



CIU School of Business Organizes Seminar on Family Business

A seminar entitled "Family Business and Entrepreneurship: Transition to Corporate Business in Bangladesh" was held at CIU on 10th September, 2016 at CIU Auditorium. The seminar was organized by the School of Business and presided over by the Vice Chancellor Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury. Professor Abdul Mannan, Chairman of University Grants Commission (UGC) delivered a speech as the Chief Guest.

Mr. Syed Mahmudul Huq, Member BoT, CIU, Mr. M A Malek, Editor, The Daily Azadi, Mr. S M Abu Tayyab, Chairperson of IBFB, Dr. Moinul Islam, Director of CSE, Mr. M A Motaleb, Chairman, Kishwan and Banoful Group, Dr. Selim Uddin (FCMA), Professor, Dept. of Accounting, CU, Mr. Syed Md. Tanvir, Director, Pacific Jeans, Mrs. Sabin Aameir, Director, BSRM, Mr. S H Bishal, Director, Abul Khair Group, and Mr. Shoyeb Riyad, Owner, MEB Group delivered speeches in the seminar.

The Chief Guest stated that young entrepreneurs should acquire knowledge about the history of prominent successful business persons of the past and should try to flourish their family business. He also mentioned that to become an investor one has to be risk taker and innovative.

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Shah, Director of Chittagong Chambers of Commerce, Mr. Jahir Uddin, Managing Director, Mostafa Group, Engineer Iftekhar Hossain Shohag, Managing Director, CPDL, Mr. Manjurul Hoque, Owner of Barcode Restaurant, Mr. Md. Ali Hossain, Director, PHP Group, Mr. Akib Kamal, Director, Meridian Group, Mr. Jalal Ahmed Rumman, Director, North West Group and other educationists, industrialists and entrepreneurs from Chittagong were present at the Seminar. Along with the students of CIU, faculty members and members from the administration were present at the seminar as well

CIU Organizes Orientation Program Autumn 2016

Chittagong Independent University organized an Orientation Program for the newly admitted undergraduate students of Autumn Semester at the Auditorium of the University on 3rd September, 2016. The program was presided over by Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor, Chittagong Independent Unversity, while Mr. Md Aminuzzaman Bhuiyan, Member Board of Trustees, Managing Director, Uni Group of Industries was the Chief Guest of the program. Dr. Syed Serajul Huq, Vice Chairman, ESTCDT (parent organization of IUB and CIU) and Engr. Ali Ahmed, Member Board of Trustees, were also present at the program.

The Chief Guest said 'Bangladesh has made a significant progress towards a more





prosperous society and the young generation should take the responsibility of leading this society'. Mr. Md Aminuzzaman Bhuiyan also urged that students should prepare themselves for the challenges of this present world and come out as best professionals through hardwork and dedication.

Welcoming the new students Dr. Syed Serajul Huq, Vice Chairman, ESTCDT (parent organization of IUB and CIU), declared that the TRUST would always provide all kinds of support to the development of this university. He also mentioned that Chittagong Independent University would become one of the leading universities in Bangladesh for its teaching quality. In his speech Engr. Ali Ahmed, Member, BoT, stated that CIU could attain its success in convincing parents to prefer this university over other private universities in Dhaka. He also declared that CIU would have its permanent campus very soon.

Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury, the chairman of the program stated that although the idea of private higher education being actually developed from social responsibility and driven by considerations of excellence rather than profit. Chittagong Independent University is directed by Board of Trustees with the vision of social development and no profit is received by the members of trustees.

Dr. M. Ayub Islam, Advisor, School of Business, Prof. M Zakir Hossain, Acting Dean, School of Law, Prof. Quazi Mostain Billah, Professor, School of Liberal Arts, and Dr. Nuruzzaman, Dean, School of Engineering informed the new students of academic and campus life as well as gave guidance on how to make the most out of their university education.

Mr. Sarker Kamrul Mamun, Acting Registrar, CIU assured extending all kinds of support and cooperation to the newly admitted students alongside their parents.

Brent Richardson, existing student, School of Business, and Chowdhury Maisha Kamal, new student, Department of English, shared their experiences in the programme.

The Orientation Program was conducted by Ms. Robaka Shamsher, Assistant Professor and Ms. Rifat Tasnim, Assistant Professor, Department of English. The program ended after a lively performance of the students of CIU.

