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## Vice Chancellor's Note

It gives me a great feeling that Bangladesh University of Professionals is bringing out its 41st issue of Newsletter. BUP has started its journey since 2008 with the motto "Excellence through Knowledge". Keeping this motto ahead, the BUP Newsletter is acting as a comprehensive communication vehicle to provide the BUP community with balanced and objective coverage of issues pertaining to them, a means of



staying in touch with the alma mater and it peoples one another. BUP is continuing its overall activities in the face of global climate changes which is truly commendable. This Newsletter recognizes the contributions of BUP family that they made in accelerating the progress of the university. The most significant events of the last quarter were- Celebration of Bangabandhu's Birth Anniversary and National Children's Day, Genocide Day, Martyrs' Day, and International Mother Language Day, Independence, and National Day 2024 and so on.

I would like to convey my heartfelt thanks to the Editorial Board for their relentless effort in discharging their responsibilities to make this publication a success. I hope that such endeavors would continue in future.





## **EVENTS**

#### BUP Celebrates Bangabandhu's Birth Anniversary and National Children's Day



Bangladesh University of Professionals celebrated the 104th birth anniversary of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and the National Children's Day in a befitting manner. Various programmes were arranged to mark the day, including hoisting the national flag at BUP premises, discussion on the biography of the Father of the Nation, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, and a documentary exhibition. Among others, the Vice Chancellor of BUP Major General Md Mahbub-ul Alam, BSP, ndc, afwc, psc, MPhil, PhD, along with BUP senior officials, faculty members, and students attended the programme. Besides, many senior officials, faculty members, and students joined the discussion virtually.

## **BUP Celebrates the Independence and National Day 2024**



Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) celebrates the Independence and National Day with various programmes under the supervision of BUP Cultural Forum on 26 March 2024. The Independence and National Day 2024 was celebrated to apprise the historical significance and awareness of the day to the next generation. The programme included hoisting the national flag, discussion meetings, and documentary exhibitions. BUP VC Major General Md Mahbub-ul Alam, BSP, ndc, afwc, psc, MPhil, PhD delivered his valuable speech on the independence and national day. Among others, BUP Pro-VC Professor Dr. Khondoker Mokaddem Hossain, BUP senior officials, faculty members, staff and students were also present in the programme. Besides, many faculty members, high officials and students joined the discussion virtually.



#### Martyrs' Day and International Mother Language Day



Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) observed 21 February as Martyrs' Day and International Mother Language Day with dignity and pride by offering tribute to the martyrs who sacrificed their lives for their mother tongue. To mark the day, the national flag was brought to half-mast at the beginning of the day. A delegation of BUP led by BUP Pro-Vice Chancellor Professor Dr. Khondoker Mokaddem Hossain brought out a procession and placed floral wreaths at the Central Shaheed Minar. A discussion session was organized by BUP Literature and Drama Club at Bijoy Auditorium of BUP highlighting the significance of the day. Respected Vice Chancellor of BUP Major General Md Mahbub-ul Alam, BSP, ndc, afwc, psc, MPhil, PhD attended the discussion as the Chief Guest. Among others, BUP Pro-Vice Chancellor, all high officials, faculty members, staff and students were also present in the programme. Besides, many high officials, faculty members and many students joined the discussion virtually.





#### **BUP Observes 'Genocide Day'**



Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) observed the Genocide Day with due honour on 25 March 2024 at Bijoy Auditorium. The event was organized by BUP Literature and Drama Club. The programme was aimed at conveying the significance of the day to the next generation. The programme included reading out messages of Hon'ble President and Hon'ble Prime Minister on 'Genocide Day 2024' and recollection and discussion of 25 March genocide memories. In the discussions, Professor of BUP Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Chair Dr. Syed Anwar Husain reminisced the barbaric attack and atrocity committed by Pakistani Aggressors on the black night of March 25. Among others, BUP Pro-Vice Chancellor Professor Dr. Khondoker Mokaddem Hossain, BUP Deans, senior officials, faculty members, staff and students were also present in the programme. Besides, many faculty members, high officials and students joined the discussion virtually.

## Admission Test (Session 2023-2024)





The admission test for the students of 2023–2024 session of Bangladesh University of Professionals was held on January 19 and 20, 2024. The tests of Faculty of Arts and Social Science (FASS) and the Faculty of Security and Strategic Studies (FSSS) were held on 19 January 2024. On the other hand, the tests of Faculty of Science and Technology (FST) and Faculty of Business Administration (FBS) were held on 20 January 2024. Students took part in the exam with enthusiasm. At this time, more than 74 thousand students participated in the exam for 1550 seats. Examinations were held in different Centres including BUP, MIST, MCPSC, etc.



