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## Vice Chancellor's Note



Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) seeks to attain excellence in teaching, learning and research, and develop all students as leaders in diverse disciplines to make meaningful differences nationally and globally. We sincerely endeavour to help our graduates attain optimum knowledge, skills and abilities by grooming in them a growth mindset, competency, self-discipline, and interoperable people-skills.

Creditably, BUP demonstrated the resolute to continue all planned academic activities amid the global Pandemic. We proficiently pioneered online lessons in our tertiary public education sector. Heartily, all faculties contributed in completing the first semester and started the second semester with renewed fervour to excel further and promote effective online pedagogy and quality learning. Very soon we shall custom-build a Learning Management System of global standard to facilitate quality teaching, learning, evaluation & assessment, and research. We intend to bring about novel innovations and knowledge-creation through untiring endeavours in teaching and research and imprint solid footprints in our tertiary education to inspire all enthusiast compatriots to follow.

Good Luck all BUPIANS

## Photo Gallery



Respected VC Sharing Greetings with BUP Officers, Faculty Members and Students during 12<sup>th</sup> BUP Day



Glimpse of Conducting Online Class amid Pandemic Situation since the Commencement of Lockdown in Bangladesh

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## New Vice Chancellor Joins at BUP



The newly appointed Vice Chancellor Major General Ataul Hakim Sarwar Hasan, SBP, SGP, ndc, afwc, psc, PhD joined Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) on 03 March 2020. He was born on 01 January 1966 in Dhaka, Bangladesh. He was commissioned in the Corps of Infantry on 21 December 1984. Prior to joining, he served as the General Officer Commanding (GOC) of 55 Infantry Division, Jessore. The General has completed number of professional courses both at home and abroad. He is a graduate from Defence Services Command and Staff College, Bangladesh and Brazil Staff College. The General is also an alumnus of National Defence College, Bangladesh where he has completed Armed Forces War Course and National Defence Course. The General has completed Masters on Defence Studies from Bangladesh National University. He has also achieved Masters in War Studies and Masters in Security Studies from Bangladesh University of Professionals. He has achieved PhD degree from Jahangirnagar University on Security Studies. The General has a long and illustrious command experience at various echelons in the army which includes Commanding Officer of an Infantry Battalion, Commander of two Infantry Brigades etc. He was the founding General Officer Commanding (GOC) of 10 Infantry Division. The General commanded logistics area of Dhaka Cantonment as Area Commander. He served as Senior Operations Officer in The United Nations Guards Contingent (UNGCI) in Iraq and Strategic Planner in the Combined Planning Group (CPG) of United States Central Command (USCENTCOM), Tampa, USA. On arrival of the Vice-Chancellor, Pro-Vice Chancellor Prof M Abul Kashem Majumder, Ph.D and other senior officials welcomed him. Later, he attended a meeting with the senior officers of BUP. During the meeting, the Vice-Chancellor sought the cooperation of all and urged them to work responsibly in their respective offices.

## BUP VC Calls on President



The Vice-Chancellor of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) Major General Ataul Hakim Sarwar Hasan, SBP, SGP, ndc, afwc, psc, PhD made a courtesy call on to Hon'ble President Mr. Md. Abdul Hamid at Bangabhaban on 19 March 2020. During the meeting, the VC apprised the President of the academic activities of the university and its infrastructural development. He also sought cooperation of the President in running the academic and administrative affairs of the university. President Md. Abdul Hamid

stressed the need for conducting quality research in all universities. The President also said, "Research is very important to ensure quality education," President Hamid gave him a patient hearing and expressed his satisfaction on the overall activities of BUP. Secretaries concerned to the President were also present.

## 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Senate Meeting Held at BUP



The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Senate Meeting of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) was held on 24 June 2020 at its campus, announced Tk. 112.83 Crore budget for the fiscal year 2020-2021. BUP VC and Senate Chairman Major General Ataul Hakim Sarwar Hasan, SBP, SGP, ndc, afwc, psc,

