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ACM-ICPC Asia Dhaka Regional Contest- 2016

The two-day long ACM-International Collegiate Programming Contest (ACM-ICPC) was held at UAP Plaza on November 19, 2016. The first three champions are BUET Rayo, BUET Omnitrix, DU_Censored won position and awarded trophy and cash prise. CUET_GirlsarePearl has been awarded as the Top Girls Team awarded Crest & Check bond. Mr. Abul Maal Abdul Muhith, MP, Finance Minister addressed as the Chief Guest at the Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony. Mr. Zunaid Ahmed Palak, MP, State Minister, ICT Division and Mr. Qayum Reza Chowdhury, Chairman, Board of Trustees, UAP addressed as the Special Guests. There are two rounds of contests, namely Online Preliminary Contest and Onsite Contest. A total of 1,665 teams were registered for the online preliminary contest. Among them, 1,566 teams from 81 institutes had participated on October 15, 2016. On the previous ACM-ICPC 2015 preliminary contest, 985 teams from 75 institutions had participated. This rising trend (over 65%) reflects the growing interest in this event among young programmers of Bangladesh. This year, all-Girls'Team participation is the highest - a total of 129 teams. Out of them, 125 teams contested Onsite Contest. CSE, UAP organised the Regional Final ICPC entitled "2016 ACM-ICPC Asia Dhaka Regional Contest".

The 2017 World Finals will be held in Rapid City, South Dakota, USA on May 20 – 25, 2017, hosted by Excellence in Computer Programming, Inc. The highest ranked 3 to 4 teams from ACM-ICPC Asia Dhaka Regional Contest 2016are likely to get chance to attend the World Finals. Professor Abdul Mannan, Chairman, University Grants Commission inaugurated the contest as Chief Guest. Inauguration Ceremony is also addressed by Mr. Shyam Sunder Sikder, Secretary, Information and Communication Technology Division (ICTD) and Mr. Qayum Reza Chowdhury, Chairman, Board of Trustees, UAP.





Children Science congress 2016 at UAP

A total of 433 Students from different schools and colleges from third grades to twelve across the country joined the Children Science Congress 2016 at the UAP from September 23-24, 2016. The congress was divided into three categories -- primary, junior and senior. The major attraction was that all contestants participating in the competition worked on three sections—innovative projects, research papers and poster presentation. In this event, 50 contestants were awarded in the congress. The first four winners were given certificates, medals and UAP Desk Calendar where two participants received prizes jointly for a category and rest of winners received medals for their innovative idea. The four winners are Istiak Hossain Akib (Paper of the Congress), Samin Yeaser and Hillon Roy (Poster of the Congress) and Md. Atiab Jobayer Purno (Project of the Congress) for their individual contribution.

Professor Jamilur Reza Choudhury, Vice Chancellor, UAP and Chairman, Bangladesh Freedom Foundation (BFF) inaugurated the event. He said, we organize the competition to encourage children and students. We hope Bangladesh would get Noble Prize by 2030 and this winner would be among these children scientist. Society for the Popularisation of Science (SPSB) and BFF jointly organized the congress. Society for the Popularization Science, Bangladesh has been organizing the Children Science Congress since 2013 to encourage children in learning science education. Besides, children would get an opportunity to join International Science Fair is organized by Google each year.



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Chairman, BOT received 'Asia Education Leadership Award-2016'

Mr. Qayum Reza Chowdhury, Chairman, Board of Trustees, UAP received the 'Asia Education Leadership Award-2016'. The award is presented by the World Education Congress, CMO Asia with CMO Council as its Strategic Partner and Stars of the Industry Group as a research partner. Mr. Chowdhury is the first nominee of the leadership award from the private sector. He has got this award for surpassing several levels of excellence and set an example of being a role model and exemplary Leadership, building various Institutions through Leadership, Innovation, Academic and Industry Interface and a supreme objective of building future Leaders. Mr. Chowdhury was invited to accept the Award in Person on 5th August, 2016 at Pan Pacific Marina Square, Singapore.



UAP organizes Human Chain against Militancy



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UAP Pro VC appointed as Country Committee Chair of AUAP



Professor Dr. M. R. Kabir, Pro Vice Chancellor, UAP has been appointed as the Country Chapter Committee Chair of Association of Universities of Asia and the Pacific (AUAP).

The decision was made following an office order of AUAP where Prof. Kabir has been appointed as Country Chair for next two years, starting November 8, 2016 until the next General

Conference in November 2018. AUAP is an association of university chief executives from higher education institutions in Asia Pacific region and around the world. The primary purpose of AUAP is to be the main platform for interaction and collaboration among members and the voice of universities in Asia and the Pacific and a unique worldwide platform that facilitates the exchange of professional experience through conferences, seminars, publications, and commissions.

