



জাতীয় শোক দিবস পালন

গত ১৫ই আগস্ট সেন্ট্রাল উইমেন ইউনিভার্সিটিতে যথাযথ ভাবগাম্ভীর্য ও মর্যাদার সঙ্গে ৪৩তম জাতীয় শোক দিবস পালন করা হয়। উল্লেখ্য, ১৯৭৫ সনের ১৫ই আগস্ট দেশীয় ও আন্তর্জাতিক কূটচক্রী মহলের ইন্ধনে কতিপয় উচ্চাভিলাষী সেনা কর্মকর্তার হাতে মর্মান্তিকভাবে নিহত হওয়া বঙ্গবন্ধু ও তাঁর পরিবারের সদস্যবৃন্দের স্মরণে জাতি প্রত্যেক বছর দিনটিকে গভীর শোক ও আবেগের সাথে পালন করে থাকে। বেলা ১১:৩০টায় বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের মিলনায়তনে জাতীয় সঙ্গীত পরিবেশনের মধ্য দিয়ে শোক দিবসের অনুষ্ঠান শুরু হয়। বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের ফিল্ম ক্লাবের আয়োজনে অনুষ্ঠানে বঙ্গবন্ধুর জীবনের উপর নির্মিত একটি তথ্যচিত্র প্রদর্শিত হয়। এরপর, বঙ্গবন্ধুর জীবন ও কর্মের উপর আলোচনা করেন ইংরেজি বিভাগের চেয়ারপারসন জনাব আবদুস সেলিম এবং সোসিওলজি বিভাগের প্রভাষক নাজনীন সুলতানা। জনাব আবদুস সেলিম কারাগারের রোজনামাচা থেকে অংশবিশেষ পাঠ করে বঙ্গবন্ধুর ব্যক্তিত্বের রোমান্টিক ও সাহিত্যানুরাগী দিকটির কথা তুলে ধরেন। নাজনীন সুলতানা উপস্থিত ছাত্রীদের বঙ্গবন্ধুর আদর্শ অনুসরণ করে জীবন গড়ার আহ্বান জানান। উক্ত অনুষ্ঠানে সভাপতিত্ব করেন বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের উপাচার্য ড. পারভীন হাসান। এছাড়াও উপস্থিত ছিলেন বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের বিভিন্ন বিভাগের চেয়ারপারসন ও শিক্ষক-শিক্ষার্থী বৃন্দ।





Dr. Mohammad Kaykobad is a computer scientist, educator, author and columnist. Along with Dr. Muhammad Zafar Iqbal, he started the National Mathematics Olympiad in Bangladesh. He is a professor of Computer Science and Engineering in Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology.

We must be able to develop software for ourselves without looking for foreigners to do it for us. Our population density is the highest. In no way can we afford to reduce jobs for local talents. Bangladesh is safe in the hands of Bangladeshis.

How are you, sir?

Thank you. Very fine.

You established the national mathematics Olympiad. Can you please tell us the history behind its establishment?

I was very fortunate to be one of those who were involved in initial days. Success of Math Olympiad movement owes a great deal to Professor Md Zafar Iqbal who attracted our boys and girls like a magnet, to Munir Hasan a spirited organizer, the daily Prothom-Alo headed by Matiur Rahman, our great coach/leader with praiseworthy patriotism Dr Mahbub Majumdar, Dutch-Bangla Bank, headed by its Managing Director AKM Shirin, generously taking care of financial issues and our national Professor Jamilur Reza Choudhury leading us successfully to achieve the goals he set some 14 years back.

In our times meritorious students occupying positions were great sources of attraction not only for younger students but also for their parents and for teachers. GPA system has really caused havoc on quality education. Only because of healthy competition our students are performing very well in International Mathematical Olympiad from which Ahmed Zawad Chowdhury got the only Gold medal for South Asia. However, our feat in IMO does not reflect the pecuniary situation our education system is in. With around 2 percent of GDP in education we cannot afford successfully face the challenges of the 21st century and creation of knowledge-based society. Human resources are only surplus for our country. There is no better sector for investment that will bring as much return as it has been true in case of Japan, Korea, Taiwan and Singapore. Until and unless we have the farsightedness to invest in education we should continue to expand Olympiad movements in all directions to keep academic excellence alive, I strongly believe.

