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The Historic **7th March** Speech of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman



Bangabandhu delivering his historic speech on March 7, 1971 at a huge public rally at Race Course Maidan.

The Historic 7th March was observed at Chittagong Independent University (CIU) with due respect. On this day in 1971 the Father of the Nation, **Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman** delivered his clarion call for emancipation of Bangladesh urging the Bangalis to be ready for the liberation war. To mark the Day, the National Day Observance Committee of CIU organized a discussion session and cultural program in the university. Speaking as the Chair, CIU Vice Chancellor, Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury said, "Bangabandhu's 7th March speech reflects the past, present and future of Bangladesh." Professor Quazi Mostain Billah, Convener of the Committee said, "Bangabandhu dreamed of founding *Sonar Bangla* - a country free of all forms of exploitation and deprivation." Ms. Anjuman Banu Lima, Registrar, CIU conducted the whole program, while Professor Dr. Mohammad Nayeem Abdullah, Dean, CIU Business School, Dr. Mohammad Rezaul Karim, Dean, SSE, Mr. Cumar Doyel Dey, Secretary of the Committee spoke on the significance of 7th March speech in our national history. A few patriotic songs were rendered by CIU students and several poems were recited by a few of them too. Before the program, the immemorable 7th March speech was played to let the audience recollect its galvanizing power.

CIU Focuses on Students' Academic Performance

The Board of Trustees (BoT), Chittagong Independent University (CIU) held a series of meetings on 15 January 2022, 10 February 2022, and 8 March 2022 virtually. Trustee Towhid Samad, Chairman, BoT, chaired the meetings, while Trustees Syed Mahmudul Huq, A Quaiyum Khan, Ismail Dobash, Engr. Ali Ahmed, Amir Humayun Mahmud Chowdhury, Safia G. Rahman, Dilruba Ahmed, Aminur Reza Khan, Md. Aminuzzaman Bhuiyan, Lutfi M Ayub, Md. Amin Helaly, Mirza Salman Ispahani,



Vice Chancellor of CIU Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury, and BoT Secretary & Registrar of CIU Ms. Anjuman Banu Lima attended the meetings. In the three meetings a number of important resolutions were adopted and the running of the university was reviewed. Affirming the objectives of CIU, BoT Chairman Mr. Towhid Samad reiterated the university's commitment to offering quality education.

Students Need to Participate More in Creative Activities

Chittagong Independent University (CIU) organized 'Reception and Orientation Program, Spring 2022 Semester' virtually for the freshmen on 20 January 2022. Trustee Mr. Mirza Salman Ispahani, Chairman of M M Ispahani Limited & Honorable Member of Board of Trustees (BoT), CIU was present as the Chief Guest at the program. Terming CIU as a family, he said that students need to increase their participation in creative and extra-curricular activities such as internships, sports, club activities in addition to their regular studies. Their self-confidence would help them reach the desired goal one day. CIU VC Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury chaired the program; Faculty advisors, Deans of the four schools, Heads of different departments, Faculty members, Registrar, Administrative officials and students attended the event.



Abul Mansur Ahmad's Satires Depicted Social Reality



The Department of English, School of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (SLASS), Chittagong Independent University (CIU) organized a seminar titled 'The Satires of Abul Mansur Ahmad and Social Reality' on 23 March 2022 at Room no-1701, Minhaj Complex, CIU. As the Main Speaker, Professor Mohit Ul Alam, former Vice Chancellor of Jatiya Kabi Kazi Nazrul Islam University said, "Abul Mansur Ahmad presented the hard reality of society through his satirical works. At first, we laugh reading his satirical writings, but the very next moment, they ignite our thoughts and compel us to look at the reality of society." Professor Quazi Mostain Billah, Dean, SLASS presided over the program. He stated that the writings of Abul Mansur Ahmad are a must-read to understand our own identity as a nation. Ms. Sanjida Afrin, Lecturer, SLASS conducted the program, while Mr. Kazi Md. Siful Aspea, Assistant Professor, SLASS, and Mr. Imran Mahfuz, poet and journalist also took part in the discussion.

