

Treasurer Syed Abdul Hye and the programme convener Professor Sharif Anamul Karim also spoke at the inaugural session. A rally was also brought out with festoons, banners and placards that went around the campus. JU Registrar Abu Baker Siddique conducted the inaugural programme.

Jahangirnagar University began its journey at a time when the country was going through a political upheaval that ultimately led to the birth of our nation - Bangladesh. This university was established as a residential university in 1970 under the Jahangirnagar Muslim University Ordinance, 1970. Later, it was renamed Jahangirnagar University in 1973. Its first Vice-Chancellor took up office on September 24, 1970. The first batch of students, a total of 150, was enrolled in the first year Bachelor (Honors) classes in four departments: Economics, Geography, Mathematics and Statistics. However, classes started on January 4, 1971.

The university is located beside the Asian Highway, popularly known as the Dhaka-Aricha road, and it is only 32 kilometers away from the capital city. Spread over an area of about 700 acres, the campus lies between the Bangladesh Public Administrative Training Centre (BPATC) and the Savar Cantonment, on the north of which is the National Monument.

The topography of the land with its gentle rises and plains is soothing to the eye. The water bodies sprawling around the campus make an excellent habitat for the winter birds that flock in every year in thousands, making bird watching a favorite pastime for many viewers.

There are four faculties and two Institutes at the Jahangirnagar University. Each faculty is headed by a Dean who is elected by the teachers of the respective faculty.