PhD presided over the meeting. BUP treasurer Air Cdre Muhammad Belal, BUP, ndu, ndc, psc, GD(P) announced the budget in the meeting. Besides, BUP 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Report has also been put forward for approval. Apart from approving the 2020-2021 fiscal year budget, the Senate members also approved the revised budget for 2019-2020 fiscal year amounting Tk. 109.18 Crore and the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Report of BUP. BUP registrar Brigadier General Md Mahboob Sarwar, ndc, afwc, psc, G+ moderated the meeting as Member Secretary. Among the Senate members, notably Major (Retd) Rafiqul Islam, Bir Uttam, MP, Mr. Mostafizur Rahman, MP, Mr. H N Ashiqur Rahman, MP, Muhammad Faruk Khan, MP & BUP Pro-VC Prof. M Abul Kashem Mozumder, PhD were present in the meeting. Noted that most of the senate members attended the meeting through online and gave their valuable opinions. BUP VC and Senate Chairman Major General Hasan said that despite adverse conditions like Covid-19, BUP is continuing the online education activities smoothly. They are arranging other meetings in online platform. He further said that all the departments of BUP have organized significant number of Webinars at different times where teachers, students, reputed personalities from home and abroad have joined. He further said that by establishing a quality research-based university, BUP is trying to achieve a position in world university ranking. He also mentioned that the world today is facing a critical situation due to the global epidemic Covid-19. The manner in which the present government, under the strong and far-reaching leadership of Honorable Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, is dealing with such a catastrophic disaster is truly commendable. Finally, he thanked all the esteemed members present at the meeting and announced the conclusion of the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Senate Meeting of BUP.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Convocation of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP)

The 5th convocation of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) was held on 06 January 2020 at BUP campus in Mirpur Cantonment. The Hon'ble President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, Mr. Md. Abdul Hamid presided over the Convocation as the Chief Guest and the Chancellor of the University. Education Minister Dr. Dipu Moni,



M.P was present on the occasion as the Special Guest while National Professor Dr. Anisuzzaman was the Convocation Speaker. The Hon'ble President at the very outset congratulated the graduating students for their hard earned and well-deserved degree. He also urged the graduates to spread around the country and explore their knowledge and experience learned at BUP. This year, 12 students have been awarded the Chancellor's Gold Medal and 22 students have achieved the Vice-Chancellor's Gold Medal for outstanding academic results. On the other hand, 07 researchers were conferred with PhD and 16 with MPhil Degrees. In total 1778 graduates participated and were conferred degree in the 5th Convocation of BUP. Among other distinguished guests, Defence and Security Adviser to the Prime Minister of Bangladesh, Major General Tarique Ahmed Siddique (Retired); Admiral AMMM Aurangzeb Chowdhury, Chief of Naval Staff, Bangladesh Navy; Air Chief Marshal Masihuzzaman Seraniabat, Chief of Air Staff, Bangladesh Air Force; VC of BUP Major General Md Emdad-UI-Bari; Pro-VC of BUP Professor M Abul Kashem Mozumder, Ph.D; members of the parliament, secretaries of different ministries, former VCs of BUP, media activists, civil and military high officials, BUP officials, faculties, students and guardians were present in the convocation ceremony.

## Celebration of Birth Centenary of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman at BUP



The Birth Anniversary of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, in line with National Children's Day were celebrated with great enthusiasm in Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) on 17 March 2020 through several programmes. The programmes included short film exhibition, animation exhibition, discussion meeting and offering special prayers. BUP Vice-Chancellor Major General Ataul Hakim Sarwar Hassan, SBP, SGP, NDC, AFWC, PSC, PhD was present in the programme as the chief guest and Pro-Vice Chancellor Professor M Abul Kashem Majumder, Ph.D was present as the special guest. On the other days (from 15 March to 16 March), the celebration in BUP included painting competition, exhibition of paintings and posters on Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, distribution of free clothes and books, graphics design logo / banner / poster making competition, easy writing competition on "Bangabandhu, the Friend of the World" etc. Among others, BUP high officials, faculty members and students were present in the occasion.

## Opening Convocation & Freshers' Reception-2020



The Opening Convocation & Freshers' Reception for the newly enrolled students (Academic Year-2020) of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) was held on 07 January 2020 in the university campus. BUP VC Major General Md Emdad-UI-Bari, ndc, psc, te was present in the programme as the chief guest. Professor Dr. Syed Anwar Hussain, Professor of "Bangabandhu Chair" was present as the speaker of Opening Convocation 2020. The programme started with the recitation from the Holy Qu'ran. BUP Registrar Brigadier General Md Mahboob Sarwar, ndc, afwc, psc, G+ delivered the welcome speech. Pro-VC of BUP Professor M Abul Kashem Mozumder, Ph.D also delivered his educative and directive speech for the freshers. Two students from the new batch and another two from previous batches expressed their feelings and experience about their admission and campus life in BUP. At the end, the VC of BUP announced the official start of Academic Year- 2020. In his speech, he emphasized on the strict compliance of various rules, regulations and discipline of the university including zero tolerance about drug abuse and sexual harassment. He also encouraged the students to participate in various extracurricular activities. Among others, BUP officials, faculty members, freshers and their guardians were present in the programme.

