

Govt to stop pvt tuition by public school teachers

BSS, Dhaka

The government is contemplating measures for completely stopping direct or indirect involvement of public school teachers with coaching centres and will soon formulate a policy on transfer of teachers.

All government teachers who have been working in the capital for more than eight years will be transferred from the city.

Education Minister Dr Osman Faruk State Minister ANM Ehsanul Hoque Milon and Deputy Minister Abdus Salam Pintu announced the decisions at seminar at BIAM auditorium here on Monday.

The ministers at the seminar also announced that strict restrictions will be imposed on formation of associations by government teachers and their involvement in politics.

Government Secondary Teachers Association (GSTA) organised the seminar on "Quality Improvement of Secondary Level Education, Problem and Remedy."

Vice-president of GSTA Rashid Uddin Zahid presided over the function while director general of Higher Secondary Education Directorate Abdur Rashid, director (Secondary) Mozammel Hoque, GSTA secretary general Abul Kashem Khan and organising secretary of the association SM Sirajul Hoque spoke, among others. Rashid Uddin Zahid presented the keynote paper in the seminar.

Dr Faruk stressed the need for constituting a secondary education directorate and said firm steps would be taken in the education sector to upgrade the standard of learning.

He said the government would ensure justice in the transfer policy to check discrimination, he said.

The teachers would not be allowed to get involved with coaching centres directly or indirectly, said the state minister and strongly criticised the leaders of the teachers association for their involvement with politics and lobbying for transfer.



Jahanara Imam's anniversary of death today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The 8th death anniversary of Shaheed Janani Jahanara Imam, a crusader against the war criminals, will be observed today.

She staged a mock trial of war criminals at Suhrawardy Udyan by constituting a "Gono Adalat" on March 26, 1992.

In a message yesterday, Leader of the Opposition in Parliament and Awami League chief Sheikh Hasina paid tributes to the memory of Shaheed Janani.

Budget process lacks transparency

Speakers tell book launching ceremony

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

People's voice is hardly heard in the budget-making process and in most cases the budget is prepared to serve the interest of a special lobby or the business interest group.

This was observed by the speakers at a launching ceremony of three books on the budget at the CIRDP auditorium in the city yesterday.

Renowned economist Prof Wahiduddin Mahmud formally launched the books as chief guest.

The speakers recommended devising a new institution, both at national and grassroots levels, to ensure accountability and people's participation in the budget preparation.

They said despite some changes, the budget-making process still remains complex, inefficient and non-transparent.

While the rich and the powerful can lobby for a budget of their choice, the disadvantaged poor and most other citizens are hardly consulted at any stage of the budget preparation, the speakers added.

As a result, they do not have any say over the changes in the macro-economic policies normally unleashed by the budget and have to bear most of the brunt, particularly if the implications mean price hike, they pointed out.

The books - 'The Budget Making Process', 'People's Budget' and 'The Budget and the Poor' - critically analysed the annual budgets and focussed on the social sectors, attempting to capture the perceptions of the poor people.

The studies reflected in the books were commissioned by the Institute for the Development Policy Analysis and Advocacy (ID-

PAA), Proshika and conducted by Shamannay.

In his opening address, Dr Atiur Rahman said, "Most development decisions take place without the stakeholders or the poor. Whose values, reality or preference are we talking about? We think it is the reality of the disadvantaged segment of the society and that is what we tried to reflect in our studies using participatory approach."

Dr Rahman also said, "We found that the budgets are prepared from a centralised or top-down approach. They lack discretion of the local policy-makers."

"There is a need for strengthening the local government, civil society groups or village councils for accountability practices. There is no clear picture in the budget as to where does the money go and how they are spent. And there is also mismatch between allocation and expenditure," he added.

Prof Wahiduddin Mahmud said, "The studies give an overview of an alternative budget and the main focus of the study was participatory approach."

He, however, said it is not so easy to involve the poor in the budget-making process unless there is an attempt at renovating the institutional framework of the existing budget-making process.

"It is very difficult to prepare a budget on the basis of the demands of individual groups. There are limited resources and the budget means that the resources to be distributed to meet the priorities first," Prof. Wahiduddin said.

Mahfuz Anam, Editor of The Daily Star, in his speech said that as the interest of special lobby or business group is involved in the budget-making process, the whole budget is limited to a section of

the society and the genuine stakeholders are virtually left out of the budget preparation.

