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Discussion on Liberation War at IUB





The School of Business of Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) organized a discussion on the Liberation War of Bangladesh at its permanent campus at Bashundhara, Dhaka on Tuesday, 13 December, 2011. Major General (Retd.) K. M. Safiullah, Bir Uttam, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. The title of the discussion was *"Mukijuddho chilo prokrito orthayee janojuddho"* ('The Liberation War was indeed a people's war'). Mr. Towhid Samad, Chairman, Board of Trustees, IUB, Dhaka, was the Special Guest and Prof. M Omar Rahman, Vice Chancellor (In-charge), presided over the programme. Dr. Nadim Jahangir, Dean of the School of Business also spoke on the occasion. In the beginning of the programme all the attendants paid homage to late National Professor Kabir Chowdhury by standing silently for one minute.

In his talk, Major General (Retd.) K. M. Safiullah, Bir Uttam shared his experiences of the Liberation War with the audience. He shared many stories of joys and regrets. "We had many successes and failures. But if the common people of this country were not there for us with food, shelter, and all those supports, it would become impossible for us to liberate this country. Indeed, the Liberation War was a people's war", he remarked.

The programme was well attended by the students, distinguished guests and the members of the faculty and management of IUB.

IUB places floral wreaths at the National Memorial





The members of the Student Council of IUB placed floral wreaths at the National Memorial in Savar to pay homage to the martyrs of the Liberation War on the occasion of the 40th Victory Day on 16th December 2011.

Trustee

MD. AMINUZZAMAN BHUIYAN



Md. Aminuzzman Bhuiyan is a founder Trustee of Education, Science, Technology and Cultural Development (ESTCDT), the founding Trust of IUB. He attended Armaitola Government High School, Notre Dame College, Dhaka University and ICS, London.

After completion of studies in London, Mr. Bhuiyan returned to Dhaka and joined Great Eastern Insurance Company, a leading insurance company of the then East Pakistan. Then he went to London to develop the company business in UK. After successful completion of the assignment, he returned to Dhaka in 1969.

He served Progati Industries Ltd, Chittagong, as a Company Secretary and continued till the management was taken over by the Corporation.

Mr. Bhuiyan established a Commercial Firm called Unichem Limited in 1975. At present, he is the Managing Director and Chairman of Uni Group of Companies, one of the largest manufacturers and exporters of readymade undergarments of the country. The Group under the banner of "Uni Group "is now a conglomerate in different business at Chittagong, Dhaka, CEPZ & Cox's Bazaar.

Mr. Bhuiyan is: 1. Sponsor Director and vice Chairman, Union Insurance Company Ltd.; 2. Sponsor Director of Chittagong Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce & Industry; 3. Former District Governor of Rotary International, Bangladesh; 4. Chairman of Afaz-Nateka Trust, founder of Afaz-Nateka Memorial Hospital, Sreenagar, Munshiganj; 5. Former Vice Chairman and Treasurer of BWA School, Chittagong; 6. Donor member of Chattagram Maa-O- Shishu Hospital Medical College.

He is the member of: 1. Foreign Investors Chambers of Commerce and Industries Bangladesh; 2. Bhatiary Golf and Country Club, Chittagong; 3. Chittagong Club Ltd.; 4. Chittagong Boat Club; 4. Uttara Club Ltd., Dhaka.

Faculty

Dr. Shahriar Khan

Dr. Shahriar Khan has been a faculty member at the School of Engineering and Computer Science (SECS), IUB since April 2005. He received his B.Sc. in Electrical and Electronics Engineering from Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET) and received his M.S. and Ph.D.(1997) in Electrical Engineering from Texas A&M University, USA. Here, he received the Academic Excellence Award twice, and served as Assistant Lecturer (non tenure-track) in the Electrical Engineering Department. His Master's Thesis, The Capacitive Coupled Converter, was funded by NASA Johnson Space Center, and after further research, was published under the same title in the IEEE Transactions on Power Electronics. His doctoral research was partly on motor drives for piezoelectric motors, sponsored by Rockwell, and was largely inspired by the research collaboration between General Electric and Texas A&M. His doctoral co-supervisor Prof. B. D. Russell, was the then President of the worldwide IEEE Power Society. At Texas A&M, Dr. Khan's areas of interest included Power Systems, Communications, Control Systems, and Power Electronics.

As Senior Engineer, and Lead Electrical Engineer in Schlumberger Oilfield Services, he designed electronics for radio frequency and nuclear magnetic resonance equipment for underground oil exploration. As an engineer in Honeywell, Canada, he designed electronics for aerospace applications. He also served as adjunct professor at Bronte College, Canada.

