

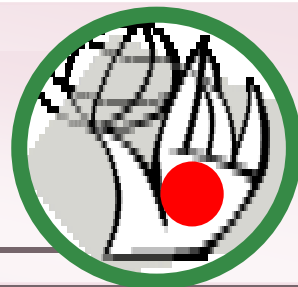
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Celebration of National Library Day 05 February 2018

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The first National Library Day was observed on Monday 5th February 2018 through various programmes in the country.

Directorate of Archives and Libraries and Department of Public Libraries, in association with Cultural Affairs Ministry, have chalked out an elaborate programme to observe the day.

The programmes included rallies, discussions and special exhibitions highlighting the importance of libraries.

On the eve of the day, President Abdul Hamid and Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina issued separate messages greeting all concerned and wishing success of the day's programmes.

In his message President Abdul Hamid termed the library as a mirror of civilisation and said, "It has an intensive involvement with the chronological changes of education, taste and culture of human beings. So, library is a bridge between education and culture of the past and the present".

Realising the importance of libraries in increasing knowledge, the foundation stone of the Central Public Library was laid on February 5th 1954, he added.

Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman established the Directorate of Archives and Libraries in 1972 to protect the thousands-year-old valuable elements of the history-heritage, literature and culture of the Bengali nation, the President said.

Subsequently, the services of the libraries are improving due to the government's relentless development endeavors, Abdul Hamid added.

He hoped that the observance of the day will motivate and inspire the people to use the libraries more.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, in her message, termed the libraries as a treasure of information and said, "The role of libraries is immense in ensuring reading habit and enlightening the people through gathering knowledge, con-

ducting researches, flourishing of spirit and values and practicing culture".

Referring to Bangabandhu's initiatives in establishing the Directorate of Archives and Libraries in 1972, the premier said the current Awami League (AL) government is implementing different projects to develop the libraries and expand up to the marginal level.

"We have taken a project to build Chittagong Muslim Institute Multipurpose Cultural Complex and are working to build digital archives," she said, add-

ing that the design selection has already been completed to reconstruct the Department of Public Libraries at Shahbag in the city.

Approval has been given to modernise the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Memorial Library at Tungipara in Gopalganj and online library management project to provide information technology based services at the government libraries, Sheikh Hasina said, adding that own building would be built at public libraries at each district across the country.



The premier also said the construction of six public libraries has already been completed and modern facilities are being increased at all libraries.

"Our government has been providing financial assistance and books free of cost to the non-government libraries," she added.-BSS

A procession was brought out in the morning from Shahbag which will parade important streets on Dhaka Uni-

versity campus and end at the Shaheed Minar.

Director general of Public Library department Ashish Kumar Sarkar said 'The overall responsibility for the management, supervision and management of public libraries in the country is entrusted to the Public Library Department. There are 71 public government libraries all over the country that are administered by this department.

'We are thinking of awarding a library that will perform well round the year. The initiative will make people conscious to visit the library,' he added.

The finance minister was present as the chief guest while chairman of the standing committee on cultural affairs ministry Simin Hossain Rimi attended the programme as special guests.



Director general of Public Library Department Ashish kumar Sarkar delivered the welcome speech while cultural affairs ministry secretary Ibrahim Hossen Khan presided over the discussion session. The celebration was ended with a colourful cultural event at Shilpokola Academy.

Islamic University observes National Library Day 2018

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The National Library Day was observed at Islamic University (IU) in Kushtia on Monday with a slogan “Boi pori swadesh gori”.

Badshah Fahad bin Abdul Aziz central library of the university organised the event on the campus.

Marking the day a colourful procession was brought out from the central library. The procession was ended at the same place after parading the campus.

IU Vice Chancellor Professor M Harun-Ur-Rashid Askari, Pro-VC Professor M Shahinoor Rahman, Treasurer Professor

M Selim Toha, Acting Registrar SM Abdul Latif, IIER director Professor M Maher Ali, Acting Librarian M Ataur Rahman among others joined the procession.

Celebration of National Library Day 2018 Countrywide



Department of ISLM, DU

The Department of Information Science and Library Management of Dhaka University takes out a procession, led by Vice Chancellor Prof Md Akhtaruzzaman, on the university campus on Monday to mark the National Library Day.

LAB, BALID and other associations



Comilla University

The authorities of Comilla University (CoU) observed the National Library Day on the campus on Monday amid different programmes.

The events on the occasion included a rally and a discussion.

