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3rd International Education Conference held at Daffodil International University

To mark the 24th founding anniversary of Bangladesh Chatra Kallyan Trust, Daffodil International University hosted the 3rd International Education Conference on "Education for World Peace" between January 18 and 19 at the International Mother Language Institute in Dhaka. Prof. Dr M Aminul Islam, Special Assistant to the Ministry of Education, inaugurated the conference as the Chief Guest while Prof. Dr Abdul Hannan Chowdhury, Vice-Chancellor of North South University and Chairman, Grameen Bank presented the keynote paper in the conference. Prof. Zakir Hossain, General Secretary of Bangladesh Shikkhkhok Karmachari Oikko Jote; Prof. M A Sabur; Prosanto Kumar Tripura, Member, Khagrachari Hill District Council; Tareq Rahman, Joint Secretary, Gano Odhikar Parishad; Md Anowar Habib Kazal, Senior Assistant Director (Public

Relations), Daffodil International University; and Mostikima Islam Meem, Vice Principal, Trust Model Academy were present as the Special Guests. Prof. Dr Abdul Latif Masum, Vice Chairman of Bangladesh Chatra Kallyan Trust presided over the conference while Principal Nure Alam Talukder, Founder and Executive Director of Bangladesh Chatra Kallyan Trust delivered the welcome address in the conference.

Prof. Dr M Aminul said the education curriculum from class one to class ten should be developed in such a way so that the stress on rote learning is reduced, and issues like creativity and human values are highlighted through pictures and graffiti. He also called upon the students to serve the country, society, and community, irrespective of the state they live in.

IUBAT celebrates 34th founding anniversary

The International University of Business Agriculture and Technology (IUBAT), the pioneering non-government university of Bangladesh, joyously celebrated its 34th founding day at its campus in Uttara, Dhaka on January 16, 2025.

Prof. Dr Abdur Rab, the Vice-Chancellor of IUBAT, inaugurated the opening ceremony with the national anthem, commencing the celebration with the hoisting of flags and laying floral tributes at the grave of the university's Founder.

In the open auditorium of IUBAT, a ceremonial cake was cut to commemorate the 34th anniversary, marking the participation of all departments. Present at the event were IUBAT Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr Abdur Rab; Pro Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr Mohammad Mahmudur Rahman; Treasurer Prof. Selina Nargis; Registrar Professor Dr Md Momtazur Rahman; Exam Controller Brig Gen Dr Md Zahid Hossain (Retd); Engineering Dean Prof. Dr Md Monirul Islam; Agriculture Dean Dr Md Shohidullah Miah; Dean of the Faculty of Business Professor Mozzaffar Alam Chowdhury; and other esteemed professors.

Additionally, a special discussion programme was organised to honour the university's 34th anniversary, featuring the participation of teachers, officials, and students. Founded in 1991 under the guidance of eminent educationist Prof. Dr M Alimullah Miyan, IUBAT is recognised as the first non-government university in Bangladesh. The university aspires to produce at least one graduate from each village in the nation. Drawing students from all corners of the country and beyond, with over a hundred foreign students from 12 countries in Asia and Africa, IUBAT offers education under eleven departments within its expansive 20 bigha green campus in Uttara



NSU holds MPPG and EMPG orientation programme

The Spring 2025 semester orientation programme for the 12th Batch of Master in Public Policy & Governance (MPPG) and 7th Batch of Executive Masters in Policy and Governance (EMPG) was held on 18 January at North South University (NSU). The event, organised by NSU's South Asian Institute of Policy and Governance (SIPG), marked a significant milestone in the institution's commitment to nurturing future policy leaders.

Håkon Arald Gulbrandsen, Ambassador of Norway to Bangladesh, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. In his address, he emphasised the unique opportunity presented to the students, stating, "It is an incredible privilege for these students to study this subject at such a critical juncture in Bangladesh's development. The country is undergoing significant policy reforms, and the knowledge gained here will be invaluable in shaping its future."

The Ambassador expressed his satisfaction with Norway's involvement, adding, "I am delighted that Norway could be a partner in the initial stages of this programme."

The MPPG programme stands as a beacon of excellence in South Asia, offering a thesis-based international master's degree in Public Policy and Governance. This unique programme has been instrumental in educating



and providing hands-on experience to professionals, predominantly from the civil services of Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, and Nepal. Its regional impact is evident in the recognition it has received from governments and donors alike. Since its inception, the programme has produced over 170 graduates from 10 batches up to 2022, including young civil servants and professionals from various South and Southeast Asian countries such as Bhutan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, and Malaysia.

Launched in Fall 2021, the EMPG programme is SIPG's latest academic initiative. It aims to enhance the academic competence and professional skills of a diverse group of learners, including public bureaucrats, corporate executives, development professionals, embassy officials, NGO managers, private sector officials, and recent graduates from Bangladesh and abroad.

The orientation commenced with a warm welcome from Prof. Sk Tawfique M Haque, Director of SIPG, NSU. Following introductions by the new students, Dr Rizwan Khair, Associate Professor and Chair of PSS and Graduate Programme Coordinator (GPC) at SIPG, provided a comprehensive overview of the MPPG and EMPG programmes. A particularly engaging segment of the event was an open discussion where current students and alumni shared their experiences, while new entrants expressed their expectations from the programme, fostering a sense of community and continuity. Other speakers at the programme were Prof. Md Rizwanul Islam, Dean, School of Humanities & Social Sciences, NSU, and Professor Salahuddin M Aminuzzaman, Adviser, SIPG, NSU. The programme ended with a vote of thanks by Dr Akram Hossain, Assistant Professor, PSS & SIPG, NSU.