



Stamford University: The Vision of a Dream



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বাণী

স্টামফোর্ড ইউনিভার্সিটি বাংলাদেশ এর সমাবর্তন-২০১২ অনুষ্ঠিত হচ্ছে জেনে আমি আনন্দিত। সমাবর্তন উপলক্ষে আমি বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের স্নাতক ও স্নাতকোত্তর ডিগ্রি অর্জনকারী সকল গ্রাজুয়েটদের, তাদের অভিভাবক ও বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় কর্তৃপক্ষকে শুভেচ্ছা জানাই।

বাংলাদেশে উচ্চশিক্ষার প্রসারে সরকারি বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের পাশাপাশি বেসরকারি বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়সমূহ গুরুত্বপূর্ণ অবদান রাখছে। বৈশ্বিক চ্যালেঞ্জ মোকাবেলা ও দক্ষ মানবসম্পদ সৃষ্টির লক্ষ্যে বেসরকারি বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়গুলো আধুনিক কারিকুলাম গ্রহণ করবে, এটাই সকলের প্রত্যাশা। নবীন গ্রাজুয়েটগণ দেশপ্রেমে উদ্বুদ্ধ হয়ে সত্যতার সাথে দেশ ও জাতির কল্যাণে আত্মনিয়োগ করবে বলে আমি বিশ্বাস করি।

আমি গ্রাজুয়েটদের উজ্জ্বল ভবিষ্যৎ কামনা করি ও স্টামফোর্ড ইউনিভার্সিটি বাংলাদেশ-এর সমাবর্তন ২০১২ এর সাফল্য কামনা করি।

খোদা হাফেজ, বাংলাদেশ চিরজীবী হোক।

মোঃ জিহুর রহমান

Just like a tiny bird growing up in a small nest, Stamford University Bangladesh developed into a private university in a small house of Dhaka city (H#42, R#9/A, Dhanmondi, Dhaka) in 2002 with the permission of the Government of Bangladesh. But the vision to make notable contribution in raising the standard of education in the country stirred the mind of Professor Dr. M. A. Hannan Feroz, the founder and the Vice Chancellor of Stamford University at that time. The force of his great vision, along with the support of a number of philanthropists and academics, turned that new university of a small house into a renowned university with attractive campuses, providing global standard pragmatic education.

To serve the common people of the society by creating an ideal university with global standard education, affordable for all, was the dream, cherished by Professor Dr. M. A. Hannan Feroz whose mind was always obsessed with the thoughts of the core needs of the common people. The successive expansion of ideas and efforts, empowered by a great vision, enabled Stamford University to materialize its great dream, climb the stair of success and become one of the leading universities of the day. In 2005, Stamford University was graded as one of the top nine private universities by the Government of Bangladesh on the basis of its academic excellence and adequate logistic supports.

Stamford University is moving forward in full swing having a vision in mind - a vision of Excellence: "Moving Teaching excellence from good to great." Great teaching excellence requires transitions from good to better, better to excellent and from excellent to great. Having this great vision in mind, this university wants to take the level of teaching to a higher level by following the transformative process of being one of the premier universities of higher education in this region with the help of a Long Range Strategic Planning. And this endeavor for transformation is reflected in all the expansive and successful efforts made by this university over the last 15 years. Stamford University is continuously making efforts to develop teaching technique with recent materials to face the ground realities and fulfill the required needs in this period of globalization. Just as there is no end to the expansion of the universe, there is no end to the expansive attempts of Stamford University in running updated academic programs smoothly in order to reach the apex of excellence in all fields.

The following auxiliary bodies are formed to materialize the vision of the dream of Stamford University.

Center for Excellence (CfE)

The Center for Excellence in Research, Training and Development at Stamford University is established with the goal of achieving excellence in all respects of the university and at the same time contributing to the development of Bangladesh with special emphasis in the field of education, research, social services, creative expression, management, leadership and human resource.

