


CONVOCATION 2011



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IUBAT - INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF BUSINESS AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY




Message

I am happy to learn that International University of Business Agriculture and Technology (IUBAT) is organizing its third Convocation on December 21, 2011. On this occasion, I convey my heartfelt felicitations to all the graduates, their parents, faculty and university family as well.

Convocation is, indeed, a much awaited event for the student and the university. It is a auspicious event to confer degree upon graduating students as the recognition of concerted efforts of students, teachers and guardians. Quality education is of the essence of the time to create knowledge-based society which provides the main impetus for change and development. Universities, the cradle of learning have the opportunity to impart quality and state-of-the-art education to the students with a view to making a erudite society. I wish all the public & private universities including IUBAT would endeavour its best efforts for fulfilling the hopes and aspirations of the people. I hope the graduates would contribute towards building a happy & prosperous Bangladesh imbued with the spirit of patriotism. I wish the convocation of IUBAT a success.

Khoda Hafez, May Bangladesh Live Forever



Md. Zillur Rahman
Honorable Chancellor, IUBAT



Message

Convocation-2011 makes me nostalgic as I think of struggling days of 1989 when the idea of establishing a non-government university was presented to the Ministry of Education, Government of Bangladesh (GoB). The concept was developed at Kansas State University (KSU) in March-April, 1989 (documented on April 3, 1989) and KSU issued letter of intent to participate in establishment of this university on April 27, 1989. Formal representation was made to GoB on July 27, 1989, while IUBAT opened its door on January 16, 1991 with academic support from Asian Institute of Technology and Assumption University, Thailand. Literally none believed that such university can be established in Bangladesh, but this is not only a reality now but around 55% of the university students (excluding national and open university) study in non-government universities.

Thus, the idea bloomed into a movement and the paradigm of access to tertiary education shifted from elite to populist mode. More universities are being established to accommodate our youth and this is a wonderful achievement on the 40th anniversary of victory of our great nation.

IUBAT has many first to its credit in terms of concepts, disciplines and physical development. It is the first to move to its permanent campus in the historic city of Dhaka. This Convocation is also historic through the maiden visit of the honorable Chancellor to his university. It is our great honor and privilege to welcome all the dignitaries to the lush green campus of the university designed by a volunteer British architect for an university of 21st century.

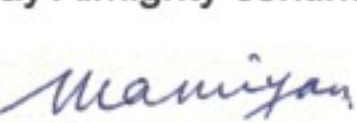
IUBAT is also the first to develop an outreach approach for inclusive higher education under Knowledge Based Area Development (KBAD) for financing education to create one technical graduate from each village/moholla of Bangladesh which has allowed many students to graduate some of whom are going to have their degrees conferred today.

We have come a long way and look forward to even longer list of achievements in the future and my heartiest felicitations to the graduating students. It gives me untold sense of accomplishment to see them enjoy the fruit of their toil and dedication. I share their victory and join them in anticipation of greater career achievement.

My gratitude to all who extended cooperation and partnership from home and abroad in our long journey. I believe we will remain in enduring partnership in progress and contribute our best to build our societies and promote international understanding, good will and peace. My gratitude also to all the dignitaries present today to share our joy.

Best of luck to my beloved students.
May Almighty continue to show you path of wisdom.

Prof M Alimullah Miyan, PhD
Founder, IUBAT




Message

Ladies and Gentlemen
On behalf of the Upper Austrian Science and Education Secretary, Doris Hummer, and of Michael Adams, President of the International Association of University Presidents (IAUP), of which IUBAT is a most welcome and active partner, I would like to address my best wishes and congratulations to the Third Convocation of the University.

I strongly believe that a convocation like that of the IUBAT is the best way create a network of people united by a common spirit based on the excellent education and values the IUBAT embodies as the first non-government university in Bangladesh.

The IUBAT stands for a strong international focus and for the excellence of its qualified and experienced faculty.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all alumni on having graduated from this famous university and wish all members of IUBAT all the best in fulfilling the goal of developing Bangladesh.

Dr. Gerald Reisinger
President
University of Applied Sciences Upper Austria



IUBAT-A Profile

HISTORY
IUBAT-International University of Business Agriculture and Technology is the first non-government university established in Bangladesh. Initial planning began in 1989 and the university was established in 1991. The university was established through cooperative agreement with Kansas State University, USA, Assumption University and Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand. From a modest beginning, the university has a student body of six thousand plus with a faculty of around two hundred.

