



National Mourning Day Celebrated in Metropolitan University



The 46th martyrdom anniversary of the greatest Bengali of all times, Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and National Mourning Day was celebrated in Metropolitan University with due dignity and respect. Among the programmes of the university to mark the day included hoisting the national flag at half-mast, paying homage to the portrait of Bangabandhu, wearing black badges, and holding discussion meetings. The discussion meeting was held at Professor M Habibur Rahman Library Hall.

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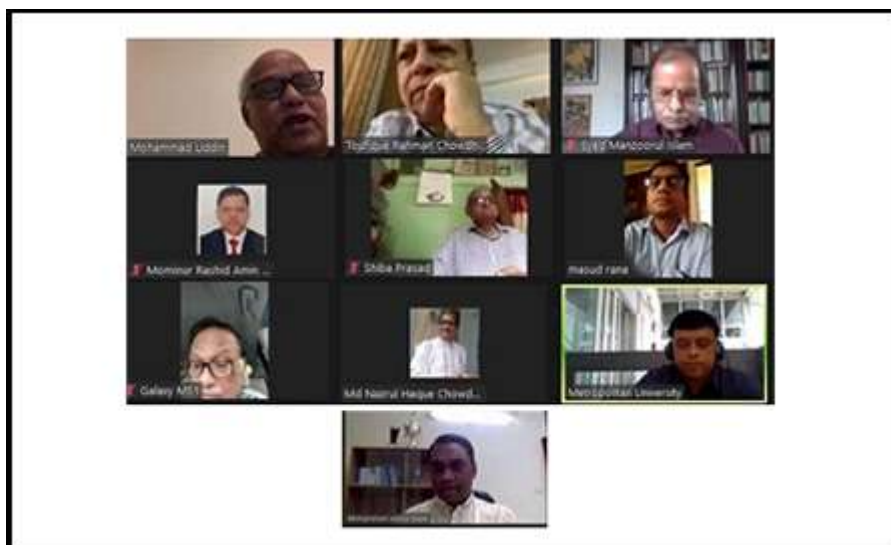
Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Dr. Toufique Rahman Chowdhury; Vice Chancellor, Professor Dr. Md. Saleh Uddin; Pro-Vice Chancellor, Professor Shiba Prasad Sen and Treasurer, Professor Dr. Suresh Ranjan Basak joined the meeting through virtual mode. The meeting was chaired by the MBA Co-ordinator of the Department of Business Administration, Associate Professor Mohammad Jamal Uddin. Conducted by Deputy Director (Public Relations), Shumana Aziz, the meeting was addressed among others by Deputy Registrar, Mihir Kanti Chowdhury, Head of Law and Justice Department, Gazi Saiful Hasan; Head of English Department, Anik Biswas. Meanwhile, on the occasion of Bangabandhu's martyrdom anniversary and National Mourning Day, open discussions and quiz competitions were organized among the students at the initiative of different departments of the university. Members of the Board of Trustees of the University, Deans of various faculties, Heads of Departments, teachers, officers and employees participated in these programmes.

Tree planting Programme on the occasion of National Mourning Day 2021

On the occasion of the National Mourning Day 2021, saplings were planted in the University campus. A tree-planting programme was held in the campus of the university on 16 August 2021 with the motivation that our Bangladesh should become greener and move forward towards economic development including environmental protection by embracing the spirit of liberation war and the ideals of the father of the nation. All the officers and employees of the university participated in the tree planting programme.



25th Syndicate Meeting of the Metropolitan University held



The 25th Syndicate meeting of the Metropolitan University was held on June 11. The meeting was held through the virtual platform Zoom because of the Corona situation. Chaired by Vice-Chancellor Professor Dr. Md. Saleh Uddin, the meeting was participated by Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the University, Dr. Toufique Rahman Chowdhury; Pro-Vice-Chancellor Professor Shiba Prasad Sen; Treasurer, Professor. Dr. Suresh Ranjan Basak, Dean of the Faculty of Science and Technology, Dr. Md. Nazrul Haque Chowdhury, nominated Syndicate member and Additional Secretary of the Ministry of Education, Mominur Rashid Amin; writer and educationist, Professor Syed Manzoorul Islam, Bangladesh University Grants Commission (UGC) nominated Syndicate member Professor Mohammad Jahirul Islam, Head of the Business Administration Department, Md. Masud Rana and Member Secretary of the Syndicate & Registrar of the University, Muhammad FR Tanvir participated. The meeting approved the decisions of the last 24th Syndicate and 34th Academic Council meetings, teachers' study leave and the list of undergraduate and postgraduate students, completing degrees from different departments, and discussed in detail the launching of new programmes.

