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Library Professionals celebrated Independence and National Day of Bangladesh



The nation celebrated the 48th Independence and National Day on Monday with due respect.

President Abdul Hamid and Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina led the nation in paying rich tributes to the martyrs of the Liberation War by placing wreaths at the National Mausoleum at Savar in the morning marking the day.

After placing the wreaths, the President and the Prime Minister stood in solemn silence for some time as a mark of profound respect to commemorate the martyrs of the Great War of Liberation in 1971.

On her return from the memorial at Savar, the Prime Minister paid homage to Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman by placing a wreath at his portrait in front of the

Bangabandhu Memorial Museum at Dhanmondi.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina hoisted the national flag and led the nation in singing the national anthem 'Amar Sonar Bangla' simultaneously at Bangabandhu National Stadium here around 8:00 am.

She also released a commemorative postage stamp, a first-day cover and a data card, marking the Independence Day.

Sheikh Hasina greeted the freedom fighters of the country on occasion.

The Prime Minister, like other occasions, sent flowers, fruits and sweetmeats to the war-wounded freedom fighters and members of the martyred

freedom fighters' families at Martyred and War-wounded Freedom Fighters' Rehabilitation Centre (Muktijoddha Tower-1) on Gaznavi Road at Mohammadpur in the city.

President Abdul Hamid and his wife Rashida Khanom hosted a reception at Bangabhaban marking the day.

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"On this auspicious day, I urge the countrymen to foil any plot of the anti-liberation, communal forces and anti-development and anti-democracy forces together," Hasina said.

The prime minister said the independence earned through supreme sacrifices of millions of people is the most significant achievement of the nation.

"To ensure that this achievement remains meaningful, all must know the history of our great Liberation War and retain the spirit of independence ...the history has to be passed on to generation after generation," she said.

Library Professionals celebrated Independence and National Day of Bangladesh

Colourful procession was brought out in different cities throughout the country by Library and Information Science Professionals on the occasion of Independence and National Day of Bangladesh.

They also paid rich tributes to the martyrs of the Liberation War by placing wreaths.

The following photographs are from Department of Information Science and Library Management, University of Rajshahi and Library Association of Bangladesh, Mymensingh Division. Institute of Information Science(IIS), Noakhali Science and Technology University.



A success story of a Library Professional

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Mr Muhammad Muslim Uddin, Bibliographer, National Library and Archives stood the first position of a five-day long training programme which was held at International Mother Language Institute, Dhaka from 18th to 22nd March 2018 on Using the Standard Bangla Language at Government Office for corresponding. After completion of the training, there was an examination among the participants where he has proven himself by securing the top position.



Different civil service officers of varying ministry took part of the event.

Before joining to Directorate of Archives and Libraries under the ministry of cultural affairs as a Bibliographer, Mr Muslim Uddin also worked for Dhaka Residential Model College and North South University Library. He completed his BA (Hons) and MA from Department of Information Science and Library Management, University of Dhaka.

On behalf of TLT Congratulations to Mr Muhammad Muslim Uddin

Celebration Annual Book Week 2018 At International School Dhaka (ISD)

Syeda Mukta Begum, ISD



"To promote books and library services to the children, parents and teachers, International School Dhaka (ISD) Library celebrated its annual Book Week 2018 on 11-15th March through a variety of activities and promotions.

To commemorate the Book Week 2018, the library arranged many events including Bookmark Design, Guess the Reader, Book Character Parade, Hat Making Fun Activity with upcycling things, and a Book Fair at ISD premises. PBS, Boi-

Alan Gibbons visited the library during the Book Week. Alan Gibbons has been writing children's books for twenty-three years. Leading children's author Alan Gibbons is a born storyteller. He ran workshop for Nursery to Grade 12 and teachers at ISD based on different types of fiction such as Magic, Adventures, Science, Gothic, Poetry as well as storytelling during the week. Alan's presentations to schools combine an inspirational author's talk and stimulating writing workshops



Bichitra, Ikri-Mikri, Sotoder Boi, Children's Book Corner and Surjomukhi Handicrafts participated in the book fair for a daylong.

