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Vice Chancellor's Note

Welcome to the 45th edition of the Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) Newsletter. As we embark on another exciting journey through the pages of this edition, we reflect on the remarkable strides our university has taken in shaping the leaders of tomorrow.

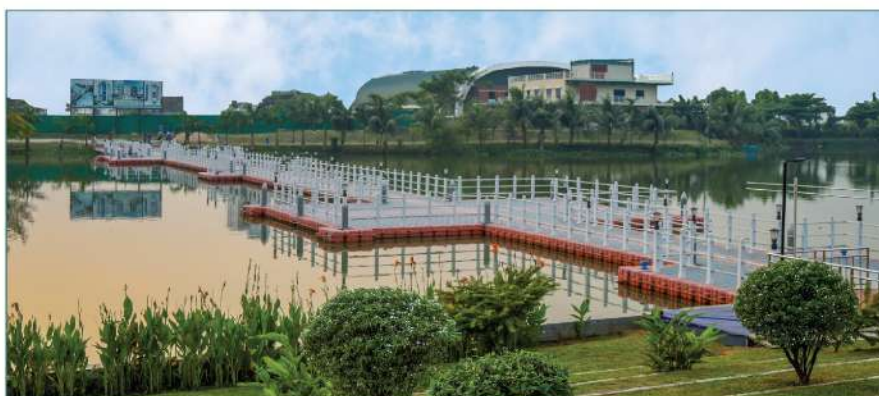
This issue is packed with insights from the vibrant academic and extracurricular activities that continue to define BUP as a hub of

innovation, collaboration, and growth. From notable research achievements and faculty advancements to student success stories and community initiatives, we proudly showcase the diversity and brilliance of our campus life.

As always, we are committed to providing a platform that highlights the collective achievements of our students, faculty, and alumni. Your continued support and engagement make our community stronger, and we hope this newsletter inspires you to keep enlarging the boundaries of excellence.

Thank you for your unwavering dedication to BUP's mission. Together, we will continue to achieve greater heights.

Warm regards,



SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

Freshers' Reception and Farewell Ceremony



The Freshers' Reception for MPH Batch-6 and Farewell Ceremony for MPH Batch-2 of the Global Health Programme were held on 03 January 2025. The event was graced with the presence of Pro-Vice Chancellor, Professor Dr. Khondoker Mokaddem Hossain as the Chief Guest. Brigadier General Mizanur Rahman Khan, FCGP, MPhil, MPH, FRSH, Dean of Faculty of Medical Studies (FMS) also attended the programme. The enthusiastic participation of MPH Students and Faculty Members added great significance to the event.



Orientation Programme of MPhil and PhD Researchers



PhD Researchers

The Orientation Programme for the MPhil and PhD Researchers (Session: 2024–2025B) was held on 17 January 2025 at the CHSR Seminar Hall. The Programme was organized by the Centre for Higher Studies and Research (CHSR), of BUP. The event commenced with the welcome speech by Brigadier General Mohammad Shahiduzzaman Khan, ndc, afwc, psc, the Dean of CHSR, BUP followed by Captain Mahbubur Rashid's, (L), psc, BN, Director, CHSR, presentation on the programme outline, providing an overview of the upcoming academic journey for the new research scholars. Professor Muhammad Kamal Uddin, PhD, Department of Psychology, University of Dhaka, and course instructor for Advanced Research Methodology, delivered an insightful speech emphasising the importance of rigorous research sessions. Another esteemed course instructor of Socio-economic and Political History of Bangladesh, Professor Dr. Mohammad Mozahidul Islam, Department of History, Jahangirnagar University, also addressed the researchers with a thought-provoking ideas, inspiring them to pursue excellence in research. The event ended with a keynote address by the Chief Guest, Professor Dr. Khondoker Mokaddem Hossain, Pro-Vice Chancellor of BUP. In his speech, he underscored the significance of research in national development and encouraged the new scholars to uphold academic standard, quality, integrity and contributing mentality by developing and enhancing their capacity to research and professional arena including meaningful contribution to their respective fields. The orientation programme marked a successful beginning for the MPhil and PhD researchers, setting a motivating tone for their academic journey at BUP.