#### **BUP Vice Chancellor Visits Education Minister**



Major General Md Mahbub-ul Alam, BSP, ndc, afwc, psc, MPhil, PhD, Vice Chancellor, BUP, made a courtesy call to the Honourable Education Minister Mohibul Hasan Chowdhury, MP, on 15 January 2024. The Vice Chancellor apprised him on the activities of BUP. The honourable Minister appreciated all the members of BUP for their relentless efforts in placing this university in the world of academia with flying colours within a short span of time. He assured Vice Chancellor, BUP his wholehearted support for the progression of BUP.

**Recognition Ceremony** 



To enhance the quality and teaching techniques of the newly appointed faculty members, Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) had organized a month-long Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on 08 October 2023. A total of 48 newly appointed faculty members participated in the programme. The closing ceremony was held on 01 February 2024. BUP Vice Chancellor Major General Md Mahbub-ul Alam, BSP, ndc, afwc, psc, MPhil, PhD graced the event as the Chief Patron and handed over certificates to the faculty members for their successful completion of FDP. Furthermore, he offered awards to numerous faculties, teachers, officers, staffs, and students for their contributions to research, disciplinary actions, and national and international events and for their sincerity and dedication to university functions as well. Additionally, the Vice Chancellor awarded the students who participated in the especial programme organized on the National Mouring Day. BUP high officials and other faculty members were present in the Closing Ceremony.





## Picnic for Students, Faculty Members and Officers









Various faculties of BUP organized picnics for students, teachers, and officials like the other years. Keeping the tradition, this year, the Faculty of Business Studies (FBS) on 20 February and the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (FASS) on 06 February 2024 had their picnic at Jolshiri Central Park. On the other hand, the Faculty of Science and Technology (FST) and the Faculty of Security and Strategic Studies showed up at Seashell Park on 30 January 2024, and 06 February 2024 respectively. The students of the concerned faculties participated in the said picnics cheerfully. Besides, teachers and officers also participated with their families. BUP high officials and their families also participated in the picnics.

#### **BUP Staff Picnic 2024**





Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) staff picnic was held on 05 March 2024 at Tamanna Park. The picnic was participated by BUP staff and their families with enthusiasm. Besides, BUP Registrar Brigadier General Faisal Baten, ndc, psc attended as Chief Guest.



#### **BUP Band Fest**





Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) hosted a spectacular Band Fest on 28 and 29 February 2024, igniting the stage with a symphony of talents from various renowned universities. The esteemed event welcomed Pro-Vice Chancellor Professor Dr. Khondoker Mokaddem Hossain as the Chief Guest, adding a touch of prestige to the festivities. Featuring two dynamic segments highlighting both band and solo performances, the event provided a platform for budding musicians to shine. Renowned musicians meticulously analyzed every musical nuance, ensuring a fair and insightful evaluation. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from a good number of universities, including University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh (ULAB), BSMRMU, Dhaka University, BRAC University, United International University, BGMEA University of Fashion & Technology, Independent University of Bangladesh, and British Council as well. Among others, BUP high officials, faculty members, students and invited guests attended the band fest.

#### The Golden Jubilee of the 'Territorial Waters and Maritime Zones Act, 1974'



23rd February 2024 was marked with a momentous occasion celebrating the Golden Jubilee of the 'Territorial Waters and Maritime Zones Act, 1974'. Honored to have been a part of this historic seminar organized by the Bangladesh Navy, 20 students from the Department of Environmental Science of Bangladesh University of Professionals had the privilege to participate. With the esteemed presence of Hon'ble Prime Minister, Sheikh Hasina, MP as the Chief Guest, the event was nothing short of prestigious. Each of the students received a certificate as a testament to their dedication and passion for learning. Through this seminar, they delved into various facets of maritime security, explored the vast prospects and opportunities of

the blue economy, and gained valuable insights into existing policies and government interventions aimed at fostering a sustainable ocean-based economy in Bangladesh. It was truly an enlightening and empowering experience for all who attended.



#### Free Medical & Dental Health Awareness Campaign - 2024



In observance of the International Mother Language Day, students from the Master of Public Health (MPH) Programme, batch-03, led an impactful initiative Free Medical & Dental Health Awareness Campaign-2024. The programme was held on 15 February 2024 at the BUP concourse (FBS Tower). The event received valuable input from the Vice Chancellor Maj Gen Md Mahbub-ul Alam, BSP, ndc, afwc, psc, MPhil, PhD, Pro-Vice Chancellor Professor Khondoker Mokaddem Hossain, PhD and Dean, Faculty of Medical Studies, Brig Gen Md Mizanur Rahman Khan, FCGP, MPhil, MPH, FRSH and other distinguished deans of faculties. With a total of ten booths and the participation of twenty highly experienced doctors and health professionals, the campaign addressed the health needs of both university students, faculty members and BUP staff. The dedicated health professionals not only provided medical assistance but also shared valuable insights on maintaining optimal dental health. Among the ten, four of the booths were dedicated to dental checkups and gum health, one addressed gynecological issues, another focused on nutrition and physiotherapy while one specifically targeted hormone, diabetes, and ENT concerns. This comprehensive approach ensured that attendees received personalized care and guidance across various health care domains.

