

# NEWSLETTER

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## EWU Celebrates its Glorious 18<sup>th</sup> Convocation

A. K. M. Mozammel Huq, MP, Minister, Ministry of Liberation War Affairs, advised fresh graduates that moralities, responsibilities, skills, professionalism, and patriotism should be the guiding spirits of their future. The Minister spoke on the occasion of 18<sup>th</sup> Convocation of East West University (EWU), as the representative of the President of Bangladesh, His Excellency, Mr. Md. Abdul Hamid. The event took place at EWU campus, Aftabnagar, Dhaka on 30 January 2019. A total of 2073 undergraduate and graduate students were conferred degrees and eight of them were awarded gold medals for outstanding results.

The Convocation Speaker, Professor Dr. Yasmeen Haque, Department of Physics, Shahjalal University of Science and Technology (SUST), Sylhet, in her speech said that Bangladesh is now turning into a country with the capacity to meet all expectations. Universities here are not only imparting knowledge to students but also creating new sectors of knowledge.

Professor Abdul Mannan, Chairman, University Grants Commission of Bangladesh, was Special Guest on the occasion. Besides him, Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin, Chairperson, Board of Trustees, EWU and former Governor of Bangladesh Bank, and Professor Dr. M. M. Shahidul Hassan, Vice Chancellor, EWU also gave invaluable speeches. They said that Bangladesh would be able to reach its expected economic, social and cultural goals through the power of invention of its new generation.

The members of the Board of Trustees, the Pro-Vice Chancellor, the Treasurer, Deans, Chairpersons of the departments, teachers, staff members, graduating students and their parents attended the convocation ceremony.

## New Chairperson of Board of Trustees & New Chief Adviser of EWU



One of the founders of East West University (EWU) and former Adviser, caretaker government of Bangladesh, Syed Manzur Elahi has been elected as the new Chairperson of the Board of Trustees of East West University in a board meeting at EWU campus, Aftabnagar, Dhaka. A prominent businessman, Syed Manzur Elahi, took over this position from the outgoing Chairperson and former Governor of Bangladesh Bank, Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin, on 04 April, 2019. Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin has now been appointed as the Chief Adviser of East West University. Other members of the Board of Trustees, Mrs. Najma Ahmed, Mr. Nowshad Shamsul Arefin, Mr. Mansoor Mumin, Mr. H. N. Ashequr Rahman, MP, along with Professor Dr. M. M. Shahidul Hassan, Vice-Chancellor, and Md. Jahangir Alam Khan, Secretary, Board of Trustees of the University were present on the occasion.

## DNCC Mayor Atiqul Islam Joins Cleanliness Campaign at EWU

East West University organized a special cleanliness campaign at Aftabnagar area in Dhaka. Dhaka North City Corporation (DNCC) Mayor, Md. Atiqul Islam and local Parliament Member, AKM Rahmatullah MP inaugurated the program on Tuesday 9 April 2019. The Chairperson of the Board of Trustees, EWU, and former Adviser of the Caretaker Government of Bangladesh, Syed Manzur Elahi, the Chief Adviser of EWU and former Governor of Bangladesh Bank, Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dr. M. M. Shahidul Hassan, the Pro Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dr. Fakrul Alam, senior officials, faculty members and students of the university participated in the cleanliness program.



DNCC Mayor Atiqul Islam Joins a Cleanliness Campaign at EWU

Prominent singers, Khairul Anam Shakil and Roquaiya Hasina Neely, and reputed actor, Khairul Alam Sabuj, also attended the cleanliness campaign with EWU students.

A short briefing session was also held on the occasion. DNCC Mayor, Md. Atiqul Islam addressed the gathering and reminded everyone that keeping the city clean was a collective responsibility. He also declared that a foot overbridge would be built in Pragati Sarani near East West University for pedestrians.



Cleanliness Campaign at EWU

## EWU Celebrates International Women's Day 2019



Women's Day Rally

East West University celebrated International Women's Day with a colorful program at EWU Campus, Aftabnagar, Dhaka on Thursday, 07 March 2019, on the occasion of International Women's Day. In addition to a vibrant rally, EWU also arranged a screening of the film "*Itiha Konna*" by Shamim Akter.

The event was followed by a discussion session. The main theme of the session was 'Think Equal, Built Smart, Innovate for Change'.

The discussion session was attended by Professor Dr. Haseena Khan, Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, University of Dhaka, Professor Rezwana Choudhury Bannya, famous singer and Chairperson, Department of Dance, University of Dhaka, Syeda Rizwana Hasan, Chief Executive, Bangladesh Environmental Lawyers Association, and Professor Dr. Fakrul Alam, Pro-Vice Chancellor of EWU. Professor Dr. M. M. Shahidul Hassan, Vice Chancellor of EWU delivered welcome remarks on the occasion.



The program was chaired by Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin, Chairperson, Board of Trustees of EWU, and former Governor of the Bangladesh Bank.

In the discussion, speakers highlighted the progress of women in Bangladesh in the last four and a half decades.

## East West University Observes the 48<sup>th</sup> Independence Day

East West University observed the 48<sup>th</sup> Independence Day. To commemorate Independence Day, EWU arranged a program of the hoisting of the national flag at 05.57 a.m. on Tuesday, 26 March at EWU Campus, Aftabnagar, Dhaka. The national flag was hoisted by H. N. Ashequr Rahman, MP, Chairperson (acting), Board of Trustees of EWU while the University flag was hoisted by Professor Dr. M. M. Shahidul Hassan, Vice Chancellor of EWU.



A prayer was offered for peace, security, and prosperity of the country. Professor Dr. Fakrul Alam, Pro-Vice Chancellor, A. Z. M. Shafiqul Alam, Treasurer, Deans of different faculties, Chairpersons of various departments, faculty members, the Registrar (acting), administrative officials and EWU students participated in the event.

## Center for Research and Training

### East West University Center for Research and Training (EWUCRT)

The primary objective of East West University Center for Research and Training (EWUCRT) is to create knowledge through academic and applied research, and to disseminate acquired knowledge through training, seminar and publication. The following are the updates of EWUCRT on Spring Semester 2019:

#### Research Grant

The Center released research grant for the following research proposals:

- *“Large scale isolation, purification & characterization of the natural products from Terminalia Arjuna & Terminalia Chebula, and evaluation of their role in metabolic disorders”* by Professor Chowdhury Faiz Hossain, Dr. Mst. Rejina Afrin, Assistant Professor, Mantasha Tabassum, Lecturer, Department of Pharmacy, East West University, Dr. Aditya Arya, School of Medicine, Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences, Taylor’s University, Malaysia and Dr. SuraiaNusrin, Assistant Professor, East West University.
- *“The role of institutional pressure on the use of quality assurance practices in enhancing the effectiveness of higher education institutions.”* by Dr. Farhana Ferdousi, Associate Professor, Department of Business Administration, East West University.

#### Publications

The following research report is in press:

- *“Analyzing the effectiveness of access to information (a2i) program in promoting women empowerment in selected areas of Bangladesh: A case study of Shimulia union parishad and Muksudpur union parishad, Dhaka district.”* by Ms. Ruhun Wasata, Lecturer, Department of Social Relations, East West University.

#### Call for Research Proposals-Round 12

East West University Center for Research and Training (EWUCRT) invited proposals for its 12<sup>th</sup> Internal Funding Round. This research fund is a seed grant provided to researchers affiliated with academic departments for conducting research activities in accordance with the university research policy. Such grants are provided to nurture and sustain a vibrant research community at EWU by engaging academics and researchers from all faculties/fields. The Center has received 3 research proposals in Spring Semester 2019

- *“Screening and characterization of L-asparaginase producing bacteria from the soil in Bangladesh”* by Md. Mohiuddin Kabir, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Department of Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, East West University.
- *“Development of wearable muscles motion capture device for monitoring the rehabilitation patients”* by Mohammad Salah Uddin, Ph.D, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, East West University.

- “First year students’ speaking needs analysis and materials development” by Zohur Ahmed, Assistant Professor, Kaniz Fatema and Tamanna Sharmin Kabir, Lecturer Department of English, East West University.

## Call for Abstracts of Published Research Papers-2018

East West University Center for Research and Training (EWUCRT) has invited abstracts of published papers, articles, conference proceedings and chapters in edited books from the faculty members of the University on 24 March 2019 for inclusion in the 13<sup>th</sup> volume of Abstract of Published Papers, 2018.

## Call for Papers-Journals

### ***East West Journal of Humanities: Vol. 8, 2018***

*East West Journal of Humanities, Vol. 8, 2018 (ISSN: 2074-6628)* invites submissions for volume 8, 2018. The Center invited original submissions in areas such as English language and literature, other literatures, linguistics, applied linguists/English language teaching, the history of ideas, philosophy, culture and society, film and media, as well as information studies. The Center also invited scholarly papers on issues relating to class, gender, and race. Additionally, the Center will be happy to consider book reviews.

### ***East West Journal of Business and Social Studies: Vol. 8, 2019***

*East West Journal of Business and Social Studies (EWJBSS) (ISSN 2074-5443)* is seeking original manuscripts on theoretical/empirical works, review/survey on literature on basic and applied topics in management and social sciences. EWJBSS is a fully refereed journal and is published annually in January in English by East West University Center for Research and Training, Bangladesh. The journal is particularly focused on issues related to South Asia and on emerging countries.

## Research Seminar

- “The role of institutional pressure on the use of quality assurance practices in enhancing the effectiveness of higher education institutions.” by Dr. Farhana Ferdousi, Associate Professor, Department of Business Administration, East West University on December 06,2018.

- “Isolation, identification and antibiotic susceptibility pattern of common respiratory pathogens collected from nasopharynx of asymptomatic school children in Dhaka city” by Dr. Sufia Islam, Professor, Nishat Nasrin, Assistant Professor, Nigar Sultana Tithi, Senior Lecturer, and Nafisa Tanjia, Senior Lecturer, Department of Pharmacy, East West University on December 12, 2018.

- “Importance of collecting information on East West University alumni” by Dr. A. M. Tanvir Hussain, Associate Professor, Ms. Asiya Siddica, Senior Lecturer and Mr. Estiaque Bari, Lecturer, Department of Economics, East West University on March 7,2019

- East West University Center for Research and Training (EWUCRT) organized a research seminar on the research titled “Trial of War Rapes: When justice is an issue” at the S.M. Nousher Ali Lecture Gallery of EWU campus, Aftabnagar, Dhaka on 12 March 2019. The research report was presented by Dr. Tureen Afroz, Professor, Department of Law, EWU. Her research is based on interviews of 385 rape victims of the Liberation War of Bangladesh.



Professor Dr. Tureen Afroz, Department of Law, EWU is presenting her research report

Former Chairman/ Chairperson of the National Human Rights Commission, and Professor of the Department of Law, University of Dhaka, Dr. Mizanur Rahman was the Chief Guest of the seminar. The seminar was chaired by Dr. Rafiqul Huda Chaudhury, Member, Board of Trustees, EWU and Chairperson of EWUCRT.

Professor Dr. M. M. Shahidul Hassan, Vice Chancellor, EWU, was the Special Guest, while Professor Dr. Fakrul Alam, Pro-Vice Chancellor of EWU was the Guest of Honor of the seminar. On the occasion, the main discussants on the research topic were Professor Dr. Anup Chowdhury, Chairperson, Department of Business Administration, EWU and Dr. Fouzia Mannan, Dean, Faculty of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, EWU. Dr. Saidur Rahman Lasker, Member, Board of Trustees, EWU, Professor Dr. Muhammed Shahriar Haque, Executive Director, EWUCRT, along with faculty members, students of EWU and officials of EWUCRT also attended the seminar.

### Knowledge Sharing Seminar

‘How to make high impact publications?’

East West University Center for Research and

Training (EWUCRT) organized a seminar on ‘How to make high impact publications?’ at the S. M. Nousher Ali Lecture Gallery of East West University (EWU) campus, Aftabnagar, Dhaka on January 15, 2019. The seminar was addressed by Dr. Ataur Rahman, Professor, Water and Environmental Engineering, School of Computing, Engineering and Mathematics, Centre for Infrastructure Engineering, Western Sydney University, Australia.

On the occasion, a research proposal on “River clean up by involving schools and universities in Bangladesh: Policy developments” was also presented by Dr. Ataur Rahman. Dr. Farhana Ferdousi, Associate Professor, Department of Business Administration, EWU is the co-researcher of the research project. The seminar was chaired by Dr. Rafiqul Huda Chaudhury,



Professor Dr. Ataur Rahman sharing his knowledge on the seminar



member, Board of Trustees, EWU and Chairperson of EWUCRT. Professor Dr. Muhammed Shahrar Haque, Executive Director, EWUCRT, along with faculty members, students of EWU and officials of EWUCRT also attended the seminar. A lively question-answer session followed the seminar presentation.

### Training on ‘How Best to Write a Research Proposal?’

East West University Center for Research and Training organized a training program on ‘How Best to Write a Research Proposal?’ for the faculty members and graduate students of East West University. The training was held on 7 and 14 February and 14 March 2019. The training program was conducted by Professor Dr. S. M. Nurul Alam



Professor Dr. Nurul Alam is conducting the training program (Retd.), Department of Anthropology, Jahangirnagar University, Adjunct Professor of Development Studies, North South University and Independent University, Bangladesh. He has over three decades of teaching and research experience in economics, anthropology and development studies at public and private universities. Fifteen participants of various academic departments attended the training.

### East West University Research Ethical Committee (EWUREC) and Policy

East West University Research Ethical committee has been framed. Furthermore, Policy and

Procedure for Research Ethics Approval and Plagiarism Policy has been developed.