MPhil Researchers

BUP Film Fest 2025



BUP Film Fest is the annual flagship event of BUP Film Club, dedicated to celebrating storytelling, creativity, and cinematic excellence by bringing students, filmmakers, and film industry professionals together. The event took place on 01 and 02 February 2025. BUP Film Fest 2025 was one of the largest student-run Film Fests of Bangladesh this year, held at Bijoy Auditorium, BUP. This year's festival was dedicated to the student martyrs of BUP in the July Revolution, Mir Mugdho and Jobaer Omer Khan. The event also marked the 70th anniversary of Satyajit Roy's masterpiece Pather Panchali. Under the theme 'Stories in Every Moment,' the festival hosted six competitive segments: Short Film, Documentary, Ad Making, Script Writing, Cine Quiz, and Cosplay. It featured screening of selected films, interactive workshops, panel discussions with industry experts, and a vibrant cultural celebration. Notable guests, including renowned actors, filmmakers, industry owners and other professionals graced the festival, making it a landmark event. Some important elements were exclusively highlighted by the acclaimed filmmaker Tanim Noor on 'The Shift to Streams: Redefining Content from Cinema to OTT', where he provided thoughtful insights on how Over-the-Top (OTT) platforms are shaping the future of content creation. Additionally, a panel discussion was made in presence of renowned actress and producer Nusrat Imroz Tisha, who provided students with valuable guidance on preparing for the film and media industry. More than 450 submissions were received from at least 40 universities across six competitive categories, which was the highest in the history of film festivals at BUP. Some notable and nationally renowned filmmakers, critics, and industry leaders participated as jury and panelists. Both the workshop and panel discussions equipped the students with insights into the evolving media landscape and career opportunities. The event further strengthened BUP Film Club's reputation as one of the most active student-run film organizations in Bangladesh. BUP Film Fest 2025 successfully upheld its legacy as the biggest celebration of art and culture at BUP, providing a dynamic platform for young filmmakers and storytellers. Significant participation and engagement by different university graduates and renowned artists, film makers, professionals, artists and industry owners reaffirm the festival's role in nurturing future generations of media professionals. With plans for further expansion, including potential podcast and mini-series production, BUP Film Club aims to elevate its impact in the coming years too.

In the closing ceremony, the Chief Guest, respected Vice-Chancellor of BUP, Major General Md Mahbub-ul Alam, BSP, ndc, afwc, psc, MPhil, PhD appreciated the organizers for arranging the Film Fest 2025 by solidifying the BUP Club's activities in the world of student filmmaking. BUP Film Club's in-house short film, Prohoson was displayed in the closing ceremony which got extraordinary appreciation from acclaimed producer Khawaja Naim Murad who was present in the closing ceremony as Special Guest.



BUP Annual Picnic



Like previous years, different faculties of BUP organized annual picnic, 2025 for the students, teachers, and officers. In retaining with the tradition, this year, the Faculty of Security and Strategic Studies (FSSS) had their picnic at Bangladesh Ordnance Factory on 22 January 2025. On the other hand, the Faculty of Science and Technology (FST) and the Faculty of Arts Social Sciences (FASS) arranged picnics on 18 January 2025 and 12 February 2025 respectively at Jolshiri Central Park. The students of the faculties concerned enjoyed the picnics to the fullest extent. A significant number of teachers and officers participated to the event with their families. Some BUP senior officials and their families also joined the picnics.

The Staff picnic was held on 15 February 2025 at Tamanna Park. The picnic was attended by BUP staff and their families with utmost enthusiasm. The Registrar of BUP, Brigadier General Md Rabbi Ahsan, ndc, psc attended as Chief Guest.



Training on Microsoft 365

A Training Event on Microsoft 365 and its applications took place on 18 and 19 February 2025. The ICT Centre successfully conducted the said training event, where 55 officers participated as participants. The sessions were highly interactive and effective. This training would help the participants' maximum benefits from M365. After receiving the related skills, the BUP official would be able to demonstrate their ability and capacity on M365 and its applicability in preventing and protecting all kind of cyber threat.

