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“ফুলের অনেক বৈচিত্র বা রঙের জৌলুশ আছে। এগুলো তার সাফল্য।
কিন্তু যে গন্ধ দিয়ে সে আমাদের মন ভোলায়, তা হলো তার সার্থকতা।”

— Abdullah abu sayeed (আব্দুল্লাহ আবু সায়ীদ)

TLT Life Time Award, Prof Abdullah Abu Sayeed, a living legend of Bangladesh

Prof Abdullah Abu Sayeed, Founding President of Bishwa Shahitya Kendro has been chosen for the TLT life time award for his significant contribution to the society in Bangladesh. His foundation “Biswa Sahitya Kendra” a privately organised centre for promoting reading habits among students and general public, movement to promote enlightenment and progressive ideas among people.

The centre's main activities are aimed at expanding the mental horizon of people through exposing them to world literature. Accordingly, it has set up branches with library facilities at places where there are one or two schools or colleges. Students are encouraged to read at least 16 quality books every year. Prizes are offered to encourage reading. The centre's programmes include literary and cultural competitions, book discussions, screening of films, guest lectures and music programmes. Other activities include visits to places of cultural interest and environmental programmes.

Abdullah Abu Sayeed (born 25 July 1939) is a Bangladeshi writer, television presenter, organizer and activist. He is currently the Chairman of Bishwa Sahitya Kendra, a non-profit organization that promotes the study of literature, reading habits and progressive ideas.

Sayeed was born in 1939 in Calcutta. His father was Azimuddin Ahmed, a teacher of both English and Bengali literature. He was also a playwright. Sayeed passed SSC exam from Pabna Zilla School in 1955 and HSC exam from Profollo Chandra College in 1957. He later earned the degree of BA and MA in Bengali from the University of Dhaka in 1960 and 1961 respectively.

Sayeed was a professor of the Bengali language in Dhaka College. In mid-1970s he started presenting Shaptabarna (Seven Colors), a TV show in Bangladesh Television. In 1978, he founded the Bishwa Sahitya Kendra.

Sayeed was given the 97th Ramon Magsaysay Award in Journalism, Literature, and Creative Communication Arts for "cultivating in the youth of Bangladesh a love for literature and its humanizing values through exposure to the great books of Bengal and the world". Other awards include: National Television award (1977), Mahbub Ullah Trust Award (1998), Ekushey Padak (2005), Bangla Academy Award (2011) for his essays, Star Lifetime Award on Education (2016).

Message



Vice-Chancellor
University of Dhaka

I am very happy to write this message that the editorial board of The Librarian Times (TLT) is going to host its 2nd social and professional gathering called 'TLT Awards and Fun Night 2019' to celebrate its second anniversary.

I was present in the "TLT Awards and Fun Night 2018" and observed the activities of TLT. It really makes me very delighted that they are successfully doing their voluntary works for the development of library professionals in the country without any interruption. With the continuation of TLT's first year anniversary, this year they are also providing the awards. It is really very much required to maintain sustainability. I must appreciate this great initiative taken by the young library professionals in the country.

On this occasion, I take the opportunity to congratulate all library professionals for their relentless effort towards working for emerging the library and information sector in Bangladesh with their dedicated contributions.

I extend my heartfelt greetings to all the organizers and participants and convey my best wishes for the success of the TLT Awards and Fun Night 2019.

Joy Bangla. Joy Bangabandhu.

Long Live Dhaka University, Long live Bangladesh.

Professor Dr. Md. Akhtaruzzama

Message



Professor
Dept. of Information Science and Library Management
University of Dhaka
&
Program Chair

I am very happy and feel privileged to forward this message to our professional and academic colleagues, award winners and guests in Bangladesh and worldwide on the occasion of TLT Award and Fun Night 2019!

I am delighted to know that TLT is going to organise Award giving event for the library professionals and students for the second time in Bangladesh. I appreciate and believe that it is an excellent effort and the impact of the event will be beneficial and encouraging for the LIS community in the country.

“Everything you need for better future and success has already been written. And guess what? All you have to do is go to the library.” Henri Frederic Amiel.

Giving an appreciation of every professions and work is necessary. TLT has taken an excellent initiative for librarians. In Bangladesh, now it is the trend of digitisation and library is the place where scanning is an integral part. Librarians are doing well and giving their best effort to make their library digitised and automated. I am pleased to know that TLT is trying to uphold the librarians’ effort and library’s news of Bangladesh to worldwide through their weekly bulletin. TLT is not limited to publish news; they have started to give credit and recognition to librarians’ effort by giving the award every year. I am pleased to be part of the effort.

