

The University of Asia Pacific

convocation 2005



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**Chancellor
President
People's Republic of Bangladesh**

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim

I welcome the first convocation of the University of Asia Pacific (UAP).

Convocation is a significant milestone for any university as it opens the door towards a bright future. It is a memorable occasion for the graduating students, who by their hard work and dedication have achieved success.

My heartiest felicitations to the graduating students. I wish them success in applying the acquired knowledge in meaningful careers on the memorable day. I also congratulate the Vice Chancellor, faculty and the management of the university.

Allah Hafez, Bangladesh Zindabad.

Prof. Dr. Iajuddin Ahmed.



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**Minister
Ministry of Education
Government of the
People's Republic of Bangladesh**

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim

I am pleased to know that the 1st convocation ceremony of the University of Asia Pacific (UAP) is being held on 16 March, 2005.

An enabling environment for the establishment of private universities was provided during the tenure of the Govt. headed by the Honorable Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia during early 1990's. The then BNP Govt. realized the importance of private universities in the development of quality education in Bangladesh.

I hope the graduating students are not only equipped with necessary knowledge and skills but also instilled with commitment to give their best in the development of Bangladesh.

I congratulate the graduates on their graduation day and wish them very best and continued success.

Dr. M.Osman Faruk M.P

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**Chairman
University Grants Commission (UGC)**

I am happy to know that UAP is holding its first convocation on 16 March, 2005. Convocation is a very special event for the outgoing students as it prepares them to meet the challenges of their practical life.

I congratulate the graduating students and their parents on their accomplishment. I believe that the education, which the students have received at UAP, has prepared them with necessary knowledge to excel in life. Their hard work, commitment, sincerity, confidence, morality and overall diligence will prepare them to make valuable contributions to the society.

On this special occasion, I also congratulate the honorable Vice-Chancellor, the faculty members and the UAP Foundation for their contributions toward achieving the goals.

I wish the convocation a great success.

Prof. M. Asaduzzaman



**Vice Chancellor
The University of Asia Pacific**

It gives me immense pleasure to see that The University of Asia Pacific (UAP) is holding its first ever Convocation for its graduates. This is an undeniable fact that Convocation is the lifeblood of the academic activities of a university and UAP has come across the coveted goal of conferring degrees to its students who, through their perseverance and dedicated study, have earned themselves the prestigious key to attend this august occasion.

Having started in 1996 at the noble effort of UAP Foundation, established by some noted citizens of this soil, the university has come a considerable way towards making itself a center of excellence. This has been possible through the dedicated service of a team with a blend of experienced and young faculty members who relentlessly work to maintain the standard and quality of education at a high level.

During its journey since inception, the university has received countless help and encouragement from the Government, the UGC, Chairman and members of UAP Foundation, faculty, guardians and above all from our beloved students. We sincerely acknowledge their contributions and thank each of them wholeheartedly.

Finally, on behalf of the university and my own, I congratulate the graduating students of UAP on their Convocation Day and wish them all success in life.

May Almighty Allah shower His choicest blessings on all our endeavors.

Professor Dr. Abdul Matin Patwari

Members of the UAP

Foundation (UAPF)

