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News Highlights

ULAB observes National Mourning Day 2017

ULAB organized a discussion session along with documentary screening titled "Amader Bangabandhu" to commemorate National Mourning Day on August 16, 2017. The program began with a welcome speech by ULAB Vice Chancellor Professor Dr. H



M Jahurul Haque. Professor Abdul Mannan, Chairman, University Grants Commission of Bangladesh, was present as the chief guest. ULAB Emeritus Professor Rafiqul Islam delivered a speech highlighting the sacrificing life of Bangabandhu and his family towards the formation of our country. A day-long book exhibition was arranged by the ULAB Library, followed by a photo exhibition on Bangabandhu.

ULAB signs MoU with AIESEC

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between ULAB and AIESEC on August 29, 2017. AIESEC is the largest nonprofit global youth network, running in 127 countries for 65 years. ULAB Vice Chancellor Professor Dr. H M Jahurul Haque and National Vice President, AIESEC in Bangladesh Ms. Louise Kim, signed the MoU on behalf of their respective organizations. With this auspicious collaboration, students of ULAB will be able to join the global youth network.



University Grants Commission (UGC) Digital Library awareness program

To increase the use of e-resources of UGC Digital Library (UDL), an awareness program was held at ULAB on August 10, 2017. UGC Member Professor Md. Akhtar Hossain, and Additional Secretary and Project Director, HEQEP, Dr. Gaurang Chandra Mohanta, attended the ceremony as the Chief Guest and the Special Guest,



respectively. The inaugural speech was delivered by Dr. Sumon Rahman, Professor of ULAB's Media Studies and Journalism Department

Remembrance of Nazrul and Tagore at ULAB

ULAB observed the death anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore and Kazi Nazrul Islam – two pinnacles of Bangla literature known for their progressive



thoughts and writing – on August 22, 2017. Several songs of Tagore and Nazrul, along with the poems "Ami" and "Aj Srishiti Sukher Ullashe," were performed by the ULAB Shangskriti Shangshad Club and ULAB student Nahida Shabnam Urmi.

Women's Rights and Climate Change with Farah Kabir

ULAB's Center for Enterprise and Society (CES) organized a talk on "Gender, Women's Rights, and Climate Change" with Ms. Farah Kabir, Country Director, ActionAid Bangladesh. Ms. Kabir's talk encompassed her own personal and professional experience in working on women's rights.



Lecture on "History of Universities"

ULAB's Center for Advanced Theory (CAT) organized its third Visiting Professor Lecture of the Summer Term 2017. The

UPCOMING EVENTS

ULAB PHOTO CONTEST 2017 | November

Curriculum Integration Forum on Resilient Universities, Resilient Students | December 2017

Refugees in the Public Imagination: Discourse of (dis) Location & (dis) Displacement | December 22, 2017

1947: Partition as Passive Revolution by Salimullah Khan | October 7- December 9, 2017 | ULAB Campus A, Room 601

renowned linguist Prof. Dr. Shishir Bhattacharja of the Institute of Modern Languages, Dhaka University, lectured on the "History of Universities in Early Modern Europe: Bologna, Paris, and Oxford". In his talk, he covered a wide range of topics which included the history of academic education, religion, pedagogy, the origin of the university, and its evolution. Dr. Bhattacharja is a modern linguistics specialist. His presentation was followed by an open discussion with ULABians and students from other universities.



Seminar on Job Market Connectivity

ULAB Career Services Office (CSO) organized a seminar on "Job Market Connectivity" on August 21st. Munshi HR Consultancy was the organizing partner and sponsor of the event.



The program was designed with all the information a student needs to know about the job connectivity and what skills a student needs to have to be a professional. Mr. Tahseen Zakaria, COO and Lead Consultant of SkillWiz, highlighted the importance of staying updated on current job market and suggested students to keep realistic ideas about jobs through professional networks in addition to knowing how to write CVs and face interviews.

Film Language and Contemporary Cinema of Bangladesh



A seminar on "Film Language and Contemporary Cinema of Bangladesh" was conducted by ULAB's Center for Advanced Theory (CAT) on May 25, 2017, with Bangladeshi film

director Zahidur Rahman Anjan as the speaker. Mr. Zahid is a winner of Bangladeshi National Film Award for Best Director for his direction of the film Meghmalla (2014). The director's presentation was followed by an open discussion with professors and students from different universities.