All research work at EWU should adhere to the highest ethical standards; any research work carried out at EWU which has significant ethical implications will have to be submitted for independent ethical review. In any research study involving people, their datas, the dignity, rights, safety and well-being of participants must also be significant considerations. Research involving animals, pathogens and genetically engineered micro-organisms should also go through a sustained and intensive review process.

Ethical scrutiny in all such cases will be essential. Such scrutiny is intended to assist in protecting research participants from harm, but a further important consideration is that the researcher is facilitated and supported in carrying out research which has the potential to be of benefit to society. In other words, the scrutiny must be carried out efficiently and according to the highest possible professional and ethical standards.

Another related ethical concern is to ensure originality and to prevent plagiarism in academic work. To these end, faculty members as well as students will have to familiarize themselves with the plagiarism policy of the university and learn how not to get involved in any kind of practice that makes them vulnerable to charges of academic dishonesty and misconduct.

### Research projects that will need the approval of the East West Research Ethics Committee (EWUREC) include the following

- i) Research involving human participants, their personal data and tissues collected,
- ii) Research that poses a reputation risk to the University or its researchers,
- iii) Externally funded research that need to meet the standards expected of funding agencies,

- iv) Evaluation studies involving human participants,
- v) Research which does not involve human participants but which is high risk, or which has the potential for negative effects on the environment or on society,
- vi) Research that involves experimentation on animals
- vii) Research involving tissues from protected animals obtained from a third party who must ensure that the material was obtained legally and ethically before transferring any materials to EWU.
- viii) Research involving pathogens and other microbes that may severely impact on nature or could be harmful for individuals.
- ix) Research involving genetically engineered microorganisms that may affect the environment.

### Ethical Review and Documentation in Cases of Plagiarism

**Research projects will need to have requisite documentation and acknowledgement when they involve**

- i) Use of published or unpublished sources that need to be acknowledged,
- ii) Use of copyright materials,
- iii) Interaction with human participants from outside the university who have been interviewed and quoted, and whose ideas have been sought and used in the writing

### Composition of University Research Ethics Committee

The Executive Director of the Center for Research and Training, EWUCRT, will act as Secretary to EWUREC. The Secretary has the obligation to provide further information to researchers as and when necessary in formulating applications and submitting research papers and relevant documents commissioned by EWUCRT. S/he will be responsible for informing them of the decisions of the EWUREC, and where the applications are rejected, or the submissions require to be amended, the reasons for decisions.

The Secretary of the EWUREC is responsible for maintaining a record of all submissions made to it and the decisions reached regarding research. The EWUCRT will serve as the Secretariat of the EWUREC.

### The Role of EWUREC

- i. To develop, review and evaluate the University's Research Ethics Policy Procedures and guidelines for the EWUREC for the ethical review of all research conducted by academic staff members and students and submit it to Syndicate for approval.
- ii. To design application forms and other forms related to submission of research work outcomes and lodging complaints, etc.
- iii. To advise researchers, participants in research and faculty members on ethics components of ethics and procedure, to disseminate information on the proper ethical conduct of research, and to provide an avenue for the spread of good ethical practice.
- iv. To ensure and monitor best practice of research ethics across East West University.
- v. To receive, consider, review and approve applications from members of the Faculty (staff and students) to carry out research which may not directly involve human participants but which raises significant ethical issues relating to its impact on the environment or society.
- vi. For multi-faculty research projects, ethical approval is to be sought from the lead investigator/project manager (or where the lead investigator does not sit within, a EWU faculty member).
- vii. To encourage a culture within the academic community which recognizes the central importance of ethical considerations in the design and performance of research.
- viii. To keep reference manuals and up-to-date policy documents in line with international as well as national copyright laws on use of copyright laws, patents, etc.

ix. To have committee members review randomly research procedures, outputs and publications in each academic trimester year.

x. To provide training regarding research ethics, research methodology and research governance. As a condition of appointment, a member should agree to take part in initial and continuing education appropriate to his or her role as a research ethics committee member.

xi. The primary task of EWUREC lies in the ethical review of research proposals and their supporting documents, with special attention being given to the nature of any intervention and its safety and protection for participants and researchers, to informed consent processes and documentation, and to the suitability and feasibility of proposals.

xii. In order for the committee to review research studies requiring ethics approval effectively, a maximum of 05 applications will be considered at each meeting.

xiii. To provide support to the researcher where circumstances might otherwise challenge their academic freedom, or intellectual property rights, or put the researcher in emotional, psychological or physical danger.

## Principles and Procedures for Obtaining Ethical Approval

For all research projects covered by this guideline, approval must be given by the EWU Ethics Committee before work commence. The primary task of the Research Ethics Committee lies in the ethical review of research proposals and their supporting documents, with special attention given to the nature of any intervention and its safety and protection for participants and researchers, to informed consent processes and documentations, and to the suitability and feasibility of the proposal.

A decision by the EWUREC to give ethical approval to a research project does not imply an expert assessment of all possible ethical issues, or

of all possible dangers or risks involved; nor does it detract in any way from the ultimate responsibility which researchers must themselves have for all research which they carry out, and for its effects on human participants.

The committee will address ethical matters information supplied by the researcher. Any Information submitted is expected to be properly researched, full, truthful and accurate. Any decision to change the University's policies or procedures for ethical review of research does not imply that previous policies or procedures were inappropriate and any such changes do not invalidate ethical approval that has been given.

EWUREC has approved the following research proposals with minor modification which were submitted to EWUCRT for research grant:

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## Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

### Workshop on “Teaching-Learning and Practices”

IQAC organized a day-long orientation program and workshop on “Teaching-Learning and Practices” on 2nd March, 2019 at East West University.



Honorable Vice Chancellor and Pro-Vice Chancellor spoke on the occasion, giving suggestions on university education that will help develop careers for the newly appointed faculty members in EWU. They urged all the faculty members to explore new ideas in research and education. Professor Dr. MozammelHuq Azad Khan, Dean, Faculty of Sciences and Engineering, Professor Dr. Tanbir Ahmed Chowdhury, Dean, Faculty of Business and Economics, Dr. Fouzia Mannan, Dean of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences discussed Service Rules, Administrative Rules and career path of the faculty members of EWU, Professor Dr. Khairul Alam, Ex-Director of IQAC provided a brief idea about the activities and the role of IQAC in higher university education. Professor Dr. Anisul Haque, Dept. of Electrical & Electronic Engineering, Professor Dr. A. K. EnamulHaque, Dept. of Economics and Professor Dr. Md. Shahriar Haque, Dept. of English conducted the workshop for the faculty members of the Faculty of Sciences and Engineering, Faculty of Business and Economics and Faculty of Liberal Arts and Liberal Arts of EWU, respectively. Dr. Basanta Kumar Barmon, Director of IQAC and Associate Professor of the Department of Economics chaired the program. A total of 62 newly appointed faculty members of Summer, Spring & Fall 2018 and Spring 2019 were present in the orientation and the workshop.

## EAST WEST UNIVERSITY LIBRARY A Gateway to Knowledge

### East West University Library observes National Library Day 2019

East West University Library observed National Library Day on 05 February 2019 aiming at building an educated and enlightened nation and making people more library-oriented. The theme of the National Library Day 2019 is “গ্রন্থাগারে বই পড়ি আলোকিত মানুষ গড়ি”.

As a part of the celebration of national library day, EWU library was decorated with colorful balloons, festoon, banners, posters etc. to create awareness among library users about the importance of library



Inaugural rally of National Library Day 2019

in lifelong learning. EWU Library arranged the following activities on this occasion:

- Round-the-week special customer care service
- Instant Library Membership and Library Orientation
- Joining grand rally organized by Ministry of Cultural Affairs at Central Public Library, Shahbag, Dhaka.
- Quiz contest on "Libraries: Citizen's Door to Lifelong Learning" for EWU students
- Awarding the best library users in 2019

### Prize giving ceremony on the occasion of National Library Day 2019

A prize giving ceremony was arranged on 7 February 2019 at EWU Library to award the winners of the quiz contest held on "Libraries: Citizen's Door to Lifelong Learning" for EWU students. A. Z. M. Shafiqul Alam, Treasurer, East West University and Dr. Dilara Begum, Associate Professor and Chairperson, Department of Information Studies and Library Management and Librarian (In-Charge), East West University delivered speeches at the ceremony and handed over the prizes to the winners. Mr. Zahid Hossain, Senior Lecturer, Department of English, East West University and Mohammad Shafiqul Islam, Undergraduate students, Department of Business Administration were awarded as best library users 2019.



Winners of the best library users and quiz contest

## UPL donated valuable books on Liberation War to EWU Library Journal Articles

The University Press Limited (UPL) and Department of Economics in collaboration with Economics Club, East West University, organized a book fair from 20 to 24 January 2019 at the EWU premise.

UPL officials donated some valuable books on liberation war to EWU Library on 23 January 2019. Professor Dr. Fakrul Alam, Pro-Vice Chancellor, EWU, Dr. Dilara Begum, Librarian (In-Charge), Mohammed Motiur Rahman, Deputy Librarian (Jr.), Md. Mamun-Or-Rashid, Senior Assistant Librarian, EWU were present at the program.



Book donation ceremony by UPL

## Degree/ Program completion

Md. Ershadul Haque completed Post Graduate Diploma in Computer Science from Bangladesh Institute of Management (BIM) on 31 December 2018.

Mr. Tahur Ahmed, Assistant Librarian, East West University completed an online course (Module) titled "How to Write Case Report" organized by ELSEVIER Researcher Academy on 05<sup>th</sup> March 2019. He was also awarded a certificate.

## Publications

### Book Chapter

Ahmed, T. (2018). Bangladesh: Library system, library education and library organizations. In *Librarians Around the World*, pp. 9-14. [978-9934-19-747-5] Retrieved from <http://dom.lndb.lv/data/obj/file/25057292.pdf>

- Parvin, S. (2019). Propagating your story with pinterest: Possibilities for academic libraries. *International Information & Library Review*, DOI: 10.1080/10572317.2018.1526854

## English Newspaper

- Parvin, S. (2018, December 06). Kahoot: An interactive tool for making learning fun. *The Daily Sun*. Retrieved from <https://www.daily-sun.com/printversion/details/355061/2018/12/06/Kahoot:-An-interactive-tool-for-making-learning-fun->
- Parvin, S. (2019, February 23). Open science framework: An effective tool for researchers. *The Daily Sun*. Retrieved from <http://www.daily-sun.com/post/373364/2019/02/24/Open-Science-Framework:-An-effective-tool-for-researchers>

## External Visitor Updates

Officials of Bangladesh Public Administration Training Centre visited EWU Library on 12 February 2019.

Mr. A Matin Chowdhury, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Independent University, Bangladesh visited EWU library on 30 January 2019.

Ms. Jesmine Akhter, Director General, Bangladesh National Scientific Technical Documentation Center (BANSDOC) visited EWU library on 04 March 2019.

## Department of Business Administration

### Book/Journal Publications

Chowdhury, T. A. and Huda, F. (2018). Performance Evaluation of State Owned Commercial Banks of Bangladesh. *The Indian Journal of Economics*, University of Allahabad, India, Vol. XCVIII, Part- III.

Ferdousi, F., Baird, K. Munir, R. and Su, S. (2019). Mediating role of quality performance on the association between organizational factors and competitive advantage. *International Journal of Productivity and Performance Management*, Vol. 68, PP.542-560 ABDC ranked B

Ahmed, A; Haque, MM; Rahman, MA; Khan, MS; Rahman, A and Ferdousi, F (2018). Integration and adaptation of e-technology to deliver technical education in public and private universities of Bangladesh. *Taylor and Francis*.

### Conference/Seminar/Presentations

Kanan, A. H. and Ferdousi, F, (2019, January 20-22). *The Role of Participatory Forest Management System in Livelihoods Security and Forest Restoration*. Paper Presented at the 4<sup>th</sup> International GCSTMR Congress 20-22 January, 2019, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Hride, F.T. and Ferdousi, F, (2019, January 20-22). *The Role Price Fairness on Customer Satisfaction and Customer Loyalty: F-Commerce Users of a Developing Country*. Paper Presented at the 4<sup>th</sup> International GCSTMR Congress 20-22 January, 2019, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Ahmed, A and Ferdousi, F, (2019, January 20-22), *Effect of Contingency Factors in Adopting Lean Practices- A Case on a Beverage Organization of a Developing Economy*. Paper Presented at the 4<sup>th</sup> International GCSTMR Congress, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Afroze, R. and Eva, T. P. (2019, March 1-2). *E-recruitment as a source of Employer Branding: from Job Seekers' and Employers' Perspective*. Paper Presented at the International Conference on HR trends 2030, Indian Institute of Social Welfare and Business Management (IISWBM).



Industrial Tour to PRAN Industrial Park

## Field Trips/Study Tours/Others

### Industrial Tour to PRAN Industrial Park

On 23 March, 2019, students of department of Business Administration went on an industrial visit to Pran Industrial Park located at Ghorashal, Palash, Narsingdi. The tour was arranged under the supervision of honorable faculty members Reaz Hafiz, Senior Lecturer of Marketing and Md. Anamul Haque, Lecturer of HRM of Department of Business Administration of East West University. The students enrolled in Marketing Management (MKT201-section 6), Strategic Marketing (MKT430-section 1), and Industrial Relations and Labor Law (HRM413-section 2), took part in this tour.



## Book/Journal Publications

"Sector holders' cross-border equity decisions", by Syed Basher, Faruk Balli, Hatice Ozer Balli, Aihua Wang, and Amira Karimova. Forthcoming in *International Review of Economics & Finance*. March 2019.