Law Involved in Every Aspect of Life

School of Law, Chittagong Independent University (CIU) arranged a program titled 'Graduation Ceremony, Freshers' Reception and Career Talk' on 9 January 2022 at CIU Auditorium. Ms. Sanjana Hoque, Lecturer, SoL, conducted the program, while Mr. Mohammad Belayet Hossain, Assistant Professor and Assistant Dean, SoL, CIU, presided over it. Mr. Md. Adnan kabir, Lecturer, School of Law, was the Convener of the program. The speakers deliberated the role of lawyers in building a nation. They stated that Law or Legal Studies is one of the most demanding subjects in almost every public or private university of the country as it is involved with the question of rights, justice, understanding of human behavior and society. "Its role is very important in every aspect of life," speakers added. A good number of students participated in the program and shared their dreams about academic life at CIU.



Bangabandhu Will Live in Everyone's Heart

The 102nd birth anniversary of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman was celebrated on 17 March 2022 at Chittagong Independent University (CIU) with due respect, fervor, and through various activities. CIU Vice Chancellor Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury attended the program as the Chair. "Bangabandhu was a great leader who dedicated himself to the service of humanity," the VC commented in his speech in the program. Among others, the Deans and the Heads of different departments, the Faculty members, the Registrar, the Administrative officials and students attended the program. A cultural function which concluded the event included presentation of patriotic songs, recitation of poems and dance performances. Students of CIU-Shreya, Samiha, Soma, Siam, Rezwana, Tahiya, Atandril, Pushpita, Maliha, Mitu, Anindita, Ifti, Tayeb, Trisha, Rahul and many others performed in the program. The cultural event was coordinated by the Convener of CIU Cultural Club and Associate Professor of CIUBS Dr. Robaka Shamsher.



'I am pleased to see the learning environment'



Tashreen Sultana, a prospective student from Haliashahar A-Block, Chattogram while inspecting the facilities of CIU.

CIU Open Day-Summer 2022 was held on 27 March 2022 at Chittagong Independent University (CIU) campus in a festive atmosphere. Professor of CIU Business School and Convener of the program Dr. Mir Mohammed Nurul Absar conducted the session, while Deans, Advisors, faculty members, staff members of different departments attended the Open Day. CIU Registrar Ms. Anjuman Banu Lima enumerated CIU's various facilities and resources in her speech. The speakers stated that the biggest need for Bangladesh in the current context is quality education, which CIU is determined to impart in spite of obstacles. "I am pleased to see the learning environment of CIU. Especially its big library! I will have a wonderful time in the coming days," observed

Seminar on Microstructured Fiber

School of Science and Engineering (SSE), Chittagong Independent University organized a seminar titled 'Analysis of Microstructured fiber for broadband laser source: A design based approach' on 13 April 2022 at CIU Auditorium. Mr. SK. M. Jahangir Kabir, Adjunct Faculty, and a former student of Dept. of EEE, SSE, CIU was the Keynote Speaker, while Dr. Mohammad Rezaul Karim, Dean, SSE of CIU presided over the seminar. The speaker presented the technical aspects of selection of Microstructured Photonic Crystal Fiber for a broadband laser source to the audience. Through the presentation, he demonstrated three very novel structures of the Microstructured fiber named 'Beetles', 'Metatron' and 'Star in Hexagon' and their competencies as good candidates for laser source. Mr. Golap Kanti Dey, Assistant Professor, and Mr. Rubel Sen Gupta, Assistant Professor, SSE and CIU students participated in the question-answer session of the seminar.