World Human Rights Day observed at UAP

On 11 December 2016, the Department of Law and Human Rights, UAP has organized a special seminar titled "The Ignored Universal Human Rights: Bangladesh Perspective" to observe the World Human Rights Day 2016. Held at UAP City Campus, the seminar was participated by 60 law students, teachers, lawyers, journalists and others. Among others, Dr. Shahdeen Malik, Senior Advocate at the Supreme Court of Bangladesh and Adjunct Professor of Law at the UAP; Dr. Shahnaz Huda, Professor of Law at the University of Dhaka; Mr. Muhammad Jahangir, Senior Journalist and Columnist; and Barrister Jyortirmoy Barua, Advocate at the Supreme Court of Bangladesh spoke at the seminar.

Barrister Jyortirmoy Barua talked about the unsecured condition of right to privacy in Bangladesh. Highlighting his practical experiences relating to the mobile SIM's biometric registration and the collection of citizen's personal information by the police, he criticized the initiatives of the government from the perspectives universal human rights jurisprudence. Giving examples of some case studies, he apprehended such initiatives might threaten the citizen's right to privacy as Bangladesh does not have any personal data protection law. He also emphasized that members of our judiciary must be trained up with the development of technology as legal instruments and initiatives have many technological implications. Muhammad Jahangir spoke on the issue of freedom of expression and freedom of the press. He said media houses now-a-days have developed a tendency of imposing self-censorship fearing the action of the government. He urged the young people to raise their voices against all sorts of injustice and violence.

Dr. Shahnaz Huda talked on the personal law and family matters of people who profess different religions. She showed how discriminately law applies against women in all religions. Showing different international laws where women's equal rights have been ensured before marriage, during marriage and at its dissolution, she criticized the legal system of Bangladesh which does not sufficiently protect women's rights in the family structure. She hoped that the government would take concerted steps to eliminate legal injustices for the betterment of the women population. Dr. Shahdeen Malik spoke on the recent issue of enforced disappearances where mostly the law enforcing agencies are allegedly involved. He feared that if such practice continues, someday our democratic rights and voices would disappear. Professor Dr. M R Kabir, Pro-VC of the UAP, thanked all the speakers for talking on the less-discussed human rights issues of Bangladesh. He hoped that young researchers specially the law students and academics across the country would endeavor to investigate the socio-legal problems and come out with efficacious solutions.

The seminar was hosted by Ms. Nazia Wahab, Head of the Department of Law and Human Rights, UAP.



UAP pays last respect to poet, lyricist and writer Syed Shamsul Haq

UAP paid last respect to poet, lyricist and writer Syed Shamsul Haq at the Shaheed Minar on September 28, 2016. He was buried beside a mosque at the Kurigram Government College campus at the same day. The poet died at a hospital in Dhaka on Tuesday evening after suffering from lung cancer. He was 81.

Victory Day Photo Exhibition at UAP, Organized by EEE Cultural Club



Victory Day Photo Exhibition at UAP, Organized by EEE Cultural Club December is a month of victory, a month of the birth of a new independent nation. On 16th December 1971, Bangladesh came out as an independent nation after a nine month long struggle, sacrificing millions of lives and huge bloodshed. On this day in 1971, the commanding officer of the Pakistani forces General AAK Niazi along with his troops, surrendered at Ramna Race Course, now SuhrawardyUdyan, in Dhaka following their miserable defeat to the joint forces of Mukti Bahini and Mitra Bahini. In order to let the students know the history of our Liberation War, the Cultural Club of EEE department (EEECC) organized a Photo Exhibition at UAP city campus on 14th December 2016. The rare collection of photographs of our Liberation War was displayed in the exhibition. Professor Dr. M. R. Kabir, Pro-VClor, Air Commodore (Retd.) Ishfaq Ilahi Choudhury, Treasurer, Dr. Kazi Mohiuddin Ahmed, Head of EEE Department, Mr. Sarwar R. Chowdhury, Registrar, faculties and students of different departments of UAP visited this photo exhibition.

Pitha Utshob at Department of Pharmacy

The students of 36th batch of the Department of Pharmacy, UAP organized a pitha utshab at City Campus on December 04, 2016. The event, Pitha Utshob was inaugurated by Professor Dr. Jamilur Reza Choudhury, VC-UAP. Among others, Professor Dr. M. R. Kabir, Pro VC, Air Commodore (Retd.) Ishfaq Ilahi Choudhury, Treasurer, Mr. Sarwar R Chowdhury, Registrar, Departmental Head Professor Dr. Swarnali Islam Khandaker, and other faculty members of the Department of pharmacy were present. Guests were quite pleased to try out Pakon, Puli, Patishapta, Nakshi Pitha, Shacher Pitha, Jhinuk Pitha, Beni Pitha, Pantoa, Pudding, Samucha, Jam-cake, and several types of Naaru. As an added attraction, steaming Bhapa Pitha, an integral part of our culture was also displayed in one stall. Soft Bengali folk-songs gently played in the background consistent with our tradition.

Student Leadership Development Workshop at UAP

The Career Development Club (CDE) of UAP organized a workshop titled "Student Leadership Development" on December 01, 2016. Air Commodore Ishfaq Ilahi Choudhury (Retd.) was present as the Chief Guest and Mr. Shamsad Ahmed as the Special Guest. A highly engaging session followed, with over 100 students attending, along with faculty members. The session was conducted by G Sumdany Don, Chief Inspirational Officer of Don Sumdany Facilitation & Consultancy.