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The Closing Ceremony of the World Bank financed 'CIU Top Up IT' Project

Top Up IT and ITES Foundation Skills Training Project Closing Ceremony was held on 2nd September 2016 at Chittagong Independent University (CIU) Reading Room. The program was arranged by The Government of Bangladesh in collaboration with world famous consulting agency "Ernst & Young" and World Bank. The project participants were 29 CIU students who did almost six months of marketing and soft skills training. Mr. Rahul Dutta,



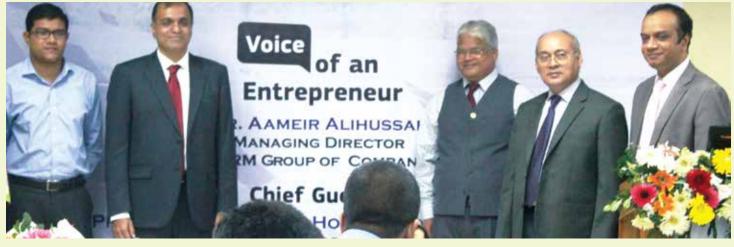
qualified international educator from India trained the students in the project. After successful completion of the project, students will receive certificates from CIU as well as George Washington University, USA. Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor, CIU, chaired the program and stated that among the other private universities in Chittagong only Chittagong Independent University's students had the opportunity to participate in this project. He assured to organize such international level project in future and asked students to share their experiences with everyone. On behalf of the students, Helal Uddin Chowdhury, student of SoB, gave a speech in the event. The event was conducted by Jesad Alam, student, SoB. Prof. Dr. Ayub Islam, Advisor, SoB, Dr. Mahmud Hassan, Chairman, Department of Marketing, Dr. Syed Manzur Quader, Chairman, Department of Finance and Economics, Engr. Rashid A. Chowdhury, Chairman, Department of Management and MIS were present at the programme.

CIU Student's Achievement in LICT Project

Mr. Jishan Mahmud, student, MBA, CIU performed brilliantly in the LICT project. The LICT project, a Special Project of Bangladesh Govt., was conducted in collaboration with Ernst & Young's and World Bank Financial assistance. In Digital Marketing course under the project he obtained 3rd place among 3,500 students who took part in online based digital marketing competition. This test was monitored by NASCAM, Ernst & Young's Technology and Bangladesh Computer Council (BCC) on behalf of the Bangladesh Government. Before that Ernst & Young conducted approximately 6 months of training for the 3 thousand and a half students throughout the country in Digital Marketing under the project. For his special feat Jisan Mahmood received "Certificate of Achievement" from George Washington University, USA. Under the three party agreement signed by Ernst & Young and BCC on behalf of the Government of Bangladesh on 17th November 2016, Chittagong Independent University got the opportunity to participate in this project.



First Episode of CIU-Royal Cement Corporate Talk Series



Chittagong Independent University hosted its first ever CIU-Royal Cement Corporate Talk series: 'Voice of an Entrepreneur' event on September 29, 2019 at the CIU Reading Room. The program was conducted by the Dean of SoB, Prof. Dr. Nurul Absar Nahid. Among others, the Director of BSRM Group, Ms. Sabin Aameir, Advisor to the CIU Business School, Prof. Dr. M. Ayub Islam, Chairman of the CIU Finance Department and Program Convener, Dr. Syed Manzur Quader, Chairman of the CIU Marketing Department, Dr. Mahmud Hassan, Chairman of CIU General Management Department, Engr. Rashid A. Chowdhury, Chairman of Human Resources Management Department, Mr. Moslehuddin Khaled, Assistant Professor of English Department, Mr. Saifur Rahman; Librarian, Dr. Md. Zillur Rahman and a large number of graduate students were in attendance for the session. The honorable chief guest for this session was the CIU Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury.

As the Chief Speaker of this session, Mr. Aameir Alihussain, Managing Director of BSRM Group of Companies started the session stressing that a student must maintain moral standards in order to





succeed in their prospective career. He commended CIU's efforts for organizing a marvelous talk series which was also sponsored by Royal Cement Limited. He further stated that this talk series would help graduate students gain ideas about the corporate world and help usher them into the future.