Stamford University Research Center (SURC)

The Centre for Research in Social Sciences, Laws and Humanities has been functioning since 2010. All the departments belonging to the Faculty are constituent parts of the centre. The research centre aims at promoting research activities of the faculty members of Stamford University Bangladesh and endeavors to publish their research based papers in the university journals and similar other journals at home and abroad. The center aims at publishing monograph and books based on research by the members of the faculty. The centre will arrange seminar, symposium and workshop on various Social and Economic issues on a regular basis and publish proceedings of seminars, symposia and conferences conducted by the centre. The center will liaise with similar organizations at home and abroad in pursuit of academic activities and research. The center will also explore assistance from National and International organizations such as SSRC, MOIST, UGC, World Bank, Asian Development Bank, UNESCO, ESCAP, DFID, WHO, UNICEF, The commonwealth of Learning and other international sponsors for research projects to be conducted by the centre.

Stamford Debate Forum (SDF)

Stamford Debate Forum is one of the leading university based debating organizations in Bangladesh driven by enthusiastic, talented, devoted, workaholic and focused team of students and faculty coordinators. It is the official debating society of undergraduate students and a pride of Stamford University as the forum upholds Stamford's idea of preparing future leaders of society. On the way of becoming one of the best debating platforms in Bangladesh our pride is the participation in the debate championship organized by the Institute of Information Technology, Delhi (IIT Delhi). Three members of SDF have adjudicated in the Worlds University Debate Championship 2007 which was held in the Assumption University, Thailand. In the year 2008, two teams and three adjudicators took part in the 15th all Asian Inter Varsity Debate Championship 2008 which was held for the first time in Bangladesh. One crowning glory of SDF is becoming the champion in Aktel-Drishit Debate Championship 2006. In 2009, SDF became runner-up in Dristy English Debate Championship. Two teams of SDF also became champion and runner-up in 1st ULAB Bangla Debate Championship and runner-up in 1st ULAB English Debate Championship in that year. In the same year SDF participated in AUDC organized by East West University. SDF participated in NLS Debate, Bangalore towards the end of 2009. In 2010 SDF participated in 1st United Asian Debate Championship in Thailand. In 2010, SDF became runner-up in Bangabandhu Hall Debate Championship and Prime Bank -NDDC Debate Championship. SDF won BTV National Debate for the first time in that year. In early 2011 SDF won Cambrian University Campus Parliament in ATN Bangla.

Stamford English Language Forum (SELF)

SELF is a co-curricular wing of the Department of English at Stamford University Bangladesh. It was established on June 26th 2007 with the aim of preparing a friendly English language learning environment for the students of Stamford University Bangladesh. Besides training and instructing the students, SELF also initiated a performance learning opportunity with "Readers'

Forum", "Listening Port", and "Public Forum". It has a supply of approximately 25,000 electronic books. SELF regularly holds poetry competition, recitation and essay writing contests as well.

Stamford University Drama Society (SUDS)

It is the basic responsibility of a university to explore and create possible opportunities for students for their respective academic lessons and also to prepare them as complete human beings. Stamford University Drama Society is such an initiative to give students a complete view of life as well as to provide them a place where they can develop their mental faculties through participating in social and cultural activities. Though named as drama society, SUDS is basically a multidimensional "Socio-cultural" organization with a lot of activities other than simply staging drama.

Credit Transfer to Foreign Universities

Stamford University has been facilitating its students with credit transfer to different reputed foreign universities. Stamford has already transferred students of CSE, CSI, BBA and MBA programs to different universities of the USA, The UK, Canada and Australia. They are now studying there with success and fame brightening the name and fame of Stamford University, Bangladesh.

Stamford University has arranged joint degree programs and credit transfer programs with U.S. universities such as Claflin University, State University of New York and Stamford University, USA to ensure quality education and make foreign degrees available to students studying at home.