BUP Observes Martyrs' Day and International Mother Language Day



Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) observed 21 February as the National 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 in 1952. To mark the day, the national flag was hoisted half-mast. A delegation led by BUP Treasurer Air Commodore Md Reza Emdad Khan, GUP, BUP, ndc, psc, GD (P) paid tribute to the martyrs by placing floral wreaths at the Central Shaheed Minar. In addition, a special prayer was held after Zuhr which was attended by senior officials, teachers, and staff of BUP.

Visit by Delegation of University of East-Anglia, UK



A four members delegation from the University of East-Anglia (UEA), UK, visited BUP on 25 March 2025. The team was warmly welcomed by the BUP high officials. A briefing session was arranged by the Office of the International Affairs (OIA) in the Central Conference Room (CCR) which was attended by the Registrar and Dean OEFCd. The delegation then visited the BBA General Department floor, FBS, including a classroom and a lab, followed by a short visit to the library. They also visited the lakeside and the West Campus which is under construction.

BUP Faculty Development Programme



Faculty members are the most important resources of the university. Therefore, developing every faculty member's professional expertise remains among the highest priorities of the university. As such, Faculty Development Programmes (FDP) were conducted from 12 February to 27 February 2025 by OEFCd. The objective of FDP was to facilitate professional development and foster a climate for innovation in teaching and learning as applicable in higher education (Pedagogy). The programmes were aimed at guiding the faculty members to plan, prepare and present their lecture/speech effectively with farsighted vision and goal.

The Closing and Certificate Award Ceremony of the 11th and 12th Batches was held on 27 February 2025 at the Bijoy Auditorium of BUP. It was organized under the overall supervision of BUP's Office of the Evaluation, Faculty and Curriculum Development (OEFCd) to enhance the professional skills of the newly recruited faculty members. Honorable Vice Chancellor of BUP Major General Md Mahbub-ul Alam, BSP, ndc, afwc, psc, MPhil, PhD was present as the esteemed Chief Guest at the closing ceremony and distributed certificates amongst the participating faculty members. Some senior officials and faculty members of BUP were also present at the event.

CONFERENCE / SEMINAR / WORKSHOP**Nano Medicine**

A special talk on 'Nano Medicine' was held on 10 January 2025, at the Bijoy Auditorium organized by the Faculty of Medical Studies, BUP. The event delivered by one of the renowned Professors of Chemistry Professor Jamal Uddin, Department of Natural Sciences, and the Founding Director of the Centre for Nanotechnology at Coppin State University, USA, and Dean, Faculty of Medical Studies, Brigadier General Mizanur Rahman Khan, FCGP, MPhil, MPH, FRSH. Students of MPH and faculty members were also present in the lecture session.

During the session, Professor Jamal Uddin highlighted the remarkable innovations of nanotechnology over the years. He traced the origins of the field, by acknowledging the contributions of visionaries who first conceptualised the idea of nanotechnology and laid the foundation for its revolutionary advancements.

The lecture also focused on the transformative applications of nanotechnology in medicine, particularly in the emerging field of nanomedicine. Professor Jamal explained how nanoscale medicines are reshaping cancer treatment through methods like immunotherapy, offering targeted and effective solutions with minimal side effects. He also discussed the use of nanotechnology in enhancing diagnostic tools, such as MRI, to achieve higher accuracy and efficiency in medical imaging.

In addition to its medical applications, the professor touched on the broader implications of nanotechnology across various scientific domains, emphasising its transformative impact on healthcare and beyond.

The event was lively and interactive by enthusiastic participation of students, researchers, and professionals. A lively Q&A session followed, where many attendees participated in the discussions session on the future of nanomedicine and its role in addressing complex healthcare challenges.

This insightful lecture served as an eye-opener for the audience, encouraging them to explore the boundless possibilities of nanotechnology and its capacity to drive innovation in science and medicine.

University Comprehensive Academic Management (UCAM)



A workshop on the University Comprehensive Academic Management (UCAM) was successfully held from 13 to 15 January 2025 at ICT Centre Conference room of BUP. The workshop was jointly organized by the ICT Centre with Edu soft Consultant Limited, to enhance the capacity including user-friendliness of the UCAM platform and address existing operational issues. Each the sessions focused on software functionalities, troubleshooting and exploring new features to enhance academic and administrative tasks. Through this workshop, programme coordinators have become more proficient in the use of UCAM.

