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### Orientation Program Spring Semester 2015



*Md. Ashraf Ali, the Chief Guest addressing the freshers on 27.02.2015*

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The orientation program of the newly admitted students for Spring Semester 2015 in the different undergraduate and graduate programs of Prime University was held at the University Campus at 2A/1, North East of Darussalam Road, Mirpur-01, Dhaka-1216 on February 27, 2015.

Md. Ashraf Ali, Chairman, Board of Trustees (BOT), Prime University Trust, graced the Orientation Program as Chief Guest while Professor Dr. Profulla Chandra Sarker, Vice Chancellor of the university was the Program Chair. Among others, Mir Shahabuddin, Senior Vice Chairman, BOT,

Professor Dr. M. Abul Hossain Sikder, Secretary General, BOT, Professor Dr. M. Abdus Sobhan, Member, BOT, Asia Zaman, Member, BOT, Professor Mohammad Arshad Ali, Treasurer, Md. Abdul Aziz, Registrar, Heads and Faculty Members of different departments of the university attended the ceremony.

About 650 students enrolled in the Spring Semester-2015 for different undergraduate and graduate programs attended the occasion with great enthusiasm and got introduced with the teachers, course curricula of the respective programs, code of conducts, norms, and different facilities available in the

university. Md. Abdul Aziz made the welcome addresses to the freshers and discussed the rules and regulations of the university. He also advised the students to regularly attend the classes and to prepare them as the best patriotic citizens of the country by working hard for development.

Professor Mohammad Arshad Ali in his speech highlighted the importance of properly utilizing their valuable time during their studentship in the university and urged upon the students to be industrious to achieve knowledge and education to shape themselves into useful citizens capable of facing the challenges that await Bangladesh in the twenty first century.

Mir Shahabuddin in his speech stressed the needs of modern

and quality education, and urged upon the students to prepare them through perseverance keeping the institutional glory intact. Professor Dr. M. Abul Hossain Sikder urged the students to maintain the dignity of the university. He also advised the new students to be prepared by taking proper education so that they can make themselves very competent and knowledgeable to face the global competition.

The chief guest of the program Md. Ashraf Ali expressed his commitment to provide all sorts of facilities to the students in order to help them prepare to meet the challenge of the 21st century. He assured the students and guardians that the Prime University permanent campus is under construction

with state-of-the-art facilities at 114/116 Mazar Road, Mirpur - 1, Dhaka-1216. He also advised the students to give attention to cultivate knowledge.

The Program Chairperson of the ceremony, Professor Dr. Profulla Chandra Sarker, in his speech told that university is a platform for cultivating, exchanging and creating knowledge. Research is very important for higher education and as such research and education must go together in order to improve as well as enhance quality education. He also told about his initiatives for linking Prime University with the renowned foreign universities for achieving academic excellence and finally he thanked the new students for choosing this university for the destination of higher education.

## Prime University Remembered the Martyrs of Language Movement

21st February, 1952 is forever remembered for the supreme sacrifices made on this day. As the International Mother Language Day, it is now observed all over the world. Prime University family also remembered the martyrs of language movement with utmost respect and reverence. On this day Salam, Barkat, Rafique, Jabbar and many others laid down their lives to protect the prestige of Bengali language. A procession was brought out very early in the morning from the university premises to commemorate the sacrifices of the martyrs. When the procession was over, a garland was placed at the foot of the monument especially built for the occasion. This year Prime University arranged a colorful program to observe the international day. At the very beginning of the program a discussion session was held. The speakers highlighted the significance of this particular day. Then a cultural contest was held among the students. Many students participated in recitation contest, competition of patriotic song and extemporary speech contest. The contests were really enjoyable as all the performances were impressive. Actually the participants created a big



*BOT Member, Treasurer, Registrar, Heads of different departments, Faculty Members, Executives and others on their way to pay tribute to the language martyrs on 21.02.2015*

problem for the judges as they were in a fix to determine who was better. It was a matter of pleasure that the faculty members also participated in recitation at the program. At the end, the names of the winners of the competitions were announced and prizes were handed over to them. The audience enjoyed the whole program and returned home with a pledge to uphold the status of our Bengali language forever.