Dr. Khan has numerous publications in international journals and conferences. He is the author of a book chapter in the "Handbook of Electrical Power Calculations," published by McGraw Hill. He is the editor of the book Fossil Fuels, by a Europe-based publisher, which is expected to be released in about Jan 2012. He is also an author of the Texas A&M Laboratory Manual, Electrical Circuits and Instrumentation. He is the author of two locally marketed documents/books "Systems and Control" and "DC Circuits and Transients." Besides electrical engineering, his interests include practical issues for Bangladesh, such as improving electrical safety, saving energy, and improving traffic. He has presented his paper on equilibrium restoration of the Ganges-Brahmaputra river basin at Carleton University, Canada.



Dr. Khan is a member of IEEE, and a Life Fellow of the Institute of Engineers, Bangladesh. He is a speaker and instructor for the Astronomy Association of Bangladesh. He is a reviewer for various journals including the IEEE Transactions on Power Electronics. In 2005, he helped organize at IUB a workshop on Mobile and Land Phones in Bangladesh. He presently serves as editor of some local online journals.

Regarding extra-curricular activities, at Texas A&M University, he was Vice-president of the International Student Association, and (earlier) Treasurer, and President of the Bangladesh Association. He was Sub-editor of the Notre Dame College Magazine, Dhaka, Bangladesh. His project "Conversion of Cellulose to Glucose," received First Prize, in the National Science Fair, and District Science Fair of Bangladesh. He was ranked in Chess in the Sub-junior, and junior levels of Bangladesh National championships. In his spare time nowadays, he pursues music and the guitar.

Alumni

Tanveer Hossain Probal



Tanveer Hossain Probal took his BBA degree from the School of Business at IUB and later obtained his MBA from Harriet Watt University, Scotland.

He is the Managing Director of Tri Communications Ltd.; Director, Creative & Planning, Cinema House Ltd.; and Creative Consultant , Abul Khair Group, Dhanshiri Media and Communication Ltd., Creato Media and Communication Ltd. Mr. Probal also worked for UNICEF, BCCP (Bangladesh Center for Communication Programs), Ekushey Television, and Handicap International. He is one of the eight members of the Steering Committee of South Asian Film Foundation, Delhi, India.

A multi-dimensional talent, Mr. Probal has great contribution to the audio-visual industry of Bangladesh. Here is his contribution at a glance: 1. SWAMAPTY (The Closure), a feature film (Screenplay, Music & Direction); 2. Beauty & the Beast, a tele-film (Story, Screenplay, Music & Direction); 3. POTHER PYACHALI , a street show for ETV (Script, Music & Direction); 4. K…KI…KOY?, a street show for ETV (Script, Music & Direction); 5. Mr. BALLOT BOX, a street show for DESH TV (Script, Music & Direction); 6. MARKS ALLROUNDER, a reality show for NTV (Concept Development, Script & Creative Direction); 7. LUX-ANANDADHARA PHOTOGENIC, a reality show (Script, Presentation & Direction); 8. FLOP SHOW, a TV magazine show for Channel I (Script & Presentation ; 9. TRIMOORTY , a whole new breed of Game Show for Desh TV (Script, Music & Direction); 10. NISHI KUTUM, a celebrity talk show for ETV (Script, Presentation & Direction); 11. HOTATH DEKHA , a documentary for Bangla Vision (Script, Presentation, music & Direction); 12. KOKHONO MONEY HOY, a musical album on dubious thoughts (Lyric, Composition & Vocal); and much more.

He received quite a number of awards: 1. Meena Media Award 2009 from UNICEF; 2. 'Swamapty' honored as the Most Appreciated Film in Delhi Film Fest 2006; 3. Documentary 'Hotath Dekha' achieved the Best Documentary award in South Asian Film Fest'08 in Goa, India; 4. Fera achieved Meril Prothom Alo Award for Best Screenplay in 2007; 5. Achieved Gold Medal as National Awards for three times in a row in1988, 1990 & 1992; two times for excellence in reciting poem and finally as the best speaker on a given topic; 6. Achieved the Best Actor Award at Street Drama Festival in 1988.





IUB hosts the ICAEE 2011



IUB hosted the International Conference on Advances in Electrical Engineering (ICAEE) held during December 19-20, 2011. Mr. Towhid Samad, Chairman, Board of Trustees, IUB-Dhaka, inaugurated the conference as the Chief Guest. Among others, Prof. M Omar Rahman, Vice Chancellor (In-Charge), IUB, Dr. Gilbert L Rochon, President, Tuskegee University, USA, Prof. Mohammad S Alam, Chair, Electrical & Computer Engineering, University of South Alabama, USA, and Prof. Mohammad Anwer, Dean, SECS, IUB, were present on the occasion. The audience was informed that IUB will organize the event in every other year regularly and such conference aims at exchanging ideas about latest research, current practices and future trends in the fields of electrical and related engineering.