How can we improve ICT sectors to bring out students' hidden potentiality?

While I limit myself to only academic activities this nation needs the benefits of ICT. Our neighbouring country is a great example of success in the field. Possibly we lack in focus and determination. Our younger generation do possess similar ICT skills as their counterparts in India. Unfortunately we are yet to be able to capitalize on this huge potential. We must be able to develop software for ourselves without looking for foreigners to do it for us. Our population density is the highest. In no way can we afford to reduce jobs for local talents. Bangladesh is safe in the hands of Bangladeshis.

Would you please tell us about the importance of Programming Contest?

You know these days there is no competition in academic areas. Competition is the most cost effective way of attaining excellence. In our times there were merit lists in SSC and HSC examinations. Even some years back schools and colleges were ranked based upon their performances. It does not exist anymore. If we cannot call a spade the whole country will be full of clubs, and we are very much in the process. Thanks to the introduction of programming contests our students have got an avenue to sharpen their programming skill. Our students have outperformed Indian counterparts even though India is earning some 140 billion dollars for software export market, and we are simply in the millions. Programming contest has been very popular in the country. This year IUBAT has already organized the National Collegiate Programming Contest. Daffodil University will be organizing Regional ICPC, and prospect is bright for us to become host of the prestigious World Finals thanks to the initiative of Professor Jamilur Reza Choudhury. Our school college students, with no formal training in computing, are also often outperforming their senior brothers. They are also bringing medals from International Olympiad in Informatics. We want our girls to participate in programming contests and sharpen their programming skill too in spite of the fact that worldwide women participation in programming contest is low. However, our girl students are systematically participating in Grace Hopper celebration which is a good sign.

Please say something for the students of Central Women's University.

Women have played pioneering role in computer science- the first ever programmer was Lady Byron, COBOL language did not have a father but did have a mother in Lady Grace Hopper. Women are cool and should be able to prove their superior skill in programming. I hope CWU students will ensure their inspiring participation in programming contests, and should not let best female team prize to other universities.

Thank you very much, sir, for your precious time.

You are welcome.



A MoU signed between CWU and Asialoka Trust

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between Dr. Parween Hasan, honourable Vice-Chancellor, Central Women's University and Khondokar Iftekhar Iqbal, Chairperson, Asialoka Trust, with a view to looking at the past from multiple perspectives by focusing on the connection between Partition and different forms of art and looking at the past through the medium of art without deviating from the original history. Through this MoU, both parties agreed to collaboratively promote a virtual museum through events, seminars and publications, undertake research on the Partition and building research capacity of students and parties on the Partition. Muhammad Taufiqur Rahman Khan, Member Secretary of Asialoka Trust and Afrin Islam, Advocate of Supreme Court of Bangladesh, were present as witnesses.



Dr. Parween Hasan reappointed as the Vice-Chancellor of CWU

Dr. Parween Hasan has been reappointed as the Vice-Chancellor of Central Women's University for the second term by the Chancellor, the President of People's Republic of Bangladesh Mr. Abdul Hamid. She has a Master's degree in English from the University of Dhaka and Master's and Ph.D degree from Harvard University, U.S.A. She has taught in the Department of English as well as Islamic History and Culture at the University of Dhaka from where she retired as Professor in 2010. She has also taught in BRAC University and Bangladesh University of Engineering Technology in Dhaka as well as Oberlin college in Ohio, U.S.A.. She has been Vice-Chancellor of Central Women's University since 2012.



