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Persian transcript:

محسن: در ایران بَعد از این که به اِصطِلاح این های اِسکول[high school] رو [را] تَموم[تَمام] می کنیم، وَقتی که دَبیرستان رو تَموم می کنیم یه اِیک] اِمتِحان وُرودی هست که ما می گیم[می گوییم] کُنکور؛ این اِمتِحانِ کُنکور به اِصطِلاح در سَطح کِشوربرگزار می شه[می شود] و بیشتر از یک میلیون و نیم دانِش آموز در اون[آن] شِرکت می کُنند؛ دانِش آموزان بَر حَسبِ رُتبه ای که به دَست می آرند[می آورَند] می تونند[می تَوانند] دانِشگاه هاشون[دانشگاه هایشان] رو اِنتِخاب کنند و دانِشگاه تِهران یکی از به اِصطِلاح با پرستیژ ترین دانِشگاه های ایرانه[ایران است] شاید بتونیم[بتوانیم] بگیم[بگوییم] که با پرستیژ ترین است]؛ و هَمه یِ دانِش آموزان سَعی می کنند که در دانِشگاه تِهران پذیرُفته بِشَند[بِشُوند] و به هَمین دَلیله[دَلیل است] که می تونیم ببینیم که در دانشگاه تهران بسیاری از بَچّه هایِ شَهرِستان هَستند؛ چرا؟ چون اون ها خیلی تَلاش می کنند که واردِ دانِشگاهِ تِهران بِشَند[بشوَند].

English translation:

Mohsen: In Iran, after finishing [high] school, there is a national university entrance exam called *konkoor*. Each year, this exam is taken by more than one and a half million students all over Iran, and students—based on their scores—can choose a college. Tehran University, for example, is one of the most prestigious universities in Iran—it's safe to say it is the most prestigious, and almost everyone tries to get admitted to it. We can see that many students from small towns and provinces attend Tehran University. Why? It is because they try very hard to enter that university.

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