Performance and Reward Culture at bKash

ULAB School of Business (USB) hosted a seminar on "Performance & Reward Culture at bKash." Gias Uddin Ahmed, General Manager, Reward & HR Business Partner, bKash Limited, was the speaker. Mr. Ahmed provided a brief

history of bKash and introduced the students with the key indicators of performance analysis and how employees can get compensation and rewards in corporate houses. He also highlighted how a company gives salary, benefits and allowances to its employees and the techniques of benefit and bonus calculation procedures.



Undergraduate Academic Experience Survey 2016-17



ULAB's Center for Enterprise and Society (CES) launched a research report called "Undergraduate Academic Experience Survey 2016-17." The Chief Guest of the event was the Chairman of the University Grants Commission (UGC), Professor Abdul Mannan. The event also had a high-level panel including Professor Omar Rahman, Vice Chancellor of Independent University Bangladesh (IUB); Professor Jamilur Reza Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor of Asia Pacific University; and Syed Manzoorul Islam, Professor of ULAB Department of English. Mr. Sajid Amit, Director of CES, presented the survey findings.

World Environment Day 2017

ULAB's Center for Sustainable Development (CSD) celebrated World Environment Day on June 5, 2017 in the lobby of campus A. ULAB Vice Chancellor Professor H M Jahurul Haque, Dean of ULAB School of Business Professor Imran Rahman, and Director of CSD Dr. Samiya Selim inaugurated the session. The event included many activities such as a poster presentation, photo exhibition, an awareness-raising drama, a signing of pledges, and imprinting hand signs on board about specific sustainability targets, all of which were organized by the students.



Features

International Study Tour in China

ULAB Career Service Office arranged an International Study Tour in China for ULAB students in association with Yunnan Open University. A team of twelve students along with an official staff for China on 7th May, 2017 for eleven days and returned to Bangladesh on May 17, 2017. The tour was themed, "Experiencing Chinese Language and Culture."



Through this programme ULAB students learned basic Chinese Language and culture in proximity of Chinese natives. They also learned about Chinese Calligraphy, Knots, games and visited scenic and historic places in and around Kunming, China. After completion study tour program, Yunnan Open University awarded certificates to the successful participants through a grand joint cultural program.

Above all, this is an initiative which opening the door of opportunities to higher study for ULAB students in near future in Kunming, China. ULAB family congratulates the participants for the great learning experience, explore a new country and represent ULAB in China.



Photo Courtesy: CSO, ULAB

ULAB Center for Advanced Theory (CAT) Launches Two Journals



On October 11, 2017, The Center for Advanced Theory (CAT) launched two of its recently published journals at ULAB auditorium. Dr. Kazi Anis Ahmed, vice president of ULAB Board of Trustees, was the chief guest in the event. Professor Imran Rahman, special advisor to the ULAB Board of Trustees was the special guest. Among others, Professor Dr. H.M Jahirul Haque, Vice Chancellor of ULAB; Professor Akhtar Ahmed, Registrar of ULAB; Professor Milan Kumar Bhattacharjee, Treasurer of ULAB; ULAB Emeritus Professor Rafiqul Islam, and Professor Dr Salimullah Khan were present in the programme. Dr Kazi Anis Ahmed said that theory is not divorced from practical life. "A university should be a place where scholars should engage in practicing theories and reasoning. That's why from the very inception of the university we tried to establish a center like this. ULAB Center for Advanced Theory is a unique center in Bangladesh."

Battle of the Senses at ULAB

Featuring some of the most distinguished academics of the country, a debate was held at University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh ULAB on Friday August 4, 2017, at its auditorium. ULAB Professors Syed Manzoorul Islam, Kaiser Haq, Fakrul Alam, Azfar Hussain, Golam Sarwar Chowdhury and Shamsad Mortuza each spoke about sight, taste, sound, smell, touch and the sixth sense respectively in the debate. Writer, activist and entrepreneur Ms. Khushi Kabir chaired the program.

The program began with introductory remarks by Professor Shamsad Mortuza, the Head of ULAB's Department of English and Humanities, who spoke about the relationship between senses and existence, claiming our material existence is intimately related to our sensory experience. A dance was then performed by the Paper Canoe club

that embodied the roles played by different senses. After the cultural performance, Professor Fakrul Alam came on stage to talk about the persistence of sound in our daily lives. From his personal experience as well as from celebrated literary works, Professor Alam demonstrated how different sounds shape the horizon of our existence. He ended his speech by asserting that life without sound would be extremely boring and traumatic.