## BUP Observes International Mother Language Day



Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) observed Mohan Shaheed Dibosh and International Mother Language Day on 21 February 2020 and paid tribute to the martyrs of the language movement of 1952. To mark the day, BUP

chalked out elaborate programme including rally, placing wreaths at the Central Shaheed Minar, discussion meeting and cultural programme. Early in the morning, BUP Vice Chancellor Major General Md Emdad-UI-Bari, ndc, psc, te, Pro-VC Professor M Abul Kashem Mozumder, Ph.D, all high officials, faculty members, officers and students brought out a procession and gathered at the Central Shaheed Minar to lay floral wreaths. Later, BUP Literature Club organized a discussion meeting and cultural programme at BUP campus where the Vice Chancellor of the university was present as the chief guest and Pro-Vice Chancellor was present as special guest. Among others, all high officials, faculty members and students were present in the programme.

## Seminar on "Drug Abuse in Bangladesh and Its Way Out" held



A seminar on "Drug Abuse in Bangladesh and Its Way Out" organized by Drug Abuse & Illegal Trafficking Prevention Committee, Bangladesh University of Professionals was held on 21 January 2020 at Bijoy Auditorium of BUP. Vice Chancellor Major General Md Emdad-UI-Bari, ndc, psc, te was present as the chief guest of the seminar. Professor Dr M Abul Kashem Majumder, PhD, Pro-Vice Chancellor of BUP and Professor Dr Arup Ratan Choudhury, President, MANAS and Member, National Drug Control Advisory Board were present as special guests. Mr. Md. Jamal Uddin Ahmed, Director General, Narcotics Control Department of Bangladesh was the distinguished keynote speaker. Brigadier General Mohammad Mizanur Rahman, MPH, MPhil, Dean, Faculty of Medical Studies & Chairman, Drug Abuse & Illegal Trafficking Prevention Committee was the moderator of the seminar. Besides, high officials of BUP, faculty members and students were present in the seminar. The keynote speaker discussed on the present state of drug abuse in Bangladesh and the actions taken by the government. The speaker stressed on the point that all guardians and parents, teachers and nearest relatives must keep constant vigilance so that a youth cannot be spoilt with the influence of bad companions. Preventive education, treatment and rehabilitation are the priority issues to make a country free of drug abuse. The chief guest of the seminar declared that BUP will show zero tolerance to any case of drug abuse. At the end, he also declared BUP a drug free campus.

## Seminar on "The Use of English and Bangla in Bangladesh: Future Research Direction for Sociolinguistics" held

A seminar titled "The Use of English and Bangla in Bangladesh: Future Research direction for Sociolinguistics" arranged by the Department of English, Faculty of Arts and Social Science (FASS),



Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) was held on 24 February 2020 at Bijoy Auditorium of BUP campus. Major General Md Emdad-UI-Bari, ndc, psc, te, Vice-Chancellor of BUP presided over the seminar as the chief guest. Pro-Vice-Chancellor of BUP Professor M Abul Kashem Mozumder, PhD attended the seminar as the special guest. Prominent academician, Dr. Shaila Sultana, PhD, Department of English Language, Institute of Modern Languages, University of Dhaka graced the occasion as the keynote speaker. Two eminent Professors, Prof. A. M. M. Hamidur Rahman, Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Daffodil International University and Prof. AKM Waliul Islam, PhD, Department of English Language, Institute of Modern Languages, University of Dhaka were present as discussants in the seminar. Brigadier General A. K. M. Iqbal Azim, ndc, psc, G+, PhD moderated the seminar. The main focus of the seminar was the socio-economic and political use of both Bangla and English languages in Bangladeshi context and how the use of these languages relates to our self-identity in this era of globalization. Moreover, the seminar explored the issue of the purity of language and the mixing of Bangla and English among the youths of Bangladesh. In the seminar, BUP high officials, faculty members and students were also present.

