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## Joint meeting of BALID EC and Governing Body of BIIM held

Ahasan Habib | Dhaka | Oct 12, 2017



BALID EC meeting was held on Saturday 7 October 2017 in its own Dhanmondi office where BALID decided to donate a sum of BDT one (1) Lac for the brain tumour affected LIS professional Sahidul Azad Turzo. BALID is working with such a dream and pragmatic issues that LIS professionals will be benefited in shorter and long run. In the said meeting BALID approved to establish a link of The Librarian Times (TLT) on its website. TLT welcome this approval and shows its utmost gratitude to BALID. The Librarian Times shortly TLT believes that both BALID and TLT could work together for the betterment of the wider community particularly libraries and LIS professionals of Bangladesh and beyond at all level.

Besides, BALID meeting focused on the following issues and arrangements:

Library Cadre service movement's progress follow up;  
School Librarians academic staff movement's progress and current situation;  
Necessary initiative to open Department of Information Science and Library Management at Begum Rokeya University, Rangpur;  
Formulate a Financial Assistance Fund for Bangladeshi LIS professionals for treatment purpose;

Meeting with UGC Chairman to discuss Public and Private University Library issues, UDL resources subscription and to submit a memorandum;

National Seminar in December 2017;

Training on Koha in December 2017;

BALID Annual Picnic in January 2018;

BALID AGM in February 2018;

Training on Content Management and web-based library services in March 2018;

Library Journal and Newsletter publication and Handover 1 lac Taka for Mr. Turzo.

## Aid for Humanity, Aid for Turzo

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Mr. Sahidul Azad Turzo, Assistant Librarian, Shah Sultan College, Bogra has been badly suffering brain tumour (cancerous growth) for the last three years. He recently went to India for better treatment where he will be undergone several diagnostic tests and a surgery. To continue his treatment a huge amount of financial support is needed.

Individual LIS professionals, well-wishers and the LIS professional bodies such as Movement Organ, BALID and LAB collected a sum of eight lacs BDT where BALID itself donated a cash of Taka 1 lac and another 50 thousand will be added later this week. However, despite the generous support of LIS professionals and the larger society, the collected amount is not enough for Turzo's family to continue his expensive and lengthy treatment. Besides others, a group of TLT editorial members is approaching to the wider societies to make a charity fund for Mr. Turzo. More .....Next page

# APPEAL TURZO

His Bank and Bkash accounts are still active and those who want to contribute please extend your generous hand.

It is worth mentioning that Turzo was the first batch Hon's program student of the Department of Information Science and Library Management, University of Rajshahi.

## Let us all pray for Turzo!

Account name: Sahidul Azad  
Account number: 125101207364  
Dutch-Bangla Bank Limited  
Bogra Branch  
or

BKash to cell No. 01912704971 or 01713722457

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Mr. Sahajada Masud Anworul Haq, Sr. Assistant Librarian, BRAC University, Dhaka. Cell: 01912704971

## Library movement activist met Dhaka Board Chairman

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A six member team lead by Mr. Syed Ali Akbar, President-Officers Association, University of Dhaka and Dr. Mostafizur Rahman, Chairman, BALID, paid a complementary visit to Prof. Md. Mahabubur Rahman, Chairman, Secondary and Higher Secondary Board, Dhaka to discuss so called gazette published on 1 January 2017 that deteriorate school assistant librarians' position. The other members were Mr. ADM Ali Ahmed, Librarian, Central Public Library, Mr. Syed Mahfuz Ahmed, Spokesman, ANGEL, Mr. Md. Belal Hussain, Member Secretary, Bangladesh Assistant Librarian Association (BALA) and Mr. Md. Mahbubul Alam Bhuiya, President, Dhaka Zilla, BALA.

According to the BALA and ANGEL spokesmen, because of the said gazetter, the incumbent Librarian of School, College, and Madrasha are facing severe academic and social delinquent. The team analysis and discussed with the Board Chairma, Why the Librarians of the school and college level should be considered as academic staff such as Teacher-Librarian or Library Teacher. In fact, the team submitted supporting documents including Prime Minister's office ordinance and West Bengal education structure where school librarian considered as academic staff. The Board chairman assured visiting team, he will work on that issue seriously once received further supporting documents from the Library Movement Activist. The team also met with Secretary, Secondary and Higher Secondary Board, Dhaka.

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## Ms. Syeda Mukta Begum has been promoted as Librarian at International School Dhaka

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Ms. Syeda Mukta Begum, a progressive LIS professional has just been promoted as Librarian at the International School Dhaka (ISD). In the glorious history of ISD, Mukkta became the first host country Librarian of this esteemed International Baccalaureate (IB) school. As a result of her promotion, she is also sending to Singapore for an IB Category 3 training (Librarian across continuum) on 14 to 16 October 2017. During her visit to Singapore, she will also visit the renowned Singapore American School.

Here it is mentioned that the IB is considered one of the most rigorous inquiry based K-12 curriculum which consists of four (4) programs, Primary Years Program (PYP), Middle Years Program (MYP), Diploma Program (DP) and Career Related Program (CP). In any IB programs, librarians/ teacher-librarians take a considerable responsibility in developing information and digital literacy skills along with research and academic honesty skills across the school curriculum.

In addition to her professional career, Syeda Mukta Begum is currently an M.Phil Researcher at the University of Dhaka of which she obtained her Hon's and Master's degrees in Information Science and Library Management. Prior to ISD, she had worked for Democracywatch, Bangladesh National Women Lawyers Association and Ebenezer International School.