Launching of A Strange Coincidence and Other Stories



A launching ceremony was held at the American Corner Chittagong of Chittagong Independent University (CIU) on 31 March 2022 to unveil Professor Quazi Mostain Billah's collection of stories *A Strange Coincidence and Other Stories*. The event was organized by the Department of English, School of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (SLASS), CIU in collaboration with American Corner Chittagong. The author of the book, Professor Quazi Mostain Billah, Dean, SLASS said how he came to write the stories and what thoughts occupied him while he composed the stories. Ms. Rifat Tasnim, Assistant Professor, Head,

Department of English, CIU presided over the program. Professor (Rtd.) Tapan Jyoti Barua and Professor Sarwar Morshed of Chittagong University (CU), Associate Professor Dr. Shah Ahmed, CIU, Assistant Professor Mr. Abdur Rahim, Premier University evaluated the stories in their speeches. Ms. Sanjida Afrin, Lecturer, SLASS, CIU presented the author's biography.

CIU 27th Syndicate Meeting Held

The 27th meeting of the Syndicate of Chittagong Independent University (CIU) was held on 11 January 2022 at the Conference Room of the university. CIU VC Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury presided over the meeting. Trustees Amir Humayun Mahmud Chowdhury, Engr. Ali Ahmed, Dilruba Ahmed, Syndicate member Professor Dr. M Ayub Islam, Professor Dr. Nayeem Abdullah, Professor Dr. Syed Manzur Quader, and Registrar & Syndicate Member Secretary Ms. Anjuman Banu Lima attended the meeting.



Information Technology Sector should be Strengthened to Face 4IR



Career Planning and Placement Counselling Office, Chittagong Independent University (CIU) and American Corner Chittagong, jointly organized two webinars separately for the CIU students virtually. Mr. Sarker Kamrul Mamun, Acting Director, Career Planning and Placement Counselling Office presided over these programs, while Ms. Rooma Dass, Assistant Director, American Corner Chittagong, and Mr. Mahmud Bin Mohammad, Officer, CIU coordinated the two sessions. The first webinar was held on 4th Industrial Revolution Economy on 21 April 2022 for the graduate students. Dr. Haseeb Ahmed, Dean, School

of Management, Kettering University, Michigan, USA was the Keynote Speaker in the session, while Sameera Khan, EducationUSA Adviser, American Corner Chittagong moderated the program.

Academic Council and Finance Committee Meetings

Chittagong Independent University (CIU) held its 18th Academic Council Meeting at the University Conference Room on 6 January 2022. Trustee Syed Mahmudul Huq, Deans, and other members attended the meeting. VC Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury Chaired it. The Finance Committee of CIU met on 3 February 2022 virtually for its regular meeting. Trustees Mirza Salman Ispahani, Lutfu M Ayub, Syed Mahmudul Huq, CIU VC and other members were present in the meeting. Trustee Mirza Salman Ispahani presided over it.



Women's Participation Should be Increased to Achieve Prosperity



American Corner Chittagong & SLASS Cultural Club, CIU jointly celebrated International Women's Day on 8 March 2022 at the American Corner of Chittagong Independent University. Teachers, students, officers and employees of the university attended the event. Among others, Dr. Robaka Shamsher, Associate Professor, CIU Business School, Ms. Charmain Rodrigues, Assistant Professor of English, Ms. Rasheda Ferdous, Lecturer (Bengali), SLASS, Ms. Anjuman Banu Lima, Registrar, Ms. Sakina Sultana, Acting Librarian and Ms. Rooma Dass, Assistant Director, American Corner spoke on issues related to women's life in Bangladesh. "It is not possible to achieve prosperity of a country without women's participation. So equal opportunities for women must be ensured everywhere," the speakers argued in the program. The event presented folk song, traditional dance performance, cultural items, etc.

HRM Society Team Visits Divine Intimates Limited

A group of members of Chittagong Independent University-HRM Society visited Divine Intimates Limited, a sister concern of Four H Group, at Khowaz Nagar, Azim Para, Karnafully, Chattogram on 10 March 2022. The activities of the entire program was monitored by Mr. Ashikul Mahmud Erfan, Lecturer, CIU Business School, and Faculty-in-Charge of CIU HRM Society, while Mr. Ashraf Uddin, Assistant Manager of Admin and HRM, Four H Group guided the whole tour. During the factory visit, the students got a close view of the operation of the manufacturing process. A presentation was given about the factory profile and company overview in the program. The discussion concluded with a question-answer session participated by the students. "I got a good idea about the entire manufacturing process by visiting the factory. There is no substitute for such inspection activities to improve one's skills," commented Tanveer Sayed, a student of CIU Business School and member of HRM Society.