Nanotechnology: Small Things Matter and Have Power to Transform Energy, Health, and the Environment



On 16 January 2025, a day long lecture event was organized on titled 'Nanotechnology: Small Things Matter and Have Power to Transform Energy, Health, and the Environment'. The lecture was given by Dr. Jamal Uddin, Professor and Founding Director of the Center for Nanotechnology at Coppin State University, Baltimore, Maryland, USA. The programme was organized by the Department of Environmental Science, FST. During the session, Dr. Jamal Uddin provided an in-depth exploration and interpretation of nanotechnology, discussing its fundamental principles, unique nanoscale properties and transformative applications in energy, healthcare and environmental sustainability.

The lecture highlighted how nanotechnology is revolutionising energy, particularly using titanium dioxide nanoparticles in photovoltaics and dye-sensitized solar cells, which enhance energy efficiency due to their high surface area. In healthcare, Dr. Jamal further explained how gold nanoparticles are being utilised for biomedical imaging, targeted drug delivery, and cancer treatment. Additionally, he emphasised the role of nanotechnology in environmental protection, including pollution control, advanced waste management, and sustainable agricultural practices.

The session provided the participants with valuable insights into cutting-edge nanotechnology research, its real-world implications, and the need for ethical considerations and environmental safety as the field continues to evolve. The lecture inspired discussions on future research opportunities and interdisciplinary collaboration, encouraging further exploration of nanotechnology's potential to address global challenges.

Safe and Just Operating Space (SJOS) for Achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Bangladesh



On 05 January 2025, the Department of Environmental Science of BUP in collaboration with the University of Glasgow, hosted an impactful seminar and workshop on 'Safe and Just Operating Space (SJOS) for Achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Bangladesh.' The purpose of the seminar and workshop was to highlight the importance of creating a sustainable and equitable framework for achieving some of the related targets of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Bangladesh, especially in the context of environmental and social challenges. The event brought together leading academics, researchers and policy makers to discuss and delve deeper into the strategies and solutions that can help Bangladesh create a safe and just operating space to achieve the SDGs. The event was an opportunity for participants to engage in collaborative learning, sharing ideas, and building networks for driving change. This programme has been funded by the Glasgow Centre for International Development. Professor Md Sarwar Hossain and Mohammad Ali Nause Russel, the two eminent professionals and experts from the University of Glasgow, and former Director of the Institute of Water and Flood Management (IWM), Prof. Dr. A.K.M. Saiful Islam were present as panel speakers in the programme. The Director General of the Governance Innovation Unit (GIU) of Bangladesh Dr. Mohammad Abdul Latif was present as the Special Guest. Among others, BUP senior officials, teachers, officers and students attended the programme.

Governance in Society, Business and Environment



The 10th International INSEARCH Conference on Governance in Society, Business and Environment was held with the theme “Governance Education Nexus for Sustainable Environment” on 23 to 24 February 2025, at Bangladesh Academy for Rural Development (BARD), Cumilla, Bangladesh. The INSEARCH conference is organized by Netinsearch International – a Network for Integrative Research in collaboration with Asian Conference on Population and Development (ACPD), China, Center for Administrative Research and Innovation (CARI) of the University of Dhaka, Stamford University Bangladesh, GAIN International of Australia, and EquJust of Tampere University in Finland. This conference has been sponsored by Sena Kalyan Sangstha (SKS) and Palli Daridro Bimochon Foundation (PDBF).

The conference covered four keynote sessions that included ‘Population and Disaster Governance’, ‘Education, Research and Sustainable Development Goals’, ‘Human Rights, Peacebuilding and Challenges of Democracy’ and ‘Youth, Demographic Dividend and Research’. Among the keynotes speakers some international, regional and local eminent scholars, scientist, professionals and researchers were present.

