

Pathshala holds exhibition titled "Inland Stories"

A group exhibition titled "Inland Stories" by the international photography students of Pathshala was held from April 11-15, 2019 in Drik Gallery (New) at Panthapath. The exhibition featured the works of the 5th batch international semester students which they had produced during the international photography programme in Kathmandu, Nepal and Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Coming from all walks of life with a common interest in the medium of photography, the students met at the international photography semester of Pathshala to learn a new language to tell stories. After six months of working together, the students formed almost like a collective, where they engaged in critical dialogues about their works and supported each other during the process.

The students set out to push boundaries, explore new territories and find stories. Either working in a new place or going back to one's hometown, each tried to speak visually to interpret a place. A place which can be an unfamiliar space, a land in transition, or a journey between two or multiple points. It has also been an exercise to present and communicate their works to the audience in different modes. "Inland Stories" was an attempt to give the works a physical dimension.

CMCH receives medical equipment from Sunshine Charities



On the first day of Bangla calendar 1426, the patients of Chittagong Medical College Hospital (CMCH), Department of Medicine, Ward 13, received as gifts an ECG machine and BIPEP machine from Sunshine Charities. Today, these are the only ECG machine and BIPEP machine in the ward.

A celebration of the Bengali new year was observed by the doctors of CMCH and Sunshine Charities for the first time. Chairman of Sunshine Charities, Safia Ghazi Rahman handed the machines to Deputy Director of CMCH Dr. Akhtarul Islam and Head of Medicine Prof. Dr. Sujat Paul. Head of Gynaecology Prof. Dr. Shahanara Chowdhury, Dr. Umme Fatema Khatun, Assistant Professor, doctors and members of Medicine Department were present and spoke on the occasion.

AIUB celebrates Bangla new year with "Boishakhi Ullash 1426"

In celebration of Bangla New Year 1426, the American International University Bangladesh (AIUB) organised a day-long cultural programme on April 14, 2019.

Nadia Anwar, Chairman, Board of Trustees; Dr. Carmen Z. Lamagna, VC; Founder Members, Board of Trustees of AIUB Dr. Hasanul A Hasan and Ishtiaque Abedin were present at the cultural programme. Stalls of various local traditional items and food were set up by the students. The fair was also open for all. Highlighting of the occasion was performance by Dolchhut, Mehreen, Minar, Lalon band and the AIUB Performing Arts Club (APAC).

The Deans, teachers, students and high officials were also present on the occasion and enjoyed the event with joy.

CES at ULAB organises Leadership Talk for Spring 2019

On April 10, 2019, the ULAB Center for Enterprise and Society (CES), a leading university-based research center in the country, organised its Leadership Talk for Spring 2019.

The talk featured Masud Khan, CEO of Crown Cement Group. Earlier, Khan had long stints as the CFO of Lafarge Holcim Bangladesh Ltd. He also serves as Independent Director at several multinational companies, including Marico and GSK. He has also taught for over 30 years at the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Bangladesh.

In this highly engaging talk, Khan spoke about the strong positive correlation between GDP growth and cement sector growth, the current state of the sector, and the sector's tremendous potential. The talk was followed by a Q&A with students. CES Director Sajid Amit delivered opening remarks at this event and Prof. Imran Rahman introduced the speaker, and also provided a token of appreciation to the speaker at the end.

NSU celebrates Pahela Baishakh 1426

North South University (ULAB) celebrated Pahela Baishakh 1426, the first day of Bangla year by organising various activities.

The day-long event was inaugurated by a colourful mongol shobhajatra and proceeded with folk music, traditional dance performances, fair, jatrapala, etc. Students participated in the event with joyous mood and expressed their enthusiasm with drums, flute and other traditional instruments. Arbovirus performed on stage after midday.

Foreign Minister of the government Dr. AK Abdul Momen MP was present as the chief guest and Chairman, Board of Trustees, NSU and Chairman of Partex Group MA Hashem was present as the special guest. VC of NSU Prof. Atiqul Islam presided over the programme.

Among others, Board of Trustees members, Pro-VC (Designate) Prof. Dr. GU Ahsan, Deans of different schools and other senior officials were present during the celebrations and visited different traditional crafts, food and beverage stalls inside the campus.

BUBT holds seminar on e-commerce

A seminar on "E-commerce and its Challenges in Bangladesh" was organised by Bangladesh University of Business and Technology (BUBT) in its International Conference Hall, Rupnagar, Mirpur 2 on April 8, 2019. Department of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) of the university arranged this seminar to discuss the current situation, growth, and challenges of the country's e-commerce sector.

Prof. Dr. Shafique Ahmed Siddique, Chairman, BUBT Trust graced the programme as the chief guest while Prof. Md. Abu Saleh, VC, BUBT presided over the seminar. Zakaria Swapan, Founder & CEO of iPay presented the keynote paper. He explained that change is the only constant thing and it is necessary in e-commerce sector. We should build the trust between the buyer and sellers of e-commerce. We also need to resolve the funding, law and order issues as well.

Prof. Dr. M. Ameer Ali, Chairman, Department of CSE, BUBT delivered the welcome speech. Distinguished guests, former Chairman and Members of BUBT Trust, Treasurer, Advisor, Director of IQAC-BUBT, Deans of different faculties, Registrar, Controller of Examinations, Joint Registrar, Chairmen of different departments, Proctor, officials, teachers and students attended the seminar.

AusIS organises first PYP Science Exhibition

Australian International School Dhaka (AusIS) organised its first PYP Science Exhibition on April 3, 2019. This was the first science exhibition arranged by the school after getting the IB authorisation. The theme of the exhibition was "Go Green AusIS". Dr. Biswas Karabi Farhana, professor of Environmental Science and Management at North South University was the guest judge of the event.

Dr. Farhana gave an inspiring speech addressing the school community about taking care of the environment. The president of Lions Club of Dhanmondi, Major (Retd.) MA Bashar was also present at the event to collect saplings donated by the PYP students of the school. The Principal of the school Brigadier General (Retd.) ASM Mustafa Kamal Khan inaugurated the event where 43 projects were presented. Vice Principal Michael Baroi and the PYP Coordinating teacher Taslima Khatoun and Assistant Coordinating teacher Jahanara Begum were also there. The winning project, "The Hydraulic Robot" was prepared and presented by Sabib, Amir and Aheel of Year 4A. Medals and certificates were awarded to all winners and participants. Coordinator of the event, Shabanam Hossain, thanks the students, teachers, school staff and parents for making the event a grand success.