"In the absence of credible ethics, no organization can survive for the second generation in the corporate world. It takes a lot of time to build a business and garner respect, however it does not minutes to see it crumble. Whatever the students decide to do with their respective lives, they must maintain their moral standards in all respects. Also, students should engage in social and community service. There might not be enough money in your hands but there is time. Spend this time in social work. As a result you will understand the daily struggles of low income people. Understanding the population

dynamics will also be useful in your future career. In terms of choosing a career, a student must follow their aspirations regardless of what people say. Students should have effective communications and interpersonal skills. They should be competent and well-versed in the English Language. Being a team player and learning that skill would help enhance a student's decision making skills. You must learn how to reinvent yourself with time," Aameir Alihussain said.

"North American Universities are particularly known for teaching students in the inductive method. Students come up with their own case studies and work through it by themselves. This augments their practical skills in accordance with their theoretical knowledge. In this way the students gain and apply their holistic knowledge in real-world applications. CIU emulates the same methods for its students and today's talk series is a reflection of that," Chief Guest Prof. Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury shared.

Indicating the success of BSRM, CIU Trust Board Member, Mr. A. Quaiyum Khan says that BSRM has managed to set up the world's biggest factory in Chittagong. This is an exemplary model upon which students can learn from and educate themselves.

"A student shouldn't only measure a successful person based on their achievements but also focus on that person's struggle to reach the peak of their career," Faisal Nasir Khan, Chief Communication Officer at Royal Cement shared.

A lively discussion amongst the students was maintained during the open question-answer panel in the second phase of the program with the Managing Director of BSRM.

CIU Hosts The United Nations Information Center's Meeting

To ensure equality and non-discrimination in the world of development, the United Nations Sustainable Development set targets for 2030 (Sustainable Development Goals or SDGs). Under this project 17 targets have been taken. And to provide that idea to students of CIU United Nations Information Center held a meeting on 5th October 2016 at Chittagong Independent University (CIU) Reading Room. The meeting was presided over by Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor CIU. Mohammad Mr. Moniruzaman, the United Nations Information Center Officer in Charge, presented

the article at the meeting. Mr. Mohammad Nurul Islam, Japanese Honorary Consul and the Founder President of the Nippon Academy, and Ms. Mumtaz Begum UN Information Official gave speeches at the meeting.

Mr. Mohammad Moniruzzaman explained about SDGs by saying that on September 25,

2015, countries adopted a set of goals to end poverty, protect the planet, and ensure prosperity for all as part of a new sustainable development agenda. Each goal has specific targets to be achieved over the next 15 years. He further urged that for the goals to be reached, everyone needs to do their part:





governments, the private civil sector, society and people like you. Vice Chancellor Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury stated that world needs effective presence of United Nations. Dr. Nurul Absar Nahid, Dean, SoB, Dr. M. Ayub Islam, Advisor, SoB, Dr. Mahmud Hassan, Chairman, Marketing Department, Dr. Syed Manzur Quader, Chairman Finance and Economics Department, Engr. Rashid A. Chowdhury, Chairman, Department of Management and MIS, Mr. Kamruddin Parvez, Assistant Professor, Mr. Abu Sohel Mahmud, Assistant Professor, Dr. Zillur Rahman, Librarian and Mr. Cumar Doyel Dey Assistant Director, Administration and the students of CIU attended the meeting. The Event was hosted by Chairman of HRM Department, Assistant Professor Mr. Mosleh Uddin Chowdhury Khaled.



CIU Dept. of English Organizes 'Freshmen' Reception & Prize Giving Ceremony Freshmen Reception was organized in September 2016 by the Department of English of CIU at the American Corner Chittagong. The program was graced by the Vice Chancellor of Chittagong Independent University (CIU) Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury, Ms. Safia Ghazi Rahman, Member, BOT & Ms. Dilruba Rahman, Member, BOT. The distinguished guests cordially welcomed the freshmen and their motivational speeches made the students feel at home in the Dept. The Honorable VC expressed his joy and enthusiasm in observing the Dept. growing from strength to strength. He added that all suppots will be

rendered from his administration for enriching the Dept. The respected teachers of the Dept. Professor Quazi Mostain Billah, Asst. Professor & Head of the Department Ms. Charmain Rodrigues, Asst. Professors, Ms. Rifat Tasnim and Mr. Md. Saifur Rahman were also present at the program. The freshers' reception concluded with a cultural program organized by the students of the Dept. namely Stella, Bablu, Moazzam, Rony and others. The entire program was conducted by Enayeth Ullah, Zarin Tasnim, Mumin-ul-Islam Apurba and Monia Ghosh .