The rally started from the administrative building premises of the university and paraded the main thoroughfares on the campus. It ended at the foot of the sculpture of Bangabandhu where a brief discussion was organised.

CoU Vice-Chancellor Prof Emran Kabir

Chowdhury, President of the university's teachers' association Md Abu Taher, Proctor Dr Kazi Mohammad Kamal Uddin, teachers, students of different departments and officials attended the programmes

NSU Library



North South University (NSU) observed the National Library Day (5th February) spontaneously at NSU Campus yesterday, organised by the NSU Library. As part of the observance of this auspicious day for the first time, a seminar on “Promoting Awareness on using of Library and Information Services and Resources for Academic and Research” was held at NSU Auditorium at 3.00pm. Professor Atiqul Islam, PhD, Vice-Chancellor, NSU and Professor Dr. Gias

U. Ahsan, Pro Vice-Chancellor (D), NSU were the chief guest and special guest of the event respectively. They both delivered their valuable speeches on this august gathering. Dr. Md. Zahid Hossain Shoeb, University Librarian, NSU and Dr. Md. Nazim Uddin, Head, Library and Information Services Section, ICDDR,B were the speaker of the seminar. Prof. Dr. Sharifuddin Ahmed, Chair, Department of History & Philosophy and former Director General of

Archive and National library also delivered his precious speech. The auditorium was full to the brim by the faculty members, administrative staffs and student of NSU. Mr. M M Shoeb, Sr. Assistant Librarian anchored the program. The seminar ended with an interactive Question/Answer session

East West University Library

EWU Library celebrated 1st National Library Day on 5 February 2018. As a part of the celebration, the library organized some special activities including

- EWU Library Decoration
- Round the week special customer care service
- Instant Library Membership and Library Orientation,
- Hanging posters, banners in EWU Campus and
- Joining central rally organized by Ministry of Cultural Affairs.



EWU Library celebrated 1st National Library Day

International Islamic University Chittagong (IIUC)



International Islamic University Chittagong (IIUC) celebrated the National Library Day 2018 on Monday 5th February 2018. Prof. K M Golam Muhiuddin, Vice-Chancellor of the University was present on the occasion as the Chief

Guest, and Mr. Mohammad Nurullah, Treasurer of IIUC Trust was present as the Special Guest. Prof. Dr. Nazmul Hoque Nadwi, Dean, Faculty of Shariah and Islamic Studies, Prof. Dr. Abul Kalam Mohammad Shahed, Director,

CENURC and Colonel Md. Quasem, psc (Retd), Registrar of the University also took part in the Discussion Session.

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Mr. Md. Jahangir Alam, Librarian in-charge delivered his welcome speech. Prof. Dr. Md. Delawer Hossain, Pro Vice-Chancellor in-charge, and Chairman, Library Management Committee, IIUC was presiding over the ceremony. The Discussion Session was held at the Seminar Hall of the IIUC Central Library.

On the occasion, Prof. Mohiuddin said that it is needed to develop global standard university library to build a knowledge-based society. He also said to the audience for increasing their study habit. Mr. Alam mentioned the necessity of National Library Development Framework in Bangladesh in his

welcome speech. He also demanded a separate ministry or a department under Education Ministry for Library. At the end of the program, a colourful rally moved from in front of the Central Library to Shahid Minar of the University.

Celebration and participation by other organizations



Bangladesh University Library Association



Comilla District Library Association



Celebrated by Mymensingh District Administration, ILIS, Mymensingh, Directorate of District Public Library, Mymensingh



Celebrated by Dhaka International University



Celebrated by Bangladesh Association of Librarians, Information Scientists and Documentalists(BALID)



Celebrated by Canadian International University Bangladesh



Celebrated by Institute of Information Sciences, Noakhali Science and Technology University



Celebrated by District Administration, District Public Library, Kustia



Celebrated by Institute of Library and Information Science, Nilkhet, Dhaka



Celebrated by Sher-e Bangla Agriculture University Library , Dhaka



Celebrated by Pabna Science and Technology University, Pabna



Celebrated by Chandpur District Library Association, District Public Library and Administration



Celebrated by United International University



Celebrated by Krishokumari City Corporation High School, Chittagong



Celebrated by Government Azizul Haq college, Bogra



Celebrated by different organizations at Chittagong



Celebrated by District administration, Udbarn Government Public Library, Comilla



Celebrated by District administration, Udbarn Government Public Library, Bogra



Celebrated by Department of Information Science and Library Management (ISLM), University of Rajshahi



