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Bangladeshi Korean actor Mahbub 'Lee' Alam receives a present from IUB's media and communication department's acting head Raisa Rasheeka during a seminar on the university campus in Dhaka on Monday. — Press release

Bangladeshi Korean actor Mahbub 'Lee' Alam, who starred in the internationally acclaimed film 'Bandhobi', attended a seminar titled Bangladesh-Korea Cultural Exchange and delivered a keynote speech organised by the Department of Media and Communication at Independent University, Bangladesh on Monday, said a press release on Thursday.

The seminar aimed at highlighting the significance of the growing cultural understanding and relationship between Bangladesh and South Korea.

Addressing the seminar Mahbub said, 'The life of a migrant worker no matter which country they are in is never easy and the switch from being a migrant worker to an improbable profession like acting was full of challenges.'

In his keynote speech, Mahbub also said that the struggles and challenges that Bangladeshi migrant worker face abroad, was the main inspiration behind

his decision to switch profession. That was why over the years he had put in a lot of effort to create platforms for cultural exchanges between Bangladesh and South Korea.

One of those efforts include establishing the Migrant Workers TV that specialises in the migrant population in South Korea where he produced acclaimed programmes such as The World of a Migrant Worker and the Multilingual News.

Mahbub has also played a key role in organising the annual Migrant Workers Film Festival where international films portraying the lives of migrant workers around the world are showcased.

The keynote speech was followed by a question-answer session where Mahbub answered questions from several students.

IUB's Department of Media and Communication head professor Zakir Hossain Raju attended the event virtually from Japan while the department's acting head Raisa Rasheeka delivered a vote of thanks to Mahbub Alam.

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