CIU Introduces Finger Print Technology

CIU introduces Finger Print Technology for the students. Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor CIU along with Faculty and Staff Members inaugurated the system on October 20, 2016. To ensure the presence of the students at the university, this system has been introduced. In addition to that this technology will send instant messages to the guardians about the students' presence at the university premises.



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CIU Annual Sports Competition 2016

The Inauguration Program of Annual Sports Competition, 2016 was held on 20th October 2016 at Chittagong Independent University campus. Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury , Vice Chancellor, Chittagong Independent University , inaugurated the program. Students of CIU participated in both indoor and outdoor sports events in this monthlong arrangement. Sports events, such as Cricket, Football, Badminton, Table-tennis (singles and doubles), Pool (singles and doubles), Carom (singles and doubles), Ludo and some other events were arranged for the male and female students separately. Two events, Ludo and Pool, were held on the first day of the competition.

After the inauguration program Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury ,Vice Chancellor, CIU, visited the indoor events and met the participants. Dr. Nurul Absar Nahid, Dean, SoB, Dr. M. Ayub Islam, Advisor, SoB, Dr. Mahmud Hassan, Chairman, Marketing Department, Dr. Syed Manzur Quader, Associate Professor and Chairman, Department of Finance and Economics, Ms. Robaka Shamsher, Assistant Professor, Mr. Cumar Doyel Dey, Assistant Director, Administration and students of



different departments of CIU attended the program. Mr. Abu Sohel Mahmud, Assistant Professor, School of Business, was the Convener of the event.

SLASS Faculty Speaks at National Conference of BELTA

Ms. Charmain Rodrigues, Asst. Professor & Head (Dept. of English) of Chittagong Independent University (CIU) speaking on the theme entitled "Empowering the English Language Teacher" at the Plenary Session of the National Conference organized by Bangladesh English Language Teachers Association (BELTA), on 22 October 2016, held at DSHE, Agrabad, Chittagong.



CIU Faculty Member Presents Paper at an International Conference

Mr. Saifur Rahman , Assistant Professor, Department of English, CIU presented a paper titled "From Hamlet to Haider: The Existential Anguish of the Individual under State Surveillance" at a three-day International Conference on "Shakespeare: Four Hundred Years After" at Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) Dhaka on 4th November 2016. The paper explored the nature and impact of state surveillance, on the protagonist in Vishal Bhardwaj's adaptation of Shakespeare's Hamlet in the light of Michel Foucault" "Penopticism" and Jean Paul Sartre's concept of "The Look".







SECS Organizes Workshop on Robotics in collaboration with CIU and Alpha Bytes

A workshop on Robotics was held on 21st October 2016. Country is progressing through information and technology. In many aspects students are proving their credibility. To continue this they must find new ways to flourish.

Students' involvement in new sector of ICT has to be greater too. In the Robotics workshop of CIU these words were stated by the trainers and guests. This workshop was held with the collaboration of School of Engineering & Computar Science (SECS) and Alpha Byte to inspire new generation to build robots. This workshop was conducted by the director of Alpha Byte Technology Mr. Rakebul Hasan Raju Miyaji at Lokoproshason Training Center Chittagong. 57 students of different institutions took part in the workshop. The process of making robots was given as training to the students as firsthand experience. During the workshop the trainer gave answers to several questions asked by the participants. Workshop closing statement was given by Dr. M. Nuruzzaman, Dean of Engineering and Computer Science, CIU. He urged students to acquire knowledge about changing information technology. Mr. Rubell Sen Gupta, Assistant Professor

and Chairman, Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Mr. Amran Haroon, Chairman, Assistant Professor and Chairman, Electronic and Telecommunication Engineering, and Mr. Golap Kanti Dey, Lecturer, SECS gave speeches at the event. Mr. Syed Ahmed Ishtiak, Director, Alpha Bytes Technology and Mr. Robin Miyaji, Mr. Rifat Hossain, Mr. M. A. Hashem and Rahatuzzaman, Mr. Imtiaz, Mr. members were present at the program. At the end of the workshop certificates were distributed among the students.