In this conference, 22 students from the Department of Public Administration of BUP participated and presented six research papers under the supervision of Assistant Professor Md. Robiul Islam, Lecturer Ayesha Siddika, and Lecturer Meherin Ahmed Roza. The titles of the papers are:

- Digital Disruption on Teaching and Learning in Higher Educational Institutions: A Study on Public University of Bangladesh.
- University Students’ Perception on Quota Reform in Civil Service: The Bangladesh Case.
- Youth Entrepreneurship and Its Impact on Employment Creation: A Study on University Students of Bangladesh.
- Effectiveness of Banning Plastic Bags in Urban Areas of Bangladesh: A Study on Dhaka City
- Movement of Electric Three-Wheelers and its Impact on Urban Community: A Study on Dhaka City.
- Ashrayan Project and Its Impact on Inclusive Development: A Study on Pabna District

Importance and Practical Aspects of Saum (Fasting) and Zakat in Human Life



On 19 March 2025, BUP Development Leaders' Club under the Department of Development Studies, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences organized a seminar titled 'Importance and Practical Aspects of Saum (Fasting) and Zakat in Human Life' at Shadhinota Auditorium for the first time in BUP. The seminar aimed at raising awareness about the spiritual, moral, and socio-economic significance of two fundamental pillars of Islam—Saum and Zakat. The keynote address was delivered by Dr. Mohammad Monzur-E-Elahi, an esteemed Islamic scholar from National University, who offered deep insights into the inner essence of Ramadan and Zakat by highlighting how Zakat contributes to economic justice and community well-being in Bangladesh. Brigadier General Md Rabbi Ahsan, ndc, psc, Registrar, BUP, as one of the panel discussants, spoke on the health aspects of Saum, highlighting its physical and mental health benefits. Lieutenant Colonel Md. Ferdausur Rahman, PhD, AEC, Associate Professor of BUP, reflected on the relevance of these teachings in contemporary society and the importance of ethical leadership that rooted in Islamic principles. The seminar drew enthusiastic participation from students and faculty members, creating a meaningful platform for reflection, learning, and spiritual growth during the holy month of Ramadan.

VISITS

Field Visit to the Bangladesh Meteorological Department (BMD)



On 20 January 2025, Students of BES-23, BUP visited the Bangladesh Meteorological Department (BMD) as part of their lab course, Laboratory on Climate and Hydrological Data Management. The visit provided valuable insight into how meteorological data is collected, processed, and utilised for weather forecasting. Students had the opportunity to explore a range of advanced meteorological instruments, including hygrometer, anemometer, barometer, radar systems, automated system and so on.

A key highlight of the visit was the tour of the forecasting room, where students observed how data from satellites and weather stations was analyzed using computer models to predict weather conditions. They gained a deeper understanding of the complexities involved in weather forecasting, from data collection to its analysis and public communication.

The students also visited the seismic centre, where they were introduced to the technology used to monitor and analyse seismic activity. They learned how seismic sensors help track events, assess their potential impact, and issue early warning signals, which are crucial for earthquake preparedness.

This visit gave the students both theoretical knowledge and practical exposure to meteorology and seismic monitoring, deepening their understanding of the role that technologies and proper data management play in disaster management and climate preparedness.

Visit to Rohingya Camp in Cox's Bazar



On 30 January 2025, the Faculty of Medical Studies organized a field visit for the Master of Public Health (MPH) Batch-3 students to the Kutupalong Rohingya Refugee Camp in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh. The visit aimed at providing students with firsthand insights into the healthcare facilities, services, infrastructure, and living conditions of the Rohingya refugee community. The trip was led by Brigadier

General Mizanur Rahman Khan, FCGP, MPhil, MPH, FRSH, the Faculty Dean, and supported by programme coordinators and 37 MPH students.

The Rohingya refugee crisis, which escalated in 2017, has resulted in nearly one million Rohingya refugees seeking shelter in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh. Approximately 80% of the refugees reside in Ukhiya Upazila, a home to the Kutupalong refugee camp, the largest refugee settlement in the world. The camp faces significant challenges, including overcrowding, limited healthcare resources, and inadequate infrastructure. The visit focused on understanding the healthcare services provided to this vulnerable population, particularly through Hope Field Hospital.

The Hope Foundation was one of the first organizations to respond to the medical needs of over one million Rohingya refugees in Cox's Bazar. Initially providing services through mobile health clinics, the foundation has since established the Hope Field Hospital for Women, the only field hospital in the region that focuses exclusively on women's health. The hospital offers 24/7 obstetric emergency care, neonatal care, and infection control and treatment, making it a great facility for addressing the unique health challenges faced by Rohingya women and children.