Mr. Kazi Zahedul Hasan appointed as the Chairman of BOT

Mr. Kazi Zahedul Hasan has been appointed as the Chairman of the Board of Trustees at Central Women's University. He has also been a member of the BOT since 2006. Central Women's University welcomes him warm heartedly. He is the Managing Director of Kazi Farms Limited, Kazi Food Industries Ltd and Deepto TV. He graduated from Ahsanullah Engineering College later named as Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET) and obtained an M.Arch degree from Harvard University, USA. Mr. Zahedul Hasan was awarded the 'Best Business Person Award' in 2004 by The Daily Star. Since then he has been busy expanding his business in the poultry sector as well as in food industry and electronic media. Mr. Hasan was once faculty of BUET and a strong supporter of



বর্ষার সুরে রবীন্দ্র-নজরুল জন্মজয়ন্তী উদ্‌যাপন

“ঐ যে ঝড়ের মেখে বৃষ্টি আসে মুক্ত কেশে আঁচলখানি দোলে... দোলে” বর্ষাকে বরণ করে গত ২৬শে জুলাই সেন্ট্রাল উইমেন্স ইউনিভার্সিটিতে যথাযথ মর্যাদা ও আনন্দ উৎসবের মধ্য দিয়ে বিশ্বকবি রবীন্দ্রনাথ ঠাকুরের ১৫৭ তম এবং বাংলাদেশের জাতীয় কবি কাজী নজরুল ইসলামের ১১৯ তম জন্মজয়ন্তী পালন করা হয়। বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের মিলনায়তনে জাতীয় সঙ্গীত পরিবেশনার মধ্য দিয়ে অনুষ্ঠানটি শুরু করা হয়। পরবর্তীতে, বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের বিভিন্ন বিভাগের শিক্ষার্থী-রা রবীন্দ্রনাথ ঠাকুর ও কাজী নজরুল ইসলামের রচিত বিভিন্ন গান ও কবিতা এবং একক ও দলীয় নৃত্য পরিবেশনার মধ্য দিয়ে এই দুই বরেণ্য কবির জন্মজয়ন্তী উদ্‌যাপন করেন। উক্ত অনুষ্ঠানে উপস্থিত ছিলেন সেন্ট্রাল উইমেন্স ইউনিভার্সিটির উপাচার্য ড. পারভীন হাসান। এছাড়াও উপস্থিত ছিলেন বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের বিভিন্ন বিভাগের শিক্ষকবৃন্দ।



দীপ্ত টেলিভিশন চ্যানেল পরিদর্শন

জার্নালিজম অ্যান্ড মিডিয়া স্টাডিজ বিভাগের শিক্ষার্থীরা "টেলিভিশন প্রডাকশন" কোর্সের অংশ হিসেবে গেল ৪ জুলাই, ২০১৮ তারিখে দীপ্ত টেলিভিশন চ্যানেল পরিদর্শন করেন। এ সময় তারা সংবাদ সম্প্রচার থেকে যে কোন বিনোদন মূলক অনুষ্ঠানের সম্প্রচার প্রক্রিয়া সম্পর্কে হাতে কলমে শিক্ষা নেন। ভিডিও এবং সাউন্ড এডিটিং সম্পর্কেও শিক্ষা নেন শিক্ষার্থীরা। ঘুরে দেখেন জনপ্রিয় তুর্কি সিরিয়াল সুলতান সুলেমান এর বাংলায় ডাবিং দেয়া কলাকুশলীদের ভয়েস দেয়ার কার্যক্রমও। এ সময় দীপ্ত চ্যানেলের বিভিন্ন বিনোদনমূলক অনুষ্ঠানের সেট ও শুটিং কার্যক্রম ঘুরে দেখেন তারা। উক্ত শিক্ষার্থীদেরকে টেলিভিশন প্রডাকশন সম্পর্কে ধারণা এবং মিডিয়া হাউসের পরিবেশের সাথে পরিচয় করানোর উদ্দেশ্যেই দীপ্ত চ্যানেল পরিদর্শন করা হয়।



Department of CSE Participated in NCPC-2018

A group of students along with a faculty member from the Department of Computer Science and Engineering of CWU participated in a programming contest at International University of Business Agriculture and Technology (IUBAT) on 3rd and 4th of August 2018. The programme was titled "IUBAT NATIONAL COLLEGIATE PROGRAMMING CONTEST (NCPC)-2018". This contest was aimed at enhancing students' knowledge of programming as well as their ability to participate in a contest. All the contestants received certificates of participation.