As Stamford University has membership of AACSB International-The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) and association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP) and collaboration with many renowned universities of the USA, The UK, Canada, Australia and many other countries of the world, the students of Stamford are nationally as well as internationally recognized and always have easier access and greater priority in Credit Transfer and Transfer Degree than that of any other university in Bangladesh. It is very easy to transfer credit among the member universities or institutions of the AACSB and ACBSP. It may be mentioned that there are about 2000 member universities and institutions all over the world. Every student of Stamford can avail himself/herself of this opportunity if he/ she can earn the required GPA in the exams. To transfer credits to foreign universities a student can choose any one of the following options:

For BBA, CSE and CSI Programs:

One year at Stamford University Bangladesh — Three years at Claflin University, USA Two years at Stamford University Bangladesh — Two years at Claflin University, USA Three years at Stamford University Bangladesh — One year at Claflin University, USA For MBA Program: One year at Stamford University Bangladesh — One year at Claflin University, USA

Recent Achievements & Performances of Stamford

- Paris based International Research "Aduniversal" recognized the Business Administration Department of Stamford University Bangladesh and adjudged it as one of the thousand first rate business schools in 150 countries of the world.
- Stamford University honored the recipients of "Ekushe Padak 2006" at a colorful program held at the auditorium of Siddeswari Campus.
- In 2005, Stamford University organized the 37th Bengal Studies Conference as the host. In the recent past the organizers of this conference were world famous universities like: University of Chicago, Harvard University, University of California and Columbia University.
- Department of English organized four International Conferences entitled: "The Teaching English in Bangladesh: Policy, Pedagogy and Practice", "The Teaching English in Bangladesh: Problems, Solutions and Prospects", "The Effective Teaching of English in Bangladesh", "Language and Literature Teaching: Exploring Opportunities and Facing the Challenges" in 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2011 respectively. Scholars from home and abroad presented papers and participated in discussions.

Different Co-Curricular Organizations at Stamford

- Shamparka (The Relation): This organization donates blood free of cost and determines blood group.
- Sparsha (The Touch): It organizes social and humanitarian activities.
- Earth Forum: It organizes seminars in order to make people conscious of the environmental disaster and how to ensure safety and security.
- Stray Bird: It is a literary and cultural organization of English department. Different programs are organized involving students and teachers on literary and cultural issues. Recently a program celebrating the 150th birth anniversary of the great poet Rabindranath Tagore was organized by StrayBird. Professor Dr. Fakrul Alam of the University of Dhaka presented a paper on "Translating Tagore" while students of English department of Stamford University Bangladesh staged a dramatic performance involving five major characters of Tagore.

Stamford Publications

- Stamford Journal of Business Studies
- Stamford Journal of English
- Stamford Journal of Science and Engineering
- Stamford Journal of Development Science
- Stamford Journal of Law
- Stamford Journal of Pharmaceutical Studies
- Stamford Journal of Media, Communication and Culture
- Stamford Journal of Microbiology
- News Letter : Stamford Flash

Collaboration with Stamford University Bangladesh

- Grambling State University, Louisiana, USA
- Claflin University, South Carolina, USA
- University of Texas at Brownsville, USA
- UTB & Texas Southmostcoll, USA
- University of Teesside, UK
- Monash University, Australia
- Satyajit Ray Film & Television Institute, Kolkata
- Tokyo University of Agriculture & Technology (TUAT)



PRIME MINISTER
GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF
BANGLADESH
01 Falgun 1418
13 February 2012

Message

I am happy to know that Stamford University Bangladesh is going to hold its Convocation 2012 on 13 February 2012. On this occasion, I congratulate the graduating students, their guardians, teachers and the university authorities.

Our government has given the topmost priority to education to build a knowledge based society. We have enacted Private University Act-2010 to ensure the quality of education. We have been striving hard to establish Bangladesh as poverty-, hunger-, illiteracy-free progressive country by 2021.

I hope that the graduates of this university, with a strong sense of patriotism and responsibility, will utilize their talents to make Bangladesh a prosperous country as dreamt by the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.

I wish Stamford University Convocation 2012 a grand success.

Joi Bangla, Joi Bangabandhu
May Bangladesh Live Forever.