#### Research Collaboration of Mutual Interest between BUP and the Planning Commission



Brigadier General Muhammad Jahed Kamal, ndc, afwc, psc, Dean, BUP Research Cell (BRC) and Brigadier General Muhammad Ali Talukder, ndc. afwc, psc, Dean, Faculty of Security and Strategic Studies (FSSS) visited the Planning Ministry of Bangladesh on 14 February 2024 to explore research collaboration of mutual interests between BUP and the Planning Commission. A meeting was held between Khan Md. Nurul Amin, ndc, (Additional Secretary) Chief of the Economic Division and BUP

representatives at the premises of the Ministry of Planning Division. Brigadier General Muhammad Jahed Kamal, ndc, afwc, psc, Dean, BUP Research Cell and Brigadier General Muhammad Ali Talukder, ndc, afwc, psc, Dean, Faculty of Security & Strategic Studies made a visit to Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief at Bangladesh Secretariate on 11 January 2024. MD. Kamrul Hasan ndc, the Secretary of the ministry, chaired the meeting with the BUP team.



## MoU between Maastricht University, Netherlands and **Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP)**



A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between Maastricht University, Netherlands, and Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) on 26 February 2024 at the Maastricht University, Netherlands. BUP Vice Chancellor Major General MD Mahbub-ul Alam, BSP, afwc, psc, MPhil, PhD and Professor Dr. A.M.W.J Schols, Dean, Faculty of Health, Medicine and Life Science of Maastricht University signed the MoU on behalf of their respective institution. The main purpose of the MoU was to build up bilateral relations in academics and research between these two institutions. Under this MoU, students of BUP will have the opportunity to

undertake the Foundation of Global Health course guided by the international faculty members and upon completion of this course, students will receive diploma certificates. Additionally, symposiums will be organized for bringing students together from nine reputed universities of the world. This agreement is expected to bring about new opportunities for collaboration in higher education between BUP and Maastricht University.

## Winter Cloth Distribution Programme



Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) distributed Winter Cloth on 04 January 2024, extending warmth and support to its dedicated staffs. With the participation of the Registrar, Brigadier General Faisal Baten, ndc, psc as the Chief Guest and other high officials, the event symbolized BUP's commitment to employee welfare.





#### Orientation of MPhil and PhD Programme Organised by CHSR at BUP



On 12 January 2024, the Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) hosted the Orientation Programme for MPhil and PhD researchers organised by the Centre for Higher Studies and Research (CHSR). The orientation began with a warm welcome speech delivered by Brig Gen Mohammad Shahiduzzaman Khan, ndc, afwc, psc, Dean, CHSR. Captain Mahbubur Rashid (L), psc, BN, the Director of the Centre for Higher Studies and Research (CHSR), took the podium next to outline the comprehensive course structure that would guide the scholars through their research endeavours. The event was graced by two distinguished guests of honour, Prof. Dr. Mohammad Mozahidul Islam from Jahangirnagar University and Prof. Dr. Niaz Ahmed Khan from University of Dhaka. Their presence added scholarly eminence to the occasion. The Pro Vice Chancellor of BUP, Prof. Dr. Khondokar Mokaddem Hossain was the Chief Guest. His gracious presence symbolised the university's commitment to nurturing advanced research and academic excellence. The orientation programme marked the beginning of a promising academic chapter for the aspiring researchers, setting the stage for collaborative learning and ground-breaking contributions to their respective fields.

## Freshers' Reception of MPH Programme



On 12 January 2024, a fresher's reception was held at Bijoy auditorium on the campus of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) to welcome the newly enrolled students of Master of Public Health (MPH). The event was organized by the Faculty of Medical Studies (FMS), BUP. Brigadier General Md

Mizanur Rahman Khan, FCGP, MPhil, MPH, FRSH, Dean, FMS, was present in the session as the Chief Guest. Professor Dr. Shamsun Nahar PhD, King Khalid University in Saudi Arabia, delivered welcome speech addressing the ongoing challenges in Bangladesh's healthcare system and encouraged the newly enrolled students, as future public health leaders, to tackle these issues and ensure universal access to healthcare. Among others, the Faculties of the MPH Programme, Officials of BUP, students from different batches of MPH were present at the programme. The event served as an opportunity for networking and fostering a sense of community among all participants.



#### Master of Cyber Security Programme Started in BUP



On 01 March 2024, the inauguration of the Master of Cyber Security (MCS) programme took place at the Bijoy Auditorium of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP). The Pro-Vice Chancellor of BUP, Professor Dr. Khondoker Mokaddem Hossain, was the Chief Guest in the inaugural ceremony. MCS is a two-year Master's programme that started its journey under the Department of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) of BUP.

MCS is a unique Master's programme as it focuses on hands-on training and lab-based courses to develop human resources with practical experiences in the field of cybersecurity.