The mood shifted when Professor Kaiser Haq came on stage to humorously point out that instead of talking about taste we should taste something to understand how taste governs our lives. Professor Azfar Hussain succeeded his teacher Professor Haq to discuss the importance of smell. He cited many literary and philosophical texts to explain how smell remains central to our lived experience. Renowned scholar and writer Syed Manzoorul Islam said that sight is the culmination of all the senses. He explained how society has transformed into a society of performers and onlookers, an entity that French Marxist and situationist philosopher Guy Debord calls 'society of spectacles.' In this discussion about importance of the sixth sense, Prof. Golam Sarwar Chowdhury cited examples from Humayun Ahmed and William Shakespeare to explain how the sixth sense prevails in our life.

After the lively and illuminating academic discussions, Chairwoman Khushi Kabir, brought the program to the end by emphasizing on the necessity of including female voices not only in literary discussions but also in social dialogue. Understanding of senses is also understanding of women's lived experiences through all the senses.



Photo Courtesy: DEH

Kazi Raihanul Bari represents Bangladesh at Model UN in Spain

Kazi Raihanul Bari Rifat, a student from ULAB, represented Bangladesh on the global stage by participating in the



"South European Model United Nations 2017" organized by the United Nations Student Association Andalucía in Granada, Spain May 4-7, 2017. He stayed for 20 days in Europe where he additionally joined in the "Catalonia Model United Nations 2017." His diligent work and dedication towards diplomacy and international relations helped him fly to Europe for the second time and get solicitations from two of the most prestigious conferences of Europe which had the presence of individuals such as Dr. Enrique Barón, 16th President of the European Parliament; Dr. Francisco Cuenca, Mayor of Granada; Mr. Eduard Sagarra Trías, President of the United Nations Association of Spain and many other important individuals. Rifat was the only individual representing Bangladesh in the conference 140 nations.

PHOTO STORY on HAAR KI DHOON



A team of 42 members from ULAB Adventure Club started their journey for Haar Ki Dhoon, a cradle shaped hanging valley in the Garhwal Himalayas on May 4, 2017. The valley is at an altitude of approx above sea level. After 16 days trekking the team came back to Dhaka on May 20, 2017.

Photo Courtesey: Sabbir Hossain, Mahmudul Hasan Anik, Shurovy Yeasmin

CURRICULUM INTEGRATION Programmes at ULAB

The Pollyanna Complex Summer 2017 of MSJ

The "Pollyanna Complex" was the theme of a weeklong Curriculum Integration for the Summer Semester of 2017, August 22-26, 2017, organized by ULAB's Department of Media Studies and Journalism (MSJ). The exhibitions digital art, mask making, installation art, photography, films, animation, news analysis, communication campaign plans and various student productions.

The "Pollyanna Complex" is a condition where a person focuses about the pleasant experiences in life more rather than the unpleasant aspects. The name comes from a novel written by Eleanor Porter where the protagonist, Pollyanna, tries to be glad in every given situation. In 1991, researchers Skowronski, Thompson and Shannon explained and expanded on the phenomenon. ULAB students tried to engage critically with the concept through various projects displayed in the exhibit.



Photo Courtesy: ULAB Media Lab

1st Curriculum Integration programme with the theme "Greening ULAB"



The first curriculum integration programme of Center for Sustainable Development (CSD) under the theme 'Greening ULAB' was organized on August 20th, 2017 at ULAB Campus A Auditorium. Students from 4 of GED modules - Introduction to Sustainable Development, Intro to Climate Change, Organic Farming and Biodiversity and Nature Conservation - visually presented their ideas and thoughts on how their academic learning from each module fits with the theme "Greening ULAB."

Greening ULAB is a campus level sustainability program here at ULAB, first of its kind in Bangladesh, where students, faculty and administration are involved in embedding sustainability operationally (reducing water, energy, waste, carbon footprint, etc.) as well as in academic curriculum.

Posters, videos, photography as well as a live debate were organized among the students at this event to highlight the role that students have in bringing about sustainability in their University and personal lives. CSD also launched its first Greening ULAB Report at this program.