## Independence Day Celebrated

On March 26, 2015 Prime University celebrated the Independence Day with great splendor and festivity. The day was also marked with respect to the country's most illustrious sons who were brutally killed in the nine-month bloody war in 1971.

The program started at 7:00 am with hoisting the national flag and singing the national anthem in front of the Prime University building by the teachers, officers, students, and employees of the university. A discussion program took place at 9:00 am. Professor Mohammad Arshad Ali, Treasurer of the university was the Chairperson of the program. Professor Dr. M. Abdus Sobhan, Member, Board of Trustees, Prime University Trust was the Chief Guest while AKM Saifulla, Deputy Registrar delivered the welcome speech. The Heads of different departments were present as



Treasurer and Controller of Examinations hoisting the national flag on 26.3.15

special guests. The discussion program was followed by a cultural show organized by the cultural committee of Prime University. Students as well as teachers of the university participated in the program. Every item of the cultural program focused on the liberation war and patriotism of the participants and was enjoyable to the audience.

## A Courtesy Visit to the New Chairman of the University Grants Commission of Bangladesh

On the 13th May 2015, a team, consisting of seven members, from Prime University paid a courtesy visit to greet the new Chairman of the University Grants Commission of Bangladesh, Professor Abdul Mannan. The team, led by the Chairman of the Board of Trustees (BOT) of Prime University Trust Md. Ashraf Ali, included Mir Shahabuddin, the Senior Vice Chairman of BOT, Professor Dr. M. Abdus Sobhan, Member, BOT, Vice Chancellor, Professor Dr. Profulla C. Sarker, Treasurer, Professor Mohammad Arshad Ali, Registrar, Md. Abdul Aziz and Deputy Registrar, AKM Saifulla. They greeted Professor Mannan for assuming the office of the Chairman of the University Grants Commission of Bangladesh.



The seven-member delegation of Prime University with the Honorable Chairman of the University Grants Commission of Bangladesh on 13.5.15

## Prime University Debate Team Secured 3rd Runner up Position on ATN Bangla Public Parliament

Prime University Debating Society (PUDS) secured the fourth position in the prestigious national parliamentary debate competition "Public Parliament Debate Competition - 2015" organized by ATN Bangla.

Sixteen prominent public and private universities participated in that battle of logic. Earlier, in the quarter-final round, Prime University debate team achieved a dazzling victory against Asian

University of Bangladesh and made its way to semi final. The moot topic of the debate was, "এই সংসদ মনে করে যে, সুন্দরবনের জীব বৈচিত্র্য রক্ষায় সরকার সচেষ্ট". BGMEA University of Fashion and Technology bagged the championship

while Dhaka International University and Eden Mohila College secured the second and third place respectively. Even though the team couldn't make it to the final round, their effort and undeniable logic were highly appreciated by the Chief Guest, Intiaz Ahmed, Professor of International Relations, Dhaka University and speaker of the session and renowned TV personality Hasan Ahmed Chowdhury Kiron. This remarkable success is the outcome of the strong endeavor of the debaters and mentors of the team and the continuous support of the university authority. Everybody concerned with the debate team believes that the team is in its right track to become one of the greatest debating squads of the country.



University debate team receiving the 3rd runner up crest from the Chief Guest, Intiaz Ahmed, Professor, Dhaka University and Speaker of the session, Hasan Ahmed Chowdhury Kiron on 15.04.2015

## Construction of the Main Campus Building of Prime University in Progress



Prospective building of Prime University (left), Mir Shahabuddin Sr. Vice Chairman, BOT visiting the construction progress (right)

The Prime University main campus building is designed to be a 10 storied building along with one basement, situated at 114/116, Mazar Road, Mirpur-1, Dhaka-1216. The

majestic building will have an area of 15,650 sq.ft. in its basement while the floor space of the ten storeys will measure 1,40,000 sq.ft. approximately.

The construction work of the building is going on in full swing. The piling work is completed. The building when fully completed in course of two years will provide modern facilities and amenities necessary for a well-run university.