In addition to healthcare services, the Hope Foundation has also prioritised the physical and mental well-being of Rohingya children. In December 2021, the foundation opened a Sports Playground near the Hope Field Hospital for Women. This initiative aims to provide a safe space for children to engage in physical activities, fostering their mental and emotional health while promoting a sense of normalcy in the challenging environment of the refugee camps. Initially, the Hope Field Hospital has 40-bed facility that has been a lifeline for thousands of refugees, particularly women and children. It has treated upwards of 300 patients daily, with a significant focus on maternal health.

The Hope Foundation for Women and Children of Bangladesh was established in 1999 by Dr. Iftikher Mahmood, a Bangladeshi-American pediatrician, with the goal of serving those most in need. Bangladesh has historically faced extremely high rate of maternal, infant, and child mortality, many of which could be prevented through mass education programmes on preventative health, early intervention, and basic treatment. Dr. Mahmood envisioned the Hope Foundation to make a profound impact on the lives of vulnerable populations, particularly women and children, by providing services to those who could not otherwise afford them. The foundation initially focused on addressing maternal and child health issues in the local Bangladeshi population. However, with the arrival of nearly one million Rohingya refugees in Cox's Bazar in 2017, the foundation expanded its efforts to respond to the urgent needs of this persecuted community.

Field Trip to Sitakunda



The Department of Environmental Science organized a field trip from 06 to 10 January 2025 to Sitakunda as a part of their course- 'Field Work on Earth and Biology for Environmental Science (ENV -1208)'. A four-day field visit was organized for the students of BES-2024 (2nd semester). As students of Environmental Science, they had the opportunity to observe the diverse landscape and geological features that make Sitakunda a remarkable study sites.

The journey took them through Chandranath Hill and Eco Park, where they explored the unique areas of rock and soil formation as well as the biodiversity. The steep trails provided a perfect example of soil erosion and conservative technique. They also visited the Khoiyachora Waterfall, witnessing the erosional impact of cascading water flow on the rock structure and surrounding ecosystem.

Their next destination was Mohamaya Lake, an artificial reservoir nestled amidst hills. Here they studied the importance of artificial reservoirs and the role of ecosystems. Finally, the Guliakhali Sea Beach analysed the coastal geomorphology and the interaction between land and sea.

The trip reinforced theoretical concepts learned in class, particularly the aspects of geology and biology. They observed the real-world environmental challenges which helped them to find new ideas for future research projects. The Department of Environmental Science remains committed to experiential learning, this field visit served as something vital in enhancing their understanding of geological and environmental process.

Study Tour to Cox's Bazar



The study tour was organized to provide practical learning and field data collection at the Deputy Commissioner's Office (DC) of Cox's Bazar for the students of BPA 2021 of the Department of Public Administration, Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP). The event was held from 02 February 2025 to 06 February 2025. On 03 February 2025 a field visit

was arranged for data collection at the DC Office, Cox's Bazar, under the supervision of Assistant Professor Md. Robiul Islam, Lecturer Azmaine Faeique, and Lecturer Ayesha Siddika. Students were divided into seven teams, and each team was assigned to different departments, including Revenue, Education and ICT, Development and Human Resource Management, NGO Cell, Tourism Cell, and other offices. The officials of the DC Office guided the students thoroughly, sharing their respective functions and action plans and the ways through which they provide essential services to the people of Cox's Bazar. On 04 February 2025 another visit was made to Moheshkhali Island to oversee the socio-demographic characteristics of the local community. On 05 February 2025 the team traveled to Teknaf, zero Point, Patuarkhet, and Inani beach to see the sights. The day concluded with a Gala Night and closing ceremony, making it a memorable evening. Finally, on 06 February 2025 after breakfast, the whole team checked out of the hotel and began their journey back to Dhaka. The study tour gave the students invaluable insights into different practical operations of the government departments. It enhanced students' understanding of administrative functions and the ways government services are delivered to citizens. Moreover, the journey fostered teamwork, strengthened bonds, and enriched their experience beyond classroom learning. The study tour to Cox's Bazar was an unforgettable learning experience that blended education with research and exploration.