Student News

Md. Talebur Islam Rupom at Human Rights Forum in Nepal

ULAB Student Talebur attended the "YHRI International Youth Forum on Human Rights and UN SDGs" as one of the representatives from Bangladesh. The forum was held on May 26, 2017 in Kathmandu, organized by Youth for Human Rights



International and Youth for Human Rights, Nepal. Sixty representatives from more than 23 countries participated as the applicants in the event. Mr. Talebur addressed the human rights of conflicting countries like Syria, Yemen, Palestine,

and Myanmar in front of the UNDP Country Director of Nepal, the former governor of Nepal, the Agriculture Minister of Nepal, the Human Rights Commissioner of Nepal, the President of Youth for Human Rights International-YHRI South Asia, and other local and international personalities.

Film Workshop with Redwan Rony



ULAB Film Club arranged a workshop on "Visual Story telling" where prominent filmmaker Redwan Rony was the chief guest. Speaking from his experience, he said that failures can be the key to gain success,

not the easy successes. In the workshop Redwan Rony shared his views and taught students about important techniques for those who want to build up their careers in the film industry.

Workshop on "Knowing River and River Conservation"

ULAB Sustainable Development Club organized a workshop, "Knowing River and River Conservation," on July 16, 2017. Prof. Imran

Rahman, Dean of ULAB School of Business, was the chief guest of the workshop. He shared a few words about the river Buriganga. The Facilitator of the workshop, Sheikh



Rokon, Secretary General Riverine People, spoke about the Karnaphuli, Ganga, Meghna and Brahmaputra Rivers and shared his ideas on how we can conserve the rivers.

ULAB Language Club Workshop on Language Documentation

ULAB Language Club organized the second workshop on Language Documentation titled "Endangered Language



Project: Phonemic Transcription Contest" on July 13, 2017. Professor Imran Rahman, Dean, ULAB School of Business, paid a visit and praised the efforts of the club and the workshop facilitator, Tanzia Siddiqua, Advisor of club and Lecturer in the ULAB Department of English and Humanities. He mentioned how phonetics are a significant aspect in understanding a society.

Video Documenting "ICT and Anti-Corruption"



ULAB YES Club participated in a workshop on how to video document "ICT and Anti-Corruption" issues on June 15, 2017 at the Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB) head office. The event was organized by Barkath Ullah Babu, TIB Program Manager. Mr. Jahidul Islam, TIB Senior Program Manager, highlighted the importance of video documentation for any sort of protest or any awareness-raising campaign.

Education Material Distribution to Underprivileged Children

ULAB Social Welfare Club conducted a program on June 1, 2017 at Apan

Pathshala, Rayer Bazar. The program was organized to distribute educational materials to underprivileged children of the area. The Adviser, vice-president and



members of the club were present in that program. The club members spent quality time with the children and ended the program with a quiz competition.

Summer field study - Learning beyond the classroom

ULAB's Center for Sustainable Development (CSD) organized a field trip at Jahangirnagar University campus on

August 5, 2017. The students from ULAB's Biodiversity Conservation and Climate Change classes joined the field trip, led by Dr. Samiya A. Selim, Director of CSD, and Joy Bhowmik, Lecturer and Research Associate at CSD. The purpose of the trip was to enable students think beyond



the classroom boundaries and make them aware of conservation of biodiversity. On the field, Mr. Mizanur R. Bhuiyan (Chairman of Nature Study Society of Bangladesh (NSSB)), Md.

Monwar Hossain (Chairman, Department of Zoology, Jahangirnagar University), Mokaram Hossain (Executive Editor at Prokritipotro) talked about the importance of biodiversity and mentioned several threats to biodiversity.

Lecturer, ULAB School of Business (USB), covered many topics, including: Career Planning, Networking Skills, Communications & Interpersonal Skills, Job Analysis, Cover Letter Writing and Interview tips. 62 students participated in the 2-day program. Fahima Akter, Director, Masco Group, also conducted the workshop on Job Opportunity in the Garments Sectors and shared her corporate experienc

Seminar on Higher Studies Opportunities in France

ULAB School of Business organized a seminar on "Admission Opportunities and Scholarships for Higher Studies in France" on August 16, 2017. Mr. Bruni Plasse, Directeur d'Alliance Française de Dhaka, and Kazi Ashraf Uddin, Profes-



performance was displayed by the ULAB Art and Photography Club. The program ended with an energetic rock concert by the Shangskirti Shangshad.