## Seminars held

### Seminar on 'Voting Right'

A seminar titled 'Voting Right' organized by SUJON (Sushashoner Jonnyo Nagorik) was held on 7th April, 2015 in the Department of Law, Prime University. The Vice Chancellor of the university inaugurated the program while Dr. Badiul Alam Mozumdar, General Secretary of SUJON was the key note speaker of the program. The motto of the program was to disseminate the importance of the citizens' right to vote for Dhaka City Corporation (both North and South) Elections to be held immediately. Dr. Mozumdar sent the message through the participants



A meeting of the Board of Trustees of Prime University was held on 16.03.2015 in the conference room. The meeting took many important decisions on the academic, administrative and infrastructural development of the university through lively discussion participated by the honorable Chairman and Members of the Board.

that the people of all communities should cast their vote for the qualified contestant. The respondents promised to cast

their vote in favour of the person who is honest, keen, intellectual and free from corruption. All faculty mem-

bers and students of different batches were present. The program was over with thanks to all.

## Seminar on 'Making Better Future through Korean Language'

Another seminar entitled 'Making Better Future through Korean Language' was held at Prime University on 17th February 2015. Professor Mohammad Arshad Ali, Treasurer and the then Vice-Chancellor (In-charge) of the university chaired the session while Mir Shahabuddin, Senior Vice Chairman, Board of Trustees of Prime University graced the occasion as the Special Guest. Moreover, Registrar of the university, Md. Abdul Aziz, Professor Dr. Md. Sanaullah, Controller of Examinations, Heads of different departments, faculty members and students from all disciplines attended the seminar organized by Prime University Language School.

The session started by the welcome speech of Md. Abdul Aziz. Speaker, Shadesh Kumer Roy regarded Korean language as an increasingly important language because of Korea's powerful economy, attractive job opportunities and rich higher education system. Competency in Korean language enhances the likelihood of getting scholarship for higher educa-



*Mir Shahabuddin addressing the audience in the seminar on 'Making Better Future through Korean Language' held on 07.2.2015*

tion and high earning employments. Special Guest, Mir Shahabuddin focused on the utilization of these scopes through the learning of foreign language like Korean language. In his valuable speech, the Chairperson of the seminar Professor Mohammad Arshad Ali mentioned that with the introduction of Korean

language course along with other language courses like English, Japanese, Chinese, Arabic and French, another dimension has been added to Prime University Language School. He also expressed his expectation that the university students and other professionals will highly benefit by learning Korean language and strive towards a better future.

## Mock Trial at the Department of Law



*Asma Ali Khan, Head of the Department of Law handing over crest to the participants of the mock trial on 25.05.2015*

As a part of Academic Curriculum of LL.B (Honors) Program a mock trial of the 27th (outgoing) batch of

students of the Department of Law was arranged on May 25, 2015 at the Department. Senior Lecturer Golam Sarowar led the students while Lecturer Shachchidananda Ballav played the role of a Judge in the trial. It was nothing but a simulation of trial procedure of a court to train students to be good lawyers. Almost fifty students attended it. Md. Abdul Aziz, Registrar of the University attended the program and enjoyed with great enthusiasm. All the faculty members of the Department were present there. The program was followed by a crest distribution ceremony among the students where the Head and other faculties of the Department were present.

## Falgun Baron and Mehedy Utshab

Prime University Cultural Committee organized Falgun Baron and Mehedy Utshab on 17th February, 2015 to welcome Falgun, the Bangla month of renewed life in nature, through mehedy festival. The students of the university, specially of the Business Administration Department with the active participation and assistance of the teachers, arranged the occasion inaugurated at 10 am by the Head of the Department of Business

Administration.

The colourful arrangement was furnished with some fun segments, stalls and mehedy competition among the students and the best three performers in applying mehedy were awarded at the closing ceremony. Stalls of churi, alta, tip were set up by the students that created ripple among the visitors. The BOT members, high official, teachers and students paid enthusi-

astic visits to the stalls and bought the items of their choice. Food items mainly made at home by the students were tastefully arranged on four stalls. Velpuri was the main attraction of the stalls.

