



Education Adviser to the Prime Minister Prof Dr Alauddin Ahmed speaks at the 13th Educational Researches' Conference at the Islamic Development Bank (IDB) Bhaban in the city yesterday. On his right is Prof Dr Abu Hamid Latif, chairman of Bangladesh Forum for Education Development (BAFED).

Madrasa edn to be modernised

Says PM's adviser

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government is going to modernise madrasa education and expand technical education, Education Adviser to the Prime Minister Prof Dr Alauddin Ahmed said yesterday.

He added that they are going to take steps to include more issues of national interest in the curriculum of every medium.

He was speaking at the 13th Educational Researches' Conference at the Islamic Development Bank Bhaban in the city.

Bangladesh Forum for Education Development (BAFED) in cooperation with UNESCO organised the conference.

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The conference was attended by noted researchers, educationists, policymakers, government officials and representatives from different NGOs working on education.

BAFED Chairman Prof Dr Abu Hamid Latif chaired the programme while UNESCO Representative to Bangladesh and Director Dr Malama Meleisea spoke.

Dr Manzoor Ahmed, Dr Wolfgang Vollmann, former director of UNESCO, Zulfikar Haider, Mohammad Moninoor Roshid and Abdur Razzak Mia, Mohammad Tariq Ahsan and Dr Selina Akhter presented different papers at the conference.



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Greg Cassinero, manager of supply chain management of Chevron Bangladesh, leads a rally to mark Global Road Safety Week 2009. As part of the programmes to mark the week, two separate events were held at Habiganj and Moulvibazar districts with participation of drivers, students and teachers. The week was designed to raise awareness among employees, contractors and neighbouring communities on the road safety issues.

CLIMATE CHANGE

'Turn Bangladesh into most adaptive country'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Speakers at an award giving ceremony on Saturday said the challenge of Bangladesh as the most vulnerable country to climate change is to transform it into the most adaptive country in the world.

They said this at the award giving ceremony for participants of the first course on 'Climate Change and Adaptation' of ICCCAD (International Centre for Climate Change and Development) of Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB).

The programme was held at Radisson Water Garden Hotel in the city.

ICCCAD arranged its maiden course for 22 participants of NGO background from Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Australia and Japan.

IUB Vice Chancellor Prof Bazlul Mobin Chowdhury

distributed certificates among the total participants, including five from Nepal, two from India, one from Australia and Japan each.

In his keynote speech, Dr Saleemul Haq, director of ICCCAD, said the newly launched centre will teach the people from all vulnerable countries on how to adapt with the adverse impacts of climate change.

Pro-Vice Chancellor Prof M Omar Rahman and IUB Governing Council Chairman Tawhid Samad also spoke.

With the assistance of International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED), ICCCAD has been carrying out its activities.

The centre will host post-graduate students from around the world who wish to carry out their researches in Bangladesh.

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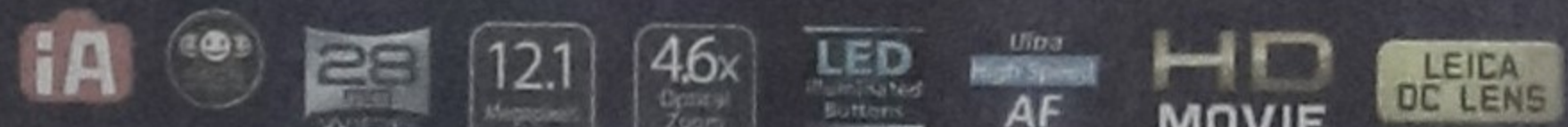
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