Club Day Summer 2017

ULAB Co-curricular Office celebrated Club Day Summer Term on July 20, 2017. The festivities hosted stalls, a cultural program, and a concert. Clubs showcased their activities at the individual stalls. The cultural program began with the National Anthem by Shangskirti Shangshad and was followed by speeches from ULAB Treasurer Professor Dr. Milan Kumar Bhattacharjee and Dr. Pinki Shah, Co-Curricular Coordinator and Associate Professor of ULAB School of Business. For the first time, a live art



Industrial Visit to Masco Group

ULAB Career Services Office (CSO) organized an industrial visit to Masco Group's Shanta Expressions Limited - a composite knit RMG factory at Tongi, Gazipur. A group of 59 ULAB students participated to gain firsthand knowledge about the RMG manufacturing and operation process. Md. Fakhru Islam, Deputy Manager, HR, Admin & Compliance, demonstrated sewing, dying, assembling, quality testing and packaging.



seur de FLE d'Alliance Française de Dhaka, were the chief guest and keynote speaker, respectively. Mr. Uddin discussed how students can avail scholarship opportunities and what documents are needed to get visas. He also portrayed how the French education system is different from Bangladeshi education system.

"Skills 4 Career" Summer-2017

ULAB Career Services Office (CSO) arranged "Skills for Career" at ULAB's Permanent Campus, Ramchandrapur. The workshop was designed to impart employable skills to students and to prepare them to cope with organizational culture. Ashique Mahmood Adnan, Sr.



"Emotional Intelligence" Workshop at ULAB



On Monday, October 9, the Center for Enterprise and Society (CES) at the University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh (ULAB), in partnership with Junction Ventures, D-NET, organized a workshop for undergraduate

students, titled "Emotional Intelligence as the Driver of Entrepreneurial Success." The workshop was conducted by Mr. Imran Newaz Khurshid, Manager, School of Entrepreneurship, Junction Ventures. Professor Imran Rahman, Special Advisor to the Board of Trustees, ULAB, was a special guest at the event. He opened the event by impressing upon students the importance of emotional intelligence in everyday lives and in entrepreneurship.

Educator of the Term

S. M Mahbubur Rahman

Professor and Head
Electrical and Electronic Engineering (EEE)

Professor Mahbubur Rahman started his teaching career at ULAB on September 1, 2016.

His areas of teaching are- Academic (Undergraduate and Postgraduate), Research (Postgraduate), Administrative (Department and University level), and Consultancy (National level).

Professor Mahbubur Rahman was extensively involved in the accreditation of ETE program of ULAB from BAETE. This is because it is the first of a kind, wherein an engineering program would be accredited with liberal arts philosophy. Apart from this he is working on several journal papers, conference papers, and a research book. According to Professor Mahbubur Rahman - to be an internationally reputed academician while working in Bangladesh is one of his career goals. To him, attitude and discipline can change life a lot. In this regard, what he likes about ULAB is its Concept of liberal arts programmes. To pass the time, he likes to read newspapers.

Professor Mahbubur Rahman has completed his BSc in EEE (BUET), M.Sc. in EEE (BUET), Ph.D. in ECE (Concordia U, Canada), PostDoc (U of Toronto, Canada).



Employee of the Term

Ahmed Iqbal Reza
Assistant Registrar (Exam & Records)



Mr Ahmed Iqbal Reza has been working at ULAB since October, 2010. Currently he is serving as an Assistant Registrar (Exam & Records) at ULAB.

Mr. Reza completed his BBA (Hons) in Finance & Banking, and MBA (Finance & Banking) from Rajshahi University.

As Assistant Registrar (Exam & Records), Mr. Reza performs several tasks such as- keeping all records regarding exams, specifically posting and verifying results, as well as results publication and Certification.

Mr. Reza likes to travel and to visit beautiful places.

Dr. Samiya Selim attends “EAUC Driving Sustainability Leadership Program” in Cambridge, UK

The Environmental Association of Universities and Colleges (EAUC) and PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) jointly organized a Sustainability Leadership Living Labs program where prominent scholars from University of Harvard, Oxford, Cambridge and Wales led the training. ULAB is one of the first Universities in Bangladesh fronting the agenda of sustainability in University both operational and in its academic curriculum. As part of its Greening ULAB program, Dr. Samiya Selim, Director of the Centre for Sustainable Development (CSD), went on this three-day leadership workshop and presented the challenges and chances of embedding sustainability in Bangladesh.