Participation in the workshop of Bangladesh Accreditation Council



The Bangladesh Accreditation Council organized a workshop entitled 'Accreditation Standards & Criteria' on the Online platform Zoom with the participation of Deans of various university faculties, IQAC Directors and Department Heads on June 3, 2021 in the University Campus. During the three-hour long workshop, the Dean of the Faculty of Business and Economics of University and the Director of IQAC, Professor Dr. Md. Taher Billal Khalifa; Dean of the Faculty of Science and

Technology, Professor. Dr. Md. Nazrul Haque Chowdhury; Head of the Department of Business Administration, Associate Professor, Masud Rana, Head of English Department Anik Biswas participated. Presided over by the Chairman of Bangladesh Accreditation Council, Professor Misbah Uddin Ahmed, the workshop was attended among others by the other members of the Accreditation Council. Professor Dr. S. M. Kabir was present as the keynote speaker at the workshop.

Bangladesh National Qualifications Framework Seminar held in Metropolitan University



A seminar entitled 'Bangladesh National Qualifications Framework' was held at Metropolitan University. The seminar was organized by the University's Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) on June 19 on a virtual platform. Vice-Chancellor Professor Dr. Md. Saleh Uddin was the Chief Guest at the seminar.

The keynote paper was presented by IQAC Director, Professor Dr. Md. Taher Billal Khalifa. Professor Dr. Suresh Ranjan Basak, Dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences; Professor Dr. Md.

Nazrul Haque Chowdhury, Dean of the School of Science and Technology; Acting Dean of the Faculty of Law, Associate Professor Sheikh Ashrafur Rahman, and Associate Professor of Business Administration, and Proctor, Dr. Mohammad Jamal Uddin and others took part in the discussion.

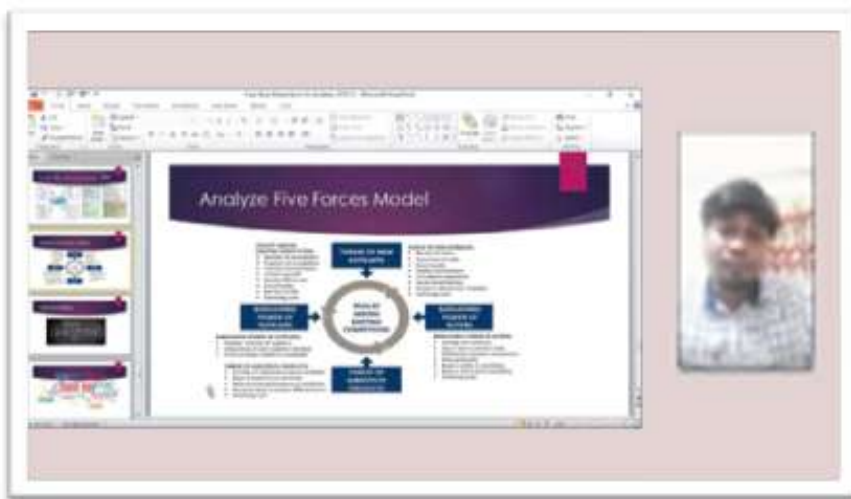
IQAC Additional Director Professor Chowdhury Mokammel Wahid conducted the workshop. Md. Mahfuzul Hasan, Head of the CSE Department; Md. Masud Rana, Head of the Business Administration; Anik Biswas, Head of English Department; Kazi Ohiduzzaman, Head of EEE Department; Beauty Nahida Sultana, Head of Economics Department and teachers of all departments participated. In the presented paper, Dr. Md. Taher Billal Khalifa highlighted the qualification framework and discussed the issue in detail. The last part of the seminar was Q&A session.