## BUP Donates to Prime Minister's Relief Fund

On 15 April 2020, Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) has donated Tk. 50,00,000 (Fifty Lakh) to the Prime Minister's Relief and Welfare Fund to expedite government's steps taken to fight the coronavirus. On behalf of all members of BUP, Vice Chancellor Major General Ataul Hakim Sarwar Hasan, SBP, SGP, ndc, afwc, psc, PhD handed over the cheque. On behalf of Honourable Prime Minister, Dr. Ahmad Kaikaus, Principal Secretary to the Honorable Prime Minister received the cheque in Prime Minister's Office. Honorable Prime Minister was present at the video conference while handing over the cheque. Among others, BUP Pro-VC Professor M Abul Kashem Mozumder, Ph.D was also present there. During handing over the cheque, Vice Chancellor of BUP assured the Prime Minister of BUP's continuous support towards all activities taken by the Government of the Peoples Republic of Bangladesh in response to the situation caused by the outbreak of Corona Virus (COVID-19) and also apprised her about various academic initiatives taken by BUP in this ongoing situation. Honorable Prime Minister appreciated the steps taken by BUP and also thanked all BUP officials, teachers and staffs for providing generous humanitarian assistance to face Corona Virus (COVID-19) crisis.



## Call on of VC BUP with UGC Chairman



The Vice Chancellor of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) Major General Ataul Hakim Sarwar Hasan, SBP, SGP, ndc, afwc, psc, PhD made a courtesy call on to the Chairman of University Grants Commission (UGC) of Bangladesh on 11 March 2020. During his visit, the VC briefed Chairman of UGC Professor Dr. Kazi Shahidullah about various activities and on-going programmes of BUP. He also invited Chairman, UGC to visit BUP as soon as possible.

## BUP Celebrates 3<sup>rd</sup> Faculty Day



The 3<sup>rd</sup> Faculty Day of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) was held on 27 February 2020 at BRAC CDM, Savar with the motto "Communication and Collaboration Foundation of Innovation". This day was

organized by the Office of the Evaluation, Faculty and Curriculum Development (OEFCD). The purpose of the faculty day was to enhance interaction among faculty members, share best practices and ideas in improving the Teaching-Learning environment and increase efficiency of the support system. In the programme, Professor Ainun Nishat, PhD, Former Vice Chancellor, BRAC University was present as the chief guest and keynote speaker and BUP VC Major General Md Emdad-UI-Bari, ndc, psc, te was present as the special guest. The programme was moderated by Lieutenant Colonel Retd. Khondoker Zahirul Alam, psc, G, Director, OEFCD. The day-long session included presentation by the Academic Counseling and Placement Centre of BUP, interactive session, cultural programme, different type of games and sports etc. Among others, BUP Pro-VC Professor M Abul Kashem Mozumder, Ph.D, faculty members and high officials were present in the programme.

## Online Academic Activities Held at BUP

BUP has started its Online Study Program since the suspension of on-premises classes from 18 March using diverse means. Both off-the-shelf and customized apps/platforms are being utilized for this purpose. All course materials, lectures, presentations etc. are uploaded in the University Comprehensive Academic Manager (UCAM), a customized academic management web app developed by BUP. All the faculty members and students have Microsoft 365 accounts. They can collaborate Stream, Videos/ Classroom interactive lessons with respective class groups. Faculty members are also using Google Classroom to reach the students and share class materials. Students are using Facebook groups to share study materials, assignments where teachers are also participating in live video streaming. Other social media platforms like Viber and Whatsapp are also being used as convenient tools to share necessary study materials. BUP ICT centre is at hand to provide all necessary technical support. UGC Chairman has appreciated the



efforts of BUP. BUP is receiving excellent responses from students, parents and faculties. This online classes for all the courses will continue at BUP until situation gets normal. This is being accomplished under the direct supervision of respected VC and executed by the deans of different faculties. Faculty members of BUP are showing their utmost sincerity and dedication to implement it. Students are found very enthusiastic to attend the online classes and the attendance rate is about 90%.

