

# DIU faculty members receive Bangladesh Education Leadership Award

Three professors from Daffodil International University (DIU) received "Bangladesh Education Leadership Award 2019". Country's renowned Architect Prof. Md. Khairul Enam, Head, Department of Architecture, Prof. Dr. Mahabub Ul Haque, Head, Department of Textile, and Prof. Dr. Harun Ar Rashid, Head, Department of Public Health of DIU have received Bangladesh Education Leadership Award 2019 as best professors in their respective fields.

The World Education Congress, CMO Asia and CMO Council, jointly extended the Bangladesh Education Leadership Awards 2019 to them at a function held at a Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel in Dhaka on September 8, 2019.

The awards have been given to them for excellence and success in their respective fields of education as well as their outstanding pioneering role in important academic issues, research, leadership and teaching.

The congress not only examines modern and traditional knowledge system but also explores how education can help develop mental, emotional and physical skills to help facilitate personal excellence.

# IUB holds orientation programme for Autumn 2019

Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) warmly welcomed the newly enrolled undergraduate students of Autumn 2019 semester through an orientation ceremony held this week at IUB campus in Bashundhara, Dhaka.

Welcoming the newly enrolled students and the parents, Prof. Milan Pagon, VC (Acting), IUB, heartily thanked the parents and students for choosing IUB towards crafting their lives by coping with new opportunities. Prof. Pagon advised all students to work hard, possess a "never give up attitude", be passionate on what they want to pursue and be employable instead of looking for typical jobs.

Highlighting the academic rules and regulations of the university, Md. Anwarul Islam, Registrar, IUB requested all students to be abided by them and assured to extend all essential cooperation to the new students and their parents. Dr. Mohd. Aminul Karim, Dean, School of Business; Dr. Mohammed Anwer, Dean, School of Engineering and Computer Science; Dr. Abdul Khaleque, Dean, School of Environmental Science and Management; Prof. Imtiaz A Hussain, Dean(Acting), School of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences; and Dr. Syed A K Shifat Ahmed representing School of Life Sciences also welcomed the new students and spoke in the programme by highlighting the strengths, opportunities and progressive learning environments.

The event was organised by the Admissions & Financial Aid Office at IUB and was conducted by its Deputy Director Lima Choudhury.

# Aga Khan School Dhaka successfully hosts its inaugural Model United Nations Conference

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A total of 200 students from 20 different schools had the opportunity to attend one of the most anticipated events of this year, The Aga Khan Interschool Model United Nations. This three-day long programme held on September 12-14, 2019 took place in the school's senior campus. The theme of this MUN, "Minds in Motion" engaged the delegates to think outside the box and seek constructive resolutions to current, controversial world issues. Secretary General Ramisa Mustafa, Director General Nafis Rahman, President Sumaiya Rashid along with the secretariat board worked tirelessly to conduct their first ever interschool MUN.

Chief guests Rina P Soemarno, Indonesia Ambassador to Bangladesh, and Hussein Hyderali from the Aga Khan Development Network Liaison attended the opening ceremony. Principal Dr. Dale Taylor along with the guests shared their valuable experiences and knowledge with the delegates, further enlightening them to work harder as global citizens. The delegates were then escorted to their respective committees led by the experienced executive board members of the MUN. There were a total of 10 committees including special ones like the Joint Crisis Committee (JCC). It was the second time JCC was being held in an MUN in Bangladesh.

On the second day, the school found the delegates in traditional attire. The day hosted three committee sessions as the delegates went head on to express their country's stances while maintaining their foreign policies. Diplomacy, negotiations and critical analysis was crucial for these students to find productive resolutions to the issues at hand. After the long demanding day of delegacy, the students were treated with a night of sheer entertainment and amusement in the Cultural Night. The crowd singed along in jubilation as AKSD's very own band Monochrome conducted performances that had the entire audience on their feet.

On the final day, delegates had the



opportunity to present their resolutions in front of the committee. Three days of hard work paid off when the resolution paper finally passed in each committee, showcasing all sorts of solutions for the agendas. During the closing ceremony, AKSD Principal Dr. Taylor congratulated the delegates for their efforts and encouraged them to carry on with such activities. Chief guest Dr. Asa Torkelsson, Country Representative of UNFPA Bangladesh, gave her valuable insight about UN and appreciated students' enthusiasm for creating a better world by tackling pivotal global issues.

Finally, came the moment delegates were in anticipation of, as one by one the executive board members went on stage to announce the awardees. Talented, hardworking delegates were overjoyed in receiving their crests and certificates. Afterwards, they were escorted to the thrill-filled socials,

to let loose after days of hard work. Delegates could finally tune out their stress and worries to the captivating melodies.

More attractions of the event included daily delicious meals and snacks courtesy of The Courtyard Bazar along with stalls by Butter the Bakery, juice stands from Paper Boat and other refreshments during committee breaks.

Altogether, AKSMUN was a success for both AKS and the MUN community. The event was held smoothly and gained huge popularity among delegates. This event wouldn't be possible without the active support of AKS teachers and staff, along with the undying effort of the organizers. The event was sponsored by Labib Group and co-sponsored by Parking Koi along with other associate and affiliate sponsors. SHOUT was the Youth Engagement Partner of AKSMUN 2019.

# IUBAT holds interactive session with CSE students

Computer Science and Engineering Department of International University of Business Agriculture and Technology (IUBAT) organised an interactive session at the open auditorium of IUBAT permanent campus on September 12, 2019. Students attended the programme with immense interest and enthusiasm. Dr. Muhammad Zafar Iqbal, renowned educationist, writer and

professor of Computer Science and Engineering Department, Shahjalal University of Science and Technology; Dr Yeasmeen Haque, Professor, Physics Department; and Prof. Dr. Mohammad Kaykobad, famous educationist and former Dean of Computer Science and Engineering Department of BUET were present in the event.

Besides, Prof. Dr. Abdur Rab, VC

of IUBAT; Prof. Dr Hamida Akter, Pro-VC of IUBAT; Prof. Dr. Md. Monirul Islam, Dean of Engineering faculty; Dr. Md. Abdul Haque and Dr. Utpal Kanti Das, professors of Computer Science and Engineering were also present. Students had an hour-long discussion with the guests regarding various aspects of modern technology and contemporary issues.