We all should blame ourselves for not trying to understand the budget and what it really means, that is why they (policy-makers or planners) get away so easily, he said.

He proposed formation of a partnership between the Shamannay and The Daily Star to inform the citizens about the whole process of the budget preparation.

The study presented in the book, 'People's Budget', recommends that there is a need for proposed institutional reforms as the existing institutional set-up has failed to contribute towards poverty alleviation.

It also recommends decentralising the current planning and budgeting system. It calls for making a long-term strategic review of public expenditure and democratising priority setting through intimate dialogues with relevant stakeholders.

The study also calls for enhancing citizen's participation in the budget-making process and organising public hearing.

Among others, former secretary Dr A K M Mashur Rahman and former advisor of the caretaker government Hafizuddin Khan also spoke on the occasion.

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PRICE SENSITIVE INFORMATION
 This is to notify all concerned that the Board of Directors of Bangladesh General Insurance Co. Ltd. in its Meeting held on 25th June, 2002 has recommended payment of 18% Dividend for the year 2001, subject to approval of the Company's Shareholders in the 17th Annual General Meeting to be held on 29th August, 2002.

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 26th June, 2002
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NOTICE OF THE SIXTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
 Notice is hereby given that the Sixth Annual General Meeting of PRIME INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED will be held on 28th July, 2002 at 10.30 A.M. at Bangladesh Institute of Administration and Management (BIAM), 63, New Eskaton, Dhaka to transact the following business :

1. To confirm the minutes of the Fifth Annual General Meeting of the Company held on 30-08-2001.
2. To receive, consider and adopt the Directors' Report, the audited Balance Sheet and the Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31st December, 2001 together with the Auditors' Report.
3. To declare dividend for the year 2001 as recommended by the Board of Directors.
4. To retire and elect Directors as per Articles of Association of the Company.
5. To consider appointment of Auditors for the year 2002 and fix their remuneration.
6. To transact any other business with the permission of the Chair.

Dated : 25th June, 2002
 Dhaka
 By order of the Board
 Sd/-
(M. Qamrul Munir)
 Company Secretary

Notes :
 01. The Share Transfer Register of the Company will remain closed from 09-07-2002 to 28-07-2002 (both days inclusive). During that period no Share transfer will be effected.
 02. A member entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting may appoint a proxy (such proxy will be a member of the Company) to attend and vote on his/her behalf. The Proxy Form duly stamped must be deposited to the Registered office of the Company not later than 48 hours before the time fixed for the Meeting.
 03. Admission to the meeting room will be strictly on production of the attendance slip sent with the Annual Report.
 04. Members are requested to notify their change of addresses, if any.

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CORRIGENDUM NOTICE
 The item 'b' of 1st paragraph of "Proposal Invitation Notice" for appointment of Developers/Organizations for the development of two plots of K.M. Das lane, Dhaka published in "The Daily Dinkal" & "The Daily Star" on June 07, 2002 shall be considered deleted.

2. All other expression laid down in the notice will remain unchanged.
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NOTICE OF THE EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING
 Notice is hereby given that the Extra-Ordinary General Meeting of PRIME INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED will be held on 28th July, 2002 at 10.00 A.M. at Bangladesh Institute of Administration and Management (BIAM), 63, New Eskaton, Dhaka to transact the following business and if deem fit to adopt the following resolutions as Special Resolutions :

PROPOSED SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS
AMENDMENT OF ARTICLE 112 OF THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION :
 It is proposed that Article 112 of the Articles of Association of the Company be amended as follows :

"112.(1) At the first Annual General Meeting of the Company, all the Directors except the Managing Director shall retire from office. At the Annual General Meeting in every subsequent year, one-third of the Directors for the time being representing Group-A Shareholders or if their number is not three or a multiple of three then the number nearest to one-third shall retire from office who shall, however, be eligible for re-election.

(2) At the Annual General Meeting in every subsequent year one-third of the Directors for the time being representing Group-B Shareholders or if their number is not three or a multiple of three then the number nearest to one-third shall retire from office who shall, however, be eligible for re-election."

All the Shareholders are requested to attend the meeting on the date, time and place as mentioned above.

Dated : June 25, 2002
 Dhaka
 By order of the Board
 Sd/-
(M. Qamrul Munir)
 Company Secretary

Notes :
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