## Bosonto Boron Held at BUP

Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) celebrated “Bosonto Boron” on 17 February 2020 in a very colorful manner like the previous years. BUP Cultural Forum organized a fascinating cultural event on a spectacular stage which was set on the floating bridge of BUP. BUP Vice-Chancellor Major General Md. Emdad-UI-Bari, ndc, psc, te was present as the chief guest in the ceremony while Pro Vice-Chancellor Prof M Abul Kashem Majumdar, Ph.D was present as the special guest. The chief guest said that education and culture are complementary to each other. Education enhances human knowledge. In the same way, cultural practices promote the development of heart and mind. All students, teachers and officers of BUP celebrated the day with great joy and enthusiasm in a colorful manner.



## Tree Plantation -2020 & BUP Flower Festival-2020

“Tree Plantation and BUP Flower Festival 2020” was held at Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) on February 02, 2020. The programme was organized by the Environmental Club of BUP under the supervision of Department of Environmental Science, Faculty of Science and Technology (FST). BUP VC Major General Md Emdad-UI-Bari, ndc, psc, te was present in the programme as the chief guest while Pro-VC of BUP Professor M Abul Kashem Mozumder, Ph.D was present as the special guest. The aim of the programme was to highlight the importance of indigenous flowers in preserving the environment and to inspire the students to play a positive role in this field. Besides, all BUP officers,



teachers and students participated in a “Cleanliness Programme” which was also held in the campus.



## DEVTHON 1.0



'DEVTHON 1.0' was organized by BUP Development Leaders' Club under the supervision of the Department of Development Studies, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) on 12 February 2020 in its campus. The aim of this event was to engage the young participants to compete in an innovative development marathon contest that will engage them in the pursuit of endeavors in development sector. As 'Development' is the key priority of Bangladesh, such a platform would encourage the future change-makers of the country to actively engage in solving problems to attain the development that is cherished. To celebrate the Birth Anniversary of the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman; the event prominently showcased his vision for development. Bangabandhu, throughout his life, struggled for independence along with people's economic emancipation and dreamt of building 'Shonar Bangla' (Golden Bangla) free of hunger and poverty. Vice Chancellor of BUP Major General Md Emdad-UI-Bari, ndc, psc, te was present in the programme as the chief guest while Pro-Vice Chancellor of BUP Professor M Abul Kashem Mozumder, PhD was present as the special guest. Dr. Atiur Rahman, Bangabandhu Chair, University of Dhaka and Dr. Syed Anwar Husain, Bangabandhu Chair, BUP were present as the keynote speakers. At the end of the programme, prize giving ceremony was held. In the event, team Capitalist from BUET became the champion while team Navigators from BUP and team Garrison from IBA, Dhaka University became 1st Runner up and 2nd Runner up respectively. The outcome of the competition will certainly contribute to enhance extra-curricular activities of BUP students and boost up the inter-university student relations and cooperation through acquiring case solving and writing and skills. Brigadier General A. K. M. Iqbal Azim, ndc, psc, G+, PhD, Dean, FASS, BUP moderated the event. Moreover, students from different universities, invited guests, BUP officers, teachers and students were also present in the programme.

## Opening Ceremony of Language Course-2020



Centre for Modern Languages (CML) of BUP arranged the Opening Ceremony of language courses on 12 January 2020 for Batch A (January to June 2020) at Bijoy Auditorium of BUP. Respected Dean, Centre for Modern Languages (CML) Brigadier General K M Ferdausul Shahab, BGBM, PBGMS was

present in the programme as the chief guest. Officers of BUP, adjunct faculty members and all participants of different language courses were present in the ceremony. A total of 09 courses have been launched in this semester (January to June 2020) which include: 06 elementary courses (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, German and Japanese), 02 level-1 courses (Arabic and French) and 01 diploma course (Arabic).

## Opening Ceremony of Turkish Language Course-2020

Opening Ceremony of Turkish Language Course for Bangladesh Army was held on 09 February 2020 at its campus. The Centre for Modern Languages (CML) of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) has conducted this course. This 18-weeks long course was conducted from 09 February 2020 to 18 June 2020. Respected Dean, CML was present in the opening ceremony as the chief guest. 08 officers, 11



JCO's and 23 other ranks making a total of 42 members of Bangladesh Army participated in the course.