British Council Deputy Director Meets the Vice Chancellor of CIU

Deputy Director of British Council Bangladesh Mr. Jim Scarth had a meeting with the Vice Chancellor of Chittagong Independent University at his office on 30th October 2016. Ms. Sarwat Reza, Library Manager, British Council Bangladesh, and Mr. Mashudul Alam, Library Coordinator, British Council, Chittagong were present at the meeting. During the discussion, Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury, VC, CIU, mentioned the strong relationship between Chittagong

Independent University and British Council Bangladesh. He further mentioned that CIU is very optimistic about the relationship and would like to have more cooperation from British Council Bangladesh. After having discussion on various topics Mr. Jim Scarth, Deputy Director, British Council Bangladesh, showed his gratitude and assured his complete support about the proposal.





SECS Hosts Seminar on "Internet of Things" at CIU

A seminar entitled 'Dynamic Wireless Sensor Network for the Internet of Things' was held on 2nd November at Chittagong Independent University (CIU) Reading Room under the supervision of Mr. Atiqur Rahman, Assistant Professor and Chairman, Department of Computer Science, Computer Engineering and Computer Science and Engineering, CIU. "IOT" or "internet of things" & "wireless sensor is that kind of technology by which you can learn about your land and gather information from distance or a doctor can get appropriate information and about his patient and treat them from abroad. 'Internet of Things and Wireless Sensor Technology' is a trending topic in Modern Science. Dr. AKM Muzahidul Islam, Professor, University of Technology Malaysia, was the Key-note Speaker of the seminar. Dr. M. Nuruzzaman, Dean of Engineering and Computer Science, CIU chaired the program. Mr. Amran Haroon, Assistant Professor and Chairman, Electronic and Telecommunication Engineering, Mr. Abul Kalam Md. Rajib Hasan, Assistant Professor, Mr. Rubell Sen Gupta, Assistant Professor and Chairman,

Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Dr. Sajib Dasgupta, Assistant Professor and Mr. Golap Kanti Dey, Lecturer were present at the seminar. After the programme Dr. AKM Muzahidul Islam, Professor, University of Technology Malaysia had a tour of the institution and met Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor, CIU. The Vice Chancellor proposed the speaker to arrange student exchange programs for the graduating students of CIU.

Sufi Mizanur Rahman speaks at the 2nd Episode of CIU Royal Cement Corporate Talk

Knowledge without morality is of no value, opines renowned business personality and Chairman of PHP Group Sufi Mizanur Rahman. He was speaking as the Keynote Speaker of the 2nd Episode of the CIU Royal Cement Corporate Talk held at CIU Auditorium on November 12, 2016. The Corporate Talk Series is sponsored by Royal Cement with the aim of helping CIU to provide ideas about the corporate world to the students, and inspire the next generation of corporate leaders. Member of Parliament Ms. Waseqa Ayesha Khan and CIU Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury also spoke on the occasion.

The Keynote Speaker remarked that aside from being punctual, students have to work hard to achieve their goals. They have to do more work than is required, and have to be caring towards their work and institution. He urged them to be entrepreneurs instead of job seekers, and make a positive contribution to the society. Member of Parliament Wasika Ayesha Khan MP stated that in the corporate world, all customers have to be treated equally, and with patience, and that a network needs to be established as well. CIU Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury also stated that to face the challenges of life, aside



from bookish knowledge, the students need practical knowledge as well.

The program was presided over by Dr. Nurul Absar Nahid, Dean of the School of Business, CIU. Among the attendees were present Dr. M. Nuruzzaman, Dean of the School of Engineering CIU, Dr. M. Ayub Islam, Advisor of the School of Business CIU, Dr. Manzur Quader, Chairman of Department of Finance CIU and moderator of the program, Dr. Mahmud Hassan, Chairman of the Department of Marketing CIU, Engr. Rashid Ahmed Chowdhury, Chairman of the Department of Management and MIS, CIU, Mr. Atiqur Rahman, Chairman of the Department of Computer Science CIU, Mr. Amran Haroon, Chairman of the Department of Telecommunication Engineering CIU, Mr. Abu Sohel Mahmood, Faculty Member of the Department of Marketing, Dr. Nayeem Abdullah, Faculty Member of the Department of Finance, Mr. Sarker Kamrul Mamun, Acting Registrar of CIU, Dr. Zillur Rahman, Librarian of CIU, and Mr. Md. Hasan Majed, Manager of Finance & Accounts Department of Royal Cement Limited, along with a large number of students.



