## Illegal bus stop, traffic jam trouble school students

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Teachers, students and guardians of Wari High School in the old part of the city are suffering from regular traffic congestion near the school premises.

An illegal bus stop near Thantaribazar has caused the traffic jam that extends up to the entrance of the school every day making the movement of people difficult.

The students and teachers of the school established in 1966 said the road always remains clogged with buses, minibuses and human hauliers.

When asked, a senior official of Dhaka City Corporation (DCC) said, "We will definitely stop illegal parking of buses at the place if the school administration seeks our help.'

Students from Tikatuli, Toyenbee Circular Road and other parts of Motijheel face a lot of problems to reach the school, located on Folder Street, on time due to the gridlock.

"We have lost a large number of students due to the communication problems," said M Mahfuzur Rahman Akand, assistant headmaster of Wari High School.

The school had over 1,000 students in 2003. The number has declined to as many as 700 in the last two years, said Abdul Awal, a teacher of the school.

"Most of the students whom we have lost are from Gopibagh. Golapbagh. Nawabpur, KM Das Lane and adjacent areas," said Akand.

The school operates in two shifts -- from 7:00am to 11:45am and from 12:00pm to 4:30pm. The students said they are usually late for their classes due to the traffic jam. The school administration has requested the DCC to build a foot overbridge in front of the school but the authorities are yet to take any step.

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Moreover, just opposite the school entrance lies a dustbin that creates problems to the students and guardians. The authorities do not clean the garbage regularly.

The school administration and students are also facing some internal problems such as accommodation problems and lack of space for playing on the compound.

The teachers said the school should be relocated to a suitable place with bigger space.



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to the traffic jam. "We usually get stuck in traffic near Kaptanbazar and BCC Road," said Anjan (not his real name), a student of class IV.

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The students also complained of sound pollution caused by the vehicles during school hours. "Our students cannot concentrate on their study due to

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