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Md. Shafiqul Islam attends the “International Workshop on Drought Management and Desertification Control” in Iran

ULAB-CSD faculty Shafiqul Islam recently presented his article “Is Groundwater Table depleting in Barind Tracts over Time?” at the Ferdowsi University of Mashhad, Iran. The NAM S&T Centre and the Ferdowsi University of Mashhad jointly organized this International Workshop on ‘Drought Management and Desertification Control’ May 22-24, 2017. Scientists, professionals, and policy makers from 15 developing countries came to develop their skills in drought management and desertification control. At the end of workshop, the final Resolution with several recommendations was collectively adopted by the participants for its submission to the concerned ministries, agencies in their countries.

Prof. Shamsad Mortuza’s paper published in Routledge Journal of the Indian Ocean

Professor Dr. Shamsad Mortuza, Department Head of English and Humanities, has recently published one of his papers titled “Beyond Kalapani and Tagore’s Search for a Shared Regional Identity” on Tagore’s Java Diaries, in Routledge Journal of the Indian Ocean.

Md. Wahiduzzaman attended South Asia News Media Conference, Delhi

Md. Wahiduzzaman, Deputy Manager (Public Relations) of (ULAB) attended South Asia Conference, organized by International News Media Association (INMA). The conference was held on 10-11 August, 2017 at the



Grand Ball Room of the Holiday Inn, New Delhi. Management Officials from the major media companies in India, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Pakistan and Nepal attended the conference.

Dr. Shahnaj Husne Jahan attends “The Indian Roots of Global Buddhism” at UCLA, California, USA



Director of ULAB’s Center for Archaeological Studies, Dr. Shahnaj Husne Jahan delivered a lecture titled

“Buddhist Landscapes of Bangladesh” at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) on April 29, 2017. She was invited there for a public symposium under the auspices of the Doshi chairship, entitled “The Indian Roots of Global Buddhism” co-sponsored by a variety of UCLA campus centers, including the Center for India and South Asia, the Center for Buddhist Studies. The aim of the symposium was to highlight the role of archaeology in elucidating the world of Buddhism as it began in South Asia.