## Visit of Dr. Mamata Chowdhury - Western Sydney University, Australia

Honorable Vice Chancellor of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) signed MoU with Western Sydney University on October 2019 in Australia. As part of the MoU, Dr. Mamata Chowdhury, a faculty member of Business School of Western Sydney University visited BUP on 20 January 2020 and held a meeting with the Dean of Faculty of Business Studies (FBS) Brig Gen Muhammad Wasim-UI-Haq, ndu, afwc, all department heads, faculty members and some nominated students from FBS. During the meeting, she exchanged knowledge on credit transfer, joint seminar/ research, scholarship opportunities, student facilities, job prospects etc. that are available at Western Sydney University for the students of BUP. At the beginning, Dr. Mamata also made a courtesy call on with Registrar Brig Gen Md Mahboob Sarwar, ndc, afwc, psc, G+.



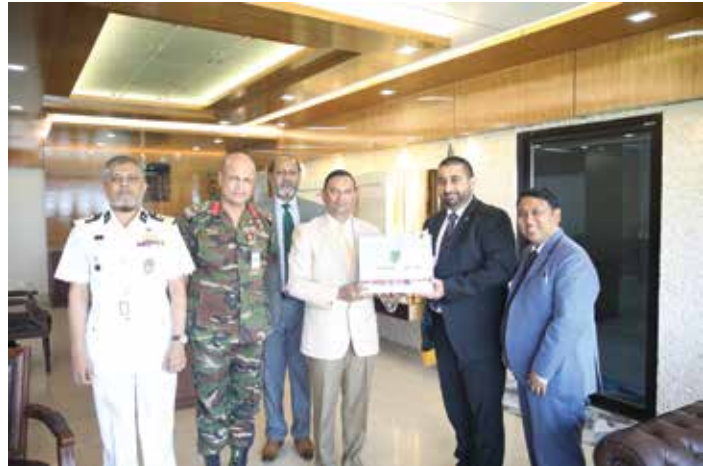
## Visit of Delegates from Macquarie University, Australia at BUP

As part of MoU between BUP and Macquarie University, Country Manager (South Asia and Middle East) Riasat Hussain along with Country Coordinator (South Asia) Alkayet Hossain of Macquarie University visited BUP on 17 February 2020 and held a meeting with Dean-OEFCD, Registrar, Chief Finance Officer and Director- International Affairs. During the meeting, they exchanged guidelines and information on credit transfer, scholarship opportunities, Macquarie University policy, admission process as well as criteria, study tour and student facilities for the students of BUP at Macquarie University.



## Visit of University of Portsmouth Delegate at BUP

Director of UoP Global, Bobby Shailesh Mehta from University of Portsmouth (UoP) visited BUP on 09 March 2020. The main purpose of this visit was to develop academic collaboration between BUP and UoP. At the beginning, Mr. Bobby made a courtesy call on with Vice Chancellor Maj Gen Ataul Hakim Sarwar Hasan, SBP, SGP, ndc, afwc, psc, PhD. He also met BUP Registrar, Dean OEFCO, Dean FASS, Dean FST, Director of International Affairs of BUP and exchanged information regarding credit transfer, joint seminar/ research, scholarship opportunities, tuition waiver, student facilities and job prospects that are available at University of Portsmouth for the students of BUP. He also conducted an interactive session with some students of different faculties of BUP.



## Team Cognitive Dissonance of BUP Became Champion of IDEA Innovation Contest 2020

BUP students are being engaged in various productive activities even in this lockdown period. Team Cognitive Dissonance consisting of Zeba Samiha, Rashik Hassan, Kazi Lamisa Medha and Mysha Maliha from the Department of Business Administration in Finance and Banking is no different. The team participated against 252 teams from 30 Universities from all over Bangladesh in the Idea Innovation Contest 2020, powered by Interactive Cares, and achieved the Champion title. The competition, comprising of 3 rounds, provided a platform for students to come up with ingenious ideas and develop their businesses. The participants were asked to come up with profitable business ideas that would sustain even during the Covid-19 pandemic. The judges panel consisted of various industry leaders like Tina F.

Jabeen (Adviser, Startup Bangladesh, ICT Ministry, Govt. of Bangladesh), Ghulam Sumdany Don (Founder & CEO, Don Sumdany Facilitation & Consultancy), Abdul Muqit Ahmed (Director, Banglalink Digital Communications Limited), Bijon Islam (CEO, LightCastle Partners), Nahian Rahman Rochie (Senior Corporate Finance Manager, BAT), Sumit Saha (Co-founder, Analyzen), Syed Ibrahim Saajid (Manager, bKash Limited), Zafir Shafiee Chowdhury (Co-Founder, Singularity & Bondstein) and Ayesha Sayeed (Head of Talent Management, Banglalink Digital Communications Limited). To top it all off, the winning team will receive certificates signed by the Chief Guest, Mr. Ahmad Ashkar, Founder and CEO of Hult Prize Foundation!