Celebration of Bangladesh Marketing Day 2018

Students from Department of Business Administration (Major in Marketing), Central Women's University celebrated the 1st Bangladesh Marketing Day on July 01, 2018 on their own campus. The theme of the day was "Consumer First". The event was full of learning and fun through a game named "Words of Brands" which comprises of knowledge sharing and presentation and video. The event was coordinated by Ms. Asif-Un-Nahar and Mr. Subrata Kumar, Faculty members, CWU, "Skill Hunt Club" and the Department of Marketing, University of Dhaka. Logistic support was also provided by volunteers from the "Skill Hunt Club".

Interactive Marketing Workshop (Season III) : The Walt Disney Marketing Show

Asif-Un-Nahar, Assistant Professor and Subrata Kumar, Senior Lecturer of the Department of Business Administration jointly arranged their third Interactive Marketing Workshop to boost up Marketing major students' creativity and communication skill. The theme of this workshop was "The Walt Disney Marketing Show". Workshop was divided into three parts. First part covered presentation about Walt Disney marketing, business expansion, marketing strategy and a few selected female Disney character play with morals. Then there was a quiz session based on TV advertisements and logo recognition. Top three winners were awarded. With the participation of about 30 students from the department, there was a short cultural event and a drama on "Disruptive Customers and how Marketers Deal Them?" About 120 students participated in this workshop.



HR Day Celebrated

Human Resource (HR) major students of Central Women's University (CWU) organized a daylong event on the HR Day on the campus on August 1, 2018. Current students and the faculty members were present in the programme. The Vice Chancellor of the University Professor Dr. Perween Hasan inaugurated the session. She stressed the importance of HR in the organization. Mr. Nabil Ahmed, Head of HR, Kazi Farms Ltd. conducted sessions on "Future of Female HR Professionals in Bangladesh" and "Beating the Job Interview". The audience enjoyed the business quiz competition and games for the students and faculty members. The programme ended with a prize-giving ceremony followed by a cultural event.



JMS Students Visited the National Museum

Students from Department of Journalism and Media Studies visited the National Museum on August 29, 2018. This academic visit was a partial requirement for the course titled "Visual Communications". Students were informed about the history behind the photographs displayed in the Liberation War gallery,



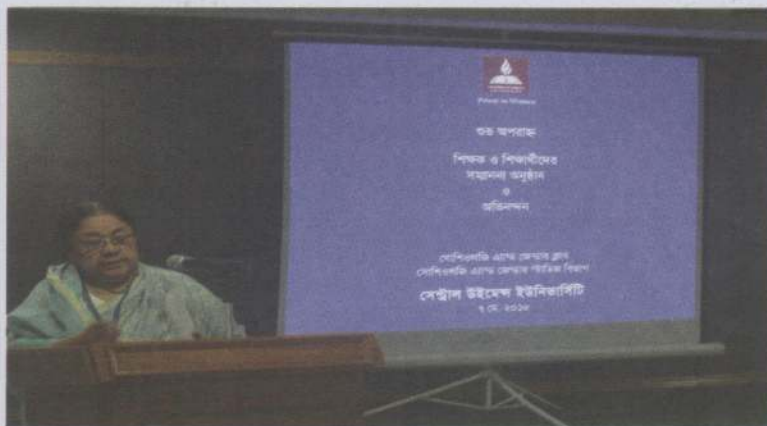
Workshop on ' HIV/AIDS Awareness Development '

Central Women's University (Department of Computer Science and Engineering) and Directorate General of Health Services (AIDS/STD Program) jointly organized a workshop on 'HIV/AIDS Awareness Development' on 19th July 2018 at the university auditorium. Dr. Sher Mostafa Sadiq Khan, Director, Dr. Md. Belal Hossain, Deputy Director and Programme Manager, AIDS/STD Programme (ASP), DGHS and Ms. Sabrina Haque, Medical Officer, DGHS delivered speeches. The speakers addressed issues including the current HIV/AIDS situation around the globe, the strategies to avoid HIV contamination and the myths and reality of the disease etc. The objective of the workshop was to raise awareness among the population at risk in Bangladesh.



