# Colour of friendship on Friendship Day

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6th August was the International Friendship Day. On that day some of my friends of Finance Department of Dhaka University (Liton, Rifat, Mithila, Razia, Shantanu, Shuvo, Shozib, Arefin and myself) arranged a adda to discover the meaning of friendship and all about Friendship Day at "Campus Shadow."

At first I said, "To me friendship means faith, honesty and transparency. What do you think, friends?"

Rifat said "Friendship is nothing but sum total of feeling towards some one we trust."

Shuvo said "Friendship is nothing but understanding."

Shantanu said, "Friendship is giving company in good days and to stay beside in times of danger."

Mithila said, "Friendship is that kind of a bond which can't be measured by any scale."

It was my turn. "Ok, if this is true, is there any need for a Friendship Day?

There was noisy protest against my words.

Rifat is more or less a pious man. He said, "For every good thing there is an occasion. Allah has made the universe because he had made the spirit of Hazrat Muhammad. We can enjoy and do fun everyday, but there is a specific Eid day for the Muslims. There may be no need of giving flower and gift. But we need this day to celebrate.

Razia interrupted and said" Mithila has given me a gift today. It may not be possible for her to give it in another time. This is nothing but a sign of friendship.

Shozib said, "But we should try to make every single day a friendship day."

After that I said, "What should be the criteria of a good friend?"

Rifat said, "He or she has to be ready for big sacrifice, he has to tolerate all kinds of "torture" of the friend.

Mithila said, "That's right, a good friend always takes both good and bad side with a smile."

Rifat said again, "I think if sometime we quarrel friendship would be strengthened. Friendship has many colours, sometimes there is rain, and sometimes there is sunlight."

I said, "The friendship we see in the western countries, is this possible in the context of Bangladesh?

Rifat said, "It could not be possible."

Mithila said, "If transparency is there only then friendship is possibly."

I argued, "But what do we see in the society of some rich people? They are drinking, men and women are dancing at party, is this acceptable?"

Shantanu said "It depends on society. When our parents were young they might have made friendship, which later turned into love. That's why they are afraid to see boys and girls making friendship. But now times have changed."

Rifat added, "At first when Mithila and Razia called me on Telephone, my mother was little suspicious, but when I told her they were my good friends, she stopped worrying.

It was time to end the Friendship Day adda. So, I said, "I think our friendship will live long if we remain sincere

(More on Friendship Day next week)



Tease your brain

( if you have any !?!)

**What fell when Newton was lying on the grass ?**

**-Jackfruit**

**-Cricket ball**

**-Bird dropping**

**-Guava**

**-Apple**

**-Coconut**

**-Cell phone**

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