On occasion, I want to congratulate the entire winners who have achieved awards by their work, effort, contribution and merit. I hope TLT’s initiative will encourage fresh students to come to a library profession with great enthusiasm. I wish the young library professionals will also be involved with TLT activities. Now TLT is an example for the library professionals of Bangladesh that shows a path about why do we need professional recognition? I do believe that within the next five years we will get more professional recognition given by the government nationwide.

As you gather for this occasion, I would like to offer my best wishes for a most enjoyable evening. I also wish all the very best of TLT members and library professionals of Bangladesh.

Professor Dr S.M. Mannan

Message



Dean
School of Undergraduate Studies
National University, Bangladesh

I am pleased to know that TLT is once again going to arrange Award Giving Event for the library professionals and students for their achievement and merit.

It gives me immense joy to respond to the request of writing a message for TLT and Award Night winner of 2019.

I congratulate all of the participants, winners and library professionals who are involved in publishing TLT online bulletin and organising the event to motivate library professionals and students.

Now library service is not limited in book lending and returning service. I believe libraries' strengths lie in the librarian's efforts that help people find and use that information on their own. A library's use depends on how effectively librarians provide information services to the users and how easily users can access all of their required information. Considering these issues, librarians are keeping alive libraries worldwide through their user-oriented services.

Our professionals globally work in different ways and bring great respect for our country. There is no platform or media to highlight their great work. Currently TLT is the only platform for library professionals in Bangladesh where we can get all the great works of our professionals doing worldwide. No doubt, TLT's effort is making a significant impact on the profession and professionals by introducing our Bangladeshi experts worldwide. For an example, arranging a joint meeting with Christine Mackenzie, President-elect IFLA, Executive Committee INELI-Oceania and ALIA Fellow on "Global collaboration" held on August 26, 2018 at IFLA secretariat press room during the IFLA Congress in Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre, Malaysia.

I appreciate that TLT has started its journey in 2017, within two years it has made its place to all of the library professionals of Bangladesh. Today I am glad to know that TLT brings out all of the library-related newswEEKlies to the readers. Moreover, they have started to give recognition of library professional for their services including young library professionals and students.

My best wishes and good luck to the TLT as it proceeds on its journey.

Professor Dr Md. Nasiruddin Mitul

Message



Senior Manager and Head
icddr,b Library

Greetings from the icddr,b Library!

It gives me great pleasure to join The Librarian Times (TLT) Awards 2019 and Fun Night programme organized by the Team of TLT. Congratulations to all who are working hard with the commitment, passion, devotion, and invaluable contributions to the library profession in Bangladesh. Of course, you are the leading and young team members who are carrying out responsibilities with honesty and sincerity, which are very helpful in keeping the library profession up. The library profession is now in a better position comparing to any previous time in Bangladesh. These changes happen because of your hard work, enthusiasm, interest, eagerness and professionalism. Well done, TLT!

TLT should contribute more and more to strengthen the library profession and move forward with quality, not quantity, as the scenario of librarianship in Bangladesh has been changing due to technological advancements. Right now technology acts as the driving force of the library community in the globe as well as Bangladesh. Education and knowledge are vital to make any successful communities and organizations and they consider as most vital parts of the library profession. Library professionals should keep pace with the changing dynamics of the various communities they serve. TLT is one of the components of changing dynamics for the library profession in Bangladesh.

TLT, as an organization, should be humble, nimble, creative, and customer-focused and above all - it must embrace learning. TLT should create the value of the library profession and professionals in Bangladesh. TLT should work as a trusted organizer of library professionals in Bangladesh and trust grows when TLT builds a relationship with its customers.

In the last year, i.e. in 2018, The Librarian Times (TLT) organized TLT Awards and Fun Night for the first time in Bangladesh for the LIS profession. Similarly, in 2019, TLT is going to organize the same event for the library professionals of Bangladesh. Hope, this upcoming event will be treated as the most important and vibrant meeting point of the LIS professionals in Bangladesh.

I would like to thank you for greatly impressing us during the last TLT event that held at the University of Dhaka in 2018. I believe that in the meantime TLT has created a positive impression among library professionals of Bangladesh. Once again, thank you so much for inviting me in 2019 TLT event that demonstrates TLT vision.

My best wishes for the successful award night of TLT 2019 and also for the great event!

