Mr. Takad Ahmed Chowdhury Presented at the 10th Asia TEFL International Conference

Mr. Takad Ahmed Chowdhury, Assistant Professor, Department of English, UAP, presented a paper at the 10th Asia TEFL International Conference held on 4-6th October, 2012 at Hotel Leela Kempinski, Gurgaon, Delhi NCR, India. Titled *An Evaluation of the Assessment Requirements for the MA in ELT Programs at Selected Universities in Bangladesh*, his paper attempted to analyze the role of assessment in ELT programs in maintaining the quality of teaching-learning, identify current trends and emerging issues in assessment policies for MA in ELT programs in Bangladesh, examine how and to what extent the stated objectives for MA in ELT programs are being reflected through these assessment requirements, and to pinpoint issues associated with enhancing assessment policies and practices at institutional level. The research was based on review of the assessment policy, curriculum objectives and assessment requirement documents designed and published for selected MA in ELT programs, and a survey of teachers and administrators views on assessment policy and practices for MA in ELT program.

The conference was organized by Asia TEFL as its most important annual event, offering a professional get together of a large number of ELT practitioners, experts, textbook/material writers, teacher trainers, etc. from all over Asia and few other parts of the world. It is to be noted that, Asia TEFL is the professional association of teachers of English as a foreign language of all the Asian countries to promote scholarship, disseminate information, and facilitate cross-cultural understanding among persons concerned with the teaching and learning of English in the region. The theme of this year’s conference was *Expanding Horizons of Language and Communication: ELT Issues, Challenges and Implications* while the featured presentation theme was *Tertiary English Education in Asia*. 