



### Project Auditors Should Be Purpose-Based

The Institute of Governance, Development and, International Studies (IGDIS), Chittagong Independent University (CIU) organized a talk titled **'Public Financial Management Framework in Bangladesh'** on 28 November 2021 at CIU Auditorium. **Mr. Mohammad Muslim Chowdhury**, Comptroller and Auditor General of Bangladesh was the Key Speaker and Chief Guest of the program. He explained government accounting structure and stated that the public financial management process has a special place in the administrative system. Therefore, auditors should also focus much more on the objectives of the project when they approve the audit report. CIU VC Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury was present as the Special Guest and handed over a crest to the Chief Guest at the ceremony. IGDIS Director Prof. Dr Syed Manzur Quader conducted the program. IQAC Advisor Professor Dr. Mohammad Ayub Islam, and CIU Business School's Associate Professor Dr. Emon Kalyan Chowdhury spoke in the event. The Deans, faculty members, and a number of students attended the program.

### Canadian Support for CIU



Representatives of **Canadian High Commission** paid a courtesy visit to CIU Vice Chancellor Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury on 27 October 2021 at the latter's office. **Ms. Angela Dark**, Senior Trade Commissioner, High Commission of Canada was accompanied by Mr. Kazi Golam Forhad, Trade Commissioner, Ms. Anjuman Banu Lima, Acting Registrar of CIU and Mr. Cumar Doyel Dey, Deputy Director of CIU. She was pleased with the academic environment of CIU and various issues were discussed in the meeting including research, student scholarship, joint research program, opportunities for higher study, regular workshops and seminars. "We are very much committed to taking CIU teachers and students forward in higher education. It is our expectation that top universities in Canada will create opportunities for them to pursue higher degrees," added **Ms. Angela Dark**.



## Bangladesh Supports Initiatives on Prevention of Climate Change

School of Law, Chittagong Independent University organized an international webinar on one of the most burning global issues, titled **'Climate Change Before the World Court'** on 27 October 2021. The Keynote Speaker of this program was **Professor Dr. Jorge E. Vinales**, Harold Samuel Chair of Law and Environmental Policy, University of Cambridge. He stated that Bangladesh is in the frontline of a possible climate catastrophe together with other countries. The voice of Bangladesh has a strong influence on the Climate Vulnerability Forum and hence it is important that Bangladesh supports initiatives on prevention of climate change. CIU Vice Chancellor Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury was present as the Special Guest, while Mr. Mohammed Belayet Hossain, Assistant Dean and Assistant Professor of SolL, CIU presided over it. Ms. Ramisa Jahan, Lecturer conducted the program.



## A 'Jubilant Day' for the Graduates



The **Department of English**, School of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (SLASS), Chittagong Independent University organized a colorful program titled **'Celebrating Graduation 2021'** on 2 December 2021 at CIU auditorium. The two-part program began with welcome speeches. The Dean, Head, faculty members and graduating students of SLASS attended the cultural event. CIU VC Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury was present as the Chief Guest in the event. He was happy with graduating students' academic performance and wished them all good fortune in life. Professor Quazi Mostain Billah, Dean of SLASS and Ms. Rifat Tasnim, Head, Department of English spoke in the event. The convener of this program was Mr. Asiqur Rahman, Lecturer, while Mr. Nasih Ul Wadud Alam, Lecturer of SLASS, coordinated the program. The graduating students delighted the audience with their songs, drama and recitation of poems.

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## Sufficient Medical Facilities Can Save Us

Institute of Governance, Development and International Studies (IGDIS), Chittagong Independent University (CIU) organized a webinar titled **'COVID management measures taken around the world that Bangladesh can additionally follow to better resolve its current and future pandemic situations'** on 25 September 2021. CIU Vice Chancellor Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury was present as the Chief Guest while Dr. Syed Manzur Quader, Director of IGDIS, conducted the program. **Dr. Mizanur Rahman**, Microbiologist, Johns Hopkins University, USA, **Dr. Haseen Mahbub Cherry**, Microbiologist, Princess Royal Hospital, UK, and **Dr. Mehrunnissa Khanom**, MRCP, FRCP, Chattogram International Medical College & Hospital took part in the discussion highlighting various aspects of COVID management in the United States, England and Bangladesh.