"Exchange rates of oil exporting countries and global oil price shocks: A nonlinear smooth-transition approach", by Syed Basher and Alfred Haug. Forthcoming in *Applied Economics*. January 2019.

Rahman, M., & Bari, E. (2019). Pathways to Bangladesh's sustainable LDC graduation: Prospects, challenges and strategies. In *Bangladesh's Graduation from the Least Developed Countries Group* (pp. 109-152). Routledge.

## Conference/Seminars/Presentations

Dr. A. K. Enamul Haque, Department of Economics, attended the 36<sup>th</sup> Research and Training Workshop of the SANDEE - ICIMOD. The workshop was held in Park Village, Kathmandu, Nepal from December 10 to 13, 2018.

Professor A. K. Enamul Haque, Department of Economics, attended the first IUCN Meghna advisory group meeting. The meeting was hosted at North East Hill University (NEHU) in Shillong. The meeting was organized by IUCN with cooperation from Oxfam, Transboundary Rivers of South Asia (TROSA), and Sveriges Riksdag and was held from 17 to 19 January, 2019.



Ms Nabila Zaman presenting her paper in 4<sup>th</sup> SANEM Annual Economists' Conference 2019, Brac Center Inn, Mohakhali.





Dr. Tanvir Hussain, spoke on 'Importance of Collecting Information'

Dr. A. K Enamul Haque, Department of Economics, as a discussant attended a roundtable discussion on the prospects and problems of Haor economy. It was held at BARC auditorium on 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 and was organized by The Bangladesh Agricultural Economists' Association.

Ms Nabila Zaman, Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics, presented a paper at the 4<sup>th</sup> SANEM Annual Economists' Conference 2019 on 'Firm Level Productivity in South Asia: An Empirical Evidence from 6 countries'. The seminar was hosted by SANEM, a leading think-tank in Bangladesh and was held at the Brac Center, Mohakhali on the 16<sup>th</sup> of February 2019. The seminar was chaired by Dr. Atiur Rahman, Former Governor, Bangladesh Bank. Dr. Monzur Hossain, Senior Research Fellow, Bangladesh Institute of Development Studies (BIDS) was the discussant.

A research seminar was held on 07<sup>th</sup> March, 2019. It was conducted by Dr. A.M Tanvir Hussain, Associate Professor, Ms. Asiya Siddica, Senior Lecturer and Mr. Estiaque Bari, Lecturer, Department of Economics. The topic of the seminar was "Importance of Collecting Information on East West University Alumni".

### Brown-bag Seminar Series Spring 2019

The first brown bag seminar series for Spring, 2019 was conducted by Professor Faridul Islam, Morgan University, USA on "Immigration–Economic Growth and Labor Market Issues: Where Does Skill Fit in?" held on 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2019.

The second brown bag seminar was conducted by Professor Salim Rashid, Director, Center for Urban Studies and Sustainable Development on "Behavioral Economics–Research Agenda" held on 07<sup>th</sup> February, 2019.

On the third brown bag seminar, held on 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2019, Brishty Bhowmik and Hafsa Binth Yeahyea, graduate students of Department of Economics, spoke on "An Empirical Analysis of Energy Demand and Energy Efficiency of RMG Industry in Bangladesh" and "Potential Certified Emission Reduction (CER) Trading Opportunities for Bangladeshi Waste Management Companies".

On 14<sup>th</sup> March Dr. Nazmul Hoque, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics spoke on "Madrass Trap? Poverty, Preference, and Muslim Religious Schooling in Indonesia" on the fifth Brown Bag Seminar.

### Economics Department Annual Study Tour 2019

Economics department of East West University organized a day long study tour on March 8, 2019 for the students of Economics department.



Economics Department Annual Study Tour 2019

111 students along with faculty members, Assistant Registrar and department officials visited the Ananda Park & Resort at Shafipur, Gazipur.

The purpose of this study tour was to relate the theoretical knowledge with real life experiences. Later, poster presentations were arranged the by students.

# Department of English

## Publications

Jahan, A. (2016-2017). Impact of Task Repetition on a Bangladeshi Tertiary Learner's Oral Performance: A Case Study. *HARVEST: Jahangirnagar University Studies in language and Literature*, 32, 71-86.

Kaminy, K. (2018). *Julius Caesar: The Essence and Illusion of Democracy*. *Erothanatos*, 03(1), 43-55. Retrieved from: <https://www.erathanatos.com/vol3issue1>

Rahman, S. M. (2018). Hyper-Elitism in Writing Literary Criticisms: Theories and References. *Advances in Language and Literary Studies*, 9 (6), 153-157.



Launching of Books during the Inauguration Ceremony of International Conference

## Conference/Seminar/Presentations

Azad, S. (2019, January 25-26). Structural Impediments to Translating into English: A Case for Creative literature in Bengali. Paper presented at 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference entitled Transgressing/Transcending Borders through Translation, organized by English Department East West University, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Azad, S. (2019, March 14). The Dialectics, the Interpretive Community, & the Rise of Christianity: The Evolution of the Messiah Concept & the Hermeneutical Strategy. Paper presented at Spring 2019 Departmental Seminar Series, organized by the Department of English, East West University, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Fatema, K. (2019, January 25-26). A Comparative Study on Bengali to English Poetry Translation through Machine Translators. Paper presented at 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference entitled Transgressing/Transcending Borders through Translation, organized by English Department East West University, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Kaminy, K. (2019, January 25-26). Translating Humayun Ahmed: Exploring the Strategies. Paper presented at 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference entitled Transgressing/Transcending Borders through Translation, organized by English Department East West University, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Hasan, N. (2014, January 25-26). Lost in Translation, Paper presented at 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference entitled Transgressing/Transcending Borders through Translation, organized by English Department East West University, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

## Workshop Attended by Faculty Member

Dr. Akhter Jahan, Assistant Professor at the Department of English, attended a 3-day Leadership Trainer Validation event from 1 to 3 March 2019 at Hotel Grand Platinum, Dhaka.

She also attended a 3-day Planning workshop from 11 to 13 December 2018 at Nazimgarh Wilderness Resort, Lalakhal, Sylhet conducted by the Connecting Classroom Project, British Council, Dhaka.

## Research Fund Received by Faculty Member

Dr. Akhter Jahan, Assistant Professor at the English department, received a grant for collecting and analyzing data for the EAP in South Asia Project from the University of Central Lancashire, UK.

## Department Activities

### 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference Organized by the Department of English



Keynote Speech Presented by Dr. Jacob Blakesley in the International Conference

The Department of English successfully organized the much-anticipated 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference, titled “Transgressing/Transcending Borders through Translation” on 25-26 January 2019. The conference reflected its title’s promise by showcasing forty-five papers from national, as well as, international presenters, who came from countries such as India and Turkey. A special feature of the conference was the live online video presentation by the keynote speaker Dr. Jacob Blakesley from the UK.

The inauguration ceremony was held at 9:30 am on Friday January 25 at the S. M. Nausher Ali Lecture Gallery, East West University, and was graced by the presence of Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin, Chairperson, Board of Trustees, and Founder Vice Chancellor of East West University, as the program chair.

The opening speech was made memorable by Dr. Anisuzzaman, Professor Emeritus, University of Dhaka, who spoke as the Chief Guest, Dr. Saidur Rahman Lasker, a founding member, Board of Trustees, East West University, was also present as the Special Guest. Professor Dr. Fakrul Alam, Pro-Vice Chancellor, East West University, also spoke on the occasion. Dr. Farzana Akhter, Chairperson, Department of English, delivered the welcome address. The ceremony ended with launches of books by Dr. Anisur Rahman and Dr. Kaiser Hamidul Haq. The inaugural speech was delivered by the celebrated translator and professor of English Dr. Kaiser Hamidul Haq in a lively session chaired by Professor Fakrul Alam. Later on the day, Dr. Jacob Blakesley delivered the keynote speech on the Sociology of Poetry Translation.

The two plenary speakers of the conference Dr. Niaz Zaman and Dr. Anisur Rahman gave their speeches on the second day of the event.

A total of 11 sessions were held over two days. On both the days, there were lively panel discussions on the themes of translating from Bangla into English and also from English into Bangla. The sessions were enlivened by the presence of acclaimed translators of Bangladesh such as Rifat Munim, Fakrul Alam, Sohana Manzoor, Abdus Selim, Khairul Alam Sabuj, Mashrur Arefin, Sajjad Sharif, and Kajal Krishna Banerjee.

The international event was covered by its broadcasting partner Radio Amber, and enthusiastically attended by practicing translators, faculty members and students from different universities.

## Department of Information Studies and Library Management

### Faculty Achievement

Md. Hasinul Elahi, Lecturer, Department of Information Studies and Library Management received a 'Certificate of Recognition' for participating in the peer review process for Journal of Information Science Theory and Practice (JISTaP).

### Faculty Activities

Dr. Dilara Begum, Associate Professor and Chairperson, Department of Information Studies and Library Management was invited as Guest Speaker on the Sixth International Conference of Asian Special Libraries (ICoASL 2019) which was held on 14-16 February 2019 at New Delhi, India. She participated in oral presentation on "OER in Higher Education: An effective tool for achieving SDGs".

She was also invited as Guest Speaker at the Asia Open Access Workshop, which was held on 6-7 March 2019 at BARC, Farmget, Dhaka, Bangladesh. She spoke on "Institutional Roles in Supporting Open Science" in the workshop.

She was also invited by Bangladesh Bureau of Educational Information and Statistics. (BANBEIS) as a resource person to conduct a session on "Integrated Library System" for Library and Information Science Professionals in different sectors. This session was held on 02 February 2019 and 28 February 2019 at (BANBEIS), Dhaka.

She was also invited by the Bangladesh Public Administration and Training Center (BPATC) as a resource person to conduct a session on "Literature search from E-Resources and Citation Management Software" for Assistant Secretary, BCS Administration (General). This session was held on 09 February 2019 and on 16 March 2019 at Bangladesh Public Administration and Training Center (BPATC), Savar, Dhaka.

Md. Hasinul Elahi, Lecturer, Department of Information Studies and Library Management served as the reviewer of the Journal of Global Knowledge, Memory and Communication published by Emerald.

Abdur Rahaman Sumon and Rumana Rahman, Lecturers at the Department of Information Studies and Library Management, attended a workshop on "Teaching, Learning and Practices" on March 2, 2019 at East West University.

### Departmental Activities

#### Pitha Utshob 2019

The Department of Information Studies and Library Management arranged a pithautshob on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

Chairperson and Broad of Trustees Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin, Pro-Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Fakrul Alam, Treasurer A. Z. M. Shafiqul Alam, and Chairpersons, of other departments and Section Heads of EWU graced the occasion with their presence.



## Intra-Department Badminton Tournament

The department of Information Studies and Library Management organized an Intra-Department Badminton Tournament for its students and faculty members. The tournament was held on 23-24 January 2019. The categories of the tournament included boys single, girls single, boys double and mixed double (Faculty). A Total of 39 participants played in the tournament. The prize giving ceremony of the tournament was held on 24 January 2019. Professor Dr. Fakrul Alam, Pro-Vice Chancellor of EWU and Secretary of the Ministry of Water Resources Mr. Kabir Bin Anwar, were present at the prize giving ceremony. Dr. Dilara Begum, Chairperson, Department of Information Studies and Library Management, was also present at the event. The winner and the runners-up were awarded with crests and medals.



## Students attended a Rehabilitation Discussion on “Specialized Environment and Conservation English Practice”

Students of the department of Information Studies and Library Management attended a panel discussion on “Specialized Environment and Conservation English Practice” in observance of the World Wetlands Day at the American Center of the US Embassy on 3 February, 2019. Dr. Dilara Begum nominated a group of students of the department to attend the program. USAID Program Officer Renerio Acosta discussed the importance of wetlands and USAID’s work to rehabilitate wetlands in Bangladesh.

## National Library Day observed

The Department of Information Studies and Library Management observed National Library day 2019 on 5 February at Public Library premises. The faculty members and students of the department participated in a colorful rally.



On 30<sup>th</sup> October, 2017, the government of People’s Republic of Bangladesh approved February 5 as National Library Day to highlight the importance of books, reading, and libraries in the day to day live of people.

## Field Trip 2019

Department of Information Studies and Library Management, East West University, organized a two-day-long Field Trip from 21 February to 23 February 2019 in Sonadia Island. The main purpose of the Field Trip was to conduct a research on “The Information Practices of the Fishermen in the Sonadia Island”.



More than 40 students of the department were assigned to collect data and conduct survey on the fishermen community of Sonadia Island.

The students were guided by the Department Chairperson Dr. Dilara Begum and Lecturer Md. Hasinul Elahi to collect research data from 180 fishermen families.

### Students attended a Seminar on Marine Wildlife of Bangladesh

Dr. Dilara Begum, Chairperson of the Department of Information Studies and Library Management, received an invitation from the U. S. Embassy American Center to attend a panel discussion on “Marine Wildlife of Bangladesh” in observance of the World Wildlife Day. Dr. Dilara Begum nominated a group of students of the department to attend the discussion session. The event was held at the American Center, on 3 March, 2019.

### Guest Lecture on Publishing Techniques and Ethical Issues

On 27 March, 2019 Syed Zakir Hussain, editor, publisher and CEO, Adorn Publications, was invited to the department to deliver a guest lecture on Publishing Techniques and Ethical Issues for the students of the course Writing, Editing and Publishing. The lecture was attended by more than 40 students, and faculty members.

The Department Chairperson Dr. Dilara Begum was also present at the event.