Blood Donation Program 2016 at Pharmacy Department

A blood donation program 2016 was held at the UAP City Campus on November 28, 2016. Pharmacy Social Awareness Club and Quantum Foundation jointly organized the program. Professor Dr. Jamilur Reza Choudhury, Vice Chancellor, UAP inaugurated the day long donation program as the Chief Guest. Among others, Mr. Sarwar R Choudhury, Registrar, Head, Pharmacy and other faculty were present.

UAP students visit at Liberation War Museum



A group 40 students of the Department of CSE, UAP visited the Liberation War Museum (LWM) at Segunbagicha on August 20, 2015 as a part of their course on Bangladesh Studies. During the visit, the students watched a documentary on Liberation War, Q/A session and tour to the museum. Air Commodore (Retd.) Ishfaq Ilahi Chowdhury, respective course teacher and also the Treasurer of UAP accompanied the students on the trip. Earlier, on behalf of UAP, the Treasurer handed over a cheque as a donation to the museum to Mr. Mofidul Huq, Treasurer of LWM.

CE Festival of Spring 2016

The Civil Engineering Structure Club (CESC) has organized and exhibited several Students Projects on the departmental regular event CE Festival Spring 2016. The CE Fest is the event where the students of CE department show their talent. The main objective of the CESC is to flourish the structural knowledge among CE students and society. The current advisor of the CESC is Dr. M. Shamim Miah, Assistant Professor, Dept. of CE, UAP. Among several projects the above project was awarded as the best project of the event. Finally, a certificate giving ceremony was also organized by the department.

Debate Competition and Prize Giving Ceremony at CE, UAP

Cultural Club of CE, UAP arranged debate competition and prize giving ceremony for clubs activities on 13 August, 2016. 8 groups consisting of 3 members from each semester participated in the debate competition. The competition was judged by faculty members. Prizes were distributed among best participants of different competitions viz. projects, poster competitions, presentation and quizzes of clubs, debate competition, Sports.



CE Faculty delivers a lecture at Fudan University, Shanghai, China

Upon invitation from Fudan University, Dr. Muhammad MizanurRahaman, D.Sc. (Tech.), Associate Professor, Department of Civil Engineering, UAP delivered a lecture during international symposium on "Trans-Boundary Water Resource Cooperation in Asia-Progress and Prospect" held on August 12-13 at Fudan University, Shanghai, China. A total of 30 Professors/ senior researchers from 25 countries attended the symposium.

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The title of his lecture was "Management of South Asian International Rivers: Contemporary Challenges and future potential". In his lecture, Dr. Rahaman stressed the need for multilateral cooperation involving all countries sharing international rivers basins in South Asia for peaceful management of shared water resources. Dr. Rahaman emphasizes that any unilateral water resources development approach without involving all countries sharing the river basin will be counter-productive in the long run and will create long term regional water conflict. On the other hand, multilateral water development approach will ensure long term regional development and peaceful co-existence.

Seminars organized by Pharmacy Department

The department of Pharmacy, UAP organized a 3-day seminar from August 9-11, 2016 at UAP City Campus. Professor Dr. M. R. Kabir, Acting Vice Chancellor inaugurated the seminar as Chief Guest and Professor Dr. Swarnali Islam Khandakar, Head, Department of Pharmacy gave a welcome speech at the opening session. The seminar was attended by faculty members, students and staff.



Drama Festival Organized by Department of English

The Department of English, UAP organized first drama festival on December 10, 2016. The motto of the program was to provide the students opportunity to explore their creative talents through the literary pieces they taught in their classes. Such dramatic presentations bring the texts alive to the students and assists more effectively in their understanding of those texts. Moreover a dramatic venture enhances the participants' communicative abilities in the sense that they have to think and practice both verbal and non verbal means, which also helps in improving concentration, cooperation and team spirit. The way students of the Department of English, UAP has showcased their skills in adapting the critical texts from various centuries and transfused them into the context of 21st century was an enjoyable thing to witness.

The program was inaugurated by Professor Dr. Jamilur Reza Choudhury, Pro Vice Chancellor Dr. M. R. Kabir, Treasurer Ishfaq Ilahi Choudhury. The honorable Chairman, Board of Trustees Mr. Qayum Reza Choudhury also inspired the audience with his precious presence and inspirational address to the students. He appreciated the Department for organizing such a brilliant program for the first time and hoped that this will continue in future.

After the performance of the seven dramas, which were adapted from the wide time frame of Elizabethan era to Modern days, Mr. Takad Ahmed Chowdhury, Head, Department of English, University of Asia Pacific distributed the prizes among the best performers. The judge panel included theatre personality Mr Obaidullah Al Zakir, Assistant Professor of the department of English Ms. Nellufar Yeasmin and Lecturer of the Department Ms. Sadia Afreen Shorna.