MISSION
The overall mission of IUBAT is human resources development through quality education fostering creation of knowledge conducive to socio-agro-economic advancement of developing societies in general and of Bangladesh in particular. This overall mission is being attained through ensuring relevance in curriculum, quality in teaching delivery, dynamism in adaptation to changes, internationalization in transferability of knowledge and equity in access by all groups. Besides, the University promotes scholasticism through research and application of knowledge in different subject areas chiefly in the context of Bangladesh.


ACCREDITATION AND AFFILIATIONS
Over the period, IUBAT has gained national and global recognition through membership, recognition and affiliations with good number of scholarly bodies, academic networks, affiliating organizations as well as global directories. The international stature of the university achieved great height through establishing academic links with seventy plus institutions in Europe, USA, Canada, Australia, Asia and Africa. IUBAT baccalaureates can pursue higher education in any university of the world and credit transfer from IUBAT is accepted by all universities throughout the globe. Some of the salient institutions of IUBAT accreditation and affiliations are listed below:

- Government of Bangladesh
 - University Grants Commission of Bangladesh (UGC)
 - Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU), England
 - International Association of University Presidents (IAUP), USA
 - Graduate Management Admission Council (GMAC), USA
 - Global Consortium of Higher Education & Research for Agriculture, USA
 - World's Poultry Science Association
 - Worldwide Opportunities for Organic Farms (WWOOF), UK
 - World Association of Soil and Water Conservation (WASWC), Thailand
 - Association of Management Development Institutions in South Asia (AMDISA), India
 - International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements (IFOAM), Germany
 - International Society for Labor and Social Security Law (ISL&SSL), Switzerland
 - International Labor and Employment Relations Association, Switzerland
 - National Geographic Society, USA
 - Society for International Development
 - Association of SAARC Universities
 - Association of Non-Government Universities in Bangladesh
 - Educational Testing Service (ETS), USA
 - Hobson's MBA Casebook, UK
 - The Europa World of Learning, England
 - Yearbook of International Organizations, Belgium
 - Global Directory of Research Institutions, USA
 - Community of Science (COS), USA
 - International Education Directory of Colleges and Universities (World-wide accredited institutions), Australia
 - International Handbook of Universities, UNESCO
- CAMPUS AND LEARNING ATMOSPHERE**
IUBAT curriculum is of international standard, approved by the University Grants Commission of Bangladesh and taught by qualified and experienced local and foreign faculty. The grooming provided to students is professional and career oriented.
- Instructions are conducted by qualified and experienced faculty drawn from the country, region and overseas. The cooperating universities abroad are a big resource base for visiting faculty and arrangements have been made to have visiting faculty to reflect the intercultural orientation of the university, some of which is also availed through international students admitted to the university.
- English is the medium of instruction and communication in all IUBAT programs, communications and activities. IUBAT programs emphasize task based and participative methods of instruction and use modern teaching aids like multi-media, flipcharts, overhead projectors, video-clippings to supplement the classical mediums. A heavy reliance is placed on coaching, project work, practice session and laboratory work. Students are encouraged to engage in shared learning by forming study groups and work teams. The program emphasizes development of closer interaction between teachers and students in formal and informal situations for educational and mental development of the students.
- Educational programs, particularly in engineering, nursing, physics & chemistry, computer science, hospitality and agriculture are backed-up by laboratories established in the campus. IUBAT has cooperative arrangements with hospitals and clinics in Dhaka for practical and practicum, especially with respect to students in nursing and health sciences. IUBAT students enjoy following attractive learning atmosphere:

- Permanent campus on 5.5 acres of own land
- Specially designed by a British architect for a university of the 21st century
- Healthy environment with scenic beauty on the bank of river Turag
- Classes with individualized instruction
- Record of scheduled classes that meet consistently
- English skills developed in all students
- Computer training for all students
- Excellent national and international faculty including resident faculty from North America and European Union countries and Australia
- Linkages with many universities with credit transfer and higher study facilities
- International standard learning experience
- Professional counseling and guidance
- Financial support through scholarship, grant, fee waiver, rebate, deferred payment, campus job, special offer, student loan, etc
- Career guidance with practicum and job placement at home and abroad
- Extracurricular activities
- Part of modern Uttara residential area
- Assistance in finding accommodation at reasonable cost in the locality
- Well connected with all sections of metropolitan Dhaka and neighboring towns
- Evening classes for MBA and Engineering degree programs
- Free transportation from certain points of city and nearby towns to campus
- Free shuttle service in Uttara and Tongi
- WiFi Campus
- Student Group Health Insurance

- Research in being carried out in a number of areas such as education, labor migration, industrial relations, disaster management, cyclone mitigation, environment, corporate social responsibility, commodity chain, trade regulations, health service delivery, liquid waste management, natural gas, energy, primary education, girls participation in secondary education, electricity rate regulation, captive power generation, solar energy, food security, farm socio-economic analysis, sustainability etc. So far, seven research monographs and one book have been published. IUBAT carries out researches on the topic of international importance in collaboration with World Meteorological Organization, Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, Food and Agricultural Organization, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), International Geosphere-Biosphere Programme, World Health Organization, Ecosystem Services for Poverty Alleviation (ESPA) and the like organizations.