Sheikh Hasina



নূরুল ইসলাম নাহিদ এম.পি
মন্ত্রী
শিক্ষা মন্ত্রণালয়
গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার।

Message

I am greatly delighted to learn that Stamford University Convocation, 2012 is going to be held on February 13, 2012. It is usually a great feeling on my part to share my joys with such great enterprises in education and enlightenment, for convocations are commendations of success in pursuit of knowledge. Stamford University has already gained its recognition in the field of higher studies and I am sure that the young students of this university have developed their faculties adequately to be able to face challenges of professional life with courage and competence. I extend my heartfelt felicitations to the graduating students, their parents, teachers and other concerned people for their successful efforts.

I wish the graduating students all the best.

Nurul Islam Nahid M.P.



Message

It is a pleasure to know that Stamford University is holding its Convocation on February 13, 2012. On this auspicious occasion, I heartily congratulate the new graduates, the faculty members and the university authority for their collective efforts for turning out a new batch of knowledgeable and well trained graduates.

The University Grants Commission of Bangladesh encourages appropriate standard and quality in higher education in the country. We are keen to see that suitable academic atmosphere, necessary infrastructure and other facilities conducive to quality education, are ensured in the private universities. I hope all the universities will undertake necessary steps to impart quality education so that a knowledge-based, modern and democratic state can be established.

I hope that, the new graduates will be able to provide dynamic services to our Nation. I wish them success in all their future undertakings and the convocation programme a grand success.

Professor Dr. A.K. Azad Chowdhury
Chairman (State Minister)



Message

It is a matter of great delight that Stamford University Convocation 2012 is going to be held on February 13, 2012. On this solemn occasion, I extend my whole-hearted congratulations to young graduates, their parents, teachers, officials and staff concerned on their successful performance.

Stamford University, one of the leading universities of the country has played a significant role in imparting quality education at tertiary level in Bangladesh. In this period of globalization, Stamford is continuously strengthening and developing teaching techniques with latest advancements to face the ground realities and fulfill the global need. With this end in view, new programs along with standard curriculum have been introduced. Besides academic activities, cocurricular activities have also been emphasized to flourish the hidden talent of students.

Since its inception Stamford University firmly believes, education is not merely confined in offering certificates, but it has an avowed objective to produce manpower with modern knowledge and moral values. The graduates being nurtured by quality teachers in well-structured academic set up will be able to fit themselves in the competitive job market and take up positions and responsibilities in every sphere of life.

I hope, the graduating students will contribute to the socio-economic development of the country and make a difference in the society as well as the country.

Professor M.A. Hannan Feroz, PhD
President, Board of Trustees
Stamford University Bangladesh

CHANCELLOR'S AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING RESULT



Sk. Md. Azizur Rahman
BBA 030 10 356



Md. Ashiqur Rahman
MBA 041 11 345



Farjana Rahma
MMB 040 05 003



Message

It is a matter of great satisfaction that Stamford University Convocation 2012 will be held on February 13, 2012. I take this opportunity to convey my warm greetings and felicitations to Professor M.A. Hannan Feroz, PhD, President, Board of Trustees, other Trustee Board members, members of the Academic Council, and thank my colleagues, and officials of Stamford University Bangladesh for their hearty cooperation in making this convocation a success. I congratulate all passing graduates on the successful completion of their degrees at Stamford.

Stamford University Bangladesh, as I have seen with pleasure, has already made a name for itself as one of the premier universities in the private sector of this country. I am confident that our graduates are well rounded, self-reliant and well prepared to serve the nation. But, I must remind all graduates that life outside the campus will hold challenges which you must face bravely. The Convocation marks not the end of your learning, rather, it is the beginning of a process whereby the knowledge earned so far will be put to test. You are now at the threshold of an entirely new life. Your families, countrymen and the nation as a whole have great expectations from you. When you leave this university, you will be joining a new world of privilege on account of your education. But remember, that with privilege comes obligation – an obligation to uphold the values of truth and justice, and above all, the future of this nation.

And so, dear graduates, all the best to you, and my good wishes to you all.

Thank you all
Professor Dr. M. Majibur Rahman
Vice Chancellor
Stamford University Bangladesh

Congratulations to the Successful Stamford Graduates