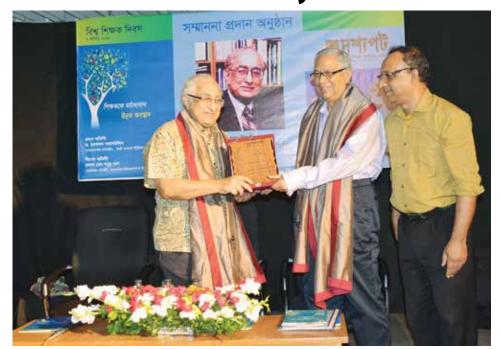
All the guests were engrossed while enjoying the drama performances as they were rendered into wonderful adaptations from the real texts. The performed dramas were - *Volpone* by Ben Johnson, *Paradise Lost*, an epic by John Milton, *The Cherry Orchard* by Anton Chekov, *Arms and the Man* by George Bernard Shaw, Katherine Mansfield's *Miss Brill*, O Henry's *The Last Leaf* and Anita Desai's *Games at Twilight*.

The program received a wide accolade from the audience. Mr Takad Ahmed Chowdhury thanked the conveners Ms Sharifa Akter, Assistant Prfessor and Mr. Shazed UI Hoq Khan Abir, Lecturer, department of English, University of Asia Pacific for their efforts to make this event successful. He vowed strongly that the Department will organize more such programs in near future where the students will get the opportunity to improve skills and showcase their talent through the texts they read within their course.



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Drishyapat felicitates VC-UAP in World Teachers' Day



Drishyapat, a Dhaka-based Theatre Group felicitated Professor Dr. Jamilur Reza Choudhury, VC, UAP on October 05, 2016 on World Teachers' Day at Bishwo Shahitto Kendro. Dr. Mohammad Farashuddin, Former Governor and President, East West University addressed the program as the Chief Guest. Professor Dr. Yousuf Mahbubul Islam, VC, Daffodil International University and Ms. Selina Nowroze Choudhury were present, among others. Mr. Ali Mahumud, Director, Drisyapat chaired the program. Students from BUET, Jahqanginagar University, UAP, Dhaka College and Daffodil International University attended and felicitated Professor Choudhury with flowers and applause.

Orientation for New Faculty Members

UAP organized an orientation program for the newly appointed faculty members of Fall 2016 on October 24, 2016. Professor Dr. Jamilur Reza Choudhury, VC, UAP addressed the program as the Chief Guest. Professor M. R. Kabir, Pro VC, Air Cdre (Retd.) Ishfaq Ilahi Choudhury, Treasurer, Mr. Sarwar R. Chowdhury, Registrar, and Md. Abdul Latif, IT Operations, UAP, discussed and presented their respective topics.

Orientation Program for Fall 2016 Students

The orientation program for Fall 2016 students of UAP was held on October 25, 2016 at UAP Plaza. Professor Dr. Jamilur Reza Choudhury, Vice Chancellor, UAP was the Chief Guest of the program. Mr. Qayum Reza Chowdhury, Chairman, Mr. Ishtiaque Ahmed, member, BOT addressed the program. Professor Dr. M. R. Kabir, Pro VC, Mr. Sarwar R Chowdhury, Registrar, UAP and Professor Abu Sayeed Mostaque Ahmed, Proctor, UAP also spoke on the occasion. The speakers welcomed the newcomers to UAP and highlighted various aspects related to the university.

Architecture student wins 1st Prize in DOT Student Design Completion



Tanzia Mahzabin, a thesis student of Architecture Department, UAP won 1st prize in category B of DOT Student Design Competition. The prizes for Category A & C went to the students from University of Science & Technology (AUST) and Khulna University respectively. The Award was handed over to the recipient on October 20, 2016 at the Department of Architecture, UAP followed by the unveiling ceremony of 5th issue of "DOT" a quarterly magazine of art & architecture in Bangladesh. Professor Dr. Jamilur

Reza Choudhury, VC, UAP was the Chief Guest while Architect Shahzia Islam Anton, Publisher, DOT, Harun-Or-Rashid, Head, Architecture Department-NSU, Architect Ziaul Islam, Head, Architecture Department, UAP and other distinguished personalities.

'Workshop & Exhibition of Photography and Art Work' at UAP

A two day long 'Workshop & Exhibition of Photography and Art Work' organized by Photocast Photography Club', DBA, UAP was held on November 18-19, 2016 The Photocast Photography Club of DBA, UAP aims to create international photographers by organizing workshops & exhibitions which will help students develop photography and editing skills. The exhibition was graced and inaugurated by Professor Dr. Jamilur Reza Choudhury, VC, UAP as the Chief Guest and Treasurer, UAP Air Commodore (Retd.) Ishfaq Ilahi Choudhury as the Special Guest and presided by Mr. Shamsad Ahmed, Head, DBA. Mr. Latif Hossain, CEO and Graphic Designer of Aura Communications at the workshop was present as resource person. Prize giving ceremony, Professor Dr. Abu Sayeed M. Ahmed, Dean, Architecture, UAP & President, Institute of Architects Bangladesh distributed certificates among the participants. UAP faculties and students attended the exhibition along with the workshop.