Celebrated by Chittagong University of Engineering and Technology (CUET)



Celebrated by District Administration and District Public Library, Kustia



Celebrated by District administration, Chapainawabganj



Celebrated by Ayesha Abad Library, BRAC University



Celebrated by BUET Library



Celebrated by Bangladesh Library Association(LAB)



Celebrated by Department of ISLM, Royal University, Dhaka



Celebrated by District Administration and Public Library, Gaibandha



Celebrated by MA Evening Alumni Society, University of Dhaka



Celebrated by District Administration and Public Library, Sylhet



Celebrated by Adamjee Cantonment College, Dhaka



Celebrated by Hajee Mohammad Danesh Science and Technology University, Dinajpur



Celebrated by Jagannath University Library

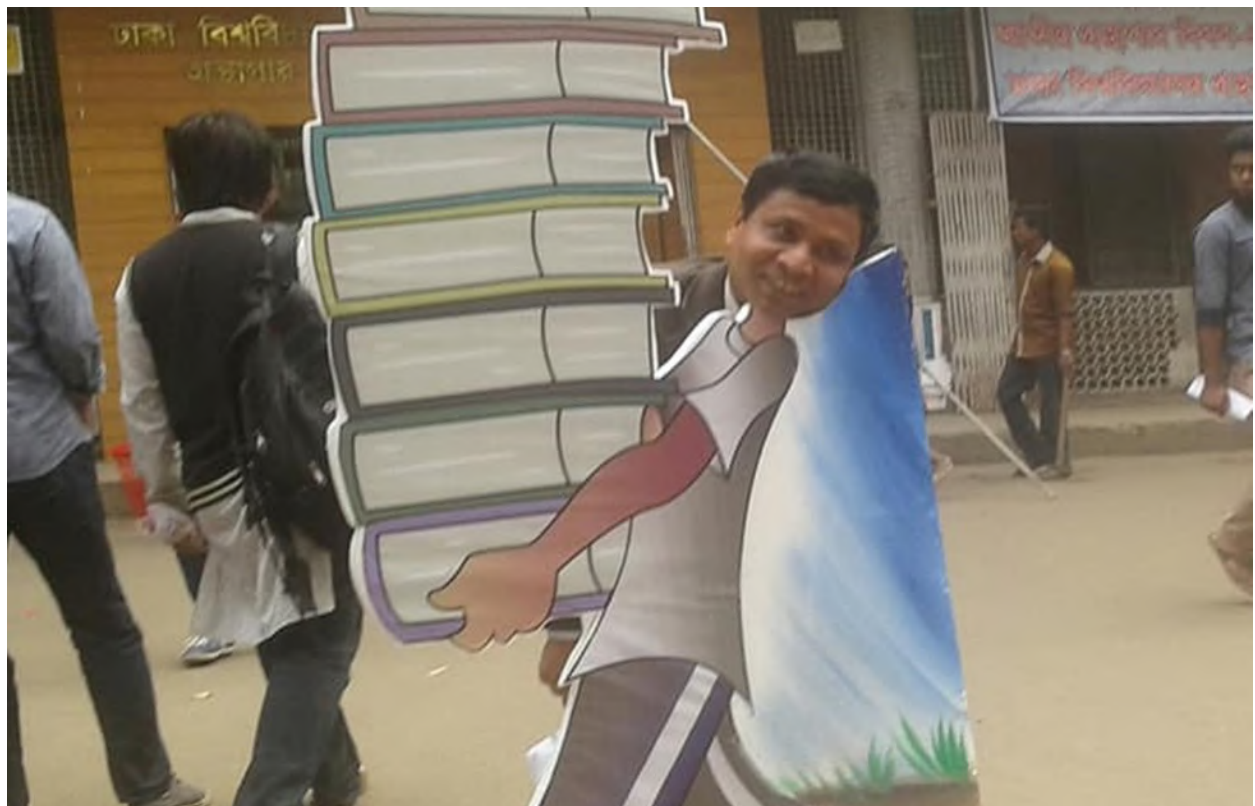


Celebrated by Rajuk Uttara Model College, Dhaka



Celebration National Library Day 2018, British Council

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University of Antwerp awarded PhD degree to Jakaria Rahman



When an expert panel evaluates research groups in a discipline specific research evaluation, it is an open question, how one can determine the extent to which the panel members are in a position to evaluate the research groups. The expertise of the panel members should be well-matched with the research groups to ensure the quality and trustworthiness of the evaluation. Panel members who are credible experts in the field are most likely to provide valuable, relevant recommendations and suggestions that should lead to improved research quality. Due to absence of methods to determine the cognitive distance between evaluators and evaluatees, Jakaria's research leads to development of new informetric methods for expert panel composition. His research contributes to the academic literature by proposing six different informetric methods to measure match between evaluators and evaluatees using their publications as a representation of their expertise.