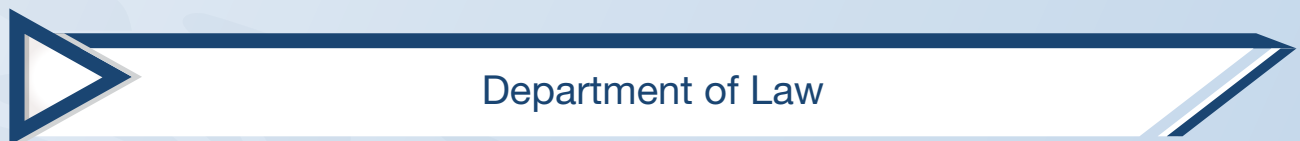
### Students' Achievements

A group of three students from the department of Information Studies and Library Management participated in the EWU Inter-Department Debate Competition organized by the Debate Club of East West University. The Group Runner-up against the department of Business Administration in the Finals.

Five students from the Department of Information Studies and Library Management received the Merit Scholarship for Spring 2019. They are Sabiha Sultana (CGPA 3.94), Nafisa Afrin (CGPA 3.90), Miysha Khanam (CGPA 3.90), Ashiqur Rahman (CGPA 3.90), Anannya Das (CGPA 3.90).

Three students were enlisted in the Dean’s List and received scholarship for the Spring 2019 session. They are Mushfiqa Farzana Mumu (CGPA 3.87), Rubaiya Islam (CGPA 3.84), Hazera Mumu (CGPA 3.77)

Three students received the MedhaLalon scholarship for the Spring 2019 session. They are Mimosa Farnaz (CGPA 3.71), Abdullah AL Maruf (CGPA 3.64), Takia Hoque Tanni(CGPA 3.63).



## Department of Law

### List of Publications

#### Journal Article/ Research Publication

Tureen, Afroz. “Trials of 1971 Bangladesh Genocide: Through A Legal Lens”. *Singapore: Partridge Publishing*, 25 March, 2019.

#### Conference Papers

Shah, Adity Rahman, "The Concept of Sovereignty and the Never-ending Cycle of Colonization: Does South Asia Need New International Law to Protect

its Citizens from the State-sponsored Agression? "(30 December, 2018) presented in the Asian Law and Society Conference, (ALSA) 2018, organized by Faculty of Law, Bond University, Australia, The Australian Network for Japanese Law (ANJel) and the Asia Pacific Legal Institute of Australia (APLIA), (Sponsored by Cambridge University Press), Australia.

Khatun, Rafea, A joint conference paper titled "a new paradoxical paradigm for hijras in bangladesh: the rights related issues of third

gender" has been accepted for the 5<sup>th</sup> World Conference on Women's Studies 2019 (WCWS 2019) which will be held on 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> April, 2019 in Bangkok, Thailand.

Khatun, Rafea, A conference paper titled "Legal archetype for Medical Negligence and patient wellbeing in Bangladesh: An investigation of philosophies and exercise" submitted to international conference on nursing ethics and medical ethics (icneme-19) has been accepted as a result of blind reviews.

Zahur, Mahua, "The Myth and Reality of Geographical Indication in Bangladesh: A Case Study of Jamdani", First IP and Innovation Researchers of Asia Conference, (IPIRA), International Islamic University Malaysia. 31<sup>st</sup> January to 1 February 2019.

### Workshop and Seminar

Tureen Afroz, "Trial of War Rapes: When Justice is an Issue", paper presented as the Key-note speaker at the EW CRT Seminar on 12 March 2019. Tureen Afroz, "Crimes Against Humanity", guest lectured at the Center for Genocide Studies, University of Dhaka, on 15 March 2019.

### Honors/ Awards of Faculty Members

Awarded with the second Ph.D. in Criminal Justice by the American International University, California, USA.

### Departmental Activities

#### EWU Moot Team Participated in First Khondker Mahbubuddin Ahmed Memorial Moot Court Competition 2019

The School of Law, BRAC University, organized an Inter-University Moot Court Competition in the national level at the campus auditorium of BRAC University on 25-26<sup>th</sup> January 2019.



Team East West in K. Mahbubuddin Ahmed Memorial Competition

The Department of Law, East West University participated in the competition with a team consisting of 3 students along with their coach.

Nusrat Aditi Zaman, Altaf Hosen participated as mooters and Avijhit Sikder participated as a researcher. The team was guided by Mr. Riad Mahmud, Lecturer, Department of Law. The team secured 3<sup>rd</sup> position among 12 teams.

#### EWU Moot Team Participated in 'Phillip C. Jessup Moot Court Competition 2019, 3<sup>rd</sup> Qualifying Round'

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Bangladesh qualifying round of the Phillip C. Jessup Law Moot Court Competition 2019 was held in Dhaka from 21<sup>st</sup> February to 23<sup>rd</sup> February. Department of Law, East West University participated in the competition with a team consisting of 5 students along with their coach. Nusrat Jahan Nishat, Maria Akter Ehra, participated as mooters, Fuad Hossain participated as a researcher, Avijhit Sikder and Md Labib Newaz were observers.



EWU Moot Team participated in the 'Phillip C. Jessup Moot Court Competition 2019, 3<sup>rd</sup> Qualifying Round'

The team was guided by Nadia Rahaman, faculty of the Department. Md. Riad Mahumd, Lecturer, Department of Law, East West University, was the program coordinator of International Law Students Association, Bangladesh Chapter. The team secured 8<sup>th</sup> position through memorial rounds. The mooters secured 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> position among 84 mooters.



### Book Chapter

- Gruebner, O., Khan, M.M. H, & Hostert, P. (2019). Socio-ecological neighborhood factors and mental well-being. In *Megacities Megachallenge: Informal Dynamics of Global Change* (pp. 127 -129). Borntraeger Science Publishers.
- Bork-Hueffer, T., Jahn, H., & Khan, M. M. H. (2019). Access to health care. In *Megacities Megachallenge: Informal Dynamics of Global Change* (pp. 136 -139). Borntraeger Science Publishers.

### Journal Publication

- Hossain, S.M.S., Khan, A.R., Islam, M.Z. & Khandaker, S. (2019). Socio-economic situational analysis of tea plantation workers: a case study from Lubachhara Tea Garden, Sylhet. *Bangladesh Journal of Public Administration*, 25(2), 75-83.
- Khan, M. M. H. (2018). Mental health well-being among undergraduate students of East West University: Evidence from a cross-sectional survey. *EWU Journal of Business and Social Studies*, 6(7), 100-115.

### Conference

- Tasnima, T. (2018, November). *Parents Maintenance Act 2013 of Bangladesh: An Analysis of the provisions and the implementation context strategy*. Paper presented at the Seventh Global Conference on Public Policy and Administration in the Middle East at the American University in Cairo.
- Tasnima, T. (2018, December). *User's Perception of Quality in Residential Aged Care in Bangladesh*. Abstract published at the Fifth International Integrative Research Conference on Governance and Modernization in Changing Environment, BARD, Comilla, Bangladesh.
- Zaman, M.Z. & Kabir. R. (2018, December). *Integration of Health Care and Social Support in Specialized School for Children with Autism: A Case from Dhaka City*. Paper presented at the at 5<sup>th</sup> International Integrative Research Conference on Governance and Modernization held at Bangladesh Academy for Rural Development (BARD), Comilla, Bangladesh.
- Siddiqui, M. R. (2019, March) *Examining the application of public participation in ensuring governance of climate finance in Bangladesh*. Paper presented at the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Climate Finance (ICCF). Dhaka, Bangladesh. BCAS.



- Siddiqui, M. R. (2018, December) *Assessing the role of public participation in safeguarding the good governance of climate finance*. Paper presented at the 5<sup>th</sup> International Integrative Research Conference on Governance and Modernization in Changing Environment. Comilla, Bangladesh. BARD.
- Haque, E. (2019, February). *China's Charm Offensive and the Role of Think Tanks in Leveraging Global Influence*. Paper presented at an International Conference on Soft Power and Public Diplomacy in India and China, held at the Central University of Jharkhand, Ranchi, India.

## Technical Report

- A research titled 'Analyzing the Effectiveness of Access to Information (a2i) Program in Promoting Women Empowerment in Selected Areas of Bangladesh: A Case Study of Shimulia Union Parishad and Muksudpur Union Parishad, Dhaka District' was conducted by Ruhun Wasata, Lecturer, Department of Social Relations. The technical report has been accepted to be published under the Center for Research and Training, East West University.

## Seminar

- A Seminar was organized on "Experience and Knowledge of Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOS) among PCOS-diagnosed Bangladeshi women" on December 6, 2018, at S. M. Nousher Ali Lecture Gallery. Dr. Rafiqul Huda Chaudhury, Honorary Professor and Advisor, Master of Population, Reproductive Health, Gender and Development (MPRHGD); Chairperson, East West University Center for Research and Training; and Member, Board of Trustees, East West University graced the occasion as Chief Guest. The program was chaired by Professor. Dr. Md. Mobarak Hossain Khan, Chairperson, of the department. Distinguished discussants were Dr. Mohammad Bellal Hossain, Associate Professor, Department of Population Sciences, University of Dhaka and Dr. Marzia Zaman Sultana, Senior Lecturer. The speaker, Ruhun Wasata, Lecturer, Department of Social Relations, presented her paper on the title mentioned above which she worked in collaboration with faculties of Ohio University.



Seminar on Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOS)

The speaker discussed PCOS and the level of knowledge of PCOS among PCOS-diagnosed Bangladeshi women.

- Dr. Marzia Zaman Sultana, Senior Lecturer, Department of Social Relations, East West University, attended the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of East West University Research Ethical Committee (EWUREC) as a member on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at EWUCRT Research Hub to provide comments on ethical clearance of the research proposal titled 'Isolation, Identification and Antibiotic Susceptibility Testing of Common Respiratory Pathogens Collected from Nasopharynx of Asymptomatic School Children in Dhak City, Bangladesh'.

### In-house Training Series

- A short training session on sampling was organized on February 14, 2019 by the Department of Social Relations for faculty members and graduate teaching assistants. Dr. Md. Mobarak Hossain Khan, Professor and Chairperson of the department was the resource person.

### Picnic



Annual Picnic 2019 (DSR)

- An annual picnic was arranged on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2019 for the faculty members, postgraduate students, teaching assistants and staff members. The destination was Arshinagar Holiday Resort of Gazipur. After the evening tea, the picnic team headed back to East West University and reached safely by 8.00 pm.

### World Health Day 2019

The Department of Social Relations of East West University (EWU) organized a seminar on World Health Day 2019 at the S. M. Nousher Ali Lecture Gallery on 07 April 2019. The seminar highlighted this year's theme 'Primary Health Care'.



World Health Day seminar

Professor Dr. Fakrul Alam, Pro-Vice Chancellor of EWU, was Chief Guest at the seminar. Dr. Md. Mobarak Hossain Khan, Professor, and Chairperson, Department of Social Relations, EWU conducted the session as Program Chair. Among others, Dr. A M Pervez Rahim, Chief Coordinator, Autism and NDD Cell, Ministry of Health and Family Affairs, Bangladesh, Dr. Mohammad Bellal Hossain, Associate Professor, Department of Population Sciences, University of Dhaka, and Dr. Marzia Zaman Sultana, Senior Lecturer, Department of Social Relations, were the distinguished speakers at the seminar.

## Department of Sociology

### Book / Journal Publications

Ratele K., Verma, R., Cruz S., & Khan, A. R. (2019). Engaging men to support women in science, medicine, and global health, *Lancet*, 393 (10171): 609-610 [Impact factor 53.25].

Hossain, S. M. S., Khan, A. R., Zohurul. M. I., & Khandaker, S. (2019). Socio-economic situational analysis of tea plantation workers: A case study from Lubachhara tea garden, Sylhet, *Bangladesh Journal of Public Administration*, 25 (2): 75-83.

Islam, M. Z. & Khan, A. R. (2019). The informal sector in Bangladesh: A case study on rural and urbanstreet vendors, *Journal of Social, Political and Economic Studies*, 44: 3/4 (forthcoming). [Scopusindexed]

Tanjeela, M. & Rutherford, S. (2018). The Influence of gender Relations on Women's Involvement and Experience in Climate Change Adaptation Programs in Bangladesh. *Sage Open Publication*, October–December 2018: 1-9. DOI: 10.1177/2158244018812620

Billah M, Gonzalez, P A & Delgado, R C (2019). Patterns of mortality caused by natural disasters and human development level: A South Asian Analysis. *Indian Journal of Public Health Research and Development*, Vol. 10, No. 2, PP- 312-316 [Scopus Indexed]

Hussain, R & Shova T.Y (2019). Unusual and unnecessary C-section practices in Bangladesh: A violation of Respect for autonomy principle. *Journal of Social Science*, Vol-8. No-2, University of Dhaka, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Hussain, R. (2019). City, Informality and Poverty: The Polarization of the Street Vendors in Dhaka City, Bangladesh. *Italian Sociological Review*, Vol. 9(1), [DOI: 10.13136/isr.v9i1] [Scopus Indexed]

### Conference / Seminar/Presentations

Tanjeela, M. (2019). Are Migrant Women More Vulnerable in Urban Context? A Case Study on Four Slums of Dhaka City. International Conference on Disaster Risk Management (ICDRM), Dhaka, Bangladesh, January 12-14, 2019.