The closing ceremony of the Falgun Baron and Mehedy Utshab was arranged at 5:00 pm where the Treasurer, Registrar and Head of the Business Administration Department of the university distributed prizes to the winners.

## Rag Day in Different Departments



*Students of EEE department pose for photograph with the Head and Office Executive of the department on their Rag Day on 03.4.2015*

### Rag Day in Electrical and Electronic Engineering Department

April 03, 2015 was a joyous day for the students of 29th batch (Evening) of the Department of Electrical & Electronic Engineering as they celebrated it as their Rag Day. The formal program began at 3:00 pm. The Head of the Department of Electrical & Electronic Engineering, Md. Mostak Ahmed was present as the chief guest of the program with other faculty members as guest. Many of the outgoing students shared their feelings, their affection for the university with others. The faculty members delivered their speeches identifying the way the students should move ahead in their future lives. The Head of the department handed over the crests to the students as souvenir followed by a cultural program.

### Rag Day in the Department of Business Administration

The 28th Batch of the Department of Business Administration arranged a rag day on May 10, 2015 to commemorate the university life attuning a slogan "Let's enjoy the last day of the campus". The entire event consisted of three different sessions comprising opening ceremony, discussion session and a cultural function. The program, formally inaugurated by Professor Dr. Profulla C. Sarker, Vice Chancellor of the university, started with a colorful procession.

The discussion program was held at 4:00 pm with Honorable Chairman Md. Ashraf Ali, BOT, Prime University, Sr. Vice Chairman Mir Shahabuddin, BOT, Prime University, Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Profulla C. Sarker, Treasurer Prof. Mohammad Arshad Ali and Registrar, Md. Abdul Aziz on the dais followed by a cultural function with almost every student of the 28th batch performing on the stage. Traditional dances and songs, parodies, dramas, fashion shows by students were parts of the cultural event. Indeed, the rag day framed the fond memories of 28th batch with the sparkling spirits of moving forward and turning over a new life.

## Annual Picnic of Prime University Debating Society (2015)



Mentors, members of PUDS and their family members at Idrakpur Fort on 18.04.2015

After going through a hectic schedule with debate competitions and the stress of examinations, members of Prime University Debating Society (PUDS) gave themselves a well-deserved break through the annual picnic that took place at Munshiganj district on 18th April

2015. Eighteen members, mentors of the debate team and their family members participated in the event to rejuvenate themselves. They visited Idrakpur Fort at 10 am which was one of the Mughal Empire's defense structures against pirates. The journey took them to the birth place of Buddhist scholar, religious preceptor and philosopher, Atisha Dipankar Srijnan. Visiting such historic places was an exciting and memorable experience for all the attendees. The PUDS members visited the Padma Resort which is situated in a natural island of Padma river. It was a spectacular place to spend time together under the azure sky, amid lush greenery, endowed with the sounds of nature, precious beauty of Padma and surrounding cottages. During the trip, mentors, debaters enjoyed together the whole journey and the picnic created an amazing opportunity to strengthen the relationship among mentors and debaters.

## Students of EEE Department Organized a Get Together



From left: Students handing over flower bouquet to Professor Dr. M. Abdus Sobhan and Professor Sobhan addressing the audience on 11.05.2015

The students of the 28th batch (Day) of the Department of Electrical & Electronic Engineering (EEE) arranged a get together with Dean, Heads and all the faculty members of the Faculty of Engineering on May 11, 2015 in the conference room of the university. Professor Dr. M. Abdus Sobhan, Dean of the Faculty was the chief guest of the

program. The Head of the Departments of ETE and CSE, Professor Dr. Abu Saleh Abdun Noor along with the Head of the Department of EEE Md. Mostak Ahmed were the special guests.

At the beginning, after recitation from the holy Quran, the students welcomed their new

Dean with flower bouquets and then shared their feelings and experiences about the university. Some of the faculty members delivered their speeches indicating the future course of life for the students and also thanked the students for arranging such a program. The chief guest and special guests also delivered their speeches inspiring the students to work for the betterment of the nation as well as the whole world. Finally the students expressed their gratitude towards their respected teachers and promised to move on the way based on the principle of integrity in their future lives.