## **Activities of Centre for Modern Languages (CML)**



#### **Opening Ceremony of Language Courses**

Opening Ceremony of Language Courses for 2024 (A) Batch was held at Bijoy Auditorium on 21 January 2024. Dean, CML Brigadier General Md Rashed Iqbal, ndc, psc, G, MPhil was present as the Chief Guest. Officers of BUP, adjunct faculty members and course members of the language courses were present in the ceremony.

#### Foreign Language Courses for Undergraduates

CML has been conducting foreign language courses for regular undergraduate students of BUP since 2016. The most preferred language course for undergraduate students is French. Other Language courses are Chinese, German and Japanese. In this current Jan-Jun 2024 Semester, CML is conducting French & German language courses for nineteen sections of undergraduate students from twelve different departments.







## Interaction with Undergraduate and Professional **Programme Students/Course Members**

The visit of Dean, CML was highly fruitful. During the interactive session, students have shown their keen interest in learning foreign languages. Dean, CML also gave necessary guidelines to the participants.

#### **Orientation Meeting with Faculty Members**

On 25 January 2024, Dean, CML Brigadier General Md Rashed Iqbal, ndc, psc, G, MPhil had an orientation meeting with faculty members of undergraduate and professional courses separately. He requested the faculty members to make classes interesting and enjoyable. Faculty Members also shared their experiences with Dean to improve the learning environment.



## CONFERENCE / SEMINAR / WORKSHOP

#### Conference on Industry-Academia Collaboration



The Faculty of Science and Technology (FST) of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) organized a conference on 'Industry-Academia Collaboration' on 24 January 2024 at BUP campus. Collaboration between academia and industry is crucial for driving innovation, economic growth, and societal development for a country. The primary objectives of academia-industry collaboration are to foster a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship, establish a symbiotic relationship between academia and industry, accelerate the transfer of knowledge and enhance the practical relevance of academic research. Vice Chancellor of BUP Major General Md Mahbub-ul Alam, BSP, ndc, afwc, psc, MPhil, PhD was present in the programme. Professor Dr. Mohammad Mahfuzul Islam, Vice Chancellor, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Digital University, and prominent academicians from other reputed universities namely BUET, DU and JU shared their views in the conference. Representatives from different industries in Bangladesh also attended the conference.



#### 9th International Integrative Research Conference on Governance in Society



The International Integrative Research Conference on Governance in Society, Business and Environment (INSEARCH) has been organized with the main theme "People-Planet Relationship for Peace and Prosperity" on February 23-24, 2024, at BARD, Cumilla, Bangladesh. In the conference, 12 students from the Department of Public Administration, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (FASS), Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP)

participated and presented five research papers under the supervision of Assistant Professor Md. Robiul Islam. The title of the papers is:

- 1. Measuring the Efficacy of the Vulnerable Group Development Program in Bangladesh: How Far Have We Achieved Service Process Simplification?
- 2. Socio-Economic Status of Informal Entrepreneurs in Bangladesh: An Agenda Toward Sustainability.
- Evaluating People's Satisfaction on E-Passport Service in Bangladesh: Potentials and Challenges. 3.
- Assessing Accessibility to Public Health Service among the Hijra Community in Bangladesh: A Study on Rangpur 4. District.
- 5. Access to Primary Education of the Plain Land Ethnic Community Children in Bangladesh: A Case Study on Rani sankail Upazila.

## Seminar on 'The Idea of The Western University: Remarks on The Researches of George Makdisi (1920-2002)'

of International Department Relations (IR) under the Faculty of Security and Strategic Studies (FSSS) of Bangladesh University of Professionals organized a seminar titled 'The Idea of the Western University: Remarks Research of George Makdisi (1920-2002)' at Bijoy Auditorium on 29 January 2024. The objective of



the seminar was to explore the roots of European scholasticism and humanism, two major intellectual movements in medieval intellectual history, which played a pivotal role in the evolution of modern western universities. Professor Dr. Salimullah Khan, an eminent thinker, academician, and intellectual figure of Bangladesh delivered the keynote speech. Vice-Chancellor Major General Md Mahbub-ul Alam, BSP, ndc, afwc, psc, MPhil, PhD was present at the seminar. Professor Dr. Khondoker Mokaddem Hossain, Pro-Vice Chancellor delivered the vote of thanks. Students, faculty members, and senior officials were also present at the seminar.



#### Seminar on 'Ethnocentricity, Strategic Culture And Leadership Language'



The Department of International Relations (IR) under the Faculty of Security and Strategic Studies (FSSS) of Bangladesh University of Professionals organized a seminar titled 'Ethnocentricity, Strategic Culture and Leadership Language' at Bijov Auditorium on 25 February 2024. The objective of the seminar was to explore the origin, positive and negative dimensions of 'ethnocentrism' and 'strategic culture' and their impact on

society. It underscored the ways in which leaders can shape the perspectives and dynamics of a community through the manipulation of ethnocentrism and strategic culture to serve political ambitions. In the seminar, Lieutenant General (Retd.) Md Mahfuzur Rahman, OSP, rcds, ndc, afwc, psc, PhD delivered the keynote speech and recommended that gap management in leadership as well as their language choice and vocabulary training may be favourable in pursuing harmony in multicultural global society. Additionally, Kaniz Fatema and Farnaz Zaman, students from the Department of International Relations, contributed with their perspectives as panelists during the seminar. Among others, Professor Dr. Khondoker Mokaddem Hossain, Pro-Vice Chancellor, faculty members, students, and high officials were also present at the seminar.