Dr. Mumita Tanjeela

Tanjeela, M. (2018). What Makes Women Resilient in a Climate Vulnerable situation? Untold Stories of Bangladeshi Women in the Era of Climate Change. International Conference on Pathways to a Sustainable Economy: Vision 2041 Agenda for Bangladesh. Organized by: Dhaka School of Economics, Dhaka University (DU) Bangladesh, Jagannath University (JU), Dhaka, Griffith University (GU) Australia, University of Bath (UB) UK, and Bremen University, Germany, Dhaka, Bangladesh, October 30-31, 2018

Sultana, S. E. & Hassan, K. I.(2019). Understanding the Effects of Internet Usage on Couple Relationship, 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Social Sciences and Law, Conference Hall, University of Barishal, Barishal, Bangladesh, March 15-16, 2019

Hussain, R. & Shova T.Y (2019). Inclination of Suicide among the University Students of Bangladesh: A Socio-Moral Investigation, International Conference on Social Sciences & Law, Conference Hall, University of Barishal, Bangladesh, March 15-16, 2019

## Workshops and Seminars attended by Faculty Members

Dr. Fouzia Mannan was the convener of the organizing committee for celebration of International Women's Day 2019, which was held on March 07 at East West University. Professor Dr. Haseena Khan, Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, University of Dhaka, was present as Chief Guest. Celebration started with a rally at 9.00 am in the morning followed by screening a film *ইতিহাস কন্যা* by Shamim Akhter, a leading film maker. Chairperson, Board of Trustees and founder Vice Chancellor East West University Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin, Professor Dr. M. M. Shahidul Hasan, Vice-Chancellor and Professor Dr. Fakrul Alam Pro-vice Chancellor, East West University, Rezwana Choudhury Bannya, Professor and Chairperson of the Department of Dance, University of Dhaka, and Syeda Rizwana Hasan, Chief Executive Director, Bangladesh Environmental Lawyers Association, graced the occasion.



International Conference 'Gobeshona 5' Session 17

As a keynote speaker, Dr Mumita Tanjeela attended in an International conference 'Gobeshona 5', Session 17 -Gender, hosted by International Centre for Climate Change and Development (ICCCAD) at IUB, on January 10, 2019.

## Workshops and Seminars organized by the Department

Department of Sociology organized Teachers-Parents-Students Meeting

Department of Sociology organized a parents meeting for the newly admitted students for Spring Semester 2019. The program was held in the S. M. Nousher Ali Lecture Gallery of East West University campus at Aftabnagar, Dhaka on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2019. Approximately 30 students with their parents attended the program.



Department of Sociology Organized Teachers-Parents Students Meeting

The program was graced by Dr. Fouzia Mannan, Dean of the FLASS, Dr. Mumita Tanjeela, Chairperson, Department of Sociology & other Faculty members of the Department.

Dr. Fouzia Mannan, Dean of FLASS, Dr. Mumita Tanjeela, Chairperson, Department of Sociology, and Professor Bijoy P. Barua discussed the university policies. In the final session, of the program, the guardians shared their expectations from the faculty members.

## Farewell Program

Department of Sociology organized a Farewell program. 26 graduate students expressed their feelings and shared their memory to show



The Farewell Program of the Department of Sociology, Spring 2019

their respect and love for their classmates, friends, juniors, seniors and faculty members. The Dean of FLASS in her speech encouraged the graduates.

### Freshers of Department of Sociology Visited Liberation War Museum

The newly enrolled students (SOC 101: Introduction to Sociology) of the Department of Sociology visited the Liberation War Museum, Dhaka under the supervision of the course instructor Dr. Fouzia Mannan, Dean of the FLASS. Dr. Mumita Tanjeela, Chairperson, Department of Sociology and other faculty members attended the study visit. Based on a documentary related to liberation war of Bangladesh, a quiz test was arranged by the museum authority.



Freshers of Department of Sociology at the Liberation War Museum

The participating students actively took part in it and received awards. Bir Protik Dr. Captain (Rtd.) Sitara Begum distributed prizes among the winners of the quiz and exchanged her experiences with students.

## Department of Computer Science and Engineering

### Journal publications

Salah Uddin, M. (2019). Smart Toll Collection System for Bangladesh. *International Journal of Computing and Digital Systems*, 08(2), 199-203.

Sadia S., Amin A., Asif M. H. K, Shoyaib M., Oksam C 2019., Simultaneous Feature Selection and Discretization based on Mutual Information Pattern Recognition *Elsevier*.

### Conference Papers

Saddam H. K., Puloma R, Fatema K., Farzana H. H. and Amit K. D., "An Efficient Resource Allocation Mechanism for Time-Sensitive Data in Dew Computing", in proceedings of *International Conference of Artificial Intelligence and Information Technology (ICAIIIT)*, 2019, March 13-15, Indonesia.

Monira Mukta, Samia Islam, Surajit Das Barman, Ahmed Wasif Reza and M Saddam Hossain Khan, "IoT based Smart Water Quality Monitoring System", in proceedings of *4<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Computer and Communication*

*Systems (ICCCS)*, 2019, February 23-25, Singapore.

R. Tuhin, B. Paul, F. Nawrine, M. Akter and A. Das, "An Automated System of Sentiment Analysis from Bangla Text using Supervised Learning Techniques", in *IEEE 4<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Computer and Communication Systems*, Singapore, 2019.

### How to Get a Job in Japan's IT Market: Career Seminar by Link Staff Co. Ltd., Japan



Department of Computer Science and Engineering, East West University and LinkStaff Co. Ltd., Tokyo, Japan organized a seminar on “How to get a Job in Japan IT Market”. Managing Director, LinkStaff Co., Ltd, Tokyo, Japan, Mr. Yasuaki Sugita was the speaker at the Seminar. Mr. Md. Mosarrof Hossain (Alumni of CSE Department), Software Engineer, Link Staff Co. Ltd., Joined the session through video conferencing. Around 100 students of the department were present in the seminar. Dr. Md. Nawab Yousuf Ali, Associate Professor of the Department, was the Chair of the session.

### Recruitment Seminar by Southtech Solution Ltd.



Department of Computer Science and Engineering, East West University and Southtech Solution Ltd., organized a recruitment seminar (Career Readiness Bootcamp) on 19 March 2019. Ms. Syeda Wedad Quader, Regional Director, and Mr. Mebub Ullah Ratul, Development Manager, Southtech Solution Ltd., were the speakers of the seminar. Around 60 students of the department were present in the seminar. Dr. Ahmed Wasif Reza, Associate Professor and Chairperson, was present as the Chair of the session.

Mr. Nahid Hassan Khan, Advisor, DSW and Head of CCC, was also present on the occasion.

### Awards of Faculty Members

Dr. Mohammad Salah Uddin, Assistant Professor of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering, received several IoT-development boards and hardware kits from Sony Corporation and NXP Semiconductors for participating in their online contest.

"Indoor Air Quality Monitoring System", a project submitted by Dr. Mohammad Salah Uddin, Assistant Professor of Computer Science and Engineering Department, won the prize in the category "Smart Home/Smart Building" in Revolutionize Your IoT Prototyping contest (online). The online contest was organized by hackster.io. The project link is given below: <<https://www.hackster.io/ewu-makers/indoor-air-quality-monitoring-system-b8fbef>>

### Awards of Students

Md. Rakibul Islam, a student of the department of Computer Science and Engineering, East West University, participated in the “2019 IEEE 4<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Computer and Communication Systems”, which was held in Singapore on February 23-25, 2019. He presented and got “Best Presentation” award for the paper titled "Speech Recognition System for Bengali Language using Recurrent Neural Network". Researchers from 20 countries across the globe presented more than 150 research papers in this conference.

## Department of Civil Engineering

### Journal Publications

- Wadud, Z., and Huda, F.Y. (2019). Fully automated vehicles: the use of travel time and its association with intention to use. *Proceedings of the Institution of Civil Engineers–Transport*, pp. 1-33. DOI: 10.1680/jtran.18.00134

- Abdul-Aziz, O.I., and Ahmed, S. (2019). Evaluating the emergent controls of stream water quality with similitude and dimensionless numbers. *Journal of Hydrologic Engineering, American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)*, 24(5), 04019010
- Sarvani, S., Fountas, G., Sarwar, M. T., Anastasopoulos, P. Ch., Blatt, A., Majka, K., Pierowicz, J., and Mohan, S. (2019). A Preliminary Investigation of the Effectiveness of High Visibility Enforcement Programs Using Naturalistic Driving Study Data: A Grouped Random Parameters Approach. *Analytic Methods in Accident Research*, 21, 1-12
- Huda, F.Y., Bin Abdul Rani, M.S., and Wadud, Z. A. January 12–14, 2019, Comparative Study of Fire Safety Condition in the Readymade Garment Sector of Bangladesh Before and After the Rana Plaza Accident. *Proceedings of the International Conference on Disaster Risk Management*, Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- Sarwar, M. T., Bhargava, A., Sarvani, S., Anastasopoulos, P. Ch., and Mohan, S.(2019), Public-Private Partnerships for roadway construction and preservation, and traffic safety: An exploratory empirical analysis of crash frequencies. *98<sup>th</sup> Transportation Research Board Meeting*, National Academies, Washington D.C.

## Study Tour

In Spring 2019, one of the rising cement companies of Bangladesh, Siam City (INSEE), invited department of Civil Engineering to visit their cement plant located at Madangonj, Narayanganj. The tour was held on March 23, 2019. A total of 30 students participated in this tour. Two faculty members and one lab officer guided the students during this trip. The tour comprised of both presentations and factory visit to the cement plant. The practical knowledge gained by the students through this visit will help them better understand the different steps in the production of cement in Bangladesh.



Study tour at Siam City Cement Plant, Madangonj, Bandar Narayanganj.

## Department of Electronics and Communications Engineering

### Publications

#### Conference Proceedings

Z. Rahman, M. A. Rahman, M. A. Islam and M. S. Alam, "Over Two Octave Spanning Visible and Near-IR Supercontinuum Generation in Dual-Core PCF," 2018 10<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Electrical and Computer Engineering (ICECE), Dhaka, Bangladesh, 2018, pp. 421-424.

S. Najeeb, N. Sharmile, M. S. Khan, I. Sahin, M. T. Islam and M. I. Hassan Bhuiyan, "Classification of Retinal Diseases from OCT scans using Convolutional Neural Networks," 2018 10<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Electrical and Computer Engineering (ICECE), Dhaka, Bangladesh, 2018, pp. 465-468.



### Field Trip

Department of ECE arranged a field trip to Agrabad Exchange of Bangladesh Telecommunications Company Limited (BTCL) in Chattogram for the students to facilitate the acquisition of real-life experiences in telecommunications engineering. The week-long trip started on 05 December 2018. Final year students of the ECE department under the supervision of Dr. Anup Kumar Paul and Mr. Rasel Ahmmed completed the trip successfully and attained hands-on experiences in system level telecom engineering operation of BTCL.

### Picnic



A day-long picnic was arranged by the department of ECE on 15 February 2019 at Neel Komol Resort, Ratanpur, Gazipur. About 300 students along with the faculty members, alumni participated in the picnic. The current students got valuable insights regarding the telecom industry practices from discussions. A short open-air cultural program was also arranged in the afternoon at the picnic spot.

### ECE Sports Carnival 2019

Department of ECE arranged an annual sports carnival from 19 to 21 March 2019 in the underground indoor sports venue of the university campus. The carnival consisted of four sports events- badminton, table tennis, carom, and ludo. A good number of students, faculty members, and administrative staff members participated in the events. Professor Dr. Fakrul Alam, Pro-Vice Chancellor of EWU, was present as the Chief Guest at the closing ceremony and distributed the prizes among the winners. Dr. Mohammed Moseur Rahman, Chairperson of the Department of ECE, was Special Guest.





## Department of Electrical & Electronic Engineering

### Professional Activities by the Faculty Members

#### M M Shahidul Hassan

##### International Conference

M. M. Shahidul Hassan and Omiya Hassan, "The Importance of Changing the Traditional Mode of Higher Education in Bangladesh: Creating Huge Job Opportunities for Home and Abroad", ICEEE 2019 Vienna, Austria, 20-22 June 2019 <http://internationalresearchconference.org/conference/2019/06/vienna/ICEEE>

##### Journal

##### Submitted

M. M. Shahidul Hassan and Omiya Hassan, "Higher education and creating jobs in Bangladesh," *International Journal of Educational Development*, Elsevier.

### Articles Published in the Local Daily Newspapers

M. M. Shahidul Hassan, "SME-University Collaborations for Boosting Innovation," The Daily Sun, 28 March 2019. <https://www.daily-sun.com/printversion/details/380802/2019/03/28/SME-University-Collaborations-for-Boosting-Innovation>

M. M. Shahidul Hassan, "Creating a generation of learners and innovators," Friday, The Daily Star, 01 March, 2019. <https://www.thedailystar.net/opinion/news/creating-generation-learners-and-innovators-1708666>

M. M. Shahidul Hassan, "Rethinking Engineering Education in Bangladesh," Monday, The Daily Star, 11 February, 2019. <https://www.thedailystar.net/opinion/education/news/rethinking-engineering-education-bangladesh-1700230>

M. M. Shahidul Hassan, "গড়তে হবে চিন্তা স্কুল," যুগান্তর, ০৩ ফেব্রুয়ারী 2019. <https://www.jugantor.com/todayspaper/window/140504/গড়তে-হবে-চিন্তা-স্কুল>

M. M. Shahidul Hassan, "A new Learning Paradigm," Thursday, The Daily Star, 17 January 2019. <https://www.thedailystar.net/opinion/education/news/new-learning-paradigm-1688410>

M. M. Shahidul Hassan, "Outcomes-Based Education: New Learning Paradigm," Thursday, 17 January 2019, The Daily Sun. [https://www.edailysun.com/arc/next\\_page/2019-01-17/6#tab1](https://www.edailysun.com/arc/next_page/2019-01-17/6#tab1)

##### Others

M. M. Shahidul Hassan, "Revamping Engineering Education in Bangladesh," International Symposium on Quality Assurance Engineering Education through Accreditation, pp. 46-47, 13-14 March 2019, IEB, Bangladesh.