## MIC-Make It Count 2020

This year BUP Career Club has organized "MIC-Make It Count 2020" at the national level. It is a public speaking competition for all the undergraduates and graduates to exhibit their elocution. Due to COVID-19 pandemic, this year MIC-Make It Count was conducted online. 128 participants from 34 different universities took part in the competition this year. MIC-Make It Count 2020 started its first round on 11 May 2020. The first round was based on a relevant topic of

COVID-19 crisis. The Grand Finale of this event was held on the 29 May 2020. The final round started via Facebook live, with top 6 finalists. The judges were Zara Mahbub (Country Director and CEO of Kazi IT Center), Khairul Basher (Head of Communications at Grameenphone), Sabin Rahman (Vice President at Robi Axiata Limited) and Sarajit Baral (Regional Director of Sylhet at British American Tobacco). The Champion of MIC- Make It Count 2020 is Nafis Kazi from BUP. The Runner-Up of MIC-2020 is Josfique Arefin who is also from BUP. The Vice Chancellor of Bangladesh University of Professionals Major General Ataul Hakim Sarwar Hasan, SBP, SGP, ndc, afwc, psc, PhD was present in the programme through online. At the end of the event, he delivered his valuable speech and thanked the organizers for organizing such an event. Overall coordination was done by club moderator Assistant Professor Mohammad Rajib Uddin.



## Annual Picnic of BUP Students, Teachers and Officers Held

The annual picnic of BUP students, teachers and officers was held at Seashell Resort, Purbachal. This year, 4 faculties of BUP were divided into three parts. Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences went to picnic on 15 February 2020, Faculty of Security and Strategic Studies and Faculty of Science and Technology went on 22 February 2020 and Faculty of Business Administration went on 29 February 2020 respectively. Besides, various offices of BUP were attached to different faculties to attend the picnic together. All BUP high officials, students, teachers and officers attended the annual picnic along with their family members.



## The Inter-Year Moot Court Competitions



Department of Law, Bangladesh University of Professionals has set the benchmark of conducting academic activities with a view to encouraging students to think out of the box and deep gaze in the arena of legal knowledge and advocacy skill. 'The Inter-Year Moot Court Competition' was the continuation of this motive, which was held at BUP campus in Mirpur Cantonment from 19 January to 23 January 2020. Total 12 teams participated in this weeklong competition and endeavoured to exhibit their legal and oratory skills. On 23 January 2020, through a breath-taking competitive final

round, the team consisting of Wakila Hussain Moumi, Mariha Mahboob and Nusrat Jahan achieved the champion title and the team consists of Tamanna Tabassum, Raihan Mohammad and Quazi Tahmid Rahman became the runner-up team. It was held in BUP Moot Court Room presiding over by Brig Gen Saif-Ur-Rahman, psc, Dean of Faculty of Security and Strategic Studies (FSSS), moderated by Lt Col Siraj Uddin Ahmed (Retd), Chairman of the Department of Law and facilitated by the faculty members of the department. The distinguished judges of the final competition were Professor Dr Nakib M. Nasrullah, Asst. Prof. Md.Abu Bakar Siddique and Lecturer Md. Abdur Razzak. At the end, Dean of FSSS praised the competition, inspired the freshers and all other students to take part in mooting apart from their regular curricular activities and thanked the concerned organizers to take such initiative for the law-enthusiastic students. He also distributed prizes among the winners. Awards were also provided for being the Best Mooter to Wakila Hossain Moumi, Best Emerging Mooter (male) to Syed Marzuk Shakib, Best Emerging Mooter (female) to Fabliha Mahzabin Rohman, and Spirit of the Moot to Munirah Jahan.

## BUP Establishes 140 KW Solar Panel

Renewable and clean energy is the slogan of the present day. Our environment warrants its emphasis too. Use of solar energy and particularly the use of solar panel is on the rise in our country. Keeping the issue of "efficient and green energy" point in mind, BUP has successfully established 140 KW solar panel on the roof area. Production of electricity from this project and adding to the National Grid started in January 2020. It has reduced the dependency on external power supply of DESCO to a great deal.