Dr Md. Nazim Uddin

Message



President-Elect IFLA
ALIA Fellow

On behalf of IFLA, I congratulate the TLT on their 2nd year anniversary. It is a great tribute to the organizers and the library profession to reach this milestone. I wish you all the best at TLT awards and fun night 2019. It is notable that the event will be attended by such esteemed dignitaries as Professor Abdullah Abu Sayeed, The founder, Bishwa Sahitya Kendra.

I am sure that there will be much celebration of success and I wish you a wonderful time. Happy networking and all the best for the coming year!

Christine Mackenzie

Message



Executive Director
Association for Information Science & Technology (ASIS&T)

On behalf of the Board of Directors and membership of the Association for Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T), we send our congratulations as you celebrate the 2nd year anniversary of TLT. We wish you every success at the TLT awards and fun night 2019. We are proud of your awards initiative and it deserves every recognition. ASIS&T is delighted to support the library and information professionals of Bangladesh and we wish to welcome you to our community.

Lydia S. Middleton, MBA, CAE



Message

Librarian (Head of Library)
BGMEA University of Fashion and Technology
and
Chairman (in charge)
Bangladesh Association of Librarians
Information Scientists and Documentalists (BALID)

It is the great pleasure to be part of The Librarian Times for the second successive year of celebration. TLT has been focusing on professional events, development projects and achievements to encourage professionals and future professionals into this dynamic occupation.

Heartiest congratulations to TLT for ongoing and future ventures.

Wish TLT Board very successful journey ahead.

Hazera Rahman

Message



Programme Director
Libraries Unlimited

I am delighted to support the TLT for their Awards and Fun Night 2019, and to celebrate TLT's second anniversary.

TLT is the only online news bulletin in Bangladesh for the library and information profession. It serves an important purpose to advocate for and on behalf of the library professionals in the country. This platform highlights the successes and challenges of the community as well as organising training and capacity building events, and most vitally bringing all library professionals together.

It is an exciting time for libraries in Bangladesh, with more investment and new, innovative programmes in the government public libraries.

The Libraries Unlimited Public Libraries Campaign has set off across the country, visiting 25 different districts with a two-day festival, to highlight the benefits and potential of libraries, new programmes and services, and aiming to bring more people into more libraries, building communities across the country.

The TLT Awards and Fun night will bring further recognition and encouragement to the profession, and it is to be welcomed. I congratulate all award winners, as well as the TLT Editorial Board in putting together this exciting networking programme and celebrating the success of librarians and libraries across the country. I wish you all the very best.

Kirsty Crawford

Message



Executive Chairman
Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council

We are thankful to TLT board for providing us with an opportunity to be the event partner and sponsor of TLT award and fun night 2019.

As you know, BARC is the apex body of the National Agricultural Research Systems (NARS), it usually likes to take the leadership of making the data, information and knowledge available and accessible to promote linkage among the policymakers, researchers, educators and other stakeholders all over the country. BARC plays a significant role in sharing data, information and knowledge with the politicians, researchers, educators of the world. As TLT is the platform of information professionals, BARC is pleased to be the part of this platform to build a collaborative relationship in spreading information to everyone.

I hope this event will significantly make an impact on the community dealing with information sharing and knowledge management.

I wish every success of this program. I am happy to extend collaboration to strengthen the spirit of TLT activities in future.

Thank you all.

Dr Md. Kabir Ikramul Haque

Message



Secretary-General
Library Association of Bangladesh (LAB)

It is great! The Librarian Times (TLT) is going to organise The Librarian Times (TLT) award and fun night 2019 on the eve of its 2nd anniversary.

Sustaining the program is tough. But TLT proves it by their 2nd endeavour.

We hope the grant success of this program.

Dr Md. Anwarul Islam

Message



Deputy Police Commissioner (North)
Chittagong Metropolitan Police

I feel very proud and honoured to be able to present at TLT Award Night 2019 as the special guest. It is excellent news for the library professional that they have got a platform where they can express themselves and got the appreciation of their hard work and contributions to the library field.

I believe librarianship is a noble profession and it is not possible to measure their contribution by any award or scale. The award is one kind of inspiration which helps a person to do better in future and treat it as their responsibility.

My greeting is to the editorial board to keep the good work ahead.

I express my compliments to the TLT editor in chief, award selection committee for their valuable efforts in bringing out TLT weekly bulletin and this award-winning the event. I wish them all triumph. It is indeed a happy moment for the librarians and students. The most crucial aspect we could derive from this stupendous effort is that it brings out the various skilled and leader librarians.