## Presentation on 'Understanding Higher Education in the UK and the Process for Applying in the Specialized Fields'



A presentation on 'Understanding Higher Education in the UK and the Process for Applying in the Specialized Fields' was held at Bangladesh University of Professionals on 18 February 2024. The presentation was organized by the Counselling and Placement Centre (CPC) and aimed to provide authentic information regarding higher education in the UK, as well as the process of writing a 'Personal Statement or Proposal'. Mr. Christopher Anthony Gibson, International Officer University of Manchester, UK, conducted the 2 hour session in an interactive approach and provided detailed information about scholarships, higher studies, and research in the UK.



## Seminar on 'Accountability for Sustainability'



Department of Accounting & Information Systems, under the Faculty of Business Studies (FBS) of Bangladesh University of Professionals organized a seminar titled 'Accountability for Sustainability' at Bijoy Auditorium on the university campus on 03 March 2024. Professor Dr. Mohammad Tareq, Executive President, Bangladesh Institute of Capital Market, Professor, Department of Accounting & Information Systems, University of Dhaka was the Keynote Speaker, Brigadier General Mohammad Saadat Hossain, ndc, psc, Dean, Faculty of Business Studies (FBS) was the Chief Guest in this Seminar. Senior officials, faculty members and students were also present at the seminar.

#### Workshop on 'Monetize Your Apps & Ideas in bdapps - National Appstore'



A workshop on 'Monetize Your Apps & Ideas in bdapps - National Appstore' event, was held at Bangladesh University of Professionals on 04 March 2024, powered by bdapps and organized by BUP Infotech Club. In the fast-paced world of technology, the App Development and Monetization workshop brought

innovators, students, and industry leaders together to explore the latest trends and strategies in creating and profiting from mobile applications. As the digital landscape continues to evolve, this event served as a beacon for developers seeking to stay ahead in the competitive app market. The event soared to greatness with an outstanding lineup of guest speakers who generously shared their expertise and insights. After the App Development and Monetization workshop concluded, participants left with new insights, strategies, new thinking, and connections to fuel their endeavors in the dynamic world of mobile applications.





#### Seminar on 'Action against Single Use Plastic'



Recalling a meaningful seminar held on 13 March 2024, organized by the Department of Environmental Science under the Faculty of Science and Technology (FST), BUP on 'Action against Single-Use Plastics'. Various management programmes, plastic recycling enterprises, and public-private partnerships were discussed, offering potential solutions. Keynote speaker Syeda Rizwana Hasan, Chief Executive of the Bangladesh Environmental Lawyers Association (BELA), graced the session with her invaluable insights and expertise on the pressing issue of single-use plastic pollution. Her profound knowledge and dedication to environmental advocacy have undoubtedly inspired all to take concrete actions towards a more sustainable future. Our esteemed panel speakers, Assistant Professor Md. Arifur Rahman Bhuiyan and Lecturer Amit Hasan Anik from the Dept. of ES, discussed the sources, fate and consequences of single-use plastics in the environment. The Dean of FST, Brig Gen Md Mustafa Kamal, SGP, extended a warm vote of thanks to the keynote speaker and panel speakers and also highlighted students' active participation.

## Seminar on 'Bangladeshi Writing in English'



A seminar titled 'Bangladeshi Writing in English' was arranged on 21 March 2024, by the Department of English, under the Faculty of Arts and Social Science (FASS) BUP, at Bijoy Auditorium. The keynote speaker was Prof. Dr. Md. Harun-Ur-Rashid Askari from Islamic University, Kushtia. The seminar's goal was to make people aware of the current scenario and opportunities of writing in English by the Bangladeshi authors with their literacy works e.g. poetry, novels, stories etc. Discussions in the seminar revealed that Bangladeshi writers' popularity across the region has obtained the legacy of Bangladeshis' writing in English which has a long way to go. Chairman of the Department of English, BUP, Dr. Mohoshin Reza and Associate Professor Dr. Fahmida Haque were panel discussants in the seminar. Respected Pro-Vice Chancellor Professor Dr. Khondoker Mokaddem Hossain attended the session. The respected Dean of FASS Brigadier General Mohammad Shamsul Arefin, ndc, psc was also present and conveyed a vote of thanks. Besides, chairmen of different departments, all the faculty members and students of the Department of English joined the session and made the seminar lively and engaging.