### Professor Dr. Anisul Haque

Presented an invited talk entitled "Journey of engineering education in Bangladesh towards outcome-based accreditation" in the International Symposium on Quality Assurance in Engineering Education through Accreditation, Radisson Blu Dhaka Water Garden Hotel, Dhaka, Bangladesh, 13 March, 2019. The symposium was organized by the Board of Accreditation for Engineering and Technical Education (BAETE), Institute of Engineers, Bangladesh (IEB).

Presented an invited talk entitled "Extraction of Interface Trap Densities in High-Mobility Semiconductor MOSFETs", Central Department of Physics, Trivubhan University, Nepal, 5 February 2019. The talk was organized by IEEE Electron Devices Society, Nepal Chapter.



Prof. Anisul Haque with the participants at the workshop on Outcome-Based Education for Accreditation at KUET.

### Professor Dr. Khairul Alam

Prof. Khairul Alam has been appointed as an editor of IEEE Transactions on Electron Devices

Prof. Khairul Alam served as a reviewer for IEEE Transactions on Nanotechnology and IET Circuits, Devices and System.

Prof. Khairul Alam attended an international symposium titled "Quality Assurance in Engineering Education through Accreditation" organized by BAETE, IEB, Bangladesh.

### Dr. Ryann Khan

- Journals

[1] M. Ryann Khan, E. Sakr, X. Sun, P. Bermel, and Muhammad A. Alam, "Ground sculpting to enhance vertical bifacial solar farm output," vol.-24, Applied Energy, May 2019.

### International Conference Proceedings

- Review

[1] reviewed a UGC grant proposal titled: "Thin film solar cell materials: mechanical properties at Nano scale".

### Seminar

On January 10, 2019, EEE department organized a seminar titled "Silicon Valley's Technology

Trends". The invited speaker was Dr. Zafar Ullah, Senior Application Engineer, Arrow Electronics, Silicon Valley, USA. At the seminar the invited speaker discussed the current industry trends in integrated circuits and related areas where he had more than twenty years of experience with the IT industry in Silicon Valley. Around 80 students participated in the event.



Silicon Valley's Technology Trends

### Grooming Session

Grooming session for EEE students was held on 24 January, 2019 at EWU campus. The session was conducted by Mr. Md. Md Shajedur Rahman, Sony, Loyalty & Partnership Manager, Marketing, Banglalink. During the session. The session was concluded with a mock interview session, where current students participated with enthusiasm.



Grooming session for EEE students

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Intra EEE Football Tournament 2019

Students and Alumni of EEE department organized the 3<sup>rd</sup> Intra EEE Football Tournament on March 15-17, 2019. A total of 11 teams participated in the event. The tournament was held at Aftabnagar sports ground.



3<sup>rd</sup> Intra EEE Football Tournament 2019



Math Olympiad, 2019

### Significant Achievement by Current Students

Mr. Abdullah Sohail, a student of EEE Department, acquired 3<sup>rd</sup> position a in the Inter-University Math Olympiad, 2019 organized by EWU Science Club. Students from 22 universities in Bangladesh participated in the Olympiad.

## Department of Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology

### Journal Publications

Najia Zaman, Kati Seitz, Mohiuddin Kabir, Lauren St. George-Schreder, Ian Shepstone<sup>1</sup>, Yidong Liu, Shuqun Zhang and Patrick J. Krysan. "A Förster *urnal of Applied Sciences and Biotechnology*. Vol 7(1), p6-11

Mukti R. F. and Islam S.(2019), "Epigenetic Contributions on Mental Health, Neurodevelopmental and Neurodegenerative

Disorders". *International Journal of Biosciences*, Vol 14(1), (2019), p38-52

### Conference/Seminar/Presentations

The department of Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology participated in a conference from 14-16 February 2019 at Bangladesh Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (BCSIR). The title of the conference was: "Biggan o Shilpo Projukti Mela-2019".

The purpose of the conference was to create mass awareness about Biotechnology education, research, and expansion of biotechnology related business and products.



Faculty member and students of GEB department at BCSIR

## Workshop

The department of Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology organized a seminar on 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2019. The title of the workshop was: “Biopharmaceutical: The Future Driving Force in Pharma Market”.

Md Abdul HAQUE Ph.D. was the keynote speaker. Dr. Suraia Nusrin, Chairperson of GEB department was present as Chief Guest. The faculty members and students of the department also attended the seminar.

The speaker focused on how the Biopharmaceutical sector is considered as one of the fastest growing sectors in the pharmaceutical industry worldwide as well as in Bangladesh and encouraged the GEB students to develop their career in Biopharmaceutical industries.



Seminar speaker and students and faculty members of GEB department

## Department of Mathematical and Physical Sciences

### Publications

F. Tabassum, M. I. Islam, and M. R. Amin, “Comparison of Filter Banks of DWT in Recovery of Image Using One-Dimensional Signal Vector”. *Journal of King Saud University–Computer and Information Sciences*, vol. 31, no. 1, March 2019. In Press.

S. Akhter, M. I. Islam, and M. R. Amin. (2019) “Energy Detection in Cognitive Radio Network Under Rayleigh and Nakagami-m Fading Channels”, *International Journal of Computer Science and Information Security*, vol. 17, no. 2, pp. 132-136.

S. Jahan, M. I. Islam, and M. R. Amin. (2019) “Cooperative Relayed Network under Rayleigh and Nakagami-m Fading Channel”, *International Journal of Computer Science and Information Security*, vol. 17 no. 1, pp. 101-108.

F. M. A. Rahman, M. M. Rahman. (2019) “Analysis of Dhaka Stock Market Data for Explaining the Stock Market Behavior: Before and After 2010 Market Fall”, *International Journal of Applied Mathematics and Statistics*, 58, no.1, pp. 109-126.

K. Roy, G. Mandal, M. Kumar Ghorui, U. N. Ghosh and P. Chatterjee. (2018) “Collisions of IonAcoustic Multi-solitons in Electron-Positron-Ion Plasma with the Presence of Nonthermal Nonextensive Electrons”. *Jurnal Fizik Malaysia*, Vol. 39, no. 1, pp. 10041-10053.

A. Paul, G. Mandal, A A Mamun and M. R. Amin. (2018) “The Modulation of a Dust Ion-Acoustic Wave in a Collisional Dusty Plasma”. *Advances in Astrophysics*, Vol. 3, no.3, pp. 171-184.

## Conference Proceeding

G. Mandal and M. Asaduzzaman, “Effects of non-extensive q-distributed electrons on dust ion acoustic shock structures in an unbounded dusty plasma with two thermal states of electrons” International Conference on Applied Physics and Mathematics (ICAPM), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, December 18-19, 2018, pp 28-31.

K. M. Nazimuddin, M. A. I. Arif and M. Osman Gani, “Existence of periodic traveling wave solutions correspond to pattern formation in the Brusselator model”, International Conference on Mathematical Modeling and Computations (ICMMC-2018), New Delhi, India, p. 45, December 01-03, 2018.

M. A. I. Arif, A. K. M. Nazimuddin and Samir K. Bhowmik, “Spiral pattern formation of periodic



Dr. Gurudas Mandal is receiving a certificate in ICAPM Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

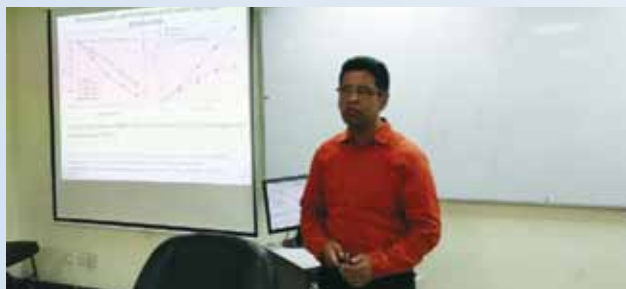
traveling wave solutions in a diffusive epidemic model with nonlinear incidence rate”, International Conference on Mathematical Modeling and Computations (ICMMC-2018), New Delhi, India, p. 52, December 01-03, 2018

## Achievement

Md. Sahidul Islam, Senior Lecturer, published a book titled “Sheer Shayerirgolpo” in Ekushe Boimela 2019.



## Seminars



Dr. Mohammad Abdul Basith is delivering a talk on nanomaterial synthesis.

Dr. Mohammad Abdul Basith, Professor, Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET), delivered a talk on “Nano Material Synthesis, Properties and Applications” on 14<sup>th</sup> of March, 2019.

## Department of Pharmacy

### Publications

Hoque N, Hasan C, Rana M, Varsha A, Sohrab M, Rahman K. (2018) Fusaproliferin, A Fungal Mycotoxin, Shows Cytotoxicity against Pancreatic Cancer Cell Lines. *Molecules*. 23(12) : 3288.

Begum M, Uddin M, Rithy JF, Kabir J, Islam A, Ashraf GM. (2019) Analyzing the Impact of Soft, Stimulating and Depressing Songs on Attention among Undergraduate Students: A Cross-Sectional Pilot Study in Bangladesh. *Frontiers in Psychology*. 10 : 161.

### Pharma Carnival

A week-long program of the Department of Pharmacy, “Pharma Carnival”, was inaugurated on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2019 with a rally led by Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin, Chief Advisor of EWU, and Professor M. M. Shahidul Hassan, Vice-chancellor of EWU. The Chairperson of the department along with faculty members, officers, students was present in the rally.



Pharma Carnival 2019 Inauguration Rally

As part of the carnival, the department organized a seminar titled “Bangladesh Pharma Industry: Growth, Opportunity and Challenges” on 11 April 2019, the closing day of the carnival.

The seminar was attended by Dr. Murad Hassan, MP, State Minister of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Bangladesh, as Chief Guest, and Syed Manzur Elahi, Chairperson, Board of Trustees of EWU, as Special Guest. Mr. Rabbur Reza, Chief Operating Officer, Beximco Pharmaceuticals Ltd. was a Key-note Speaker of the seminar. The program was chaired by Professor Dr. M.M. Shahidul Hassan, Vice-Chancellor of EWU.

Professor Dr. Chowdhury Faiz Hossain, Chairperson, Department of Pharmacy, EWU, gave an academic summary of his department in the program. Faculty members, officials, and a large number of students of EWU were present on the occasion. After the seminar, a cultural program was staged.



Pharma Carnival Closing Ceremony

## Seminar on “Antimicrobial Resistance: Back to bleak future or light at the end of the Tunnel?”

The Department of Pharmacy organized a seminar on Antimicrobial Resistance: Back to bleak future or light at the end of the Tunnel?” on January 24, 2019 at the Faculty Lounge of EWU campus. The speaker of the seminar was Prof. Dr. Md. Sayedur Rahman, Chairman of Department of Pharmacology of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University (BSMMU). Prof. Dr. Fakrul Alam, Pro-Vice Chancellor, East West University, was present as Chief Guest of the seminar. Five resident doctors of BSMMU, all faculty members of the Department of Pharmacy, more than 150 students of B. Pharm undergraduate students and many others were present in the seminar.



Seminar on “Antimicrobial Resistance: Back to bleak future or light at the end of the Tunnel?”

## Seminar on “Overview & Safe Use of Laboratory Ventilation Equipment” (Biosafety, Fume Hood and Laminar Air Flow Cabinets)

EWU Pharmacy department organized a seminar on “Overview & Safe Use of Laboratory Ventilation Equipment” (Biosafety, Fume Hood and Laminar Air Flow Cabinets) on February 7, 2019 at the S. M. Nousher Ali Lecture Gallery. The seminar was presented by Ms. Shehrin Monjur, senior executive, marketing and pre-sales department of ESCO Life Sciences Bangladesh Pvt. Ltd. Faculty members as well as students of the department participated were present in the seminar.



Seminar on “Overview & Safe Use of Laboratory Ventilation Equipment” (Biosafety, Fume Hood and Laminar Air Flow Cabinets)

## Training on "Toxicogenomics analysis for drug discovery"

Dr. Farjana Khatun, Senior Lecturer, Department of Pharmacy, conducted a hands-on training on "Toxicogenomics analysis for drug discovery" as part of "Training Course on Bioinformatics for Sustainable Development in Agriculture" organized by Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council (BARC) in Dhaka, Bangladesh on 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2019.

## Industry Visit of senior B. Pharm students

Department of Pharmacy organized a factory visit to Square Pharmaceuticals Ltd. and Incepta Pharmaceuticals Ltd. on March 23 and 30, 2019 respectively with the students of 7<sup>th</sup> semester of Bachelor of Pharmacy program.

The students visited the Warehouse, Production (Solid and Parenteral dosage forms) and Packaging area, and thus gained insight into critical manufacturing and quality control processes of pharmaceutical products.



Industry Visit to Square Pharmaceuticals Ltd.

## In-plant Training Placement

The following students have completed their Industrial In-plant Training from the corresponding reputed Pharmaceutical Companies.