Sociology and Gender Club honored SGS Department's Teacher's and students

On 7th May, 2018 Sociology and Gender Club of the Department of Sociology arranged a 'Crests and certificate giving ceremony' in the University auditorium. Jobaira Biswas, Senior Lecturer and Sirajum Munira Sadia, Lecturer of the department were awarded with crests because of their contribution to the gradual development of students. Dr. M. Mufakharul Islam, Treasurer of CWU appreciated them with crests. Shamima Sultana, one of the graduates of first batch was honoured with crest by Mr. Hasan Shirazi, Chairperson of the Department of BBA for her creative performance in Deepto TV while Mr. Abdus Selim, Chairperson of English Language and Literature distributed certificates among six star students of Spring 2018 semester. Chairpersons of all departments and students were present at the programme.



FROM THE DESK OF THE EDITOR

Empowering women being the foremost motto of the university, the infrastructure and the educational methodology have been developed in such a way that plays a vital role for providing a proper environment for women.

The most significant news in this newsletter is, the 43rd National Mourning Day, which was observed on August 14, 2018. The nation observes the day with proper respect and mourning. On another occasion, Dr. Mohammad Kaykobad in an exclusive interview shared his views on the importance of national mathematics Olympiad. He uttered some inspiring words for the students of Central Women's University.

One of the most exciting news is the Memorandum of Understanding signed between CWU and Asialoka Trust with a view to looking at the past from multiple perspectives by focusing on the connection between partition and different form of art and looking at the past through the medium of art without deviating from the original history. And last but not the least, we are happy that Dr. Parween Hasan has been reappointed as the Vice-Chancellor of Central Women's University by the honourable President of Bangladesh Mr. Abdul Hamid.

Special thanks to Md. Azizul Hakim for rendering his assistance.

We welcome news from students and teachers. Please send your news to newsletterofcwu@gmail.com.

Professor Dr. Maleka Begum Examined a Ph.D Thesis of Burdwan University

Professor Dr. Maleka Begum, Chairperson, Department of Sociology and Gender Studies, has recently examined a thesis paper of Burdwan University entitled "History of Women of the district of Chabbis Pargana (North): Fifty Years After Independence in the Light of Politics and Education". The thesis focuses on the post-independent condition of women living in North Chabbis Pargana. It covers fifty years after the independence. Dr. Maleka Begum has recommended the thesis to be awarded the Ph.D degree.

On 12 May, 2018, Professor Dr. Maleka Begum participated a National Conference on "Contemporary changes in Bangladesh Society" held at East West University. She chaired the academic Session-II of that conference on Changing Gender Relations in Contemporary Bangladesh.

Professor Maleka Begum delivered a lecture on "Women and Education" for the students of the Department of Women and Gender Studies, University of Dhaka as a guest lecturer. The lecture took place on 17th July, 2018.

In July BRAC's Migration Operations arranged a program on "Tortured Bangladeshi Female Migrant Workers in Saudi Arabian Capital, Who Seek Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's Help for Their Safe Return Home". Dr. Maleka Begum was present at the program as a discussant. In her speech, she said 735,575 Bangladeshi women are employed in different countries, mostly in the Middle East region. Of them 234,831 women went to Saudi Arabia following a bilateral agreement between Bangladesh and Saudi Arabia in 2015.

As an invitee and one of the main discussants Professor Maleka Begum took part in the 100th Birthday celebration ceremony of Nelson Mandela in the main auditorium of Bangladesh National Museum, Dhaka. The program was organized by prominent folk singer Fakir Alamgir's cultural organization Wrishiz Shilpi Gosthi.