#### **VISITS**



## Visit of IDP, BANGLADESH Members to CML

Members from IDP, BD visited CML, BUP for exchanging academic collaboration. The visiting members proposed the IELTS programme and related matters to the Dean, CML. They sheared their experience about the prospect of IELTS and ESL (English as Second Language) programme for BUP students, Officers and faculty members. The visitors expressed that IDP is ready to provide all kinds of support for IELTS to all members of BUP.

#### Visit to IML, DU & BIL, BRAC University by Dean and Faculty Members of CML, BUP

Recently a team of CML, BUP visited IML, DU & BIL, BRAC UNIVERSITY for sharing academic experience. Dean, CML Brigadier General Md Rashed Iqbal, ndc, psc, G, MPhil had a formal meeting with the Director of IML, DU & BIL, BRAC UNIVERSITY. The Team shared their knowledge and experience on conducting different foreign language programmes. They projected the prospect of Foreign Language programmes for BUP students, officers, and faculty members. They also shared their views on the developing process of the centre through different foreign language programmes and research works.





## The Daily Ittefaq Delegation **Visits PRIP**

A delegation comprising Md. Rezaul Ahsan, Director, and Mohammad Ataur Rahman, Manager (Collection) Dept. of Marketing from the Daily Ittefaq, visited Office of the Public Relations, Information and Publications (PRIP), BUP on 22 February 2024. During the visit, they met the Chief of PRIP, Air Commodore Ferdous Mannan, psc, ADWC discussed the issues of mutual interest.



#### Field Trip at Cox's Bazar Sadar Hospital



A Field Trip by Master of Public Health (MPH) Programme Batch-01 was held from 21 to 23 February 2024 at Cox's Bazar. Throughout the trip, students had the opportunity to visit various locations and health facilities at Cox's Bazar, the trip was aimed to providing students with practical exposure and experiential learning. Under the esteemed guidance of the respected Dean of the Faculty of Medical Studies, Brigadier General Md Mizanur Rahman Khan, FCGP, MPhil, MPH, FRSH the field trip was arranged. The programme coordinators of the MPH Programme provided invaluable guidance and support throughout the trip. Their expertise and mentorship were instrumental in ensuring the success of the endeavor.

## 'Field Work on Ecology and Soil Sciences' (ENV 2208)



The Department Environmental Science of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) conducted an instructive fieldwork exercise second-year students enrolled in the BES 2022 cohort. This educational excursion, part of the course 'Field Work on Ecology and Soil Sciences' (ENV 2208), took place from 4 to 7 March 2024, within the biodiverse confines of the Sundarbans Mangrove Forest.



#### Field Visit at Bangladesh Academy for Rural Development



The Department of Public Administration organized a field visit for BPA 2021 (6th semester, 3rd year) students at Bangladesh Academy for Rural Development (BARD) from 19-22 February 2024. The general objective of this training course was to acquaint the participants with modern tools, techniques, and methods in conducting research, especially in identifying various socioeconomic problems, collecting required data, processing, and analyzing data through PRA tools, and report writing and presentation. The field visit includes sessions on the following topics- Basic Concept of Social Research, Research Method in Quantitative Research, Techniques of Preparation of Questionnaire and Checklist, Importance of Sampling and Sampling Techniques: Probability, Importance of Sampling and Sampling Techniques: Non-Probability, Literature Review, References, and Footnotes. The session was taken by Dr. Md. Mizanur Rahman, Abdullah Al Hussain, and Assistant Professor Md. Robiul Islam. Finally, the programme arranged data collection in the field situation with a presentation.

#### Visits to Media Houses

Two delegations of BUP visited the office of The Daily Jugantor and The Daily Desh Rupantor to join the celebration of their founding anniversary.







## **GAMES AND SPORTS**

#### Prize Giving Ceremony of Inter-Department Cricket Competition



The prize-giving ceremony of the Inter-Department Cricket Tournament 2024 of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) was held on 08 February 2024. The competition kicked off on 28 January 2024, where all departments participated. The Department of Information and Communication Technology and the Department of Business Administration in Management Studies faced each other in the

final, and the Department of Business Administration in Management Studies bagged the championship trophy while the Department of Information and Communication Technology achieved the runner-up trophy in the competition. BUP Vice Chancellor Major General Md Mahbub-ul Alam, BSP, ndc, afwc, psc, MPhil, PhD distributed prizes among the winners as the Chief Guest. Besides, BUP high officials, faculty members and students were also present at the programme.

## Inter-Department Handball Competition 2024

The final matches of interdepartment handball competition of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) were held on 11 March 2024. In the male category, the Department of Business Administration Management Studies triumphed over the Department Economics, while in the female category, the Department of Business Administration Marketing emerged victorious against the Department of



Disaster Management and Resilience. The Vice Chancellor of BUP Major General Md Mahbub-ul Alam, BSP, ndc, afwc, psc, MPhil, PhD graced the finals as Chief Guest and offered words of encouragement to the competing teams. The VC handed over prizes to the finalists and awarded trophies to the champion and runner-up teams. BUP high officials, faculty members and students attended the events. The inter-department handball competition of BUP commenced on 15 February 2024.