## Prime University Language School

Language skill development is a key factor in higher studies and work fields in the country and abroad. Employment opportunities, higher education facilities and business activities are also closely linked with some of the languages. With this fact in view, Prime University has taken a giant step in addressing the crucial issue of teaching foreign languages. The university has been running English Language School since 2007 covering both credit as well as non-credit courses. The credit courses are designed for all the departments other than English



Students in group discussion in a language class in May 2015

and syllabi are structured to cater to that required development of communicative skills. The non-credit courses are planned for the students with poor skills in English and classes are conducted for a whole semester to advance the enrolled students to a considerable degree. Recently the language school has

been reformed with a wider vision and greater mission and renamed as Prime University Language School. This has opened up opportunities for the university students as well as other professionals, executives and interested candidates to take up various foreign language courses. From 2015

onward, Prime University Language School has been offering English, Korean, Japanese, Chinese, French and Arabic language courses. The courses have been designed with special emphasis on developing communicative skills.

## Change in the Position of Vice Chancellor

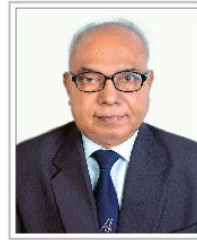
The tenure of service of the Vice Chancellor Professor Dr. Profulla C. Sarker came to an end on 31. 5. 2015. In the vacancy Professor Dr.

M Abdus Sobhan, Dean of the Faculty of Engineering is going to join on the 1st day of the ensuing Summer Semester 2015. Details

will be contained in the next issue of the newsletter, Summer Semester 2015.

## New Deans in Different Faculties

Professor Dr. M Abdus Sobhan has joined as the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering on April 22, 2015. Earlier on April 12, 2015 he had joined as a Professor in the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering of the university. Professor Sobhan was the founder Vice Chancellor of Prime University from 01. 12. 2002 to 30. 11. 2004. On the other hand, Professor Dr. M Abul Hossain Sikder has joined as the Dean of the Faculty of Business Studies on April 22, 2015. He had joined as a Professor in the Department of Business Administration of the university on the 1st April 2015. Professor Sikder has served as the Vice Chancellor of Atish Dipankar University of Science and Technology prior to his joining this university.



Professor Dr.  
M Abdus Sobhan



Professor Dr.  
M Abul Hossain Sikder

## New Joining and Promotions

Prime University is always in search for talented and good teachers to provide the students quality education. In the Spring Semester, 2015 new faculty members as well as executive joined the university.

Professor Dr. Abdur Rahman joined as a Professor in the Department of Business Administration on 13. 05. 2015. Professor Rahman has served as the Chairman of the Department of Business Administration and Agribusiness in Atish Dipankar University of Science and Technology before joining PU.

In the Department of Law, Dr. Noor Mohammad joined as an Associate Professor and Head of the Department on 01. 06. 2015. On the other hand ten new faculty members have been appointed in different depart-

ments of the university. In the department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Sajib Sen, Md. Kibria Saroare, Miraz Uz Zaman, Kristie Huda, Utpal Bhowmik and Apurba Kumar Kundu joined as Lecturers. Abu Sayeed joined as Junior Lecturer in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering and Mst. Tanzila Yasmin joined in the Department of English. Recently the university promoted eleven faculty members in different departments. Dr. Momotaz Begum, Sr. Lecturer of the Department of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering (ETE) has been promoted to Assistant Professor; Md. Mostafijur Rahman, Golam Sarowar, Md. Nazir Ahmed & Ashiya Akter Lecturers of the

Department of Law, Md. Wasib bin Latif, Rabeya Khatun Taniya & Saima Sultana Lecturers of the Department of Business Administration, Shahriar Mohammad Kamal & Md. Abdul Awal Lecturers of the Department of English and finally, Shuvodip Das, Lecturer, Department of ETE have been promoted to Sr. Lecturers in their respective departments.

Moreover, university has appointed Md. Redoanul Haque as an Assistant Registrar. On the other hand, Md. Zakir Hossain, PS to Vice Chancellor has been promoted to Assistant Registrar from his previous position. All the newly appointed and promoted personnel were cordially welcomed in the university.

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