Workshop on LaTeX by IEEE UAP Student Batch

IEEE UAP Student Branch organized a workshop on 'Writing Research Paper using LaTeX' on Tuesday, December 07, 2016. This workshop was attended by 40 students including all IEEE student members from UAP as well as students from CSE and CE department. IEEE UAP Student branch was formed in December 2015 and since then it has been working in different ways as a part of IEEE Bangladesh Branch in Region 10(R-10).

Industrial visit of EEE Students to Mymenshing Power Station



Mymenshing 210 MW Combined Cycle Power Station is the state of the art Power Station in Bangladesh by Rural Power Company Ltd. (RPCL) situated in Shambhuganj, Mymenshing. The Power Station is run by 140 MW Gas Turbine and 70 MW Steam Turbine and also has an ETP plant. It has started its commercial operation through 70 MW in 1999 which reached to 140 MW by the very next year. In 2007 it reaches its full capacity to 210 MW. Till establishment several times this Power Station has been rewarded as "The Best Power Station in public sector".

A number of 36 4th year 1st semester students guided by three faculty members, named Muhammad Ahad Rahman Miah, Md. Moshiur Rahman and Md. Khairul Alam have visited the Power Station on Saturday 26 November, 2016. Two Assistant Engineers guided them to visit different parts of the station with a short video presentation. Lastly on behalf of the Department a Crest has presented to RPCL with appreciation.

9th National Annual Quality Convention on Education at UAP

Bangladesh Society for Total Quality Management (BSTQM) and UAP jointly organized the 9th National Annual Quality Convention on Education (NAQCE) on October 15, 2016 at UAP Plaza. Professor Dr. Abdul Matin Patwari, Professor Emeritus, Former VC, UAP & BUET was the Chief Guest of inaugural session and Professor Dr. M. R. Kabir, Convener of 9th NAQCE welcomed all students, teachers, delegates and invited guests in the convention.

Mr. Asaduzzaman Khan, MP, Minister, Home Affairs was the Chief Guest for the closing session. Mr. Qayum Reza Chowdhury, Chairman, BOT, Mr. A M M Khairul Bashar, President, BSTQM and Professor Dr. M. R. Kabir, Pro VC were present.



Intra-Department Sports Competition in English Department

Intra-Department Sports Competition, Spring - 2016 (Indoor games) of English Department was held on 26 and 27 July, 2016 at the sports room. After a colorful and vibrant event, the prize awarding ceremony of the competition was held on 18 August, 2016. On that event, honorable Head of the department, Professor Dr. Shawkat Hussain awarded the prizes to the award winners. The program was presided over by the convener of departmental sports, Kazi Amzad Hossain. At the end of the ceremony, the Head, in his inspiring speech, he congratulated the participants and wished them a very good luck.

English Department Debate Completion Spring 2016



The English Department Debating Club organized 'Intra-Departmental Debate Competition, Spring- 2016' from 10 August to 14 August, 2016. The event was held in two rounds- English debate and Bangla debate. All the participants were fully enthusiastic and there had been a hard competition between the teams. The prize awarding ceremony was held on 1 September, 2016 and Head of the Department Professor Dr. Shawkat Hussain awarded prizes to the champions, the runners-up and the best speakers. The program ended with an encouraging speech by the Head of the Department.

Google Developer Group's (GDG's) "Firebase" Workshop

On August 24, 2016, UAP chapter of Google Developers' Group (GDG) Dhaka organized a workshop on "Firebase" (mobile app development platform). GDG supported the program by providing with the trainers, banners, snacks and certificates. Dr. Bilkis Jamal Ferdosi, Head, Department of CSE, UAP inaugurated the program and gave an inspiring opening speech. Three labs and one classroom were used to conduct the workshop. Students from Department of CSE, UAP as well as other university students joined the workshop.

Treasurer, UAP presents a paper in Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies (BIISS)



Air Commodore (Retd) Ishfaq Ilahi Choudhury, Treasurer, UAP presented a paper in a seminar on "Recent Extremist Violence in Bangladesh: Response Options" organized by Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies (BIISS), Dhaka on 28 July 2016. Air Cdre Choudhury's paper entitled "Raising Awareness and Community Response among Stakeholders: Countering Violent Extremism in Bangladesh" dealt with measures that families, peer groups, educational, cultural and religious institutions could take to prevent radicalization and extremism among Bangladeshi youths. The day-long seminar was inaugurated by Mr. Abul Hassan Mahmood Ali, MP, honourable Foreign Minister of Bangladesh, and was attended by a large audience of politicians, diplomats, policy-makers, academics, researchers and security officials.

Poster Presentation at Pharmacy Department

The Pharma Science Society Club (PSS) of the Department of Pharmacy, UAP organized a 'Poster Exhibition -2016' on August 18, 2016 at UAP City Campus. Professor M. R. Kabir, Acting Vice Chancellor, UAP inaugurated the presentation as Chief Guest and Air Commodore (Retd.) Ishfaq Ilahi Chowdhury was present as Special Guest. Later, Mr. Qayum Reza Chowdhury, Chairman, Board of Trustees visited and appreciated the students for their creative poster presentation.