Training program on 'Case Study Analysis'



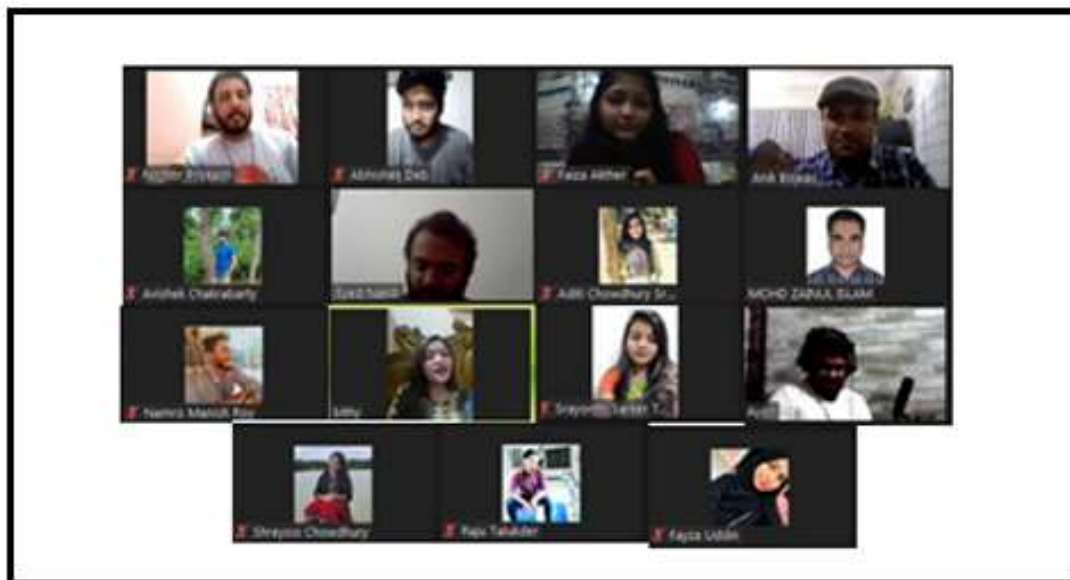
A training program on 'Case Study Analysis' was organized by the Metropolitan University Business Student Forum (MUBSF) on various up-to-date practical aspects.

The training program was organized on 16 August 2021 on the Online platform Google Meet. The training program was conducted by Safayet Ahmad Chowdhury, General Secretary of Business Student Forum and Chief Class Representative of Business Administration Department.



Associate Professor of Business Administration Md. Masud Rana and Associate Professor and Proctor Dr. Mohammad Jamal Uddin were present as Special Guests. Ghulam Mukta Dhir, Assistant Professor of Business Student Forum was the Keynote Speaker. Golam Muktadir, Finance Secretary, Assistant Professor Afsarul Islam was also present.

'Eid Adda' organized by MU English Society



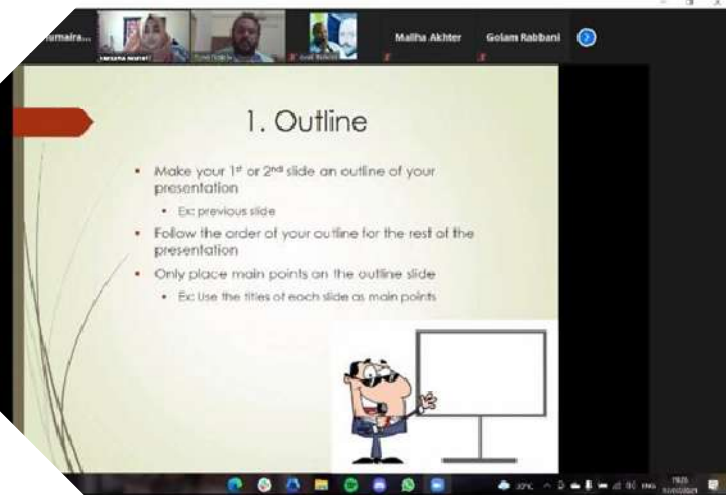
An Eid Adda was organized by the MU English Society, an organization of the English Department of Metropolitan University. The chat was organized on July 23, 2021 on the Online platform Zoom. Jyoti Prakash Das Talukder Nirjhar, Senior Vice-President of MU English Society conducted the chat after the joint presentation by Faiza Uddin, General Secretary and Arpita Bhowmik, Office Secretary of the Society. Songs were rendered by Ayan Chowdhury, Bithi Chowdhury, Aditi Chowdhury Shrestha, Tanushree Dey and Abhishek Dev. Arpita Bhowmik recited a poem of Rabindranath Tagore. Maliha Akhter recited a self-composed English poem. Head of the Department, Anik Biswas along with teachers of the Department and former office-bearers of the society attended.