Field Visit to Oxfam



On 05 February 2025, the first-year students of the Department of Disaster Management and Resilience of Bangladesh University of Professionals, along with their batch advisor Lecturer Samantha Alam, participated in an academic visit to Oxfam Bangladesh located in the capital's Banani region as a part of their annual field trip. The objective of this field trip was for the students to gain knowledge on Oxfam's disaster response projects, their contribution to climate-based resilience and sustainable adaptation measures. There

was a seminar led by several prominent spokespeople from Oxfam, including Atwar Rahman, Head of Humanitarian Action and Disaster Resilience, Dr. Mohammad Emran Hasan, Head of Climate Justice and Natural Resource Rights, Ashish Damle, Country Director and Fadrick Suvro Nath, Local Humanitarian Partnership Specialist.

Field Visit to Shyamnagar, Shatkhira



DMR Batch-23, BUP, visited the coastal region of Shyamnagar, Satkhira from 15 February 2025 to 18 February 2025, guided by Lecturer Md. Rakibul Islam and Lecturer Kamrun Nahar Tanni. The region frequently faces adverse events such as cyclones, tidal surges, and salinity intrusion due to its geographical location. The students of the DMR-2023 batch aimed to observe and assess the region's vulnerability and identify indigenous techniques to tackle these challenges. The field visit was scheduled before the completion of the 3rd semester, as per the syllabus for DMR 2108.

MoU/Bilateral Agreement

Memorandum of Understanding Signed between BUP and IDP



On 03 March 2025, Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) and the International Development Programme (IDP) formalized their partnership by signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). This significant agreement aims to enhance educational prospects for BUP's students, faculties, staffs, and their families. The collaboration, which focuses on academic growth, will introduce various initiatives including IELTS preparation workshops, registration services, and study-abroad counselling. By fostering these opportunities, the MoU seeks to elevate the academic and professional development of the BUP community on a global scale. The agreement was signed by Brigadier General Md Rabbi Ahsan, ndc, psc, the Registrar of BUP, and Razib Mahbubul, the Country Director of IDP. The event was attended by Brigadier General Rashed Iqbal, ndc, psc, G, MPhil, Dean of the Centre for Modern Languages (CML), along with high-ranking officials, educators, and students from both the institutions, as well as senior representatives from IDP Education Bangladesh Pvt. Ltd.

GAMES AND SPORTS

BUP Inter-Department Football Competition 2024



The Prize Distribution Ceremony of the Inter-Department Football Competition, 2025 of Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) was held on 02 January 2025 following the final match between the Departments of Management Studies and Marketing. In the final match, Department of Management Studies triumphed over Department of Marketing. The honorable Vice Chancellor of BUP Major General Md Mahbub-ul Alam, BSP, ndc, afwc, psc, MPhil, PhD graced the event as the Chief Guest and delivered some valuable words of encouragement to all 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 were also present in the programme. The Inter-Department Football Competition of BUP commenced on 18 December 2024.

BUP Cricket Tournament (Teachers, Officers & Staffs)-2025



The final match and prize-giving ceremony of 'BUP Cricket Tournament-2025' was held on 23 February 2025 with teachers, officers and staff. BUP Physical Education Centre organized the tournament from 11 February 2025, where 8 teams participated. Team 2 (Registrar Office) and Team 4 (PRIP, ICT & IOC Office) faced competition against each other in the final event. In the competition, Team-2 (Registrar Office) became the champion, and Team-4 (PRIP, ICT, and IOC Office) became Runner-up. Honorable Vice Chancellor of BUP Major General Md Mahbub-ul Alam, BSP, ndc, afwc, psc, MPhil, PhD distributed prizes among the winners as Chief Guest. Among others, BUP senior officers, faculty members and staff were present at the prize giving ceremony.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Foundation Course on Global Health



On 03 January 2025, the Faculty of Medical Studies organized a Certificate Awarding Ceremony on the completion of the Foundation Course on Global Health, conducted by Maastricht University, Netherlands. The course spanned eight months. Among the students from nine universities of the Global Health Consortium, 24 promising students from MPH Batch-1 and Batch-2 of BUP were selected to participate in the course. The ceremony was graced by the presence of Pro-Vice Chancellor, Professor Dr. Khondoker Mokaddem Hossain who handed over the certificates to the successful

participants. The Dean of FMS, Brigadier General Mizanur Rahman Khan, FCGP, MPhil, MPH, FRSH was also present to congratulate the students on their achievement. This event marked a significant milestone, recognizing the dedication and excellence demonstrated by the students in the field of global health.