#### ACHIEVEMENTS



Success of BUP Student in Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

It is an ecstasy to share the news of historic victory of team BUP in the 8th Bangladesh Qualifying Rounds of the esteemed Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition. Team BUP emerged as the champions, securing the much-desired Champions trophy with an impressive score of 3065 points. This remarkable achievement placed Bangladesh University of Professionals at the forefront as the proud representative of Bangladesh on the global stage alongside

Chittagong University, BRAC University and East West University while they achieved second, third and fourth places respectively. Now they will compete amidst an array of top contenders from around the world.

The Qualifying Rounds spanned from the 1st to the 3rd of February with 32 teams from various universities across the nation engaging in head-to-head competition during the national rounds hosted by American International University. The relentless hard work and unwavering commitment of team shone through Shushil Kabir earning the distinction of the second-best oralist of the country, Sihon Sultana ranking fourth, and Sohanur Rahman contributing as the researcher. The additional researchers Muhtasim Faiaz and Afsana Labonya provided invaluable support. Furthermore, Team BUP achieved the 4th position in the Memorial Ranking, a testament to their comprehensive preparation. This exceptional team was nurtured under the guidance of an esteemed mentor, Asst. Professor Abu Bakar Siddique. Their journey doesn't end here, as they are now set to represent Bangladesh in the international rounds held in Washington DC.

The Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition is one of the largest and oldest international law-based moot court events globally, attracting nearly 700 law schools from over 90 countries annually. Celebrating its 65th year, Jessup has evolved into the most prestigious competition in international law, providing a platform for legal enthusiasts to engage in simulated legal proceedings before distinguished judges. It fosters cultural exchanges and understanding among aspiring legal professionals, making it a worldwide cornerstone in the legal community.

This glory symbolizes the culmination of hard work, perseverance, and passion displayed by mooters. The excellence of BUP Law and Moot Court Club (LMCC) is undeniable, and this triumph becomes a lasting legacy for Bangladesh University of Professionals.





**Best Researcher Awards** 

Md. Nafizur Rahman, Lecturer, Department of Business Administration in Finance and Banking, has received Best Researcher Awards from Centre for Higher Studies and Research (CHSR), BUP which was held on 01 February 2024 in Bijoy Auditorium.



2<sup>nd</sup> Runner up in Powerpreneur 3.0

On 20 January 2024, Imtiaz Mahmud from Business Administration in Finance & Banking secured 2nd Runner up in the startup analysis competition Powerpreneur 3.0: National Startup Analysis Competition presented by Dhaka University Entrepreneurship Development Club. The month-long event explored deep into the startup culture of Bangladesh, igniting the entrepreneurial flame among its cohort. His other teammates were Shahnewaz Mahmud Otul (MKT 08), BUP, and Shafin Afnan Khan (MGT 08), BUP.



1st TechnoXian Bangladesh National Championship 2024

Monjurul Hossain (BUP F&B), Nafis Alam Adiat (BUET Mechanical), Faiyaz Bin Shafiq (IUT BTM) were adjudged runner-up of 'Business Case Competition' of 1st TechnoXian Bangladesh National Championship 2024, the event organized by Bangladesh Open Source Network and International Federation of eSports (IFeS) on 09 March 2024. Their other teammates were Saha Sushmoy and Samin Mohtadi.



2<sup>nd</sup> Runner up in Hult Prize

On 29 February 2024, Imtiaz Mahmud from Business Administration in Finance & Banking secured 2nd Runner up position in an on-campus round of The Hult Prize hosted by Hult Prize at BUFT. Hult Prize is the world's largest student social entrepreneurship competition. His other teammates were Simrin Absar Nowmi (Fashion Designing, BUFT), and Arik Eshayat (Fashion Designing, BUFT).





2nd runners-up position in the CFA Research Challenge at the national level

On 28 February 2024, Team Last Minute from Bangladesh University of Professionals secured the 2nd runner-up position in the CFA Research Challenge at the national level. The team members were Ahadul Islam, Irfanul Hoque, Kazi Shadid Raiyan, Ajmain Fahim, and Ahmed Nur Nahin Alif from the Finance & Banking Department. The competition, hosted by CFA Society Bangladesh and sponsored by UCB Stock Brokerage Ltd., tested their analytical, valuation, report writing, and presentation skills.



1st Runner Up of EconProdigy 6.0

On 09 March 2024, Team Pareto Optimum from Finance & Banking, batch 2021 became the 1st Runner Up of EconProdigy 6.0, biggest inter-university policy making competition, organized by NSU YEF. The team was comprised of Kasmira Rijvi Liza, Ittesaf Rasul Shaporan, Mehrab Ahmed Nishan & Saadbin Baten Siam.