**Dr. Taufiq Hasan**, Associate Professor, Biomedical Engineering, BUET spoke on the context of his own discovery of the 'Oxyjet' during the outbreak of COVID-19. The speakers concluded, 'There is no substitute for ensuring sufficient medical care for the people affected by Coronavirus during the pandemic. It is important to raise awareness about vaccinations, regular use of masks and maintaining social distance.'





## Technology-Based Court System in Bangladesh Opens New Door to Legal Activities

The **School of Law**, Chittagong Independent University organized an international webinar titled **'The Legal Profession and Technology in the Developing Countries - A Case of Digital Divide?'** on 11 September 2021. The Main Speaker of the program was Mr. Richard Malanjum, Former Chief Justice of Malaysia. Ms. Sanjana Hoque, Lecturer, School of Law, conducted the program. They discussed virtual court, video conferencing, right to privacy, remand, order or judgment on the website, bail, and online legal proceedings in the webinar.



## Seminar on Multilevel Inverters for Solar PV Applications



A seminar on **'Multilevel Inverters for Solar PV Applications'** took place on 3 November 2021 at CIU Auditorium with Mr. Rubell Sen Goopta, Assistant Professor, Department of EEE, Chittagong Independent University, as the Keynote Speaker. He discussed modern inverter design, criticality of inverter design, existing structures of multilevel inverter and future prospect of multilevel inverter design in the field of solar energy applications. Dr. Mohammad Rezaul Karim, Associate Professor and Dean, SSE, chaired the seminar. Students from SSE participated in the session.

## Our Goal to Shape up Students through Up-to-date Syllabus

Chittagong Independent University (CIU) organized a five-day long **Admission Week** for Autumn 2021 semester in a festive atmosphere. CIU Vice Chancellor Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury inaugurated the program on 10 October 2021 by releasing balloons into the sky. In his inaugural speech, the CIU VC stated that we are focusing more on improving the quality of education. In addition to increasing research activities, our goal is to make students work-oriented through up-to-date syllabus. Acting Registrar Ms. Anjuman Banu Lima presented information about various facilities and scholarships of CIU. Deans of different Schools, Academic Advisors, Heads of different Departments, attended the program. Convener Professor Dr. Mir Mohammed Nurul Absar conducted the event. The Admission Week provided an opportunity for prospective students to interact with faculty members, staff and existing students and get financial waiver on spot admission.



## CIU English Club Distributes Warm Clothes



The English Club members of Chittagong Independent University (CIU) distributed winter clothes among the urban street dwellers at CIU Campus on 16 December 2021. VC Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury was present as the Chief Guest, while Ms. Charmain Rodrigues, Assistant Professor, SLASS, CIU, and also moderator of the club, supervised the program. She stated that as part of our commitment to society we take part in different activities at different times. The participation of students in these activities is noticeable.



## CIU Campus- a Welcoming Learning Environment



Chittagong Independent University (CIU) **Open Day-Spring 2022** was held on 11 December 2021 at the CIU campus. CIU VC Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury inaugurated the event. The Registrar, Deans, Advisors, faculty and staff members attended the program. Students of different colleges of Chattogram with their parents were seen taking part in it. During this time, they enquired about the details of university admission policy to the courses of their choice. Imran Imu, newly passed HSC examination, came from Chattogram Haliashahar area to collect admission forms. He said, "CIU is my first choice as it imparts international standard education in Chattogram. The ambience here is favorable for learning." It's a day when the university

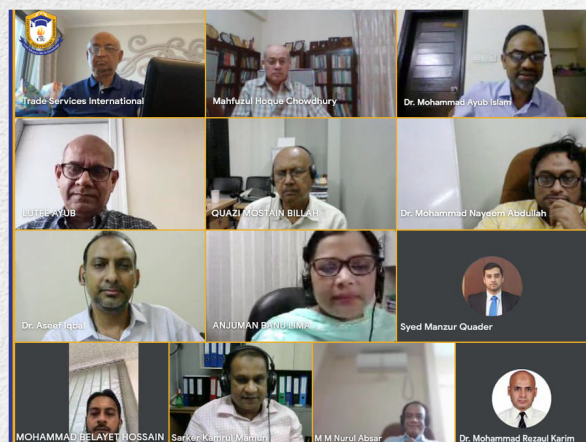
welcomes visitors, students and others to come and see for themselves the facilities existing in the university.