CIU Wins in International Law Moot Court Competition



A team of students of School of Law (SoL), Chittagong Independent University (CIU) won the 'Best New Team Award' at the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition 2022 held in Dhaka on 19 February 2022. Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) hosted the Final Round and Closing Ceremony at its Auditorium, while a total of 24 public and private universities took part in the competition including CIU. The three members of CIU's School of Law team are: Md. Irfanul Islam, Tasfia Rahman Rifa, and Chowdhury Nuzhat Samantha. The team activities were coordinated by Ms. Sanjana Hoque, Lecturer, School of Law. Justice Obaidul Hassan, Judge of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh, was present as the Chief Guest. He was optimistic that

Bangladesh would get high quality lawyers in the near future. IUB Vice Chancellor Dr. Tanweer Hasan presided over the program. CIU team in its maiden appearance bagged the Best New Team Award.

Ekush will Live on forever in Bengali Consciousness



Administrative officials attended the program. Ms. Anjuman Banu Lima, Registrar, and Mr. Cumar Doyel Dey, Secretary of the National Day Observance Committee of CIU jointly conducted the program. Raida, Sonto Satyam, Simran, Noor Jahan, and many others performed in the ceremony.

Chittagong Independent University (CIU) observed 21st February 'Amar Ekushey' and 'International Mother Language Day' paying glowing tribute to the martyrs of the historic Language Movement of 1952 who sacrificed their lives for our mother tongue, Bangla. To mark the day, CIU chalked out elaborate programmes floral wreaths were placed at CIU Campus *Shaheed Minar*. Discussions and cultural performances were held too. Vice Chancellor Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury attended the program as the Chair and stated that the love and sacrifice of people for language would remain carved in golden letters in the history of the world. Among others, Deans and Heads of different Departments, Faculty members and

CIU Inter-School Debate Competition 2022

The closing ceremony of 'CIU Inter-School Debate Competition 2022' was held on 24 March 2022 at Chittagong Independent University (CIU) Auditorium. SLASS Debating Society organized the event. Chittagong Independent University Business School (CIUBS) team and School of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (SLASS) team became champion and runners up respectively in the final round. Deans of different schools, Academic Advisors, Heads of different departments, students, attended the program while Professor Quazi Mostain Billah presided over it. Mr. Asiqur Rahman, Chief Moderator of SDS & Lecturer, English Department, supervised the entire competition. Dr. Obaidul Karim, Retired Professor of Sociology, Chittagong University, Mr. Mahfuzur Rahman, French language teacher, Ms. Rooma Dass, Assistant Director, American Corner were judges in the event. Mr. Arjun Mallick, a student of Department of English of CIU won the best debater award of the competition.



Glorious Independence Day Celebrated at CIU



also in many other areas. The program concluded with a cultural function which started with the patriotic song 'Shurjodoye Tumi'. CIU students-Humaira, Samiya, Samiha, Atul, Atindrila, Shreya, Trisha, Mitu, Anindita, Preetu, Papri and many others- performed in the program.

Chittagong Independent University (CIU) celebrated the Independence and National Day with due respect, solemnity and joy at CIU Auditorium on 26 March 2022. To mark the day, a program was organized which included hoisting the national flag, discussing the significance of the day, and holding cultural performance. Teachers, students, officers and employees of CIU attended the program. Professor Quazi Mostain Billah, Convener of the National Day Observance Committee of CIU attended the program as the Chair and mentioned that the young generation must carry on the spirit of liberation war in their hearts. Bangladesh in comparison to many developing countries is now a step ahead not only in economy, but