On behalf of TLT, we congratulate Syeda Mukta Begum on her grand success. Congratulations!

## 先端科学技術研究科 Graduate School of Advanced Science and Technology



## Ms. Safinoor Sagorika has joined as a Research Scholar at JAIST

Apu | Dhaka Oct, 14, 2017

Ms. Safinoor Sagorika has joined as a research scholar at the School of Information Science in Japan Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (JAIST), Japan under the prestigious Japanese Government MEXT (Monbukagakusho) scholarship 2017 for pursuing Masters Studies followed by Doctoral Program. So far she is only the student who has received this scholarship as professional staff from the LIS field. Ms. Sagorika undertook a Bachelor of Arts (Hons) and Masters in Information Science and Library Management at University of Dhaka. Earlier she worked as a library professional at BRAC University, International Jute Study Group (IJSG) and East West University.

On behalf of TLT, we congratulate Ms. Safinoor Sagorika on her grand success. Congratulations!

**TLT is delighted to hear of newly appointed Assistant Library Officer at North South University Library.**



**Ms. Kazi Nashid Morsheda**



**Ms. Sumaiya Kainat  
Bintey Kohinoor**



**Ms. Udit Helal**



**Mr. Md. Ede Amin**



**Ms. Taslima Akter**



*Congratulations*

On behalf of TLT, we congratulate all young professionals on their new role and wishing them a successful start.



## OPEN ACCESS BOOKS ON JSTOR

### JSTOR unveiled 2000 books at no cost to libraries

Committing to Open Access movement, JSTOR made available more than 2,000 ebooks at no cost to libraries or users. These titles reflect JSTOR's high standards for quality content partnered with leading publishers such as University of California Press, University of Michigan Press, ANU Press, and Cornell University Press. For more details and the list of books visit the link below:

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# 5 ways to turn your library management system homepage into an outreach superstar

By Kristen Lee, Softlink Information Centres Marketing Manager

Don't hide your library catalogue like it is Area 51

(Unless of course you are the person tasked with managing the library at Area 51, in which case we would love to hear your stories!)

Details:

<http://www.softlinkint.com/blog/article/the-role-of-technology-in-library-outreach-the-library-homepage>

## The Radical Reference Librarians Who Use Info to Challenge Authority

by Natalie Zarrelli | October 03, 2017

The group of librarians soon formed into the first-ever chapter of the Radical Reference Collective, a non-hierarchical volunteer collective who believe in supporting social justice, independent journalists, and activist causes. Since the group's first action at the Republican National Convention of 2004, the group, originally based in New York, has spread across the United States as a collection of individual local chapters.

More details: <http://www.atlasobscura.com/articles/radical-reference-collective>



### Has the open access movement delayed the revolution?

Posted by Richard Poynder

Last month I posted a couple of tweets that attracted some pushback from OA advocates. In the process I was accused of being a species of "Russian troll bot", of having an unspecified "other agenda", and then told that unless I was willing to engage in "constructive discussion" I should pipe down.

Full post: <https://poynder.blogspot.com.au/2017/10/has-open-access-movement-delayed.html>



## GLOBAL VISION DISCUSSION

### IFLA Global Vision voting LAST DAY!

A new chapter opens in the IFLA Global Vision discussion – online voting.

With the Online Voting, we are offering all librarians and library friends the easiest way to contribute to and influence the global conversation about shaping the future of the united library field.

Together we create the future! For voting visit: <https://globalvision.ifla.org/vote/>

## IASL is calling all school librarians in Istanbul @calls for papers/proposals!

-Zakir Hossain

The 47th Annual Conference of the International Association of School Librarianship (IASL) will be held in Istanbul, Turkey on May 6-11, 2018. The Conference Theme for 2018 is Innovation, Information and Impact of School Libraries! The conference is dedicated to the advancement of theory and practice in school librarianship.

### Who should attend?

The IASL Annual Conference provides a space for school librarians, teachers, administrators, researchers, and all those with an interest in education and libraries to join the exciting conversations about innovation, information, and impact of school libraries.

### Why should I attend?

This year's conference provides a space for practitioners to share their understandings of where we are today and to build

for the future. The conference is participative and promotes dissemination and exchange of ideas in a variety of formats. It is also an excellent opportunity for delegates to learn more about the issues and trends in school librarianship, network with other librarians across the globe, experience the camaraderie of librarianship, and, dialogue about research and best practices in school libraries both local and international.

The deadline for submission of all proposals is January 8, 2018. There will be no extension of the deadline. All proposals should be submitted at <http://iasl2018.org/cms/openconf.php> (will open December 1st, 2017). For details, please consult the IASL 2018 conference website at:

<http://iasl2018.org/conference-information/call-for-papers/>

## Indian School Library Association born

An Association for Indian School Library professionals called Indian School Library Association (ISLA) has been established with the support of the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) and the International Association of School Librarianship (IASL). The mission of the Indian School Library Association (ISLA) is to provide a national forum for those people interested in promoting effective school library media programs as viable instruments in the educational process. ISLA will also provide guidance and advice for the development of school library programs and the school library profession. ISLA works in cooperation with other

professional associations and agencies locally and globally. It is worth considering for Bangladeshi school library professionals to establish an association that will empower school, college and madrasah librarians (K-12 librarian) and work as a vanguard for them!

-Zakir Hossain | TLT editorial board member



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