## Self-assessment Process Ensures a University's Standard

With a view to developing Outcome Based Education (OBE) curriculum and reviewing the school-wise self assessments as well as disseminating the accreditation standards and criteria, the **Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)** of Chittagong Independent University (CIU) has decided to hold a series of meetings with the stakeholders. With this end in view, a high-level meeting was held on 4 November 2021. Professor Dr. Syed Manzur Quader, Director of IQAC presided over it. **Professor Dr. M. Ayub Islam**, Advisor, CIU Business School, was present as the resource person. In his speech, Dr. Ayub said, "Self-assessment is a continual process to meet the standard in all the levels of the University. The accreditation is commensurate with the set criteria and standards as laid down by the Bangladesh Accreditation Council (BAC)." A brief review of the on-going self-assessment report was also held. The program concluded with a question- answer session. Among others, Deans, Heads of different Departments and Faculty members attended the program.



## CIU Doesn't Believe in Conventional Notion of Student Enrollment

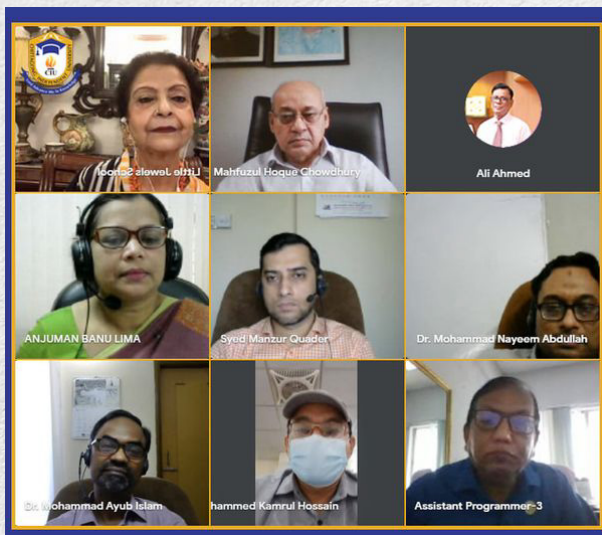


Chittagong Independent University (CIU) held its **17<sup>th</sup> Academic Council Meeting** on 23 September 2021 virtually. CIU VC Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury presided over the meeting. Speaking in the meeting, he said CIU had moved away from the idea of crowding academic programs, a malpractice followed by a lot of private universities of the country. At present, students are getting the opportunity of higher education in approved number of seats with respect to each program in this educational institution. **Trustee Mr. Syed Mahmudul Huq, Trustee Ms. Safia Ghazi Rahman, Trustee Mr. Lutfe M Ayub, Ms. Anjuman Banu Lima**, Acting Registrar & Member Secretary, Deans, Faculty Advisors, Heads of the departments, Controller of Examinations attended the meeting. A number of agenda were discussed

in the meeting and decisions were taken on academic calendar, financial aid policy, syllabus and granting scholarship to students.



## A Nation Can't Survive without Quality Education



The **26<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Syndicate** of Chittagong Independent University (CIU) was held virtually on 30 September 2021. CIU Vice Chancellor Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury chaired the meeting. **Trustee Engr. Ali Ahmed and Trustee Ms. Dilruba Ahmed** spoke in the meeting. They stated that higher education is the driving force behind a nation's economy. "It is not possible for a nation to survive in the global economy without high quality education. We need to give our undivided attention to quality education and treat it as our priority," the Trustees observed. Among others, Ministry of Education (MoE) Joint Secretary Mr. Mukesh Chandra Bishwas, CU Professor Dr. Md. Kamrul Hossain, Professor Dr. M Ayub Islam, CIUBS Dean Dr. Mohammad Nayeem Abdullah, CIUBS Professor Dr. Syed Manzur Quader, Acting Registrar & Syndicate Member Secretary Ms. Anjuman Banu Lima attended the meeting which took a number of important decisions.