Students of the Dept. of English, CIU participate in Classroom Practices at 'Fulki'



The students of the Dept. of English of CIU participated in classroom practices and observation at "Fulki" on November 10, 2016, supervised by Asst. Professor Ms. Rifat Tasnim. This outdoor experience at school was an opener for the students to prepare themselves for future endeavors especially in teaching at any level. Trisha Dutta, Zarin Tasnim, Hafsa Begum and others participated in this teaching / learning exposure of the course titled ELT 303 'Classroom Teaching & Practices'.

CIU Hosts Grass Hopper Programming Camp

To give an idea about programming to female students of Chittagong Independent University a three day long programming camp was held on 10th November 2016 at CIU. School of Engineering, CIU and Bangladesh Source Network jointly Open organized the event. On the closing day Vice Chancellor Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury distributed certificates to the participants. He said that in programming sector women have opportunities to work and if they concentrate and dedicate themselves they will be successful in computer programming. Ms. Waseqa Ayesha Khan, Member of Parliament, Dr.



Nova Ahmad, Professor, North South University, Dr. M. Nuruzzaman, Dean, SECS, Mr. Amran Haroon, Assistant Professor and Chairman, Electronic and Telecommunication Engineering gave speeches at the programme.

CIU School of Law Organises International Student Exchange Program with KSL

The SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals) cannot be achieved leaving behind the physically weak, stated Mr. Salahuddin Kasem Khan, Managing Director AK Khan & Company Limited. He was speaking as the Chief Guest at the Inauguration of the International Student Exchange Program being held in the Auditorium of Chittagong Independent University (CIU). The Exchange Program is organized jointly by the School of Law (SOL), CIU and Katmandu School of Law (KSL), Nepal. 23 students and 3 instructors from Nepal along with 32 law students from different universities in Bangladesh participated in the 5 day exchange program.



was presided over by Prof. Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor of CIU. Prof. Md. Zakir Hossain, Former Member of Bangladesh Judicial Service Commission and Former Dean of the School of Law Chittagong University, Dr. M. Nuruzzaman, Dean of the School of Engineering and Computer Science CIU, Dr. Nurul Absar Nahid, Dean of the School of Business CIU, Dr. M. Ayub Islam, Advisor of the School of Business CIU, and Asst. Prof. Suraj Basnat of KSL also spoke on the occasion.

Vice Chancellor of CIU Prof. Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury stated that the exchange program will enable students in Bangladesh and Nepal to gain knowledge about the various aspects of the law. Prof. Md. Zakir Hossain observed that the exchange program is the first of its kind in Bangladesh, organized by the School of Law, CIU. Dr. Nurul Absar Nahid, Dean, SoB stated the next century will belong to South Asia, and all concerned have to work together in this regard.



The Inauguration Program

Asst. Prof. Suraj Basnat of KSL stated that the students and teachers of Nepal felt honored to be part of the program.

Among the students, Ms. Zerin Tasnim Morshed of the School of Law, CIU and Ms. Asma Moinali of Katmandu School of Law spoke on the occasion. The program was moderated by Ms. Nahid Khan, Acting Registrar of CIU. Among the attendees were present Dr. Mahmud Hassan, Chairman of the Department of Marketing CIU, Dr. Syed Manzur Quader, Chairman of the Department of Finance and Economics CIU, Engr. Rashid Ahmed Chowdhury, Chairman of the Department of Management CIU, Mr. Atiqur Rahman, Chairman of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering CIU, Engr. Rubbell Sen Goopta, Chairman of the Department of Electrical Engineering CIU, Chairmain Rodrigues, Chairman of the Department of English, Asst. Prof of the Department of Marketing of CIU Ms. Robaka Shamsher, Asst. Prof of the Department of English of CIU Saifur Rahman, Faculty Member of the School of Law CIU and Convener of the Program Mr. Badsha Mia, Controller of Examination, CIU Mr. Sarker Kamrul Mamun, Librarian Dr. Zillur Rahman, Asst. Director of CITS Mr. Mostafizur Rahman and Asst. Director of Administration Mr. Cumar Doyel Dey along with the students from Bangladesh and Nepal.