Idea Hunters 4.0

A national level marketing competition was organized by ULAB Digital Marketing where 113 teams consisting of 452 participants from different universities of Bangladesh participated. Mohammed Naheyam Kamal from Department of Finance and Banking, batch 2023 along with Faiza Hossain Goongoon and Tanvir Jaman Shwapnil from Department of BBA-General, formed a team that participated in this competition. They were given a case to plan the marketing strategies of Prime Bank Limited.

The competition took place in the month of February 2025. The team became the Champion in this competition. Through this experience, participants learned to formulate different marketing strategies and contingency plans to address real-life issues in the banking sector of Bangladesh focusing on Prime Bank.



UCCHASHE SPONDON 2025



Ahsanullah University of Science and Technology Cultural Club conducted First Inter-University Cultural Competition 'UCCHASHE SPONDON 2025'. It was held on 14 & 15 February 2025. The competition featured a stage drama where Md. Shihadul Islam Pranto, a student of BBA-2023 batch of the Department of Business Administration in Finance and Banking took part. It was an ecological drama based on the theme of protecting forest resources from the greed of selfish individuals. In the play, Shihadul and his teammates portrayed the role of a ruthless and greedy king. Overall, it was a remarkable performance, and they were crowned in this competition. The event was Shihadul Islam Pranto's first performance through which he has showcased his extraordinary talent, skill and intelligence. It was a great experience for the team. The competition demonstrated the participant team's creativity, thoughts and innovation which is quite learning for general students and other participants.

CFA Research Challenge 2024-25



The CFA Institute Research Challenge is a global competition that tests the analytical, valuation, report writing, and presentation skills of university students. The event was held between December 2024 and February 2025, and the final round was held on 27 February 2025. The CFA Research Challenge, organized by CFA Society Bangladesh, one of the most prestigious finance competitions in the world. Team Quintessential from the Department of Finance and Banking, BUP proudly secured the 1st Runner-up position in this year's national round after excelling through three intense

rounds i.e., Preliminary (written test), Equity Report Submission, and Final Presentation. This achievements demonstrated their top-tier equity research, valuation, and strategic analysis on the grand stage among 400 to 500 participants. 1st Runner-up Team Quintessential' consisting of Ittesaf Rasul Shaporan, Alif Ahmed, Rezowan Abid, Mehrab Ahmed Nishan and Muhtasim Mahmood Sajid, who are the students of the Department of Finance and Banking as mentored by Lecturer Mst. Sharmin Sultnan Sumi, the team advisor. Team Quintessential proudly represented the BUP to this programme.



Brandedge

Brandedge is a National Business Competition that took place between February 2025 to March 2025. The event emphasised branding, marketing, and strategy and was organized by Rajshahi University Career Club. This year, over 200 teams participated in the competition. A team consisted of Imtiaz Mahmud of BUP (batch: BBA-2023) from the Department of Finance and Banking along with three other students of North South University participated to this programme. This team became the Champion in this competition. Brandedge was a fruitful experience for the participants to diversify their skillset. To enhance professional skills, experience and knowledge the Brandedge is a wonderful platform for students.



Research Odyssey BizTech Quiz



of Md. Asirul Amin, Musharrat Abir and Tilottama Barua, those who are the students of the Department of Finance and Banking, Batch 2022. The creativity, thoughts and idea of the students will be further developed by such the event for future.

Outer Shell Apparels Ltd. presented Research Odyssey BizTech Quiz organized by AUST Research and Publication Club. It was a team-based quiz competition held on 9 March 2025. A team from the Department of Finance and Banking titled 'FMV' participated in the competition, which was a remarkable experience for the team. It was a one-day event with over 60 registered teams, each consisting of 2-3 members. The competition covered topics such as technology, business, current affairs, and sports. It was a neck-to-neck battle for the top positions. Through their strategic performance, the team secured the title of second Runner-up. The final teams were from Dhaka University, KUET, BUBT and Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University. The achievement of the event was 2nd Runners-up. 'Team FMV' consisting



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