1. Mr. Ragib Ali
Chairman, UAPF
Managing Director, The Sylhet Tea Co. Ltd.
Founder Chairman, South-East Bank Ltd.
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Chairman & Managing Director, Mika Group
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Former Secretary & Ambassador
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Group
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Social Scientist
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16. Ms. Jargina Ahmed,
Member, UAPF
Social Worker
17. Ms. Jasreen Chowdhury,
Member, UAPF, Social Worker
18. Mr. Kazi Mohd Mofizur Rahman,
Member, UAPF,
Managing Director, Kazi Air International
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Ex-Governor of Bangladesh Bank &
Principal Advisor, Bangladesh General
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20. Mr. K.M. Akhtaruzzaman,
Member, UAPF
Managing Director, Akhter Furniture Ltd.
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Member, UAPF
Managing Director, Shah Jute and Plastic
Processing Industries
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Jute & Plastic Processing Industries Ltd.
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Managing Director, Farrokh Chemical
Complex & Turag Industries Ltd.
27. Mr. Monzoor Ahmed Chowdhury,
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28. Mr. Mizanur Rahman,
Member, UAPF
Chairman, Penguin International
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Member, UAPF,
Director, Al-Haramain Perfume Co. Ltd.
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Member, UAPF,
Former Foreign Secretary & Social Worker
31. Mr. Nazul Islam, Member, UAPF
Chairman, Mantrust Group, Dhaka Beijing
32. Ms. R.K. Chowdhury, Member, UAPF
Business & Industry
33. Ms. Shayera Moysen, Member, UAPF
Social Worker

The University of Asia Pacific: A Brief Profile

Research and Publication

At UAP, the faculty members of different departments as well as students are involved in various research works that contribute to their knowledge and skill. The faculty members have a large number of publications in reputed national and international journals and conferences. The Department of Pharmacy has published "Pharmaceutical Technical Bulletin" comprising the abstracts of the research work of the 4th year Pharmacy graduates. The CEE Department has also published its first Technical Bulletin that includes technical papers, research work by students and news on recent civil engineering breakthroughs, etc. Two CEE students have completed their undergraduate thesis in Japan in collaboration with Port and Airport Research Institute, Japan.

A journal titled "UAP Journal of Civil and Environmental Engineering" has also been published by CEE department, which contains papers in the related fields. Besides a journal titled "Journal of Science and Arts" comprising various research papers, articles of the related disciplines have been published by the Inter-department.

The Library

The university has a fairly well stocked Central Library with a quiet and congenial environment. The air-conditioned reading room has recently been enlarged to provide spacious arrangements for study and the library currently has 8245 books including reference books and dictionaries. Newspapers, journals, magazines are also subscribed for the benefit of the students. The books are classified according to Dewey Decimal Classification System (DDC). It has computerized cataloguing system developed by Computer Science and Engineering Department.

In addition to the Central Library, each department has its own Seminar Library where students can relax and do some reading in between classes. In the Seminar Library books and technical journals relevant to the respective disciplines are available.

Website and Internet Facility

The university provides twenty-four hour high-speed broad band Internet facility to its students. Each student is given an individual e-mail account and he/she can submit his/her assignments through Internet. The Internet facility provides services to six different departments of UAP and two hundred users can browse simultaneously. UAP also has its own website, www.uap-bd.edu.

Other Facilities

The university provides other facilities, such as its own canteens at various departments make available nutritious as well as hygienic foods for the students, faculties and staffs. Besides, the UAP runs a well-equipped Medical Center under the aegis of a full time physician to render medical consultancy to the students, faculty members, and staffs free of cost. The university has an amphitheater with 700 seats where different departments often organize cultural programmes. UAP also has an auditorium which can accommodate 100 people.

Co-curricular Activities

UAP students have excelled in such co-curricular activities as debating, arranging cultural programmes, participating in cultural and sports events in and outside the campus, donating blood and arranging other charitable programmes, etc. In recent time, the university has enjoyed phenomenal success in different co-curricular activities. The university cricket team accomplished itself as the runner up in the inter-private university cricket tournament. Students of Computer Science and Engineering secured top position in the inter-university hardware and software competition organized by North South University. Presentation made by Architecture students was awarded the best presentation at the 11th students' jamboree ARCASIA held in Hongkong. UAP students also secured several top places at different national level cultural contests organized by Bangladesh Television and other bodies. Cultural programmes are organized by each department to welcome its new students and also to get a little break from the continuous hard work and study.

In this regard all departments have formed individual clubs for activities. These include: UAP Software and Hardware Club, Programming Contest Club, Cultural and Debating Club, Research and Publication Club, Photography and Cultural Club, Science Club, Social Awareness Club, Sports Club, etc.