Workshop on 'Microsoft PowerPoint' held

A workshop on various aspects of Microsoft Power Point was organized by the English Department. The workshop was held on July 18 on the Online platform Zoom.

Lecturer of the Department, Syed Naqib Saadi conducted the workshop after the presentation by Farzana Begum, a student of the Department. Head of the Department, Anik Biswas presided over the workshop. The

workshop highlighted various known and unknown aspects of Microsoft PowerPoint and emphasized its effective use. Other teachers of the Department were present as guests. The event was well-received by the students through their spontaneous participation.



English Department formed three Club Committees

The formation and installation ceremony of the three clubs of the English Department namely 'MU English Society', 'MU Literary Club of English' and 'MU Speakers Club of English' was held on 26 June, 2021.

Presided over by the Club Co-ordinator and Lecturer of the Department, Mohammad Shamsul Islam and conducted by Maliha Akhtar, a student of the 47th Batch of MA (Final) programme, the event was attended by Dr. Suresh Ranjan Basak, Dean of the

School of Humanities and Social Sciences and Anik Biswas, Assistant Professor and Head of the Department of English were present as Chief Guest and Special Guest respectively. The teachers of the Department were also present on the occasion.

One-year (2021-22) Committee of MU English Society: Anik Biswas (President: Assistant Professor and Head of Department), Md. Shamsul Islam (Treasurer: Lecturer), Jyoti Prakash Das Talukder Nirjhar (Senior Vice President), Abhishek Dev (Vice President) and Faiza Akhter Promi (General Secretary); One-year (2021-22) Committee of MU Literary Club: Tasnuva Tabassum (President: Lecturer), Abdullah Al Masud (Treasurer: Lecturer), Maliha Akter (Senior Vice President), Bushra Islam Chowdhury (Vice President) and Tasfia Tabassum Mimi (General Secretary); One-year (2021-22) Committee of MU Speakers Club: Golam Rabbani (President:

Lecturer), Mohammad Mohiuddin (Treasurer: Lecturer), Nur Nahar Begum Daisy (Senior Vice President), Shahnaz Jasmin Keya (Vice President), and Farhana Rahman (General Secretary).

The program ended with the directional speech of the faculty, reminiscences of the students of the farewell committee and expression of the feelings of the students of the newly formed committee.

Metropolitan University Bandhusabha distributed Eid gifts

With the theme 'Eid of Compassion' in mind, Metropolitan University Prothom Alo Bandhusabha delivered Eid gifts to needy families. At the same time, cash money was also given as Eid gifts through mobile banking.



From 6 May 2021 to 13 May 2021, financial assistance and Eid gifts were given to 54 families. Rice, oil semai, milk, sugar, cinnamon, cardamom, raisins etc. were delivered to different areas of Sylhet metropolis as Eid gifts. In addition, financial assistance was provided to some helpless families outside the city through banking. Officials and members of Metropolitan University Prothom Alo Bandhusabha were also present on the occasion of Eid gift distribution.

Social Services Club of Metropolitan University by the helpless



The Social Services Club (MUSSC) of Metropolitan University stood by the helpless people who are suffering from low income during the epidemic. In view of the Corona crisis, the holy month of Ramadan and Eid, the Club distributed rice, pulses, oil, potatoes and other food items to more than 150 low-income families. The club's program is called 'Ramadan Gift Distribution'.

Food items were distributed as gifts to more than 150 families in Amberkhana, Electric Supply, Jalalabad, Bateshwar, Sonapur village of Moglabazar Police Station, Kaskonakpur and other areas of Sylhet city.

Gazi Saiful Hasan, Head of Law and Justice Department and Advisor, Social Services Club; Yazdani Raju, Assistant Professor, Department of Business Administration; Arif Ahmed, President of the Club and Lecturer, CSE Department; Abu Bakar Siddique, Vice President; General Secretary, Shah Afzal Mahin and others were present during the distribution. .

35th meeting of Academic Council of Metropolitan University held

The 35th meeting of the Academic Council of the Metropolitan University was held on 10 June 2021 through the virtual platform Zoom because of the Corona pandemic situation. Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dr. Md. Saleh Uddin presided over the meeting.