Pharmacy Intra-Department Debating Competition

The Intra-Departmental Bengali Debating Competition of the Department of Pharmacy was held on August 18, 2016 at the UAP premises. Professor Dr. M. R. Kabir, Acting Vice Chancellor, UAP was the Chief Guest of the occasion. The Competition was organized by Tarkik- the Pharmacy debating and Quiz club under the guidance of Samia Shabnaz, Lecturer, Department of Pharmacy. After the competition a prize giving ceremony was held. Prof. Dr. M.R. Kabir, Acting Vice Chancellor, UAP handed over the certificates and crests to the members of the runner-up and winner teams.

Study Tour to Oceanographic Research Institute, Cox's Bazar



The department of Civil Engineering (CE), UAP organized a two day long study tour as a part of co-curricular activities. Sixty (60) students accompanied by two faculty members (Ariful Hasnat, Assistant Professor & Sheikh Sharif Ahmed, Assistant Professor) visited the Oceanographic Research Institute at Cox's Bazar on 28th July, 2016. The Oceanographic Research Institute in Cox's Bazar is the largest of such institutes in Bangladesh. The Sub-Divisional Engineer of Cox's Bazar PWD briefed the students about the design and construction of different structures of the institute. He also explained the queries of the students. Later, a guided tour inside the institute premises was arranged. The construction difficulties of coastal area were also discussed.

The tour ended with a vote of thanks from UAP to the Public Works Department. Students were able to receive an actual field experience in a difficult construction site which would certainly help them in their future endeavors.

Architecture, UAP wins ACA 4th International Design Competition 2016



A group of 6 students of Architecture, UAP won the third prize of Aditya College of Architecture's 4th International Design Competition 2016. The team was invited to present their work and receive the certificate in the "ARGYA – BORIVALI Design Festival and Exhibition" organized by Aditya Group of Institutions held in Mumbai on 16th December 2016.

ACA's international design competition has been a prestigious ground for exploring interesting concepts based on contextual as well as global ideas. This year's ACA 4TH INTERNATIONAL DESIGN COMPETITION attracted submissions from 25 countries. The jury board consisting Architects of international fame. Eminent personalities like Ram Naik, Governor of UP India, Padmabhushan AR. Hafeez Contractor, Ar Jayantha Perera, UIA Work Programme Director, Chair Communication - CAA Colombo Srilanka, Ar. Vijay Garg Vice President Council of Architecture, New Delhi, India were invited to the inaugural / valedictory function of the event.

Prize awarding of Intra-Department Sports in English

A colorful prize awarding programme of Intra-Department Sports, Fall - 2016 of the Department of English was held on 27 November 2016. Takad Ahmed Chowdhury, Head of the Department handed over the prizes among the winners. Students and faculty members were present on the occasion. The convener the Department of Sports Kazi Amzad Hossain, Lecturer, Dept. of English presided over the program.

EATL-Prothom Alo Apps Competition at UAP

A total of 400 students from different universities and Institutes participated in Dr. M. Shamim MIAH, Assistant Professor, CE, UAP attended the 4th SATREPS Fourth EATL-Prothom Alo Apps Competition on November 26, 2016 at the UAP City Campus. The contest was jointly organized by EATL and Prothom Alo with the cooperation of World Bank and Canada. As part of the competition, contestants presented their respective concept paper on different apps like games, education, health, E-commence, utility etc. among others, Mr. MA Mubin Khan, Managing Director, EATL and Mr. Nizam Uddin Ahmed, CEO were present.

"BIZQUIZ-16" at the Department of **Business Administration**

"Bizquiz-16" organized by Business Administration Communication Club (BACC), DBA, UAP was held in the department on 23rd and 24th November, 2016. There were two rounds for the participants. In the first round 120 students participated in the quiz contest. In the final round there were four teams and from them one team became first and another team took the runner-up place. Mr. Shamshad Ahmed,

Head of the Department was present as the Chief Guest and awarded the winners of the competition with crests and certificates. Faculty members and students were present.

EEE Faculty and student participates National Science Fair-2016

The National Power and Energy Week-2016 (The 'Jatiya Bidyut Saptaha-2016') was held from December 7-10, 2016 in International Convention City of Bashundhara, Dhaka. Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, inaugurated the program as the Chief Guest. The theme of this year's 'Power and Energy Week' is 'Odomya Bangladesh' or Indomitable Bangladesh. For the purpose of participating in this mega event of science fair, concerned faculties and students of different universities and institutions across the country submitted their project to Bangladesh Power Development Board (BPDB).