Appointments and Promotions



Dr. Mohammad Nayeem Abdullah
appointed as
Professor in CIUBS



Dr. Shah Ahmed
appointed as
Associate Professor in SLASS, CIU



Ms. Ummay Salma
appointed as Officer in
Controller of Examinations Office, CIU



Mr. Md. Rakibul Hasan Raju Meazi
promoted to Manager,
Software Team, CITS, CIU



Mr. T. M. Raihan Chowdhury
promoted to Senior Software Developer,
Software Team, CITS, CIU



Mr. Mahamud Chowdhury
promoted to Senior Software Developer,
Software Team, CITS, CIU



Mr. Masukur Rahman
promoted to Officer (Manager-In-Charge),
SLASS, CIU

Photo Gallery



CIU Vice Chancellor
inaugurates Café-9 to
on the ground floor
of Roksana Manzil



School of Law,
CIU's international webinar
'The Governance of Space Activity'
on 9 March 2022 at CIU Auditorium



Independent Marketing Club (IMC),
CIU's program
'Paramoya Presentation'
on 6 March 2022 at Roksana Manzil

CIU Teachers on World's Best Researchers' List

A total of 9 teachers from different schools and departments of CIU including its Vice Chancellor have been named by Alper-Dodger (AD) Scientific Index-2022 as the world's best researchers. On 23 April 2022, the international organization published the list based on citations and other indices of more than 7,00,000 researchers from 14,120 institutions around the world. Apart from the CIU Vice Chancellor, the other eight teachers are: Professor Dr. Mir Mohammed Nurul Absar, Professor Dr. Mohammad Nayeem Abdullah, Professor Dr. Syed Manzur Quader, Associate Professor Dr. Engr. Rashid Ahmed Chowdhury, Associate Professor Dr. Emon Kalyan Chowdhury, Assistant Professor Rahat Bari Tooheen, CIU Business School, Professor Dr. Mohammad Rezaul Karim, and Assistant Professor Golap Kanti Dey, SSE, CIU. CIU Vice Chancellor Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury congratulated all the teachers for being recognized.



Colourful CIUBS Grand Fest 2022



Chittagong Independent University Business School (CIUBS) organized a colourful program to mark the 50th anniversary of Bangladesh's Independence titled 'CIUBS Grand Fest 2022' on 27 March 2022 at The Institution of Engineers, Bangladesh, Chattogram Centre. CIU Deans, faculty members, guardians and students attended the cultural event. The two-part program began with welcome speeches. Professor Dr. Syed Manzur Quader presided over the program, while Professor Dr. Mir Mohammed Nurul Absar, CIUBS, Dr. Robaka Shamsheer, Convener of the Cultural Club, and Ms. Anjuman Banu Lima, Registrar of CIU spoke on the program among others. Professor Dr. Mohammad Nayeem Abdullah, Dean, CIUBS greeted the students on behalf of the CIU

Vice Chancellor Dr. Mahfuzul Hoque Chowdhury. Associate Professor Dr. Engr. Rashid Ahmed Chowdhury introduced Mr. Enamul Haque, a heroic freedom fighter, to the audience. Mr. Haque became emotion-choked while narrating his experience of 1971. The cultural program started with the CIU theme song Students of CIU- Mahi, Arjun, Afroza, Rezwana, Tayeb, Pushpita, Fairuz, Shreya, Siam, Afsana, Atindrila, Shahadat, Maria, Ramisa, Samarpita, and Sarwar - participated in the cultural part. Two bands of CIU students 'Back Bangers' and 'Project Hridhhi' performed in the cultural program. The event concluded with popular band Shironamhin's amazing performance.

Scholarships - Spring 2022

Students studying at CIU received the amount mentioned as Merit Scholarship, Ethnic Minorities, Sibling Tuition Fees, Freedom Fighter Full Funding, etc. in Spring 2022. CIU students receive generous financial support from the university.

Undergraduate	20,494,320 Tk
Graduate	8,466,000 Tk

Every semester CIU admits students in the following academic programs:

BBA

CSE/EEE/ETE

BA
in English

MBA

LLB

LLM

MA
in English



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