Jakaria Rahman was engaged as a researcher at the Centre for research &

developing monitoring at the Faculty of Social Sciences of the University of Antwerp from July 2013 to July 2017. During this period, he developed the proposed methods and presented his research progress at three different international conferences in Europe. Simultaneously, his research articles got acceptance in journals that are indexed in Web of Science and Scopus. The most remarkable achievement of his research is that the proposed methods are in use at different European universities for the purpose of expert panel composition even before he defended the thesis.

On 9 February 2018, Jakaria defended his thesis in public in the presence of doctoral jury members in the premise of the University of Antwerp. Around 25 persons witnesses the public defense. Jakaria presented his doctoral thesis and explained how it would contribute to push the knowledge boundaries of information science and library management field. The defense completed with a two-hour question and answer session from both the eminent

jury members and audience present. Then follows the official conferral of the doctorate and laudation by the supervisors.

The doctoral jury board was formed with Professor Dr. Elías Sanz Casado (Carlos III University of Madrid), Dr. Ulf Sandström (KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm and Örebro University, Örebro), Professor Dr. Ronald Rousseau (University of Antwerp and University of KU Leuven), Dr. Raf Guns (University of Antwerp), Professor Dr. Tim Engels (University of Antwerp), and Professor Dr. Sven De Maeyer (University of Antwerp and chair of the jury board).

Jakaria's doctoral thesis title is Determining cognitive distance between publication portfolios of evaluators and evaluatees in research evaluation: an exploration of informetric methods.

Professor Dr. Tim Engels and Dr. Raf Guns supervised the thesis. The said thesis is open access and available at [http://](http://hdl.handle.net/10067/1481100151162)

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Programme on UGC Digital Library (UDL) at AIUB

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The UGC Digital Library (UDL), established under Higher Education Quality Enhancement Project (HEQEP), organised an awareness program on its services at the seminar room of American International University-Bangladesh (AIUB) on 22nd January 2018. Professor Dr. Md. Akhtar Hossain, Member, University Grants Commission of Bangladesh (UGC) was present at the program as the Chief Guest with Dr. Carmen Z. Lamagna, Vice Chancellor, AIUB in the

chair. Dr Gauranga Chandra Mohanta, Project Director, Higher Education Quality Enhancement Project (HEQEP) attended the function as Special Guest. Professor Dr. ABM Siddique Hossain, Dean, Faculty of Engineering, AIUB, delivered welcome address while Farin Hasan, Additional Director of the Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), AIUB, gave a brief presentation on the digital resources of AIUB library.

Dr. Md. Nazim Uddin, Senior Manager, Library and Information Services Section (LISS) of International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research, Bangladesh (icddr,b), delivered a presentation on the Presentation on e-Resources.

Nushrat Sharita, Program Officer, UDL, presented the services of UDL at the event. Faculty Members of ULAB, and officials and consultants from HEQEP and UGC were present on the occasion.

Library Association of Bangladesh (LAB) Election 2017: An analysis

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Part Five

LAB election 2017 was completed successfully on 30 December 2017. The Librarian Times (TLT) broadcasted updated election news till the completion of the final result. The Librarian Times has decided to analyse the overall statistics, comparison, and other different dimensions of the LAB Election 2017. The main focus of this analysis is to keep this record for the future reference.

In the previous analysis from part one to four, we found different analysis and a number of issues are still unfocused. We may now consider to analyse these matters. We have also compared between the LAB election 2014 and 2017 on some statistical data.

	2017	2014
Total Voter	3253	2572
Casted Vote	2112	1326
Percentage of Vote casting	65.201%	51.555%

So, 681 no of voters increased from 2014 to 2017. Percentage of voters increase 20.93%.