The most exciting event was that, the award-winning author



for pupils.

British author Alan Gibbons is the winner of the Blue Peter Book Award 2000. He was shortlisted for the Carnegie Medal in 2001 and 2003 and twice for the Book Trust Teenage Prize."

Workshop at Dhaka International University

Ratan K Das | Dhaka | April 01, 2018



Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Dhaka International University (DIU) and Higher Education Quality Enhancement Project (HEQEP) - a project of University Grants Commission of Bangladesh recently organised workshops at university premises. The workshops were held on 19th February and 26th March respectively ti-

Admission Staff of DIU'. Mr S. M. Belal Uddin, Digital Marketer, Country Manager of GearLaunch and Texort CEO; Mr Md. Nahid Kaisar, CEO and Founder of Bizcop; Mr Md. Faruque Hossain, Senior SEO and Affiliate Marketing Trainer of BITM; Ms Hasina Afroz, University Librarian, Ayesha Abed Library, BRAC University; Mr Md. Sha-

Director of DIU; Dr Serajul Islam Pro-dhan, Director of IQAC, DIU; Mr Md. Nazrul Islam, System Engineer, DIU were present at the programme. Among others, Ms Hasina Afroz and Mr Md. Shahajada Maud were invited as resource persons of the two days (19th of February and 26th of March) long workshop on Introduction to Integrated



titled 'IT Training for Non-Academic Staff of DIU', 'Introduction to Integrated Library Management Systems, Resources & Services' and 'Digital Marketing and Students Services for Information and

hajada Masud Anowarul Haque, Senior Assistant Librarian, Ayesha Abed Library, BRAC University; Mr Mahbubul Haque, Senior Executive, Library, IUB; Mr MD. Masud Parvez Patwary, Joint

Library Management Systems, Resources & Services.

Meeting with bibliotheca at IUT Library

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A meeting was held at Islamic University of Technology (IUT) Library on 27th March 2018 between Dr Mirza Mohd. Rezaul Islam, Librarian, IUT and Mr Cheng Kok Heng, Business Development Manager of bibliotheca: transforming libraries, Singapore. Both parties will work for mutual interest in the future. They also like to work with BALID on different issues as per primary discussion with Mr Heng.

Bibliotheca believes libraries are indispensable, equitable community hubs that inspire creativity, collaboration and life-long learning.

We partner with Public and Academic libraries, allowing them to anticipate, identify and focus on the evolving needs of their communities and students.

The bibliotheca team is passionate about libraries and dedicated to our mission and cultural values. They are closely working with different libraries in Bangladesh for several library oriented products. For more information regarding this organ, we can explore their website on the following address www.bibliotheca.com



Alumni of ISLM-RU, Celebrated Annual Picnic at BSMRAU

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Dhaka based alumni of Department of Information Science and Library Management, University of Rajshahi celebrated an annual picnic at Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Agricultural University (BSMRAU) at Salna, Gazipur on 23rd March 2018. Participants of the said event enjoyed a lot. This type of events will increase brotherhood and strong networking.

Dr. Dilara Begum has been invited as a Secretary of IFLA Information Literacy Section in the IFLA President's Meeting and Global Vision Kick-off Workshop 2018, Barcelona, Spain

Shaharima Parvin, AL, EWU



Being a Secretary of International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA), Information Literacy (IL) section, Dr Dilara Begum was invited to attend a two-day IFLA Global Vision Kick-off Workshop and Presidents Meeting on 19th - 21st March 2018 in Barcelona, Spain. The theme of this meeting was "Leading the way: libraries as motors of change". This meeting was the first IFLA President's Meeting organised by IFLA. The purpose of the meeting and workshop is to gather experiences and perspectives from IFLA's professional units and engage the library professions in creating a global vision of an aligned and connected field able to fulfil the potential of libraries to meet individual and community needs. It should be mentioned here that the Chair and Secretary of each IFLA Section are called IFLA officers and Dr Dilara Begum has been representing Bangladesh as IFLA officer through this platform.

