



NDNSC holds National Nature Festival

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On October 9-10, the Notre Dame Nature Study Club hosted the 6th National Nature Festival. This festival allowed students from school, college and universities to participate in 5 particular events which were nature Olympiad, eco-friendly project display, wall magazine, confab seminar and photo fiesta. On the first day of the festival, Archbishop Kocherry, Ambassador, Embassy of the Holy See, was present as the chief guest. Ishtiaq Uddin Ahmad, Country Representative of IUCN; Muqueed Mojumder Babu, Chairman, Prokriti O Jibon Foundation; Prof. Sirajul Islam, Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Physical Science, North South University; Mizanur Rahman Bhuiyan, Founder Director of NSSB & Founder of NDNSC were the special guests at the inauguration ceremony. George Mesthos, Cultural Affairs Officer, The American Center, Dhaka; Md. Jakariya, Chairman, DESM, North South University; Tapan Kumar Dey, CF, Department of Forest; Mohammad Shahad Mahabub Chowdhury, Project Manager, Updating Species Red List Of Bangladesh were the guests at the prize giving ceremony. At the afternoon session of the second day, the winners of each event were announced. The winners' crests and certificates were handed to them by the Principal of Notre Dame College, Fr. Hemanto Pius Rozario CSC.

Orientation Programme at World University of Bangladesh

Orientation programme for the students of Faculty of Science & Engineering, World University of Bangladesh was held on October 30, 2015 at the auditorium of the University. Vice Chancellor, Professor Dr. Abdul Mannan Choudhury graced the occasion as chief guest while Professor Dr. M Nurul Islam, Pro-Vice Chancellor; Morsheda Choudhury, Treasurer; and Dr. Muntasir Mannan Choudhury, Member, Board of Trustees, WUB were present as special guests. Professor A K M Ziaul Islam, Controller of Examinations, chaired the session. Deans of the faculties; Registrar; Proctor and heads of the departments also spoke on the occasion.

Universal Children's Day The JAAGO Connection

French philosopher and poet Gaston Bachelard had once said, "Even a minor event in the life of a child is an event of that child's world and thus a world." Children are our future. What we teach them today and how we treat them determine the individuals they will become. They are our successors and the future leaders of the world. To honour them, Children's Day is recognised on a variety of days worldwide. The concept was introduced at the 'World Conference for the Well-being of Children' in 1925 and later established universally in 1954. Universal Children's Day in particular is celebrated on November 20, under United Nations' recommendation.

JAAGO's participation in Universal Children's Day celebration is almost as old as the organisation itself. JAAGO was established in 2007 as a collective effort of a group of youngsters eager to bring change. At the heart of the Rayerbazar slum in Dhaka, JAAGO was born in a room with a tin roof, with 17 children, a blackboard and a tattered carpet. The organisation started celebrating Universal Children's day in the year 2009, a time when this day was much less heard of. The reasons for observing this day were twofold. Children are bearers of hope for a better future. They are wonderful gifts who are every bit worth celebrating. The latter reason – not as cheerful as the former – being, the generation of awareness for children who are deprived of their very basic human rights.

Over the years, JAAGO Foundation's Universal Children's Day (UCD) campaign has become its largest flagship event. The awareness campaigns and celebrations for UCD have grown hand in hand with the organisation itself. Every year thousands of volunteers advocate the cause of ensuring the education and well-being of children all over Bangladesh.



In Bangladesh, deprived children eventually get absorbed by the tides of destitution. None of us are strangers to sitting in cars, CNGs, rickshaws or whatever our modes of transportation might be, witnessing the slow withering away of precious lives around us. A staggering number of underprivileged Bangladeshi children take to the streets to beg or find some form of employment. JAAGO's UCD is observed by taking these children off the streets of the cities. Volunteers donning yellow, the colour of the organisation, take to the streets to spread the message of basic human rights for them. The children who have never lived a normal childhood are taken to a carnival organised by JAAGO for a day filled with fun and smiles. This year, on November 19, across 8 Divisions and 32 Districts, thousands of volunteers will advocate the 4th Sustainable Development Goal by United Nations General Assembly, to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.

Bangladesh is on a rapid path of progression. However, the current success will be short lived if children are not invested in. We hope, through this initiative we can turn our attention towards facilitating the wellbeing and education of disadvantaged children all over Bangladesh.



Eastern University and Hangzhou Normal University sign MOU

Eastern University of Bangladesh and Hangzhou Normal University of China signed a Memorandum of Understanding recently in China. Under the MOU students of Eastern University will get dual degree, facility of education and scholarships from both Universities.

Prof. Dr. Abdur Rab, Vice Chancellor of Eastern University and Dr. Du Wei, President of the Hangzhou Normal University signed the agreement while Abul Khair Chowdhury, Chairman, Board of Trustees of Eastern University, and other officials were present at the event. At the meeting, it was agreed that members of the faculties of the two universities will be exchanged and dual degrees in Department of Engineering, Economics and Management will be given to the students of both universities.

NSU Finance Club to host National Financial Modelling Competition

NSU Finance Club brings "IDLC Presents BLUEPRINTS 1.0", the first financial modelling competition in Bangladesh for undergraduate students. The competition is powered by Teletalk.

BLUEPRINTS 1.0 is a platform where participants can apply their financial knowledge into analysis and decision making, work with templates of actual financial models, get an opportunity to interview professionals, and build their skills as aspiring financial analysts.

The format of this competition is not only to assess, but instil the knowledge of financial modelling, analysis and decision making among its participants, tapping into the vast potential of numerous aspiring finance professionals of the country.

There will be workshops before each phase of the competition. These workshops, besides introducing participants to financial modelling, will also cover detailed instructions on how to utilise the resources provided – including templates to work on – and help to bring out the participants' analysing prowess.

Prize money of BDT 200,000 is to be awarded to the winning team of the competition. The first and second runners up will get BDT 100,000 and BDT 50,000 respectively. Additionally, top five teams will be shortlisted for employment opportunities by reputed financial institutions.

To stay updated about the competition, visit the Facebook event page: IDLC Presents BLUEPRINTS 1.0 – National Financial Modelling Competition.