SoL Organizes Workshop on Access to Justice at CIU

CIU School of Law (SoL) organized a daylong workshop on Access to Justice for Refugees on 26th November, 2016 at CIU Auditorium. Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor, Chittagong Independent University, Mr. Munshi Md. Moshiar Rahman, Judicial Chief Magistrate, Chittagong and Mr. John McKissick, Head of Sub-Office, UNHCR Cox's Bazar graced the occasion at the beginning of the workshop. The program was presided over by Professor Md. Zakir Hossain, Acting Dean, SoL.

The speakers of the program addressed the current condition of Refugees. Rohingya This particular segment of Citizens of Myanmar has been suffering from longtime deprivation of basic human rights. The speakers urged that the International Law should provide security to these assaulted people international and institutions should work together solve this crisis. Faculty to members of different schools, staff and students were present at the workshop.



Department of CSE of SECS Arranges Workshop on "Linux Operating System" at CIU

The Department of CSE of SECS arranged a day long hands-on workshop on Linux Operating System on 23rd November, 2016, for the benefit of the final year engineering students. Mr. Tarique Hashem, Senior Information System Analyst and Professional Linux Certified of Chittagong Independent University was the resource person of the session. Mr. Hashem pointed out that Linux is the most preferred operating system for mobile phones, tablet computers, network routers and video games. In the session he discussed on Basic Linux Operating System and UNIX. Mr. Atiqur Rahman, Assistant Professor and Chairman of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering inaugurated the workshop.



Seminar on PLC (Programmable Logic Controller) and Industrial Automation

Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering of Chittagong Independent workshop organized a University on "Programmable Logic Controller and Industrial Automation" on December 01, 2016 at the Communication Lab of CIU. PLC is widely used in industry for automation of electromechanical systems such as machinery, assembly lines and light fixtures etc. The main objective of the workshop was to give hands-on experience of Programmable Logic Controller and its working and how it is used in automation for medium and large industries. The speaker of the seminar was Engr. Ehsan Uddin Ahammad from BSRM. Engr.



Rubell Sen Goopta, Assistant Professor and Head of the Dept. of EEE delivered the Welcome Speech. Faculty members and students of School of Engineering & Computer Science attended the workshop.



CIU Organizes Webinar on "Active Learning Using New Technologies in Higher Education"

Dr. Luis V. Casallo, Faculty Member of Department of Marketing, Zaragoza University, Spain spoke at a Webinar entitled "Active Learning: Using New Technologies in Higher Educaiton" organized by the Centre of Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL) of Chittagong Independent University (CIU) on December 1, 2016 at CIU Conference Room. The webinar was organized to facilitate the exchange of idea between researchers in Spain and Bangladesh. Among the attendees present were Mr. A. Quaiyum Khan, Member, Board of Trustees (BoT), CIU and Prof. Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor, CIU.

In his speech, Dr. Casallo emphasized the role of new technologies in providing education, and stated that students learn more from experience and applied knowledge, and it is in this aspect that new technologies can help to improve the knowledge and skills of the students. Any university around the world can use these new



technologies to facilitate learning. Dr. Casallo mentioned that YouTube and Twitter are extensively used in the Marketing courses at Zaragoza University. He also observed that a shortage of enthusiasm and belief act as barriers to the use of new technologies in higher learning.

Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor, CIU thanked Dr. Casallo for

his speech and invited him to visit CIU in the near future. The webinar was conducted by Dr. Mahmud Hassan, Chairman, Department of Marketing and Director CETL. The attendees included the Dean of the School of Business Dr. Nurul Absar Nahid along with other department heads, faculty members and officers.

CIU Dept. of English Organizes Seminar on Partition of India in South Asian Fiction



A highly informative, enthusiastic and thought provoking seminar on "Partition of India in South Asian Fiction" was held on December 4, 2016 at the Dept. of English. The seminar was supervised by Asst. Professor Mr. Md. Saifur Rahman. The students who participated in this seminar were Trisha Dutta, Chy. Tabassum Ferdowshi, Zarin Tasnim, Lloyd A. Rodrigues and Enayath Ullah. The seminar was graced by Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor, CIU. He shared his views and experience on the Partition of India and appreciated the effort of the seminar.