Award Giving Ceremony of Book Reading Competition by British Council held at Green University of Bangladesh



Green University Language Center (GULC) organised Award Giving Ceremony of Book Reading Competition by British Council on 21st March, 2018 at Green University. The program was adorned by the kind presence of Kirsty Crawford, Program Director, Library Unlimited, British Council Bangladesh as the chief guest and Prof. Dr. Md. Golam Samdani Fakir, the Vice-Chancellor of Green University of Bangladesh as the chair of the program. Both the chief guest and the chair of the program encouraged students to invest time to reading because it helps their cognitive development and makes them competent citizen within the global village. The guests awarded students various prizes based on their achievement in the competition. The students were also motivated to read books beyond the text to know the unknown, to explore the unexplored.

Source: Green University of Bangladesh website

Special Feature

What library leaders have to be

Ratan K Das

Library leadership is hard work, and not a rewarding position. It requires mental and physical strength to cope with constant challenges. A true leader dedicates their time to the improvement of information sector. The good news is there are approximately libraries in 80 countries where personnels are treated as the teachers; so that they can become good academic leaders, too, with many responsibilities.

Who are library leaders?

Library leader may be a teacher, library manger, librarian or senior librarian, or specialist. They work the in national, public, academic or special library, or in the academic institution. Can anyone become a leader, or are most of us destined to be followers? The answer is, library leaders aren't necessarily managers or librarians. There may be junior employees at the library, whom does not even have mentionable job title and can take up leadership roles, too. No matter what their current role is, 'Leadership is action, not position'. Donald H. McGannon.

To be a leader, be a learner

Library staff is a model of lifelong learning. The same thing is applicable to a library leader. If they cannot grow, they can't be a library leader. They must have to curiosity for learning. They can learn from senior and junior as well. A good library leader takes learning seriously. Actually, leadership is a learning process. They seek professional development opportunities to become a decision maker to be a leader, and to be a lifelong learner.

'Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other' John F. Kennedy

People person or empathy

Hope you have a sense of empathy. We

believe you like helping others. It means that you understand the needs of others. As a library personnel or teacher, you need to provide good quality service to people. The great leader understands the value of connection. Openness to change and flexibility are good qualities of a leader. They have to be sensitive to the needs of the library community and society. Library leaders need to get humour too.

'You can only understand people if you feel them in yourself' John Steinbeck

They welcome innovation

A library leader needs have innovation to implement new ideas to keep the library sector growing. Though it can be very difficult to track of all the creative things going on in libraries, but they need to prepare for these. A good leader tries to introduce innovation in the world of libraries; not only the local community but also the world would welcome it. In this way, we will be looking at a bright future for the information sector.

'Innovation distinguishes between a leader and a follower' Steve Jobs

No IF, AND, BUT

Good leaders never use these words. These words can seriously affect their abilities. A leader takes responsibility for everything their library organisation does.

'The difference between the almost right word and the right word is really a large matter' Mark Twain

Share, share, and share

There are lots of people outside the library community. A right leader shows the value of library work to everyone, including inside and outside of the community. They transport themselves into

the future. Sharing should be authentic. In sharing, they will gain people's respect.

'Democracy must be built through open societies that share information' Atifete Jahjaga

The power of appreciation

Isn't it true that no one likes a complainer? It makes leadership unprofessional. This negative attitude shut things down. It also limits possibilities. According to Forbes magazine, if a leader begins to express appreciation in the library industry, it can eventually turn the mood around.

'Appreciation is a wonderful thing: it makes what is excellent in others belong to us as well' Voltaire

Leader is not alone

It's lonely at the top, but library leaders need not be alone. Leaders have to walk from person to person and converse with them. They need take initiative to improve library sector. Leaders have to keep widening their sources. They should be interacting with library personnel, users, and the community.