Joint Programmes/ Collaboration with Foreign Universities

Recognizing the need of the internationalization of education, UAP has ventured to collaborate with a number of institutions of higher education of foreign countries, such as:

- The University of Baltimore, USA
- Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (VPI&SU), USA
- South Dakota School of Mines and Technology (SDSMT), USA
- University of Western Sydney, Australia
- University of Canberra, Australia
- Port and Airport Research Institute, Japan, and
- Japan Concrete Institute, Japan

The following activities are also included in addition to credit transfer with the foreign universities listed above:

- Exchange of scholars (Professors, lecturers and researchers)
- Exchange of students (undergraduate and/or post graduate)
- Joint supervision of M.S. and Ph.D students
- Exchange of academic information and materials
- Exchange of books, periodicals and other publications
- Organization of joint research programs
- Organization of joint conferences, workshops and symposia
- Organization of other academic exchanges agreeable to both universities

Professional Affiliation

- Students Members of Engineers' Institute of Bangladesh (IEB)
- Member of American Chamber of Commerce (AmCham)
- Member of the Universities of Asia Pacific Region
- Member of Institute of Architects, Bangladesh (IAB)
- The Association of Universities of Asia and the Pacific
- Pharmacy Council of Bangladesh

Departments and Programme Proposed To Be Launched

- Department of Law and Human Rights
- Department of English
- Master's in Computer Science & Engineering, Pharmacy, Architecture, CEE

These programmes are awaiting the final approval of the University Grants Commission.

In recent years, UAP has progressed significantly in its different academic, administrative and co-curricular activities, which have made it possible for the university to function on its own quite remarkably. With their highly competent teaching staff and other resource persons, well-equipped modern laboratories, different cultural and co-curricular activities, all the departments of UAP are carrying on their outstanding efforts to provide and unfold the latent potentials of its students through the best possible education that will help them bring out the best and guide them to become leaders of tomorrow.

Aim and Vision

The University of Asia Pacific, one of the prestigious institutes of higher education in Bangladesh, aims at providing quality education at undergraduate and graduate levels. The curricula of all its departments, approved by the University Grants Commission of the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, are designed to enable its students to meet the growing technological and human resource challenges confronting the nation and the world. The university supports its students through its commitment to excellence and demonstrates it through the quality of its academic services. The innovative approach of the UAP is also supported by an excellent faculty possessing an appropriate balance of academic qualifications and practical experiences gleaned from their work both home and abroad.

History

The University of Asia Pacific (UAP), a private university under the Private University Act 1992, was established as the first project of the Foundation for Human and Social Development, established by a group of eminent educationists, industrialists, businessmen, social workers and administrators, with the vision to enhance the opportunities of higher education in Bangladesh. All of its curricula have been approved by the University Grants Commission (UGC). The UAP's Founder Vice-Chancellor, Late Mr. Hedayet Ahmed, foresaw the necessity to establish a university in the private sector and to achieve that he put in all his might to contrive to the achievement of his vision and thus at his peril, The University of Asia Pacific came into being in June 1996. The founding Treasurer of the university was Mr. A.K.M. Kamaluddin Chowdhury. Late Prof. Fazlul Halim Chowdhury, the former Vice Chancellor of Dhaka University, was the founding Chairman of the UAP Foundation and the founding Secretary of the Foundation was Mr. A.A. Kamruzzaman. After the demise of the founding Chairman Mr. Khorshed Alam, former Governor of Bangladesh Bank became the Chairman. At present Mr. Ragib Ali is the Chairman of the Foundation. After the demise of the Founder Vice-Chancellor Mr. A. S. M. Shahjahan, former Adviser to the Caretaker Government in 2001, succeeded him as the Vice-Chancellor and continued in that position till March 2003. After Mr. Shahjahan, Prof. Dr. M. R. Kabir, the present Pro-Vice Chancellor carried on as the acting Vice Chancellor. At present Prof. Dr. Abdul Matin Patwari, former Vice-Chancellor of BUET and DG IIT (UT), OIC, is the Vice-Chancellor of UAP.