The conference received a large number of excellent submissions from 12 countries around the globe. From those submissions, a total of 55 papers and 3 keynote papers were presented in the conference by the researchers from different countries with nearly 50 per cent foreign authors spanning over 5 continents thus providing true international flavor to the conference.









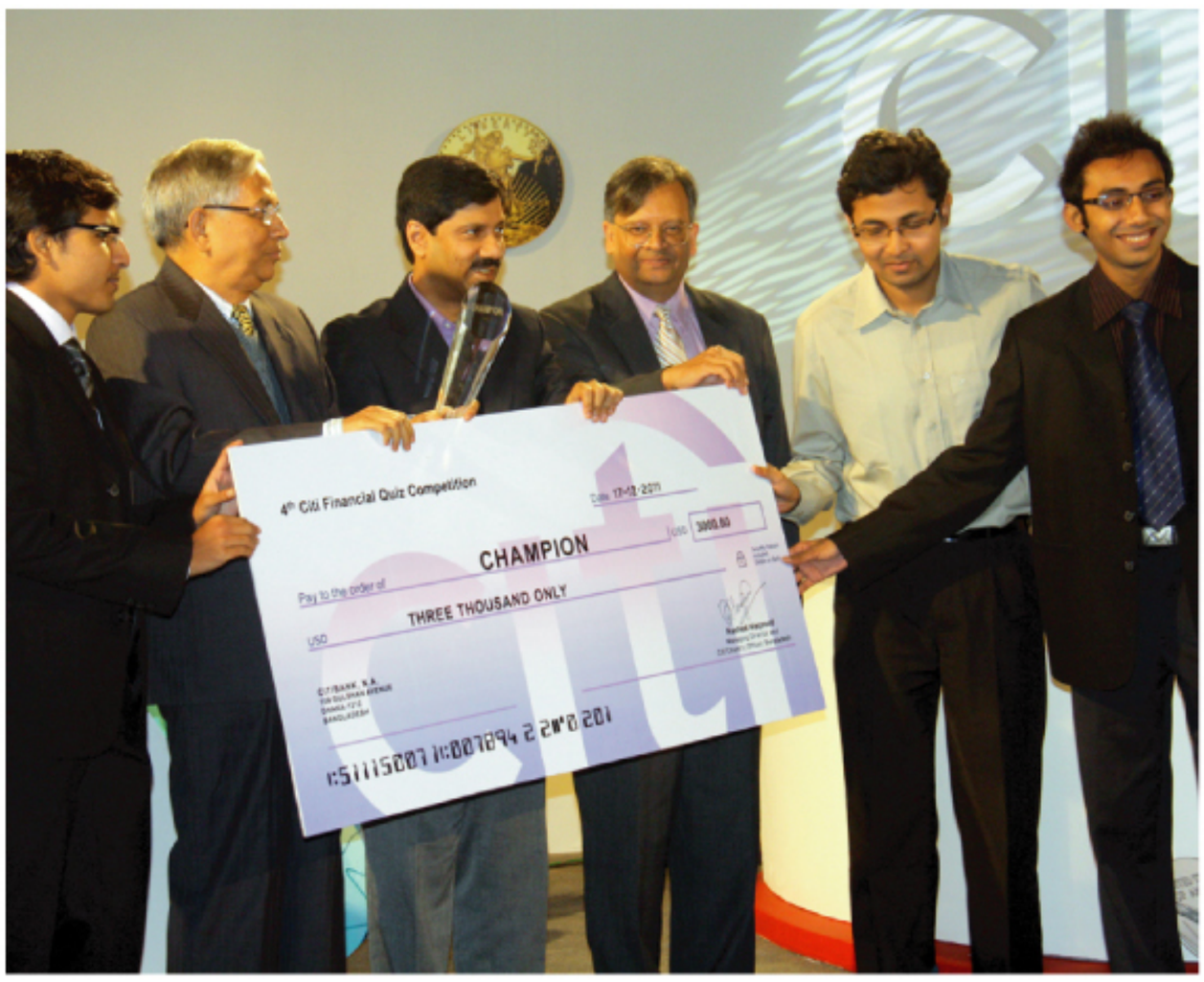
IUB remembers Prof Bazlul Mobin Chowdhury





The 1st death anniversary of late Professor Bazlul Mobin Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor of Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB), was observed on Friday, 30 December 2011 in a befitting manner. IUB family laid floral wreaths on the graveyard of Prof Chowdhury at Azimpur, Dhaka and prayed for his departed soul. Prof Chowdhury breathed his last on Thursday, 30th December, 2010.

4th Citi Financial Quiz Competition held





Institute of Business Administration (IBA) of Dhaka University and Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) became Champion and Runner Up respectively in the 4th Citi Financial Quiz Competition. The Grand Finale of the competition was held at IUB permanent campus at Bashundhara, Dhaka on the 17th December, 2011. The event was jointly organized by IUB and CITI Bank.

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