Imran Khan shortlisted for Commonwealth Short Story Award 2018

Imran Khan, Lecturer, Department of English Language and Literature, Central Women's University was shortlisted for the Commonwealth Short Story Prize 2018 for his short story "Jyamitik Jadukar". Translated into English by Arunava Sinha as "The Geometrical Wizard", the Imran story made its way into the shortlist of 24 out of a total of 5000 entries submitted from across the Commonwealth countries. First of a collection of short stories titled Jaladharay Srotoswiny, this was the only Bengali story (the others being English) to earn the coveted honour. It must be noted, however, that Imran was a recipient of the Kali O Kalam Young Writers' Award 2015 for fiction for his debutant novel Dhatab Samoy (The Metallic Time).

Publication

Asif-Un-Nahar, Assistant Professor, Department of Business Administration and Shadrul Hassan Himel, Assistant Professor, Department of Marketing, University of Dhaka, have jointly published a paper titled "Factors Affecting Internal Branding of Private Service Holders in Bangladesh" in Independent Business Review, School of Business, Independent University, Bangladesh 2017 (Vol. 10 Issue 1-2)

Sher Shermin Azmiri Khan, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science and Engineering published her research paper on "Motivating Students in Electrical Circuit Course," at International Journal of Learning and Teaching (IJLT), Volume 10, Issue 2, April 2018, pp. 137-147.

Dr. Mehnaz Tazeen Choudhury Presented a Paper at ACLL

Dr. Mehnaz Tazeen Choudhury, Assistant Professor, Department of English Language and Literature, presented a paper titled "Teacher Autonomy: Perceptions and Practices" at the Asian Conference of Language Learning (ACLL) held from April 27- 29, 2018 at Kobe, Japan.

STAR STUDENTS OF SUMMER 2018

Students who achieved GPA 4.00 in Summer 2018 from different departments are: Most. Mubasshira Azad, Sifat Sultana, Muna Noshin Anzum, Kamrun Nahar Smrity, Manisha Sarker, Moriom Begum, Arpita Saha Mou, Silma Subah Momo, Sumiya Akhter, Nusaiba Sultana, Nawshin Rumali, Jannatul Tasnim Rimi, Fatema Akter, Shamiya Khatun, Ayesha Siddika Suchi, Bashasha Arwa Faruque, Sheikh Jannatul Ferdush Shampa, Fatema Akter Priya, Sams Syrin Jeetu, Shatabdi Barua, Jannatul Bushra Hassan, Jannat Ara Ferdushi, Tasfia Tanjim, Nadia Nasrin.

How Being Social Can Change Careers



I am Simi Ahmed. Recently I have graduated from Central Women's University. I studied Business Administration (BBA) with a major in Marketing. Now I am working at Kazi Media Ltd. (Deepto TV) as a Trainee Officer. Finding a job now-a-days is very difficult. After completing my internship, I was desperately looking for a job.

Everyday I applied for at least three to four jobs. But, the result was not satisfactory.

I have always kept a good communication with CWU and also with my teachers. It elevated my confidence for job interviews. Also I have found various relevant job circulars from my CWU network. At Kazi Media Ltd., I went through standard procedures to qualify for the position and got the job.

I have always wanted a job with challenges that would improve me every day. As my current job is different from my educational background which makes it more challenging, I am enjoying my job so far. So I would like to suggest all the students to be connected with their faculty members and with the seniors and juniors. A little act of socializing can make things different in life.

Job Status of CWU Alumni

CWU graduates are currently working in different organizations. The following list shows some of the recent alumni and their professional progress.

Shamima Sultana	: Works as a reporter at Deepto TV also hosts Deepto Krishi
Samira Mim	: Trainee Officer, Kazi Media Limited (Deepto TV)
Simi Ahmed	: Trainee Officer, Kazi Media Limited (Deepto TV)
Fahmida Tasnim Era	: Trainee Officer, Kazi Media Limited (Deepto TV)
Rejwana Ashraf Barney	: Officer, Ferightlines BD Ltd
Fatema Akter	: Officer, Metlife Alico Bangladesh

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