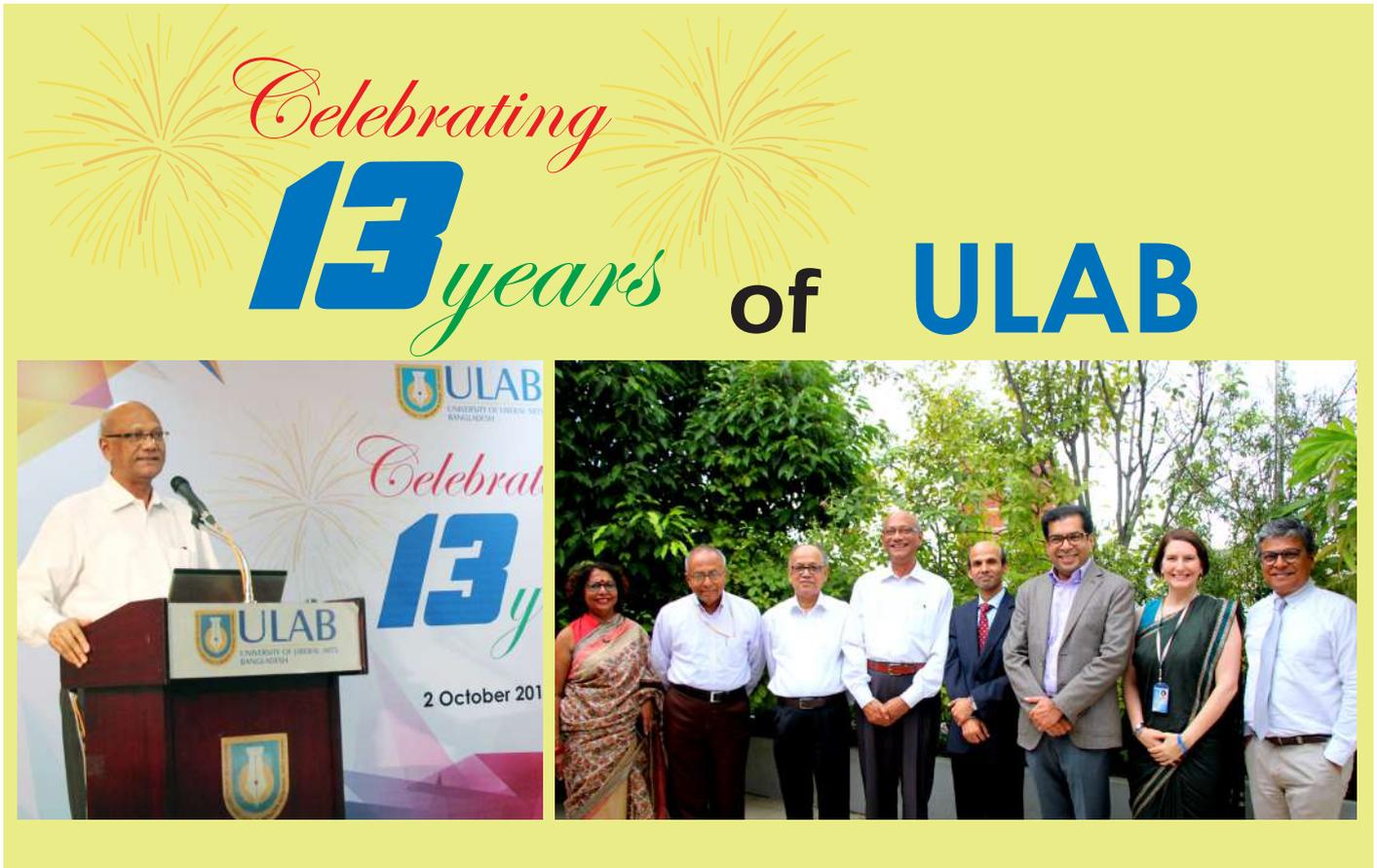
Kashfia Arif attends “Inter-Asia Cultural Studies Conference 2017” in Seoul, South Korea

The Inter-Asia Cultural Studies (IACS) conference is an event that invites scholars, researchers and academics focusing on Asia to participate and share their work with fellow scholars in the field. The Conference took place in Seoul, South Korea, July 28-30, 2017. The theme was “WORLDING: Asia After/Beyond Globalisation”. Ms. Kashfia Arif, Lecturer, from the ULAB Department of Media Studies and Journalism presented a paper titled “Fanculture and Identity: Looking at the Bangladeshi K-Pop Fan” in front of 300 participants.



Muhammad Faisal Chowdhury's book on RMG Sector Published

A book titled “Deterrence, Rational Choice, and White-Collar Crime: Occupational Health & Safety in Bangladesh RMG Sector” by Muhamad Faisal Chowdhury, Assistant Professor, ULAB School of Business, has been published this September by Rubric Publications, Delhi. The official unveiling of the book cover will be held in the International Literature Festival 2017 in Delhi in October/November.



University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh (ULAB) celebrated its 13th Foundation Day with great enthusiasm on October 2, 2017 in the auditorium of its Dhanmondi campus. Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid, MP, presided over the ceremony as chief guest. Professor Abdul Mannan, Chairman, University Grants Commission of Bangladesh, was present as the special guest. Member of ULAB's Board of Trustees Kazi Nabil Ahmed, MP delivered the welcome speech.

"ULAB is one of the most successful universities of our country. I have experience of all universities, but ULAB it does not focus on money-making - rather it focuses in quality education." Said the Education Minister. He requested all the students to strive to become well-rounded human beings.

Praising to ULAB Board of Trustees, UGC Chairman Prof. Abdul Mannan said "ULAB will be one of the finest universities in the country in the very near future."

Kazi Nabil Ahmed, MP, described how ULAB has already begun operations in its permanent campus. ULAB Emeritus Professor Rafiqul Islam also spoke at the program, explaining how ULAB was the only private university who made the study of Bangla language and Bangladesh culture compulsory from its beginning.

The program ended with a vote of thanks by Vice Chancellor of ULAB Professor Jahirul Haque. There was a photo exhibition of historic ULAB photos titled, "ULAB: Dawn of a New Vision" in the lobby.



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