In another observation, we have seen that few candidates elected in 2014 and 2017 as well. They are:

Name	2017(candidate for)	2014(Candidate for)	Remarks
Syed Ali Akbar	President	Vice-President	
Syeda Farida Parvin	Councilor(Central)	Vice-President	Women's Affairs Sec. 2011
Kazi Abdul Majed	Vice-President	Vice-President	
Prof. Dr. Nasiruddin Munshi	Councilor(Central)	President	President in 2012
Dr. Mohammad Mizanur Rahman	Vice-President	Secretary General	Sec. General 2012
ADM Ali Ahmed	Vice-President	Treasurer	
Muhammad Hamidur Rahman Tushar	Treasurer	Research and Publication Secretary	
Abu Md. Hannan Mia	Councilor (Dhaka Division)	Councilor(Central)	
Md. Emdadul Haque	Research and Publication Secretary	Councilor(Central)	
Md. Mahbub Alam	Councilor (Barisal Division)	Councilor (Barisal Division)	

Lost both the elections in 2014 and 2017

Name	2017	2014
Anjuman Ara Shimul	Women's Affairs Secretary	Joint Secretary General
S.M. Mohammad Ali	Vice-President	Councilor (Central)
Muhammad Mohiuddin Hawlader	Treasurer	Organizing Secretary
Abdullah Al Bashir	Councilor (Rajshahi Division)	Councilor (Rajshahi Division). Result undecided

Few aspects of LAB Election 2014, vote held on 30 December 2014

Three candidates won without any opponent:

Prof. Dr. Md. Nasiruddin Munshi- President

Nafiz Zaman Shuva-Research and Publication Secretary

Dr. Md. Azizul Islam-Councilor (Rajshahi Division)

In 2011, the highest casting vote to an individual position was 847 (Abu Md. Hannan Mia 367 & FM Khalequzzaman 480). The said election was conducted centrally i.e. all LAB voters casted their votes at Dhaka (Institute of Social Welfare, University of Dhaka).

Highest vote received:

Dr. Dilara Begum-Vice President 531

Farida Yeasmin-Women's Affairs Secretary 530

Anjuman Ara Shimul-Councilor(Central) 525

Lowest vote received:

Md. Masud Rana Divisional Councilor (Barisal)-067

Abdul Mannan-Vice-President-161

Modhusudun Hawlader-Divisional Councilor(Barisal)-248

Note: In 2014, all voters were eligible to cast vote for each of the divisional councillor, too. But from 2014, system was changed and divisional Councillor was elected by the respective divisional voters only.

Winning candidates of the 2017 LAB elections received greeting from different association, district representatives, etc... They received their charge on 18 January 2018. We believe and hope that elected candidates will work for betterment of the library profession.

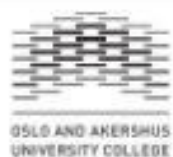




2018 Conference

The 42nd European Library Automation Group Systems Seminar will be in Prague (Czech Republic), June 4 – 7 2018

Details: <https://elag.org/>



Call for papers

The IATUL 2018 Program Committee invites proposals for papers and posters, which should reflect the conference theme:

Libraries for the Future – from Inspiring Spaces to Open Science

Details: <https://iatul2018.hioa.no/call-for-papers/>

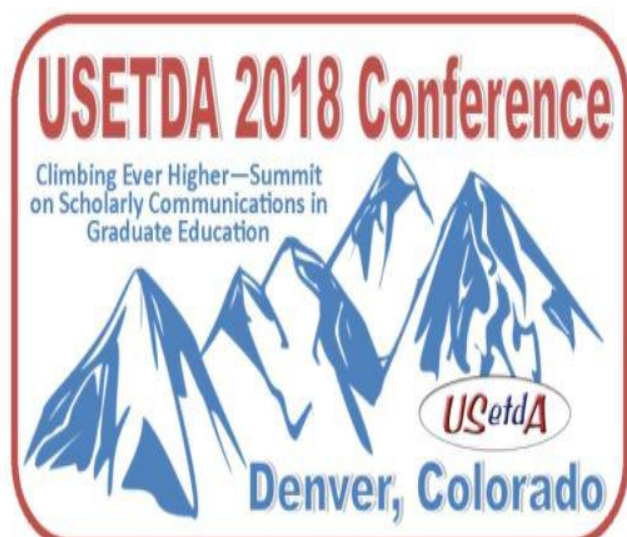
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The USETDA has announced USETDA 2018, the 8th annual conference will be held September 12th – 14th at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Denver, Colorado, hosted by the Auraria Library and Brigham Young University.

Details: <http://www.usetda.org/usetda-conferences/usetda-2018/>

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