The meeting also approved the introduction of degrees in new subjects in the university, the academic calendar of Summer Term 2021, list of students who have obtained undergraduate and postgraduate degrees from different departments, examination committees of different departments and extension of the student registration period.

The meeting was attended among others by the chairman of the Board of Trustees of the University, Dr. Toufique Rahman Chowdhury, Pro-Vice Chancellor Professor Shiba Prasad Sen, Dean of the School of Business Professor Dr. Md. Taher Billal Khalifa; Dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Dr. Suresh Ranjan Basak; Dean of the School of Science and Technology, Professor. Dr. Md. Nazrul Haque Chowdhury; eminent writer and academician, Professor Syed Manzoorul Islam, Heads of Departments, Controller of Examinations, Librarian and Member Secretary University of the Academic Council, Registrar Muhammad FR Tanvir.

Obituary: Professor Khandker Mahmudur Rahman



Former Registrar and Treasurer of the Metropolitan University, Professor Khandker Mahmudur Rahman (born 1938) passed away on June 7 (Innalillahi Rajiun). He was 83. Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Dr. Toufique Rahman Chowdhury and Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dr. Md. Saleh Uddin condoled the death of Professor Rahman.

Professor Khandker Mahmudur Rahman had a bright academic and long professional career. He had his Honours and Master degrees in Economics from Dhaka University. He also held a Master degree in Agricultural Economics from Michigan State University in the United States. From 1986 to 1995, he served as Assistant Secretary, Deputy Secretary and Joint Secretary to the Government. During his tenure, he was the Director of Bangladesh Rural Development Academy (Comilla), Bangladesh Rural Development Board (Dhaka), and Bangladesh Rural Development Institute (Sylhet). He has worked as a Senior Consultant in various international organizations including World Bank, Asian Development Bank, JICA, CIDA. Khandker Mahmudur Rahman successfully served and taught in various positions including Registrar and Treasurer of Metropolitan University from 2003 to 2019.

Metropolitan University Bandhusabha by the Homeless with 'Bhalobasar Sehri'



Secretary were also present during the distribution of complimentary sehri.

Prothom Alo Bandhusabha Branch of Metropolitan University has stood by the homeless people of Sylhet city with an exceptional program called 'Bhalobasar Sehri'. Sehri food was provided to 65 homeless people, living on the sidewalks of Amberkhana, Chauhatta, Bandarbazar and Nayorpool areas of the city. Khaira Tuz Jahan, President of Prothom Alo Bandhusabha Branch of Metropolitan University and Tanim Ahmed Babar, General

A decade and a half later, Metropolitan University



Metropolitan University has been in existence for 19 years, almost two decades. May 3 was the 18th founding anniversary of the University. Due to the crisis of Corona, the founding anniversary celebrations were as illustrious as that of the previous years.

On the occasion of the founding anniversary of the University, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Toufique Rahman Chowdhury greeted the teachers, students, officers, employees, and well-wishers. In his congratulatory message, he said, 'We started our journey with the dream of playing a positive role in the education system of Sylhet. From the beginning, our goal and

objective were to work for the improvement of the quality of education. That is the goal we have remained steadfast for almost two decades. Over time, Metropolitan University is now one of the names of the confidence and trust of the students of Greater Sylhet