## SoL Students Observed Practical Aspects of Justice System

A group of the 12<sup>th</sup> semester students of **School of Law (SoL)**, Chittagong Independent University (CIU) visited the District and Sessions Judge, Chattogram on 2 December 2021 under Live-in-Field-Experience (LFE) course. During the visit, they got a close view of the district court and observed practical aspects of the judicial system. The activities of the entire program were monitored by Mr. Adnan Kabir, Lecturer and Assistant Proctor, and Mr. Tanvir Ahmed, Lecturer, School of Law. In another visit, around 28 students of SoL visited the *Paribarik Adalat*, Sessions Judge Court and *Artha Rin Adalat*, *Shishu Adalat*, *Nari o Shishu Nirjaton Tribunal* and *Poribesh Adalat* of Chattogram on 18 November, 2021. Mr. Hasnat Kabir Fahim and Ms. Ramisa Jahan, Lecturer of SoL led the program.



## Creative Writers' Club Staged Humayun Ahmed's Drama



**Chittagong Independent University Creative Writers' Club (CIUCWC)** celebrated the 73<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the birth of eminent fiction writer, playwright, lyricist and filmmaker Humayun Ahmed, on 22 November 2021, at Room-1702, Administrative Building (Minhaj Complex), CIU. The Dean, Head, faculty members and a good number of students attended the program. The members of the club staged two plays in the program: '*Daruchini Dwip*' and '*Kothao Kew Ney*'. Tasnia, Sadman, Rashed, Keya and Soheb played the leading roles. Humayun Ahmed was born on 13 November 1948. Between the late '70s and his death in 2012, he was the unrivalled craftsman of Bengali fiction — the popularity of his stories and novels during this period was incomparable. Humayun Ahmed created fictional

characters like 'Himu,' 'Misir Ali,' 'Baker Bhai' and 'Shuvro' and influenced a broad audience, especially the youth, and made them wear yellow 'panjabis' as a trend.



## Workshop on Skill Development in Competitive Programming



faculty members and students of SSE were present among others.

Independent Science & Engineering Club (iSEC), Chittagong Independent University organized a two- day long workshop titled '**Skill Development in Competitive Programming**' on 26 and 27 November 2021 at CIU Network & Simulation Lab. Competitive programming is similar to quiz contests. Here a team or an individual is given a number of mathematical and logical problems to solve using programming language allowed by the host. The winners in the programming contest were Tahura Nabi Meem, Asam Bin Nurul Islam (First runner-up), Nahida Zakir (Second runner-up) and Gopa Banik (Third runner-up). Dr. Mohammad Rezaul Karim, Dean, SSE, chaired the program, while the

## CIU Motivates Young Professionals in Banking Profession

As part of the club activities, **Chittagong Independent University Intrinsic Finance Club (CIUIFC)** organized a program titled "**PFEC Global presents- Banker's Hunt 2.0**" on 4 December 2021 at CIU Auditorium. Dr. Syed Manzur Quader, Advisor of CIU Intrinsic Finance Club presided over the program and said that the program was organized for the senior students to give an idea about the recruitment process, working method and overall environment in banking and corporate sector of the country. Among others, Dr. Mohammad Nayeem Abdullah, Dean, CIUBS, Mr. Abdul Quayum Mollah, Executive Officer, Mr. M. A. Faruk Ahmed, FVP of Bank Asia Limited, Mr. Ramiz Ahmed, Relationship Manager, Prime Bank, Mr. Md. Nazmul Hasan, Chief Executive Instructor, EDUART were present in the program. As many as one hundred students participated in the program and three of them were declared as winners in the competition.



## The Younger Generation Should Follow the Martyred Intellectuals' Ideals



collaborators orchestrated a plan to destroy the future of the new country. They picked up outstanding intellectuals including eminent professors, doctors, journalists and lawyers and tortured and killed them brutally. Among others, the Deans and Heads of different Departments, Faculty members, Registrar and Administrative officials attended the program.

Chittagong Independent University (CIU) observed the **Martyred Intellectuals Day (Shahid Buddhijibi Dibosh)** with due solemnity on 14 December 2021 on the campus. A discussion program was held at the CIU Conference Room with the Vice Chancellor in the Chair. While addressing the program, VC Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury said, "The younger generation should follow the ideals shown by the martyred intellectuals. The memory of the intellectuals will live forever." Professor Quazi Mostain Billah, Convener, National Day Observance Committee, CIU said, "They were responsible intellectuals and loved the country. The society reminisces their supreme sacrifice." Sensing imminent defeat, the Pakistan army along with local



