

Coordination meeting with local stakeholders on campaign for village courts in Sunamganj

Dewan Tasadduk Raza Chowdhury :: A coordination meeting was held with local stakeholders on campaign for village courts in Sunamganj. The meeting was held on Sunday afternoon at the conference room of the Deputy Commissioner under the initiative of the 3rd phase of the Bangladesh Village Court Activation Project, Sunamganj Local Government Department and in collaboration with UNDP and the European Union.

The meeting was chaired by Deputy Director of Sunamganj Local Government Department Mohammad Rezaul Karim and the chief guest was Deputy Commissioner Dr. Mohammad Ilias Mia.

Among others, Police Superintendent Tofail Ahmed, Islamic Foundation Deputy Director Krishibid Mohammad Mosharraf Hossain, Dirai Upazila Executive Officer Sanjeeb Sarkar, Shalla Upazila Executive Officer Piyas Chandra Roy, Madhyanagar Upazila Executive Officer Ujjal Roy, Sunasganj Sadar Upazila Executive Officer Sultana Jerin, Sunamganj District Social Service Office Assistant Director AK Azad Bhuiyan, Sunamganj Senior Journalist Mohammad Shahjahan Chowdhury, BRAC District Coordinator AK Azad, and others spoke.

It was informed in the meeting that videos have been shown in each union for the promotion of village courts and training of the Upazila Resource Team on village courts, training of accounting assistants cum computer operators, training of UP members have been completed. In addition, the promotion of village matters is ongoing through the village court promotion campaign, leaflet distribution and regular activities of various government and non-government organizations.

It was also informed in the meeting that as a result of the initiatives taken in the light of the decision of the last meeting, the number of cases received and disposed of by the village courts is gradually increasing. Therefore, the village court promotion activities are continuing in the ongoing activities through all departments.

It was also informed that the village courts can play a very important role in reducing the backlog of cases in the High Court in the future.

It was also informed in the meeting that a total of 267 cases were received and 239 cases were disposed of in 88 unions through the village courts in the last three months of March-May 2025.