Department of EEE, UAP submitted a project titled 'Performance Enhancement of Solar System by Wrapping Paper Reflection' of 'Inter University Innovation Competition-2016'. In the initial phase of screening of 70 submissions, based on merit and quality of innovation only 20 projects were selected and invited for presentation where our project was in the short list. In the second phase successful candidates staged their presentations and after the final round through a very stiff and intense competition 10-top notch projects were selected and finalized for this science fair. It is indeed a matter of great pride that our project secured a place out of that 10 best selections. And without any doubt, it's indeed a great achievements and inspiration for our student and a great pride for our university. To make this project and fair successful, a team of 4 members were consisted by Mr. Md. Abdullah al Mahmud, Lecturer, Md. Mehedi Hasan (4th Year /1st semester), Md. Minhazul Islam (4th Year /1st semester) Mr. Mizanur Rahman, Ex-UAP student, EEE and supervised by Mr. A.H.M. Zadidul Karim, Associate Professor, Mr. Md. Masum Howlader, Assistant Professor of the Department.



Big Data Workshop

On July 22, 2016, Bangladesh Open Source Network (BdOSN) arranged a workshop at CSE department premises, UAP on a very important topic: "Introduction to Big Data and Data Science". Mr. Fokhruz Zaman, Founder & Head Bio-Bio-1, inaugurated the workshop. The workshop enlightened the students about Big Data and Data Science.

CE Faculty attends the SATREPS Fourth Workshop in Japan

Workshop on Project for Technical Development to Upgrade Structural Integrity of Buildings in Densely Populated Urban Areas and Its Strategic Implementation towards Resilient Cities in Tokyo, Japan. The Institute of Industrial Science, University of Tokyo, organized the workshop held on November 5-7, 2016 in Tokyo, Japan sponsored by Japan International Cooperation Agency – JICA. A group of 7 delegates from different institutions of Bangladesh attended the practicum.





UAP observes World Hepatitis Day 2016



UAP observed the World Hepatitis Day 2016 at UAP on July 29, 2016. Professor Mohammad Ali, Secretary General, National Liver Foundation of Bangladesh, and Professor Jamilur Reza Choudhury, VC, UAP and also the Chairman, Bangladesh Liver Foundation addressed the program as the Chief Guest and Speaker.

Later, they inaugurate the website of Hepatitis. Prof. M. R. Kabir, Pro VC, Ishfaq Ilahi Chowdhury (Retd.), Treasurer, Sarwar R Chowdhury, Registrar, Faculty members and students were present in the program. A documentary was shown to the students to build up awareness about the disease.

Certificates awarding ceremony of WSDA training

The certificates awarding ceremony of a four day long training course conducted by the Workplace Skill Development Academy (WSDA) was held on August 03, 2016 at the seminar room of Department of Business Administration.

The Chief Guest Mr. John Faisandier, President, WSDA, Bangladesh handed over the certificates among the awardees. Among others, Professor Dr. M. R. Kabir, Pro Vice Chancellor, Mr. Sarwar R Chowdhury, Registrar, UAP and Mr. Ahmed Wasimul Bari, Vice President, WSDA, Bangladesh were present in the program. A total of 45 students from various departments received certificates as participant.



UAP Civil Engineering student received films award

Rashed Kabir Shoumik, a 3rd-year student of Civil Engineering Department, UAP participated in the Inter-University Short Film Festival (IUSFF) organized by North South University Cine and Drama Club. About thousand films are initially submitted from thirty-seven universities of Bangladesh and 147 shortlisted films were judged by the Jury Board. After scrutinizing, sixteen films were selected for final competition and seven films were awarded with crests and certificates. Shoumik's film named 'Security' achieved the 2nd runner-up position. Dhaka University won the 1st prize and BUET secured the 1st Runner-up prize. His other film 'Janala' also secured 6th place in the competition. Mr. Shoumik holds the vice-president position of UAP-CE Film Club and actively participated in different film related competition and workshops in recent years.

UAP arranges View Exchange Meeting with CR

UAP authority arranged a view exchange meeting with the class representatives (CR) of various departments and batches on August 05, 2016 at UAP City Campus. Professor Jamilur Reza Choudhury, Vice Chancellor chaired the meeting while Professor M. R. Kabir, Pro VC, Air Cdre Ishfaq Ilahi Chowdhury, Treasurer and Sarwar R Chowdhury, Registrar, UAP were present among others.

Prof. Choudhury discussed country's current situation and asked students to ensure congenial academic atmosphere of the university. He urged students to find out effective ways to combat militancy and extremism. Professor Kabir said to the students that university would extend all-out-cooperation to fight against militancy and terrorism.

Later, some CR strongly recommended about the need of hostel facilities. Mr. Sarwar R Chowdhury, Registrar assured them and replied, university authority is now planning to have more hostels in near future.



Grace Hopper Programming Camp – exclusively for girls

A programming camp naming "Grace Hopper Programming Camp" (exclusively for girls) was organized by Programming Contest Club (PCC) if the CSE Department in collaboration with Bangladesh Open Source Network (BdOSN) from August 28-30, 2016. Female students from CSE Department attended this three-day camp where they improved their efficiency, gained knowledge and honed their tactics related to programming contests.

CSE Fest

Department of CSE arranged a CSE Fest on September 1, 2016. Reputed companies and organizations sponsored to organize the festival. Sponsors placed their company booths for promotional activities at plaza area. Project show and other activities ran on the 7th floor. Extended plaza area in the ground floor was used to arrange prize giving ceremony and cultural evening.