## Awarding Letter of Appreciation to Inspire the Students of FASS by Dean

On 26 February 2020, Brigadier General A K M Iqbal Azim, ndc, psc, G+, PhD, Dean, Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences (FASS) handed over Letter of Appreciation to the students of the faculty who secured CGPA 3.8 and above from different departments in July-December 2019 semester. Total 328 students were awarded this certificate from the Department of



Development Studies, Disaster & Human Security Management, Economics, English, Public Administration and Sociology. This event was the first of its kind which inspired the students to perform better subsequently. In his speech, the Dean encouraged the students to continue their hard work to acquire knowledge, remain competitive and maintain brilliance. He also praised all faculty members whose ceaseless hard work and mentoring helped the students to earn such feat.

## 57<sup>th</sup> Syndicate Meeting Held at BUP



57<sup>th</sup> Syndicate Meeting of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) was held on 15 June 2020 at its campus. Vice Chancellor of BUP Major General Ataul Hakim Sarwar Hasan, SBP, SGP, ndc, afwc, psc, PhD presided over the meeting. In the meeting, 56<sup>th</sup> special syndicate meeting minutes, 51<sup>st</sup> academic meeting minutes, 59<sup>th</sup> finance committee minutes have been approved unanimously. Noted that, in this syndicate meeting, almost half of the syndicate members participated through online to provide their valuable opinions.

## Farewell to Former VC

Major General Md. Emdad UI Bari, ndc, psc, te, former vice chancellor of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) completed his last working day on 02 March 2020. He later on has joined as Director General of Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies (BISS). Noted that he joined BUP on 12 February 2018.



## Joining

Cdre Mohammad Monirul Islam (S) OSP, PCGMS, ndu, psc, BN has joined Bangladesh University of Professionals on 03 February 2020 as the Dean, Office of the Evaluation, Faculty and Curriculum Development



Colonel Md Tanvir Alam Khan BGBMS has joined Bangladesh University of Professionals on 18 March 2020 as the Director, Planning Development and Works, Office of the Chief Planning, Development and Works.



Group Captain Md Rabiul Hasan Zuberi has joined Bangladesh University of Professionals on 01 March 2020 as the Admin Director, BA/BSS Programme.



Lieutenant Colonel Md Shahidul Hasan SUP, EB has joined Bangladesh University of Professionals on 26 March 2020 as the the Chairman, Department of the DHSM.



Lieutenant Colonel Mohammad Yousuf psc, AC has joined Bangladesh University of Professionals on 11 February 2020 as the Chairman, Department of BBA-General



Lieutenant Colonel Mohammad Nuruzzaman G Arty has joined Bangladesh University of Professionals on 04 February 2020 as the Chairman, Department of Business Administration in Marketing.



## Joining

Lieutenant Colonel Md Zahid Hasan PBGM, G+, Arty has joined Bangladesh University of Professionals on 17 January 2020 as the Additional Controller of Exam, Office of the Controller of Examination.



Lieutenant Colonel A T M Mozibul Alam psc, Sigs has joined Bangladesh University of Professionals on 21 February 2020 as the Chairman, Department of ICT.



Lieutenant Colonel M Zahidur Rashid psc, Arty has joined Bangladesh University of Professionals on 03 March 2020 as the Additional Registrar (General), Office of the Registrar.



Cdr Abul Khair Mohammad Zakaria (TAS) psc, BN has joined Bangladesh University of Professionals on 16 February 2020 as the Chairman of Peace, Conflict & Human Rights



Lieutenant Colonel Mohammad Ali Akkas ASC has joined Bangladesh University of Professionals on 21 January 2020 as the Additional Inspector of Colleges, Office of the Inspector of Colleges.



Lieutenant Colonel Sinthia Sarmin AEC has joined Bangladesh University of Professionals on 05 February 2020 as an Associate Professor, BA/BSS Programme.



## Farewell

Lt Col Mahmud-Un-Nabi, psc, Arty has completed his last working day at BUP on 27 February 2020.



Lt Col Md Lutfar Rahman Bokshi, SGP has completed his last working day at BUP on 01 February 2020.



Bangladesh University of Professionals bid farewell to Lieutenant Colonel Md Alaul Kabir psc, Sigs on 17 January 2020.



Bangladesh University of Professionals bid farewell to Lieutenant Colonel Md Moksudul Bari AC on 17 January 2020.



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