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Handing over of Cheque for Kiran Chandra Memorial Scholarship
By Mr. Deba Prasad Dewan and Ms. Minati Dewan.

SSC Results of Moanoghar School

The results of the Secondary School Certificate (SSC) came out in June 2015. In total, 165 students appeared from Moanoghar School in the SSC examination; 125 residential students and 40 non-residential students.

Out of this total, 97 passed, a percentage of 58.8%. Although, all through Bangladesh this year's SSC results were mediocre in comparison to the previous years, the results of Moanoghar School is clearly still not justified.

Moanoghar has already undertaken a number of measures to improve the results of the school in next year. This includes, among others, special coaching for all the students from next August, immediately after the Ramadan.

Two Scholarships for Tertiary Level Education Launched

Moanoghar has launched two new scholarships for the tertiary level education under its Higher Education Loan Programme (HELP) with donation by Mr. Deba Prasad Dewan & Mrs. Minati Dewan, and Dr. Manik Lal Dewan & Mrs. Deepika Dewan, in memory, respectively of their father and mother and will be known as;

- Moanoghar Kiran Chandra Dewan Scholarship
- Moanoghar Karuna Dewan Scholarship

The endowments donated by both will be kept in separate bank fixed deposit accounts and the interests will be disbursed to the deserving students every year.

The Karuna Dewan Scholarship will be awarded to a Moanoghar student for any of the following subjects; (1) Veterinary science, (2) Agriculture, (3) Animal Husbandry, (4) Agriculture Engineering, (5) Agriculture Economics, and (6) Fishery. The Kiran Chandra Dewan Scholarship is open to all meritorious students from the CHT indigenous communities.

Both scholarships will be administered as part of Moanoghar's Higher Education Loan Programme. Currently, Moanoghar supports 80 students for tertiary level education. More information are available at the Moanoghar website; www.moanoghar.org

Moanoghar Support Group, Khagrachari Established

Moanoghar Support Group, Khagrachari was established on last 20 June 2015 through a meeting with larger civil society in the district. More than 80 persons attended the meeting.

At the end of the meeting, a 21-member Moanoghar Support Group was established with Prof. Bodhisatta Dewan as Convener and Jiten Chakma as Member Secretary. Ms. Shatarupa Chakma, Honourable Member, Khagrachari District Council and Mr. Jawahar Lal Chakma, a Moanogharians, accepted the position of Co-convener. The group will undertake supporting activities in the Khagrachari Hill District for Moanoghar.



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. Manil Lal Dewan and his daughter Jhuma Dewan handing over the donation for the Moanoghar Karuna Dewan Scholarship*



*Unrapping of the Music Album 'Indigenous Voices – 3'
by renowned singer & musician Manoj Bahadur Gurkha,*

Moanoghar Publishes CD Albums of Traditional Music of the CHT Indigenous Peoples

Moanoghar published a music album of 4 CDs containing traditional ballads and lyrics of the Mro, Chak, Khumi people and Chakma Genghuli songs. The album, titled 'Indigenous voices – 3', was formally unwrapped in a small ceremony at Moanoghar. Veteran musician and singer Manoj Bahadur attended the occasion as Chief Guest and formally opened the albums.

Moanoghar considers the initiative very important as part of its mission for the preservation and promotion of the cultural traditions of the CHT Indigenous communities who face a growing pace of acculturation. The album was produced with the support of UNDP/CHTDF and European Union. (The songs/music of the album will be made available for downloads on the Moanoghar website: www.moanoghar.org).

Miscellaneous News

- Moanoghar started from May 2015 a one year Japanese language course for third consecutive year with the help of Ms. Sawako Hanashiro, a volunteer from Japan.
- 23 students currently studying in various public universities under HELP have started a one-month tuition programme at Moanoghar School during the holidays of Ramadan. All schools in Bangladesh usually remains closed during the period. The HELP students come every year during this period to stay at Moanoghar and provide free tuition to the school students.

Appeal for Support

- Moanoghar re-launches its appeal for the procurement of PCs and assorted IT equipments for its IT education programme of the children. The budget is estimated 1.6 million taka for the procurement of 35 PCs, 2 laptops, 1 printer and 1 multimedia projector.

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