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Bringing char people under country's existing facilities stressed

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GAIBANDHA: The speakers at a seminar in Gaibandha district town on Thursday stressed the need for bringing the neglected char people under the country's existing facilities to change their socio-economic condition.

They further said coordinated efforts from all stakeholders, including the government and non-government organisations, are essential for ensuring the development of the char people.

Success of any development work in the char areas depends on the cooperation and the smooth coordination of both the government and non-government organisations, they added.

They made the comments while addressing a seminar titled "Community Scorecard on EPI Programme" at the circuit house in the town.

Friendship, an NGO, organised the seminar funded by Manuser Jonno Foundation.

Ranjit Kumar Das, additional deputy commissioner (General) of the district, spoke at the seminar as chief guest. Dr Rafiqul Islam, civil surgeon of the district, and Dr Ferdous Hossain Manju, deputy director of the Family Planning Department, were present on the occasion as special guests.

Monir Hossain, assistant director of Friendship, presided over the function.

People from all walks of life, including government and non-government officials, community leaders, public and NGO representatives and journalists attended the seminar.