Companies	Students' Names
Square Pharmaceuticals Ltd.	Sharmin Afroze, Nishat Anjum, Sabrina Zaman, Marium Parvin and Ferdousi Anwar Ridula.
Beximco Pharmaceuticals Ltd.	Sadaf Ishayat Khan, Nishat Anjum, Sama Parvin, Sanjida Rahman, Taslima Akter, Mahzabin Haque Mumu, Ayesha Aktar Asha, Shaila Nasrin Shimul and Sifat Sharmin.
Incepta Pharmaceuticals Ltd.	Farjana Yeasmin, Anika Fatema Topa, Syeda Riphah Tasfia, Sakhawat Hossain, Nahid Hasan and Rafika Akhter Reema.
SKF Bangladesh Ltd.	Nurnahar, Tahiya Tabassum, Khalid Hasan and Samit Islam Rudra.
ACI Limited.	H. M. S. Shakil, Israt Jahan Mitu, Anisur Rahman, Md. Shafiqul Islam and Syed Mahfuzur Rahman.
Sanofi Bangladesh Ltd.	Shakawat Hossen, Rawnak Zahan, Mymuna Khanam Monir, Farjana Afrin Monira, Mohiuddin Hasan.
Popular Pharmaceuticals Ltd.	Farhana Farin, Mohammad Shariful Islam, Tasnuva Jahan Sunny, Afrina Sanju, Sania Talukder.
Navana Pharmaceuticals Ltd.	Md. Zaki Hasan, Aradhan Chandra Shaha, P.S. Byron Boron Mondal, Sumaiya Inne.
Novo Healthcare & Pharma Ltd.	Shaida Easmin Reza, Gulnahe Hossain Mim, Jeba Ahmed, Jannatul Ferdous Mitu.
Opsonin Pharma Ltd.	Tarikul Islam, Md. Raihan Roman, Istiauk Ahamed, Soleyman, Md. Abir Hasan, Tuybur Rahman.
Aristopharma Ltd.	Lia Rose Merry D. Cruze, Shuvonkar Dutta, Nafisa Anjum, Rehnuma Tarannum.
Novartis Bangladesh Ltd.	Md. Kamrul Islam, Syada Tamima Mostofa, Alisha Benta Mahmood, Farjana Akter Bithi.
Sun Pharmaceutical Bangladesh Ltd.	Shihab Uddin Ahmed, Mousumi Begum, Md. Billal Hossen, Nadia Hazari.



## New Appointment and Promotion

### Newly Appointed Faculty Members

SN	Name	Designation
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#### Department: Business Administration

1	Dr. Salma Akter	Assistant Professor
2	Ms. Kaniz Fatima	Senior Lecturer
3	Ms. Nurun Naher Popy	Lecturer
4	Ms. Marzia Tamanna	Lecturer
5	Ms. Sunny Saha	Lecturer

#### Department: English

6	Ms. Tamanna Sharmin Kabir	Lecturer
7	Ms. Apala Biswas	Lecturer

#### Department: Law

8	Prof. Dr. Shima Zaman	Adviser
9	Mr. Md. Khairul Islam	Senior Lecturer

#### Department: Computer Science & Engineering

10	Mr. Touhid Ahmed	Lecturer
11	Ms. Anika Tabassum	Lecturer
12	Ms. Kowshika Sarker	Lecturer
13	Mr. Muhit Islam Emon	Lecturer
14	Mr. Yeasir Rayhan	Lecturer
15	Mr. Mostofa Rafid Uddin	Lecturer

#### Department: Electronics & Communications Engineering

16	Mr. Zahidur Rahman	Lecturer
17	Mr. Muhammad Suhail Najeeb	Lecturer

#### Department: Civil Engineering

18	Dr. Shakil Ahmed	Assistant Professor
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### Newly Promoted Faculty Members

SN	Name	Designation & Department	Promoted to
1	Dr. Md. Sohel Rana	Assistant Professor Mathematical & Physical Sciences	Associate Professor
2	Ms. Tanni Mitra	Lecturer Computer Science & Engineering	Senior Lecturer
3	Mr. Khan Mohammad Habibullah	Lecturer Computer Science & Engineering	Senior Lecturer

### Newly Promoted Non-Teaching Officers

1	Mr. Md. Zahidul Islam	Assistant Chief (Junior), HR HR & Logistics	Assistant Chief, Admin & Logistics
2	Mr. Abul Kaiser Shishir	Senior Departmental Officer HR & Logistics	Assistant Chief (Junior), HR

## Editorial

Spring 2019 comes to an end as Summer 2019 approaches amid celebrations of the Bengali New Year. It promises to be invigorating and productive like every other semester. With each new semester come new hopes and expectations, and East West University has never fallen short of its goals. From carrying out its institutional and academic responsibilities to performing civic duties, East West University has been able to live up to its standard during Spring 2019. This edition of newsletter bears proofs of these exemplary achievements.

East West University community extends its heartiest felicitations to Syed Manzur Elahi who has been elected as the new Chairperson of the Board of Trustees of East West University. Syed Manzur Elahi is one of the founders of East West University and former Adviser of the caretaker government of Bangladesh. East West University community also congratulates Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin, the outgoing Chairperson, on being appointed as the Chief Adviser of East West University.

East West University believes that through the continual support and guidance shown by the new Chairperson and the Chief Adviser, it will excel in itself at being a top-notch educational institute.

## Department of Students Welfare Career Counseling Center

### Training

#### Ice Breaking Session



Ice Breaking Session

East West University Career Counseling Center arranged an Ice Breaking Session for the freshmen of East West University on 21, 22, 23, and 24 January, 2019. This session was conducted by Debasish Sarkar, Head of Learning and Development of Evolve 360 Learning Solutions, New Delhi, India. The event was divided into two slots per day. Over 400 students participated in the event.

#### MS Excel Training Program

CCC organized a training session on MS Excel held on January 11 & 12, 2019. The training instructor was Md Asad Uz Zaman. 40 students attended the two-day-long Excel Training.



MS Excel Training Program

#### Creative IT Institute's Training on Graphics Design

Creative IT Institute of Bangladesh, in association with East West University Career Counseling Center, organized a two-day training session on graphics design at the EWU campus. The training started from March 1 and ended on March 2, 2019. 45 students attended the graphics design training. The topics covered in the training were: Graphic Design Elements, Brand Design, and Freelancing Opportunities.



Creative IT Institute's- Training on Graphics Design

### Campus Recruitment Programs

#### MGH Group Leadership Program



MGH Group Leadership Program

The Campus Road Show, a Leadership Program, organized by MGH Group in association with East West University Career Counseling Center, was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2019. The road show provided a brief overview of career opportunities at MGH Group.

#### Strategic Assistant Program 4.0 (Management Trainee Program): Knowledge Sharing Session by Banglalink

Banglalink and Career Counseling Center of EWU organized a Strategic Assistant Program 4.0

(Management Trainee Program), a knowledge sharing session on 21 January, 2019 at EWU campus. It was their fourth season of Strategic Assistant Program for the undergraduate and graduate students.

Bangladesh team members conducted a one-hour session in the campus. To promote and familiarize students with the "Strategic Assistant Program 4.0". Around 100 students were present on that program.



Strategic Assistant Program 4.0 (Management Trainee Program); Knowledge Sharing Session by Banglalink

## Seminar

### Creative IT Institute's-Workshop on Graphic Design

Creative IT Institute of Bangladesh, in association with East West University Career Counseling Center, organized a workshop on graphics design training on February 19, 2019 at EWU.

The keynote speaker of this workshop was Nazib Rafe, Head of Business Development of Creative IT Institute. The Department Head of Graphic Design,



Creative IT Institute's-Workshop on Graphic Design Mr. Shohidur Rahmon, and senior faculty of Graphic Design, Mohammad Ullah Rocky, delivered their speeches in the workshop. The speakers also shared their ideas and views on graphics designing and freelancing with the attendees.



Student Selection for Leadership Development Workshop On January 10 & 16, 2019, Expressions Ltd. in association with CCC took interview of around 150 students at EWU premises to find best 60 students. The selected students will participate in a workshop on Student Leadership Development Program to be organized by U.S. Embassy.

## Career Seminar on Marketing



Career Seminar on Marketing

The School of Sales Management in association with East West University Career Counseling Center arranged a program on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at the S.M. Nousher Ali Lecture Gallery of East West University.

The main objective of the program was to spread knowledge to students about marketing management skills. Professor Dr. Fakrul Alam, Pro-Vice Chancellor of EWU inaugurated the program. Professor Dr. Mijanur Rahman, Vice Chancellor of Jagannath University, Dr. Shariful Islam Dulu, Founder & CEO of School of Sales Management, and Mofassel Haque, Marketing Director of T. K. Group of Industries were present on the occasion. They shared their marketing philosophy and ideas on the current trend in the global market.

Mr. Nahid Hassan Khan, Advisor, Department of Students' Welfare and Head of Career Counseling Center of EWU concluded the program.

## Motivational Workshop on INDUSITY (Industry+University)



Motivational Workshop on INDUSITY (Industry+ University)

SERVIO Canada Limited, in association with East West University Career Counseling Center, organized a motivational workshop on educational branding on 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 at the S.M. Nousher Ali Lecture Gallery of EWU. The presenter at this program was Md Ashrafur Kabir, Strategic & Motivational Speaker, SERVIO Canada Ltd. The concept of indusity provides a solution especially for to the tertiary education system.

## Student to Startup: Chapter-1



Student to Startup: Chapter-1

ICT Division has taken initiatives to promote Entrepreneurship and startup culture among the university students.

On 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> March Bangladesh ICT Division's renowned event "Student to Startup" took place at the EWU premises for EWU students.

The two-day-event included a workshop on "How to give pitch" on 18<sup>th</sup> March. On 19<sup>th</sup> March a pitch presentation competition was held. 30 teams participated in the competition. 3 teams were selected for the next round of this event.

The teams are: Denoising Signal, Femme and Park Me. For the next round, these teams will attend boot camp in Savar which will take place for 4 days. There they will compete for the final round of the competition. If they can secure a place in the top 10, they will get seed funding for their idea for upto 10 lakhs. The judges were Syed Mojibul Haque, Project Director, Idea Project, Startup Bangladesh and Anika Ahmed, Research Officer, CRI.

## Innovation Hub by iLab at EWU

a2i, in coordination with Career Counseling Center, EWU organized a session for enhancing the activities of innovation hub at EWU on 25 March 2018. Access to information in Bangladesh (a2i) is a UNDP and USAID-supported Access to Information Programme run from the Prime Minister's Office of Bangladesh.



Innovation Hub by iLab at EWU

## Job and Internship Placement

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## Club Updates



### Creative Marketing Club

#### Elevate

East West University Creative Marketing Club conducted a grooming session named 'Elevate' on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2019. The event took place in the lobby of Career Counselling Center at 4:50 PM. The main focus of this grooming session was to provide the undergraduate students of East West University an insight into a company's management style, values, norms and help them figure out if they are suitable for the organization they desire to work in.



The chief speakers were Mr. Ali Noor Huq, Officer In-Charge, Field Training, HR at Singer Bangladesh Limited and Mr. Shams Jahan Farhat, Business Development Manager, PFEC Global. They were former students of East West University.



### Debating Club

#### SUST National Debate Competition 2019

Shahjalal University of Science and Technology (SUST) arranged a national debate Championship on 8-9<sup>th</sup> March 2019. EWU EWUDC-1 won three out of four debates in the first round. They came out 4<sup>th</sup> among 32 teams. They reached the Semi-Finals

by defeating Dhaka University Debating Society (DUDS). However, they were defeated by Jahangirnagar University Debate Organization (JUDO) in the Semi-Final.



#### Participation in UIU National Debate Competition 2019

United International University (UIU) arranged a national debate Championship on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2019 where three teams from East West University Debating Club, EWUDC-1, EWUDC-2 and EWUDC-3 participated in the Bangla segment. EWUDC Zenvo and EWUDC Enigma participated in the English segment.



For EWUDC-2 this was their second national tournament participating as a team. They reached their very first Quarter-Finals by defeating CUSD.

## Participation in KUET IV 2019



Khulna University of Engineering and Technology (KUET) arranged a National Debate Championship on 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> March 2019. East West University Debating Club teams namely EWUDC-1 and EWUDC-2 participated in the debate Competition.

They came out 8<sup>th</sup> among 32 teams. They reached the Semi-Finals by defeating JUDO Amar ekhushe, AUSTDC kalpurush and PUDS Shampam. EWUDC-2 could not break the preliminary round.



## Economics Club

## Symposium and Youth Development 2018

East West University Economics Club and Center for Development Evaluation (CDE) presents SYMPOSIUM on Youth and Development 2018 was held on December 19, 2018. It was a day-long photo exhibition along with a seminar on Youth Motivation and Development. The Key speaker and Special Guest of the seminar was Mr. Prito Reza, CEO, Wedding Diary.



## UPL Book Fair at EWU

University Press Limited (UPL) organized a special book fair at EWU campus in association with the Department of Economics of EWU and East West University Economics Club on January 20-24, 2019.

Two author talks were also organized as part of this UPL book fair. First session titled “মুক্তিযুদ্ধে জন জীবন” was held on 22 January 2019. Prominent author and journalist Afsan Chowdhury showed a documentary film and discussed his book “গ্রামের ৭১”. The second talk titled “Art, Cultural Heritage and Law” was held on January 23, 2019. Barrister Omar H. Khan talked about his book 'Legal Stories of Life'.



## Speaking Your Way to Success



EWU Economics Club organized a three-day public speaking workshop titled “Speaking Your Way To Success” on February 26 & March 2-3, 2019. The workshop was conducted by Dr. Riasatmon Amin, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, International Islamic University Malaysia.

He assigned some group tasks, assignments, presentations to the students and judged their

weaknesses and strengths. Based on the performances, final evaluation was made and certificates were provided to the participants.