Since its inception the university has been marching forward with its commitment to excel in every discipline it now offers. Although the beginning was humble, with only a few students in the Computer Science and Engineering Department, this prestigious institute of higher learning and research has already earned a reputation of being one of the top ranking private universities of Bangladesh. It now offers undergraduate programmes in six disciplines as well as two postgraduate degree programmes.

Degrees

- Bachelor of Architecture (B.Arch)
- Bachelor and Master of Business Administration (BBA and MBA)
- Bachelor of Science in Civil and Environmental Engineering (B.Sc. Engg. in CEE)
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Engineering (B.Sc. Engg. in CSE)
- Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Electronic Engineering (B.Sc. Engg. in EEE)
- Bachelor of Pharmacy (Honors) and Master of Science in Pharmaceutical Technology (B. Pharm (Hons.) and MS. Pharm. Tech.)

All these undergraduate programmes are of four-year duration (except Architecture, which is a five year programme). All of UAP's curricula have been designed by national experts keeping in view the national and international standards. So far, 622 students have graduated and some of them have done their Master's degree. Many of our students have been accepted in universities in USA for higher studies and absorbed in the job market at home and abroad after graduating from UAP. They are now successfully running their careers in such well-reputed national and international organizations like Beximco, Aktel, Lever Brothers, British American Tobacco, Aventis, Gramscop Phone, Unical, Standard Chartered Bank, LGED, Concord, Vistara Architects, etc. At the UAP, the class sizes are small, the environment is friendly and administrative, computing, career counseling, advising, and support services are readily available for its students' benefit. Academic programmes are conducted on semester basis. There are two semesters of 18 weeks each - Fall and Spring in each year. English is the medium of instruction and examination for all programmes offered by the UAP. Overall, the UAP students enjoy a very modern and functional academic environment.

Scholarship and Waiver

At UAP 5% of the poor and meritorious students get full tuition fee waiver. Other categories of waivers are also available for deserving students.

Facts and Figures up to Fall 2004

Number of Students at Present: 1300

Number of students graduated: 622

Number of Faculty Members:

Full-time :96
Part-time :89
Total :184

Number of Officers and Supporting Staff:

Administrative Staff :22
Support Staff :53
Total :75

The Campus

At present, the campus consists of five rented premises — House no. 73 on Road 5A, House no. 53 and 51 on Road no. 4A, House no. 52/1 on Road no. 3A and House no. 84 on Road no. 7A. The buildings are just off the main Satmasjid Road adjacent to Dhanmondi lake which provide sufficient open spaces for the students to move about for rest and recreation. These five campuses have large fully air-conditioned classrooms, well-equipped labs, auditorium, seminar rooms, etc.

In order to build its City Campus that will be conducive to modern and time relevant education, the university authority has purchased an acre of land at the city center at Green Road for building its campus for a target student body of about 3500-4000 and on which activities are undertaken to make a campus with modern architectural design. Besides, on a second phase, to build an Off Campus, the authority is trying to buy another suitable piece of land proximate to the city.

Laboratory Facilities

In-house laboratory facilities are available for all academic disciplines. Each department at UAP provides students with modern and well-equipped labs, which are self sufficient, such as:

Department of Computer Science & Engineering & Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering: Computer Lab, Circuit Lab, Digital Lab.

Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering: Structural Mechanics and Strength of Materials Lab, Engineering Materials Lab, Geotechnical Engineering Lab, Transportation and Traffic Engineering Lab, Hydraulics Lab, Environmental Engineering Lab, Chemistry Lab, Surveying Lab, Computer Lab

Department of Pharmacy: Microbiology Lab, Pharmacology/Pharmacognosy Lab, Chemistry Lab, Tablet Compression Lab, Pharmaceuticals Lab 1 & 2, MS Pharm. Tec. Lab, Phytochemistry Lab, Computer Lab

Department of Architecture: 10 Design Studios, Computer lab

Department of Business Administration: 2 Computer labs

Chancellor's Gold Medal Winners.