- Each semester IUBAT remains vibrant with many educational, research, conference, exhibitions, sports, games and cultural events made lively with widespread participation of students, faculty, staff and neighboring community. Visiting professors from renowned universities around the world keep attending IUBAT each semester. They conduct classes as well as address seminars on critical issues for wider audience organized in the campus. Reception and farewell to visiting professors are also frequent. Besides, cultural events are organized on various special occasions including observance of various national and international days of significance in addition to in house events like convocation, orientation, foundation, parents' night, throughout the year. These events serve as a medium of developing solidarity among the IUBAT family in addition to building bridges of cooperation with outer world.

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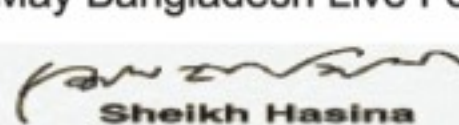
Our government has been working hard to enhance the socio-economic condition of the country by putting emphasis on education.

The universities help generate new ideas, promote enduring knowledge and assist in the inculcation of moral and ethical values in order to transform students into conscious, responsible and proactive citizens.


I hope that the graduates of this university will engage themselves to meet the challenges of transforming the socio-economic landscape of the country and help build a prosperous Bangladesh as dreamt by the greatest Bangalee of all time, Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.

I wish the Third Convocation of IUBAT all success.

Joi Bangla, Joi Bangabandhu
May Bangladesh Live Forever.



Sheikh Hasina
Prime Minister
Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh



Message

It gives me much pleasure to know that IUBAT-International University of Business Agriculture and Technology is observing its third Convocation on December 21, 2011. On this promising occasion, I convey my heartfelt felicitations to the graduating students, their parents and the university authority.

I firmly believe that proper education enables the citizens to achieve effective state of affairs in a democratic nation. The knowledge and skills that a good university imparts to the students allow them to navigate the roadmap of an increasingly complex world and confront emerging challenges with greater confidence. I am sure that during their pursuit of knowledge, the graduates of IUBAT have made the best use of all the resources and prepared themselves for the future with a view to bringing about the welfare for our people.

I wish the third Convocation of IUBAT all success, and also wish the graduates the very best in their professional life.

(Nurul Islam Nahid M.P.)
Minister
Ministry of Education
Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh



Message

It's my great pleasure to know about the Convocation 2011 of IUBAT and I would like to take the privilege of congratulating its graduating students and the university community on this auspicious occasion being celebrated on December 21, 2011.

IUBAT and its specialized centers' cooperation with the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) and World Meteorological Organization (WMO) as well contributions to local initiatives for achieving environmental sustainability are of great importance. Pursuit of knowledge on environmental culture that nurture high level of biodiversity, susceptibility of this culture to indiscriminate human intervention, and sustaining this endowed natural culture for the sustainability of human itself is the need of the time. As consequences of and reactions to indiscriminate human interventions on global environmental culture, the globe as a whole, is experiencing downside changes in terms of frequency and intensity of extreme events and catastrophes. IUBAT's roles in diminishing consequence of environmental degradation through research and development are invaluable.

IUBAT have long been offering multidisciplinary educational programs in an excellent multicultural academic faculty to create professional graduates to meet the emerging issues of the 21st century. I hope that the graduating students will spread their knowledge gained from IUBAT to benefit the society.

Joy Bangla, Joy Bongo Bondhu
Long live Bangladesh



Dr. Hasan Mahmud
Minister
Ministry of Environment and Forest
Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh



Message

It gives me the immense pleasure to know that the IUBAT-International University of Business Agriculture and Technology is going to hold its 3 d Convocation on December 21, 2011. I would like to extend my warm congratulations to the graduating students, the faculty members and the authority of IUBAT on this auspicious occasion.

Convocation is one of the most noteworthy events of a university; through the Convocation the graduates get recognition of their studies at the university. Moreover, the graduates envision a bright and successful career since the day of Convocation and get ready accordingly to face the challenges of the outside world.

The nation is looking for well educated graduates to fulfill its dream to make Bangladesh a developed nation.

I wish all the graduating students of IUBAT bright future in their respective fields and the 3d Convocation of IUBAT a splendid success.

Chairman (State Minister)
University Grants Commission of Bangladesh