First place in Socio Camp Season XI

On 06 March 2024, Team Flippers from BUP, comprising Shihab Bin Nasim & Syeda Humaira Adiba from the Department of Business Administration in Finance and Banking, emerged as champions in the 'Pathao Presents Socio Camp Season XI'. Organized by North South University Social Service Club, the competition focused on addressing social problems through effective marketing and creative solutions. Out of 380 teams, Team Flippers won first place and 1 lac taka prize money for their work on creating awareness about Human Trafficking in Person (HTIP).



Runner Up position in the Business Case Segment

Monjurul Hossain from Business Administration in Finance & Banking, Batch 2023, has recently achieved the Runner Up position in the Business Case Segment of 1st Technoxian Bangladesh National Round organized by BdOSN and Frontech Limited held on 09 March 2024. The 2-Day long event focused on increasing awareness about Robotics among youngsters. His other teammates were Sushmoy (BBA 14, BUP), Samin (BBA 14, BUP), Faiyaz (BTM, IUT) and Adiat (ME, BUET).





Female Handball Competition

The marketing department's female students won the interdepartmental handball competition in 2024 after defeating the DMR department. The competition was held on 11 March 2024. BUP Vice Chancellor awarded the winners.



Champions at the DUEDC Powerpreneur 3.0

On 29 February 2024, Team Shinobi from the Department of Business Administration in Marketing 2021 batch consisting of Abdur Rahman Fahim, Ahmed Daiyan, Samanta Tarannum proudly earned the esteemed titles of Champions at the DUEDC Powerpreneur 3.0: National Startup Analysis Competition.



Championship of Socio XI

On 06 March 2024, establishing the impressive arsenal of aptitude, Team Flippers consisting of students from MKT 2021 batch named Shahriar Sornov, Ahsam Idris Sami mesmerized the judges and achieved the championship of Socio XI organized by NSU Social Service Club.



Success in Solo Symphony Segment of the BUP Band Fest 2024

On 29 February 2024, Mehrab Hossain & Farhan Feroj from the Department of Business Administration in Marketing 2022 batch became the Champion and second runners-up, respectively, of the Solo Symphony Segment of the BUP Band Fest 2024 for their captivating and thrilling performances.



# Runner-up at 'নগর ও নারী বিতর্ক'



BUP Z became Runner-up at 'নগর ও নারী বিতর্ক' organized by Bangladesh Debate Federation on 11 March 2024. The team consisted of Mamunur Hamid of ICT Department, Marzia Islam Prapti of Law Department and Alvi Tonoy of Economics department. BUP Z was the top breaking team in prelims, winning all 3 rounds. They faced off against Rajshahi University, Jahangirnagar University & Bangladesh University of Engineering & Technology in the preliminary rounds and they faced off against Daffodil International University in the Semifinals. The Final was held at BRAC Center where they faced off against Dhaka University.

#### Youth of the Year 2023 Award



Meherun Nahar, MSS student of Department of Mass Communication and Journalism, has secured the 'Youth of the Year 2023' award for her remarkable contributions to peer education and youth activism in the Asia-Pacific Region. She envisions a world where every young person is empowered to take charge and lead positive change in their communities. This prestigious award, bestowed annually by the Y-PEER Asia Pacific Center in Bangkok, celebrates outstanding individuals making a difference in the realms of Peer education, SRHR, HIV, Environment, and other crucial youth issues.



# **Incoming Officials**



Brigadier General Mohammad Saadat Hossain, ndc, psc joined BUP as Dean, Faculty of Business Studies on 11 February 2024.



Lieutenant Colonel Mohammad Saifullah Mirazul Alam, Sigs joined BUP as Senior System Administrator, Information and Communication Technology on 11 February 2024.



Lieutenant Colonel Mohammad Nazmus Sakib, psc, G, Arty joined BUP as Chairman, Dept of Peace, Conflict and Human Rights on 13 March 2024.



Lieutenant Colonel Md Humaoun Kabir, afwc, psc, Inf joined BUP as PS to Vice Chancellor on 09 April 2024.



Lieutenant Colonel S M Zobaer Alam, psc, Inf joined BUP as Chairman, Dept of Business Administration (General) on 22 April 2024.



Major Md Azad Hossain, psc, Sigs joined BUP as System Analyst, Information and Communication Technology on 13 March 2024.



# **Outgoing Officials**



Lieutenant Colonel Md Sazzad Hossain, psc, Sigs completed his tenure successfully at Bangladesh University of Professionals on 11 February 2024.



Lieutenant Colonel Mohammad Khalid Ahmed, PBGM, psc, Arty completed his tenure successfully at Bangladesh University of Professionals on 20 March 2024.



Lt Col Isteag Ahammad, SPP, Inf completed his tenure successfully at Bangladesh University of Professionals on 08 February 2024.



Lieutenant Colonel Muhammad Shariful Islam, psc, EME completed his tenure successfully at Bangladesh University of Professionals on 01 March 2024.



Lt Col G M Sohag, afwc, psc, Inf completed his tenure successfully at Bangladesh University of Professionals on 11 March 2024.

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