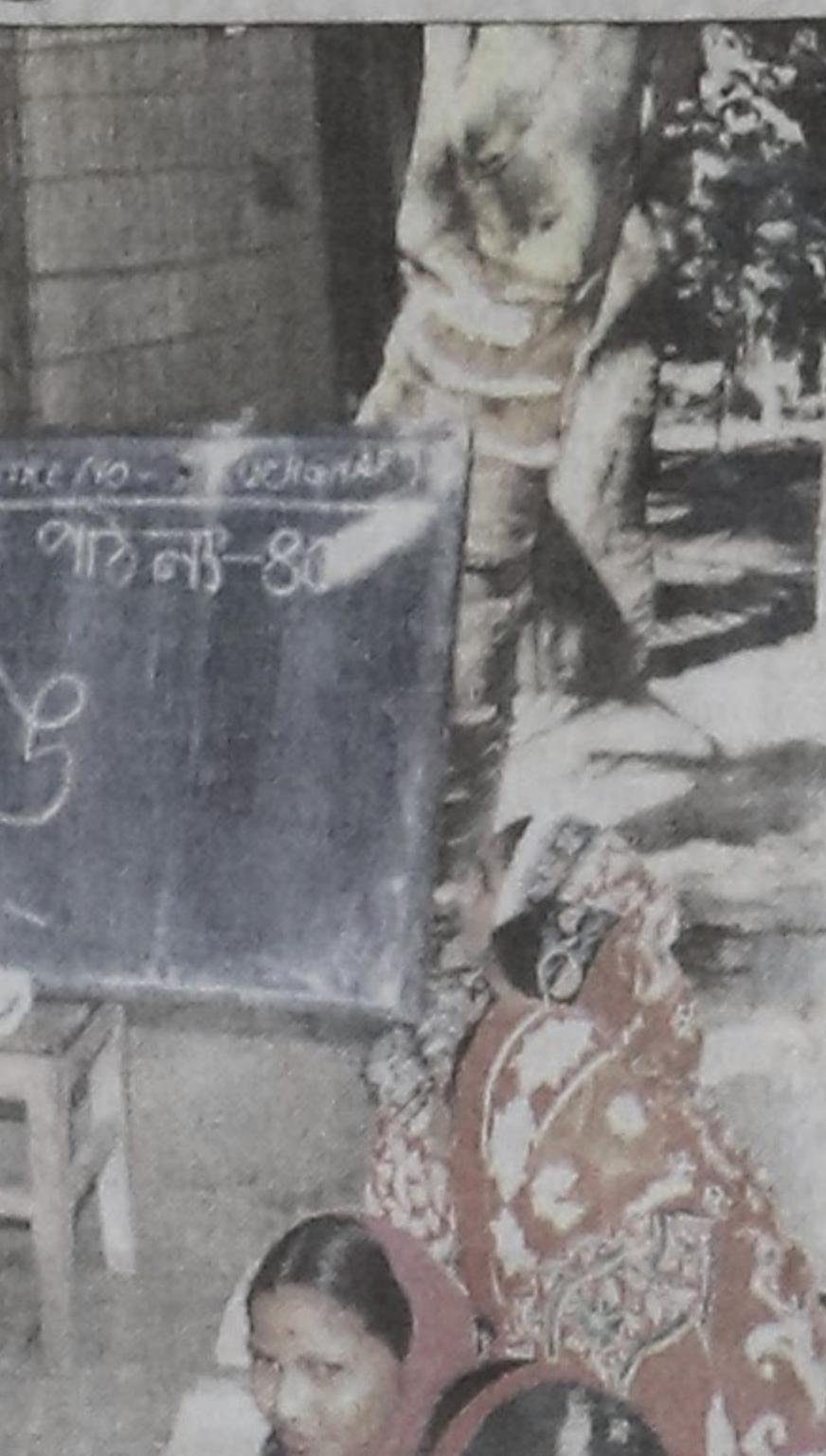
movement (TLM) has been going on in full swing in nine upazilas for the last six months, district administration sources said here.

Hundreds of men and women aged between 11 and 45 have been enrolled in around Taka 20 crore literacy movement project. It has been providing basic education to about 6.1 lakh illiterate people since January this year.

According to a survey of the district administration, the number of illiterate people aged 11-45 of this northern district is about 7.5 lakh, while the literacy rate is 27 per cent which remained almost static for several years.

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**Education is right:** A woman teaches a group of village women at village Kuchgar under Sadar upazila in Jamalpur district. The educational centre was opened recently under Total Literacy Movement (TLM), an anti-illiteracy programme.

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