VC AIUB awarded Presidential Awards for Filipino Individuals



DR. Carmen Z Lamagna, the Vice Chancellor of American International University-Bangladesh was one of the awardees of the 2006 Presidential Awards for Filipino Individuals and Organizations Overseas. The award ceremony was held in Malacanang Palace, Manila, Philippines on Dec. 7, 2006. Awards were conferred by Her Excellency Mrs. Gloria Macapagal Arroyo, the President of the Philippines.

The prestigious Presidential Awards was launched in 1991 and is held every 2 years. The awards program is intended to give recognition to individuals or organizations that contribute to Philippine development and progress, or promote the interests of Overseas Filipino communities. The awards are also given to Filipinos overseas who have distinguished themselves in their profession and have brought honor to the Filipino people.

The 2006 honorees were selected from 158 nominations from 20 countries by the Philippine Embassies and Consulates in these countries.

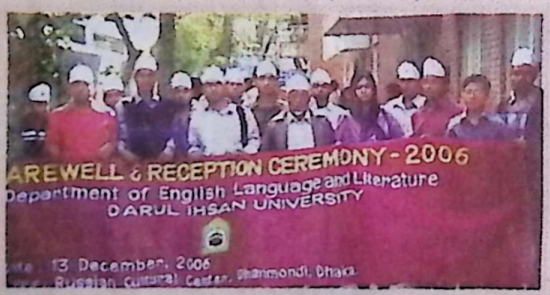
Dr. Lamagna delivered the acceptance speech on the said occasion on behalf of the 48 awardees. She talked about nationalism transcending borders, "I used to question my friends and relatives who, before me, chose to work abroad and leave their families behind. Later, I came to realize that it was the Filipino spirit of "sikap and tiyaga" (diligence, hardwork and perseverance) embedded in us by our heroic forefathers that has brought us to distant shores.

Never mind the pain of separation, never mind the uncertainties and risks, for as long as there is a job available somewhere that one could perform with dignity, the most important thing was and continues to be, that one could eventually return home to the Philippines a little better off than before and with a newly-found sense of achievement in having done our best."

Farewell and orientation programme at Darul Ihsan University

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The Farewell and the Orientation program of Dept. of English Language and Literature, Darul Ihsan University was held on December 13, The event was held at the Russian Cultural Centre, Dhanmondhi.



The Students and teachers brought out a colourful rally from the Campus, a few minutes' walk from the program venue. The rally was a well attended one by teachers and students.

Among the honorable guests were Professor Monirul Haque, Vice Chancellor of DIU, Professor Nazmul Alam, Head of the Department of English, MA Rashid Khan, Treasurer of DIU, Professor KM Mohsin and others.

Professor Nazmul Alam welcomed the freshers in his inauguration speech.

Cultural programs were presented from time to time throughout the program, including Islamic songs, poetry recitation, Chorus etc. It was a very enjoyable event. the participants really deserves appreciation.

For the Freshers, the experience of this will surely remain as a huge inspiration for their lives ahead. And for the outgoings, it will remain a every unforgettable memory.