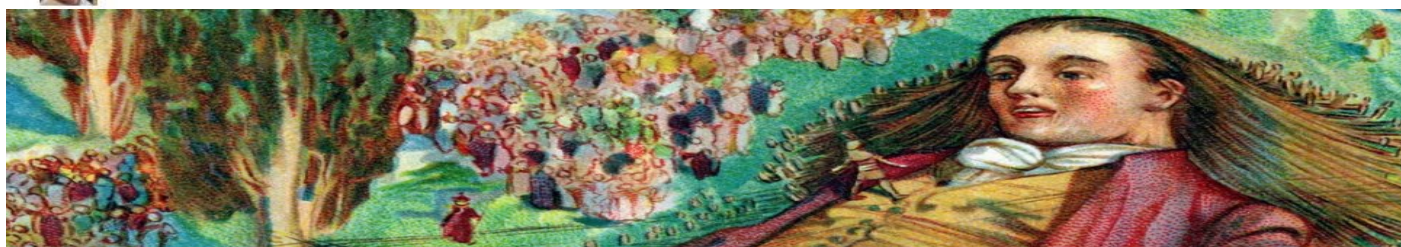
'Do more listening than talking; talk more about them than about you' Roy T. Bennet.

Source: Library Journal, Librarian and Information Science News, Forbes, BrainyQuote and Goodreads

On Ireland, library data, and humanities research



Brian Lavoie • 16 March 2018 • Research



By Brian Lavoie, Research Scientist, OCLC Research

Details: <http://www.oclc.org/blog/main/on-ireland-library-data-and-humanities-research/>



Cambridge Core joins the ProQuest OASIS platform

Mountain View, CA -- March 27, 2018. ProQuest has teamed with Cambridge University Press to provide libraries access to the Cambridge Core platform and content via the ProQuest OASIS platform. Over 30,000 ebook titles across 36 subject areas from Cambridge University Press and other publishers become available through the OASIS selection and purchase system beginning 27th March 2018. Details: <http://www.proquest.com/about/news/2018/Cambridge-Core-Joins-the-ProQuest-OASIS-Platform.html>

Digital Delivery Breathes New Life into Professional Books and Scholarly Monographs

March 21, 2018 – Stamford, CT –

Scholarly and professional e-books sales increased globally by 5.6% in 2017 and will grow an additional 4.8% in 2018, revitalizing a medium publishers once wrote off, according to the latest report from Simba Information.

Details: <https://www.simbainformation.com/about/release.asp?id=4327>



Do libraries have the key to the framework for implementing the SDGs?

By [Lisa Cornish](#) // 21 March 2018

MELBOURNE — As nations such as Australia struggle with finding the right way to implement the Sustainable Development Goals, could libraries have the answers they are seeking?

Details: <https://www.devex.com/news/do-libraries-have-the-key-to-the-framework-for-implementing-the-sdgs-92375>

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Digital Frontiers 2018

In 2018, the Digital Frontiers community is joining forces with the Digital Humanities Forum held annually at University of Kansas's Institute for Digital Research in the Humanities (IDRH). These two dynamic communities unite to celebrate digital scholarship as a diverse and growing field of humanist inquiry.

Details: <https://digital-frontiers.org/conference/2018>



Joint Conference on Digital Libraries 2018

The ACM/IEEE Joint Conference on Digital Libraries in 2018 (JCDL 2018) will be hosted by three units of the University of North Texas (UNT) — the College of Information, the UNT Health Science Center, and the UNT Libraries. It will be held at the UNT Health Science Center in Fort Worth, the rustic and artistic threshold into the American West. Its co-organizer includes the School of Information Management at Wuhan University.

Details: <https://2018.jcdl.org/cfp.html>



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Fort Collins, Colorado

Details: <http://ill.cvlisites.org/>

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