Mr. Quazi Mostain Billah, Professor, Department of English, Ms. Charmain Rodrigues, Chairman, Department of English, Ms. Rifat Tasnim, Asst. Professor, Department of English and Md. Saifur Rahman, Asst. Professor, Department of English were present at the seminar.

Inauguration of CCAS Library and Archive at CIU

Chittagong Centre for Advanced Studies (CCAS) was established in 2014 at Chittagong Independent University (CIU). The aim of CCAS is to facilitate research on the history, culture, economy and development plans of Chittagong. Recently with support from the Bangladesh Bank a state-of-the-art Library and Archive was inaugurated at CCAS on December 11, 2016. The Chief Guest of the Inauguration Program was Mr. Sitangshu Kumar (S.K.) Sur Chowdhury, Deputy Governor, Bangladesh Bank.

The Program was presided over by Prof. Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor, CIU. The Program was conducted by Dr. Shamsul Hossain, Member Secretary and Researcher of CCAS. Among the attendees were present Prof. M. Sekander Khan, Vice Chancellor of East Delta University, Prof. Dr. M. Mufakharul Islam, Former Vice Chancellor of National University, and Prof. Dr. Moniruzzaman, Former Dean of the Arts Faculty, Chittagong University.

The Chief Guest remarked that Bangladesh Bank was proud to have assisted CCAS to establish the library and archive. Prof. Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury, VC, CIU extend his thanks to Bangladesh Bank for assisting CCAS, and hoped that the support will continue in future. Prof. Dr. M. Mufakharul Islam stated an organization like CCAS will inspire the researchers of Chittagong. Prof. M. Sekander Khan expressed his hope that more organizations will undertake CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility) activities, while Prof. Dr. Moniruzzaman remarked that CCAS was poised to make a historic contribution.

The guests of the program included Prof. Dr. Moinul Islam, Eminent Economist and UGC Professor, Bishnu Pada Saha, Executive Director of Bangladesh Bank in Chittagong, Deputy Director Md. Shoaib Chowdhury, A.B.M.A. Bashet, Executive





Vice President of Planned Chittagong Forum, Architect Zerin Hossain, Prof. Siddique Ahmed Chowdhury, Department of Political Science Chittagong University, Prof. Ekhlasur Rahman and Former Prof. Hayat Hossain, History Department of Chittagong University, Author Satyabrata Barua, Dr. M. Ayub Islam, Advisor, School of Business CIU, Quazi Mostain Billah, Professor, School of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences CIU, Engr. Rashid Ahmed Chowdhury, Chairman, Department of Management and MIS CIU, Dr. Zillur Rahman, Librarian CIU, Mr. Saifur Rahman, Asst. Prof. Department of English CIU, and Mr. Badsha Mia, Lecturer, School of Law, CIU.

CIU Celebrates Victory Day 2016

On December 16, 2016, Members Faculty of Chittagong Independent University (CIU) convened at the newly inaugurated Faculty Lounge at CIU for a conference regarding Victory Day. Vice Chancellor Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury presided over the conference. attendance In of this conference were Dr. M. Nuruzzaman. Dean of SECS. Dr. M. Ayub Islam, Advisor, SoB and Engr. Rashid Α. Chowdhury, General Management & Management Information System (MIS), Faculty Member, each in turn discussed their views on Victory Day.

Vice Chancellor Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury commemorated the event stating that the present generation is woefully ignorant about the ideals of Bangabondhu and the significance of the War of Liberation. He further stated that if we want to make our victory meaningful and successful then we need to follow the ideals of the liberation war. These ideals must be established within society, state and in all aspects of life. The memory of the war of liberation is unforgettable.

"During the Liberation War, I was a teacher at Rajshahi University. During that time, neighbors and other teachers went missing of which many did not return. Hence, the Victory Day simultaneously reminds us of pain and joy," Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science, Dr. M. Nuruzzaman said.

Earlier this day, Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury hoisted the national flag on campus prior to the inauguration of Victory Day program. Deans, Chairmans and Faculty members of various schools



as well as the staff members participated in the program and made it a resounding success.



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