## Bangabandhu and Bangladesh Are Synonymous

Chittagong Independent University celebrated the **Victory Day of Bangladesh (Bijoy Dibosh)** on 16 December 2021 at CIU auditorium with due festivity and grandeur. To mark the day, the university organized a symposium and cultural program which was attended by the Vice Chancellor Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury as well as the students, teachers and staff of the university. The Vice Chancellor, in his speech, mentioned that Bangabandhu and Bangladesh are synonymous. One cannot imagine Bangladesh without Bangabandhu. Bangabandhu dreamt of a Sonar Bangla devoid of hunger, poverty, corruption and illiteracy. In the cultural part of the program, there was a captivating performance by a group of CIU students. Ms. Rasheda Ferdous, Lecturer (Bengali), SLASS coordinated the cultural program.



## Appointment

The following have been appointed newly:



Ms. Sameera Sajeda Khan  
Education USA Coordinator,  
American Corner Chittagong, CIU



Mr. Sarwar Hosen Abid  
Assistant Officer,  
LLRC, CIU



Ms. Nowshin Sharmily Chowdhury  
Assistant Officer,  
Admissions & Registration, CIU

## Promotion

The following were promoted to posts given under their photographs:



Ms. Anjuman Banu Lima  
Registrar, CIU



Mr. Cumar Doyel Dey  
Director, Administration, CIU



Ms. Syeda Najifa Amin  
Officer, Registrar's office, CIU

## Photo Gallery



SSE organized a workshop on  
'Outcome Based Education' (OBE)  
on 9 December 2021 at  
Roksana Manjil, CIU.



CIU family at Prime Minister  
Sheikh Hasina's Oath  
administering program on the  
occasion of the Victory Day and  
the Golden Jubilee Anniversary of Bangladesh



Professor Dr. Mohit Ul Alam  
hands over his book to  
CIU Vice Chancellor



## Private Universities Have to Come forward in Academic Ratings

Center of Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL), Chittagong Independent University organized a seminar titled 'Advancing Towards World University Ranking: Bangladesh Context' on 27 November 2021 at CIU auditorium. The Key Speaker & Chief Guest of this program was **Professor Dr. Md. Abu Taher**, Member, UGC. He encouraged the universities to find out their position in the domain and urged public and private universities of the country to come forward for ranking and rating. Professor Dr. Mir Mohammed Nurul Absar, Director of CETL, chaired the program, while CIU VC Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury was present among others. Faculty members of different schools along with CIU Deans, Heads of both Academic and Administrative departments, were present in the program. Later, CIU VC handed over a crest to the Key Speaker **Professor Abu Taher**.



## The Netherlands Delegation Pleased with the CIU's Academic Environment

A delegation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Netherlands, paid a courtesy call on the CIU Vice Chancellor Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury on 22 November 2021 at the latter's office. **Mr. Theodore Klouvas**, Program Manager, Orange Corners, the Netherlands Enterprise Agency, was accompanied by **Mr. Mike Sips**, Program Advisor, **Mr. Bus Blau**, First Secretary, Economic Affairs, **Ms. Mahjabeen Quader**, Senior Policy Advisor, Economic Affairs and CSR of the Netherlands Embassy in Dhaka and **Mr. Towhid Ahmed**, Director-ICT, Project and Program of Mamata (an NGO). Mr. Theodore Klouvas was pleased with the academic environment of CIU and showed a keen interest in supporting CIU students for education, training, networking, financial support and research in near future. Dr. Mohammad Nayeem Abdullah, Dean, Professor Dr. Mir Mohammed Nurul Absar, Professor Dr. Syed Manzur Quader, CIU Business School, Ms. Anjuman Banu Lima, Acting Registrar and Mr. Cumar Doyel Dey, Deputy Director, Admin of Chittagong Independent University (CIU) were also present in the meeting.



## Scholarships - Autumn 2021

Students studying at CIU receive generous financial support from the university. There are various categories of support such as Merit Scholarship, Ethnic Minorities, Sibling Tuition Fees, Freedom Fighter Full Funding, etc.

Undergraduate	2, 26, 69, 920 Tk
Graduate	65, 83, 000 Tk

*CIU admits students in following academic programs:*

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**CSE/EEE/ETE**

**BA**  
in English

**MBA**

**LLB**

**LLM**

**MA**  
in English



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