1. Fall 1999
Minmoy Barua CGPA 3.90
Department of Computer Science & Engineering
2. Spring 2000
Mala Khan CGPA 3.90
Department of Computer Science & Engineering
3. Spring 2000
Maharun Nigar CGPA 3.93
Department of Computer Science & Engineering
4. Spring 2001
Khandakar Mahbubur Rahman CGPA 3.83
Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering
5. Fall 2001
Mishu Minhaj CGPA 3.97
Department of Business Administration
6. Spring 2002
Naziba Afroz Chowdhury CGPA 3.90
Department of Business Administration
7. Fall 2002
Tanzeena Mehjabeen CGPA 3.94
Department of Business Administration
8. Spring 2003
Mohammad Abu Taleb CGPA 3.883
Department of Computer Science & Engineering
9. Fall 2003
Tonmoy Paul CGPA 3.91
Department of Computer Science & Engineering



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**Prime Minister
Government of the
People's Republic of Bangladesh**

I congratulate the graduating students, teachers and members of management of the University of Asia Pacific on the occasion of its 1st Convocation on 16 March, 2005.

I hope, the UAP will continue to offer quality education and training to its students to meet the present and future challenges in their chosen fields.

I wish the convocation all success.

Allah Hafez, Bangladesh Zindabad.

Khaleda Zia



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**State Minister
Ministry of Education
Government of the
People's Republic of Bangladesh**

I welcome the UAP on its 1st convocation and felicitate all the graduates on this auspicious occasion. Convocation is indeed a rare day of satisfaction and happiness both for an educational institution and for the graduates. On this day the institution prepares itself to celebrate graduation of its students; who, after long days of hard-work, achieve a significant fulfillment of their academic attainment and reach the doorstep of their professional stage of life.

We know that as a center for higher learning, the UAP has been putting up its sincere effort to provide quality education for over eight years. It has reached a height in its progress by providing its worth within and outside the country. The high quality education UAP offers equips the students with proper knowledge and skills as well as firm commitment to excel in their professional arena.

I congratulate all the graduates and every member of the UAP family for the dedication and hard work, which, I believe, will benefit the country and humanity at large.

I wish continued success of the UAP.

A. N. M. Ehsanul Hoque (Milan)



**Dr. Iqbal Mahmud
Convocation Speaker**

It gives me immense pleasure to witness the first convocation ceremony of the University of Asia Pacific (UAP).

On this momentous occasion, I take the opportunity to appreciate the UAP Foundation, management, faculty and students for their relentless efforts to bring the university where it stands today. Hope the graduates are adequately equipped with knowledge and skills and have been instilled with firm commitment to offer their best efforts for the development of the country.

May the Almighty bless the young graduates with virtues of patience and fortitude to pursue their dreams with flying colors. My deepest affection and best wishes are with them all.

Professor Dr. Iqbal Mahmud



**Chairman
UAP Foundation**

It is a matter of great satisfaction that the first convocation of the University of Asia Pacific (UAP) is being held today.

UAP has established itself as a center of academic excellence within a span of over eight years. Its focus has always been to provide quality higher education and to produce graduates capable of meeting the challenges of this millennium. I strongly believe that our graduates will prove their worth in the human resource leadership challenges in their respective fields.

On this happy occasion I appreciate the efforts of the management, faculty and students for preserving the sanctity of the academic environment in bringing UAP to this present state of success and making the university a center of excellence.

With heartfelt happiness, I convey my congratulations to the graduates on this great day of their life and pray to the Almighty for their bright and glorious future.

Ragib Ali