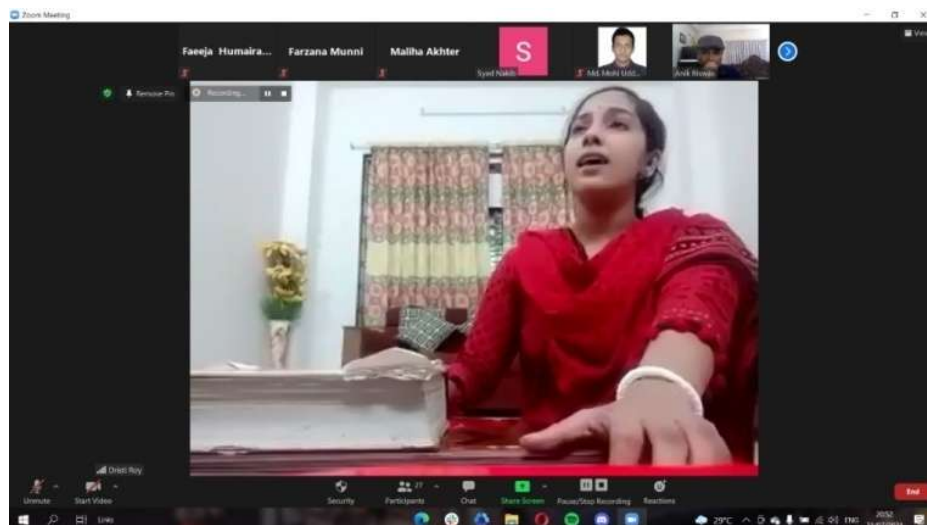
Metropolitan University was established on 3rd May 2003 with the approval of the Ministry of Education. Under the leadership of Dr. Toufique Rahman Chowdhury, the founder of the University and Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Tanvir MO Rahman Chowdhury, Vice Chairman, the university is moving forward with the dedicated efforts of a group of educationists. The Metropolitan University has been shifted to its permanent campus at Bateshwar of Sylhet Sadar Upazilla with its campus fully equipped with all standard facilities, high-quality labs, a rich library, regular academic activities and other co-curricular activities and exceptional events. Eminent academician, Professor, Dr. Md. Saleh Uddin is serving as the Vice Chancellor of the University.

Selected Reading from ‘Unfinished Autobiography of Bangabandhu’ won the first place



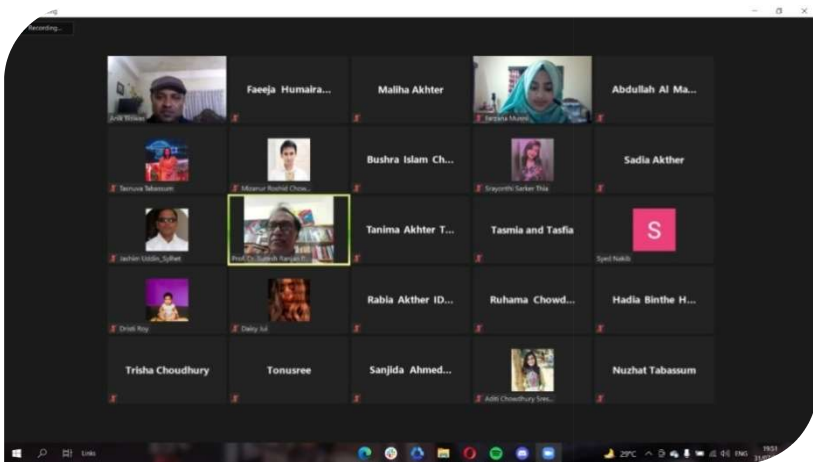
In the Online cultural competition organized by Sylhet Zilla Parishad on the occasion of ‘National Mourning Day 2021’ in collaboration with Sylhet District Administration, Gazi Saiful Hasan, Assistant Professor and Head of Department of Law and Justice, won the first place in ‘D’ section.

Event titled ‘The Novel I read First’ held



The MU Literary Club of English, an organization of the English Department of Metropolitan University organized a commemorative event entitled 'Danvel I read First'. The event was held on July 31 at 7:30 pm on the Online platform Zoom.

Presided over by Tasnuva Tabassum, President of MU Literary Club of English and Lecturer of the Department, Dr. Suresh Ranjan Basak, Dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences and Anik Biswas, Assistant Professor and Head of the Department of English were present as Chief Guest and Special Guest respectively.



Lecturer Syed Naqib Saadi.

At the event, the teachers and the students reminisced about the feeling of reading their first novel as well as all the wonderful feelings associated with it. Maliha Akhter, Senior Vice President, MU Literary Club of English was in charge of the overall management of the event, which was conducted by Farzana Munni, student of the Department and Publicity Secretary of the Club.

Those who attended the event included Rama Islam, Associate Professor of the Department, Assistant Professor Snigdha Das, Assistant Professor Sanjida Chowdhury, Lecturer Abdullah Al Masud, Lecturer Mohiuddin and

Promotion



Md. Afsarul Islam, Lecturer of the Department of Business Administration was promoted as Assistant Professor on June 1, 2021. He joined Metropolitan University on 20 February 2017 as a Lecturer.

Joining



Nazia Sultana Chowdhury joined as a Lecturer in the Department of Software Engineering on 26 July 2021. She obtained B.Sc. degree in Software Engineering degree from Shahjalal University of Science and Technology, Sylhet in 2020.