### Electronics Programming and Robotics Club

#### EWU Electronics Club organized an industrial trip to Haripur 412MW power plant

EWU Electronics Club organized an industrial trip to Haripur 412MW power plant in Narayanganj Bandar on 23 March 2019 to gain practical knowledge and learn about Bangladesh's power generation. About 40 students joined the trip. M Saddam Hossain Khan, lecturer, Department of CSE, and moderator, EWU Electronics club, guided the students.



The Power plant instructors showed different plant processing units and how they work.



### Computer Programming Club

#### MIST Inter-University Programming Contest 2019



Department of CSE of MIST hosted an Inter-University Programming Contest 2019 on February 22-23, 2019. 120 teams from all over the country participated in the programming contest. The two teams from East West University were EWU\_Chasing\_Corner\_Case and EWU\_Day\_Dreamers. "EWU\_Chasing\_Corner\_Case" secured 25<sup>th</sup> position.

#### BUET CSE Fest 2019 Inter-University Programming Contest

CSE. BUET hosted an Inter-University Programming Contest. 11 teams from all over the country participated in the programming contest. The three teams from East West University were EWU\_Chasing\_Corner\_Case, EWU\_Titans and EWU\_Day\_Dreamers.

"EWU\_Chasing\_Corner\_Case" secured 25<sup>th</sup> position in ranking. "EWU\_Titans" ranked 61 and "EWU\_Day\_Dreamers" ranked 93.





## SUB Inter-University Programming Contest 2018

State University of Bangladesh hosted an Inter-University Programming Contest 2019 on March 8-9, 2019. 109 teams from all over the country participated in programming contest. Two teams from East West University were EWU\_Chasing\_Corner\_Case and EWU\_DAY\_DREAMERS.

“EWU\_Chasing\_Corner\_Case” secured 33<sup>th</sup> position in overall ranking.



## English Conversation Club

### Express'O

5<sup>th</sup> Express in Express'O “War of Words” was held on 17 January 2019. A total of 23 participants attended the session. The session was arranged for the participants to overcome the fear of public speaking.



## Treasure Hunt Season 3.0

East West University English Conversation Club

hosted Treasure Hunt Season 3.0. On March 27, 2019 around 20 teams participated in the event. The event was held on the campus ground. The event was created to boost up team spirit and solidarity amongst students of the University.



## Environment and Social Club

### Pushpomela

East West University Environment and Social Club (EWUESC) launched a two-day-long Tree Fair and Exhibition program named PushpoMela 2019 on 05 March 2019. The theme of the fair was "Recycle waste by planting trees on them."



### 21<sup>st</sup> February Art Competition



East West University Environmental & Social Club (EWUESC) arranged a day-long program for East West Biddanikton students.

### The power of “Positive Thinking”

A Workshop on: “The Power of Positive Thinking”. was organized by the East West University Environmental and Social Club (EWUESC) with the

co-operation of Career Counseling Centre of EWU on February 21, 2019. The Keynote Speaker of the Workshop was Dr. Al-masur Rahman, a National Speaker of The Theosophical Society of Bangladesh. He stated that there are lots of benefits of Positive thinking as it helps to achieve goals and attain success easily. Over 100 students from various departments participated at the workshop.



### Independence Ride 2019

To celebrate 26<sup>th</sup> March Green Riders, a wing of East West University Environmental & Social Club (EWUESC), organized an Independence Ride on March 29, 2019. More than 150 riders participated in this cycle ride. The riders met at the premises of East West University. The ride started at 7:00 am. Their destination was 300 feet Purbachal City.



### Investment and Finance Club

#### FINXCEL 3.0

East West University Investment & Finance Club (EWUIFC) recently organized “FINXCEL 3.0- An MS-Excel workshop for Finance and Accounting” at East West University campus on 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2019.

Students were shown how to solve Logical Functions, Absolute vs Relative Reference, Reference and Essential Function, Lookup and reference, Text to columns and data validation, PV, FV, NPV, IRR & MIRR, What if analysis, Loan amortization schedule, Consolidation, Pivot table related problems through MS Excel software. The sessions were conducted by Md. Faridul Islam, Finance Professional, Excel Automation Trainer Business Raider.

#### Corporate Visit to Banco Securities Ltd.

A corporate visit was made to “Banco Securities Ltd” organized by East West University Investment and Finance Club on February 26, 2019. The main objective behind the visit was to make student aware about various activities relating to stock market and financial literacy.

Professor Adu Ahmed, a faculty member of Dhaka University, gave students information about the basis of the history of stock market. He also gave information about what is required during investing.



#### Fintegic 2.0

The Grand Finale of EWU Investment & Finance Club Presents "FINTEGIC 2.0 - An Excel Based Finance & Business Strategy Competition" was

held at CCC lobby of East West University. The top 5 teams presented their full business strategy through power point presentation to the judges at the (Grand Finale) .



Chief guest Professor Dr. Tanbir Ahmed Chowdhury, Dean, Faculty of Business and Economics, East West University, was present at the prize giving ceremony.



### Model United Nations Club

### EWU Intra-MUN 2019



EWU Intra-MUN 2019 conference took place on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019. The special guest was Syed Akib Hossain, Secretary General of BUGMUN 2017. The Chief Guest was Parvez Karim Abbasi from Department of Economics.



### Photography Club

Contrast 2.0 Organized by Bangladesh University of Professionals Photography Society (BUPPS)

East West University Photography Club (EWUPC) participated in an exhibition organized by Bangladesh University of Professionals Photography Society (BUPPS) titled “Contrast 2.0”. From East West University R.H. Rakeeb, Amit Leonard Rudro, Shafat Jahan Jim, Fahmida Jannat Priya, Ahnaf Chowdhury Niloy were the contestants. R.H. Rakeeb secured the Best photographer award. East West University Photography Club (EWUPC) secured 2<sup>nd</sup> runner-up position among 15 University Photography Clubs. The exhibition was held from January 17 to January 19 at Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy.



### Rotaract Club

### Social Leadership Challenge 2019

The most awaited finale of SLC (Socio Leadership Challenge) season-2 was held on March 3, 2019 at East West University.



Rotaract Club of East West University (RaCEWU) organized it for EWU students to raise social awareness among young generations. “Team The

Last of Us” became the Champion of SLC season-02. “Team Jolly Beans” became the first runners-up & “Team Red” became the second runners-up.

### Blood Donation Campaign Spring 2019



Rotaract Club of East West University successfully organized "Blood Donation Campaign 2019" on 18<sup>th</sup> March in association with Bangladesh Thalassemia Foundation. The program was inaugurated by RuhunWasata (Moderator of Rotaract Club of East West University). Around 170 bags blood were collected during the campaign. Dr. Aminul Islam, Advisor of Bangladesh Thalassemia Foundation, showed his gratitude to the president of Rotaract Club of East West University, SanowerHosain Rocky, by giving him a crest.

### My Uniform for the underprivileged children of East West Bidyaniketon

Rotaract Club of East West University (RaCEWU) organized an event named “My Uniform for the underprivileged children of East West Bidyaniketon.” On February 20, 2019. The event was about distributing free school uniforms for the children studying at the school. 50 sets of uniforms were distributed to all the children.



### Science Club

### 6<sup>th</sup> EWU Inter-University Math Olympiad

The 6<sup>th</sup> EWU Inter-University Math Olympiad-2019 was organized by EWU Science Club at East West University Campus on 23<sup>rd</sup> March. 22 Universities participated in this Olympiad. For the first time, 7 schools joined the program along with the universities. 182 students from 22 universities and 50 students from 7 schools participated in the competition.



### Sociology Club

### East West University Sociology Club Celebrated Martyred Intellectuals Day and Victory Day

East West University Sociology Club observed Martyred Intellectuals Day and Victory Day by organizing an exhibition on 17<sup>th</sup> December on campus premises in order to commemorate intellectuals and the martyrs who were killed by Pakistani forces and their collaborators during the 1971 Liberation War. Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin, Chairperson, Board of Trustees inaugurated the exhibition. Professor M. M. Shahidul Hassan, Vice Chancellor, Dr. Fouzia Mannan, Dean Faculty of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences & Dr. Mumita



Tanjeela, Chairperson of Sociology Department also attended the inauguration program of the exhibition. Dr. Farashuddin delivered the speech highlighting the significance of the liberation war and the role of Bangabandhu in the independence of Bangladesh.

### East West University Sociology Club Celebrated Suicide Prevention Program



On 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 at the East West University ground, the janitors were honored for their duty towards the university. Pro Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. Fakrul Alam and club moderator, Rasel Hussain-lecturer of Sociology Department were present during the program. The theme of the event was "Say Yes to Life" and "Love Yourself for Your Family." The main objective of the event was to promote life among the young generation.

### Freedom of Hundreds of Words



On the occasion of Independence Day, "soto kothey sadhinota" was organized by the Sociology Club of East West University on 25 March 2019.



### Sports Club

### East West University Intra-Badminton Tournament 2019

East West University Sports Club organized EWU Intra-Badminton Tournament 2019 which was held on 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> January 2019. The tournament was divided into six categories-Boys Singles, Boys Doubles, Girls Singles, Girls Doubles, Mixed Doubles and Faculty and Admin Doubles.

Among the 175 contenders the winners took their position for the next battle 'EWU WINTER SMASH 2019'.



### EWU Winter Smash 2019



EWU WINTER SMASH 2019 took place from 15<sup>th</sup> February to 18<sup>th</sup> February at East West University campus. 200 students from Thirty-five universities participated in the event. The tournament was

divided into six categories-Boy's Singles (BS), Boys Doubles (BD), Girl's Singles (GS), Girls Doubles (GD), Mixed Doubles (XD) and Faculty and Admin Doubles (F&AD). On 18<sup>th</sup> February, the prize giving ceremony was held. Maliha & Rite from East West University became runners-up in Girls Doubles. In the Faculty and Admin doubles Gomez & Mahbub from East West University became runners-up.

ReckitBenkiser, Banglalink, SCB, NRBC, Grey, Magnito Digital, Pharmasia, City Bank, Lanka Bangla Finance UCB and Nestle helped about 203 participants with their queries. Some students were also offered internship opportunities as well as permanent job.



### Basic Excel Training Workshop



East West University Business Club organized the Basic Excel Training Workshop in collaboration with two Excel trainers: Nabid Hassan, a former student of IBA with numerous achievements in National and International platforms and Rakibul Hasan, a former student of BUET and the Co-owner of Amuze-cart on 22 and 23 February 2019. The workshop spanned over two days, and it was segmented into two phases named: Basic Understanding of Business Excel and Excel for Business Insight. 50 participants attended the workshop.

### Career Clinic 2019

East West University Business Club organized Career Clinic in spring 2019. The "CV Writing Workshop" was held on 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2019. The "Industry Overview Session" was held on 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2019. "Career check-up Session" was held on 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2019. Bkash, Robi,



### Agro Industrialization Club

### Report on Agro Biz Expo 2019

EWU Agro Industrialization Club organized one of its mega events "Agro Biz Expo 2019". On 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> April. EWU Agro Industrialization Club invited some companies related to agriculture from both public and private sectors.



The program was inaugurated by honorable Professor M.M Shahidul Hassan, PhD, Vice Chancellor and AZM ShafiqulAlam, Treasurer of East West University. The main focus of the exposition was to give implantation knowledge of agro sector to the students. A seminar was held on 1st April 2019 where the honorable facilitator was Rezaul Karim

Sidique, Anchor of Mati O Manush (BTV) and Professor & Head of Department of Management of Savar College. The guest was WaisKabir, PHD, Executive Director of Krisshi Gobesona Foundation. The Closing ceremony of Agro Biz Expo 2019 was held on 2nd April. Honorable Moderators of EWU Agro Industrialization Club handed over crests to the media partners & company representatives.



### **Club for Performing Arts**

#### **Inter-University Cultural Program Organized by Brac University Cultural Club**

East West University Club for Performing Arts (ECPA) performed in Inter University Cultural Fest on February 9, 2019 organized by Brac University Cultural Club. Seven prominent universities including East West University participated in the cultural fest. The program took place at TCB Auditorium room in Karwan-Bazar at 1.00 pm. ECPA became champion in the cultural fest.



#### **Oporajeyo Bornomala 2019**

On 21 February 2019, East West University Club For Performing Arts (ECPA) organized a program

named “Oporajeyo Bornomala 2019” in remembrance of the martyrs and to celebrate International Mother Language Day. Honorable Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin, Chairperson.

Then the drama performers staged a comedy to make the event more delightful. The performers were successfully able to entertain the audience with their acting throughout the performance.



of the Board of Trustees was the chief guest of this cultural program. The Pro-Vice Chancellor of East West University, Dr. Fakrul Alam, graced the event with his presence.

#### **EWU Inter-University Cultural Fest 2019**

“EWU Inter-University Cultural Fest 2019” was held in EWU courtyard on 20<sup>th</sup> march 2019. Four more renowned universities–NSU, BRACU, BUET & DU, participated in the cultural fest.



## Borsho Boron Utshab 1426



On 14<sup>th</sup> April 2019 East West University celebrated Bengali New Year 1426 in the campus. The event was hosted by East West University Club for Performing Arts under the name Borsho Boron Utshab 1426 in the campus courtyard. Students of East West University painted Alpana on the road in front of the campus. On April 14 the event started at 9:00 AM with “Mangal Shovajatra”. Syed Manzur Elahi, Chairperson, Board of Trustees, Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin, Chief Adviser, EWU, Club Moderators: Dr. Nikhil Chandra Shil and Abeer Khandakar were present in the Manglal Shovajatra, and they also enjoyed the cultural event. The cultural program started just after the Mangal Shovajatra with dance performance of the members of East West University Club for Performing Arts (ECPA).

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