Firebase conference at CSE Department

A firebase conference was held at the Department of CSE, UAP on August 24, 2016. With the association of Google Devolvement Group (GDG) Dhaka, CSE, UAP organized the event. Later, a workshop was also held in this regard.

Seminar on EATL-Prothom Alo Apps Contest at UAP

A seminar on EATL-Prothom Alo Apps Contest was held at UAP City Campus on August 02, 2016. Ethics Advanced Technology Limited (EATL) organized the seminar with the cooperation of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE), UAP. Mr. Shyam Sunder Sikder, Secretary, ICT Division, GoB was the Chief Guest and Mr. M A Mubin Khan, CEO of, EATL attended as the Special Guest. In the seminar, students were instructed also to develop a complete app. Among others, Head, CSE, faculty members and students were present in the seminar.



VC's and Dean's Award in Spring 2016

A total of 169 students from different Departments of University of UAP have received "VC's Honor List Award" for their outstanding academic results in Spring 2016 on December 16 at UAP City Campus.

Professor Dr. Jamilur Reza Choudhury, Vice Chancellor, UAP, distributed the certificates among the awardees as the Chief Guest. Prof. Dr. M. R. Kabir, Pro VC and Mr. Qayum Reza Chowdhury, Chairman, Board of Trustees (BOT) spoke on the occasion. Among others, Member, BOT, Heads and faculties of the departments, Students, Staff and Guardian of the Awardees were present at the program.

The 169 students of different Departments have received the award in different semesters. Among them, 2 students from Architecture while 19 students from Business Administration, 16 from Civil Engineering, 33 from Computer Science and Engineering, 23 from Electrical and Electronic Engineering, 62 from Pharmacy, 10 from Law & Human Rights and 4 from English Department.

Earlier, a total of 224 students awarded Dean's Honor List Award for Spring 2016 at the same venue. Among others, Prof. Dr. M. R. Kabir, Pro VC and Prof. Dr. Abu Sayeed M. Ahmed, Dean of Environmental Sciences and Design addressed the program.





EEE outplay in UAP Inter-Dept. Football Tournament

The Department of EEE notched a facile 1-0 goal victory over the Department of L&HR in the final match of the UAP Inter-Department Football Tournament held at BUET playground on August 21, 2016. Sports subcommittee, UAP arranged a prize giving ceremony for inter departmental sports spring 2016. Professor Dr. M. R. Kabir, Acting Vice Chancellor, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest and distributed prizes among the winners. Departmental Heads, faculties, students and staff were present at the occasion. Prizes were distributed among participants of different competitions viz. Table tennis, Carom, Chess and Football.



Dr. IftekharAnam visited Japan to attend workshop

Dr. IftekharAnam, Professor of the Department of UAP Civil Engineering, visited Japan from 31st July to 7th August 2016 to participate in a 2-day workshop and visit several universities and centers of earthquake engineering research. The workshop, organized at the University of Tokyo, was part of a collaborative research program 'Science and Technology Research Partnership (SATREPS) for Sustainable Development' (supported by the Japan International Cooperation Agency JICA and Japan Science and Technology Agency JST), of which UAP is a research partner.

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Workshop on Mobile Game Idea Generation

A workshop on mobile game idea generation was held at the Department of DBA, UAP on October 04, 2016. Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Division, GoB organized the workshop. Professor Dr. M. R. Kabir, Pro Vice chancellor, UAP addressed the session as Chief Guest. Mr. Md. Shah Alam, Joint Secretary, ICT, Mr. Nabir Uddin, Program Director and Senior System Analyst, ICT spoke. The workshop was chaired by Dr. Bilkis Ferdousi, Head, CSE.

Python Workshop at CSE Department

A workshop on "Python Programming for Beginners" was held at the Department of CSE, UAP on October 24, 2016. Dr. Bilkis Jamal Ferdosi, Head, CSE inaugurated the workshop as Chief Guest and Mr. Abdul Kawsar Tushar, Lecturer coordinated the workshop.

A seminar on "Scholarship for Higher Studies Abroad"

The Department of Civil Engineering organized a seminar on higher studies and future career planning. The program was dedicated to the current and alumni of the department. The keynote speaker Dr. M. Shamim Miah, Assistant Professor, Dept. of CE presented his personal experience on scholarship as well as detail procedure how one may search scholarships worldwide. An overview of the global scholarship market was discussed to give an idea to the students. Additionally, many available alternatives e.g. BCS, especially, for fresh graduates were discussed. The program was ended up by a closing speech by Dr. M. Mahmudul Hasan, Assistant Professor, Dept. of CE, UAP. Dr. Hasan shared his experience, in particular, the scholarship opportunities in Japan where he did his PhD and Masters.

Among many others, Dr. M. Mahmudul Hasan, Assistant Professor, Ariful Hasant, Assistant Professor, A. Z. M. Ridwan, Lecturer and Mirza A. Sharif, Lecturer of the department were present on that occasion. Along with the listed faculties several alumni students were also present on that event.

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