The activities TLT organise to bring closer ties amongst the LIS alumni who work in other profession like me. I have been working in different sector, but this platform and celebration brings me here to introduce my department teachers, professionals and students. The interacting with other professionals across the globe is very important and encouraging for me. I expect TLT will continue its effort under most trying conditions to arrange this type of event to interact among all ex LIS students.

I am glad to welcome students of Information Science and Library Management and all library professionals to come forward for the betterment of libraries of our country and spread the fame of our libraries worldwide.

I wish them to experience victory in all of their future endeavors.

Bijoy Basak, BPM, PPM (BAR)

Message



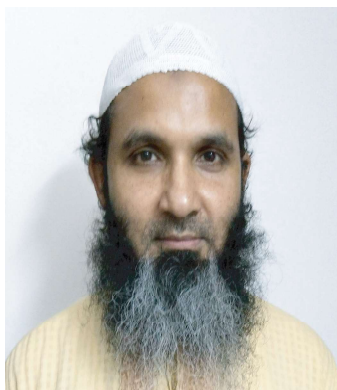
Associate Professor
Department of Information Science and Library Management
University of Dhaka
&
Moderator the session

I am delighted to know that TLT is going to celebrate its second year anniversary. Truly, TLT brings all update of LIS field in a week, and it has become a major source of getting to know what is happening in this field in Bangladesh. It adds value in many ways for this profession. I hope TLT will remain active and engaged with LIS activities in the future.

I wish The Librarian Times Awards and Fun Night 2019 event a great success.

Dr Md. Anwarul Islam

Message



Assistant Librarian
Prof G. K. Chadha Library
South Asian University

I am grateful to The Librarian Times (TLT) that they are organising The Librarian Times Awards and Fun Night 2019. I believe it would create more creativity, enthusiasm, determination among the library professionals of Bangladesh. As far as my knowledge it is the first and only body which has taken such an initiative to acknowledge professional activities and achievements in a systematic way.

I wish all success to the event.

Abdullah al-Modabber

Message from the event partners and honourable sponsors



Chairman
MH Group

It gives me great joy to be the part of TLT award and fun night 2019. I would like to offer a big congratulation to TLT editorial board for organising 'TLT Award Night 2019'. I believe in my heart that such kind of awards and professional recognition motivates professionals to perform their duties more efficiently.

The library is the place where people go to acquire knowledge on their own knowledge interest and Librarians are the master of information. It is necessary to recognise the librarian's contributions. I am pleased to say that TLT has introduced 'Award Night' since 2018 for the library professionals and students.

In modern age library has become a knowledge house based on various knowledge-based services, it is because of the excellent contributions of the librarians. I want to thank all of the TLT members and the people who have worked to make this event successful. I wish TLT will continue and spread this spirit to the international level.

I want to extend my warm wishes to TLT Editor in Chief and his team who are publishing the first online weekly bulletin for the librarians of Bangladesh. I believe they are doing excellent teamwork to arrange TLT Award Night and distribute the bulletin weekly as well.

I want to thank all of the organisers, participants and librarians for their support and effort to work with TLT and in future, they will help TLT to organise such kind of motivational event every year.

A. B. M. Mahfuzul Hoque Mamun

Message from the event partners and honourable sponsors



Principal Documentation Officer
Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council
&
Vice president
Centre for Open Knowledge Bangladesh

On this auspicious ceremony, my wishes and congratulations are with you all involved in 'The Librarian Times Editorial Board' for putting the things together for a grand gathering. In fact, it is the 2nd grand gathering and fun night organized to recognize the contributions of LIS professionals. The librarian Times Editorial Board did a phenomenal job hosting this great event. I appreciate the team for hard work and a fantastic job. Thank you for including me in your program. I feel blissful and happy to be a part of the event and thank you for letting our professional development spread all over the world. TLT has really created an amazing environment for LIS professionals.

On behalf of the Centre for Open Knowledge (COK) I would like to express thanks and best wishes for the event and hope near future we will work together for reaching our common goals. I again wish you every success in professional growth. I am looking forward to having an incredible time and inspiring experience in the Librarian Times award and Fun Night 2019!!!

Dr Susmita Das

Message



Editor in Chief
TLT and Program Coordinator

It gives me great pleasure to welcome all the award winners and their families, all LIS professionals, academics, researches, students and guest's tonight's function which combines TLT's award night with a celebration of the 2nd anniversary of the founding of its journey in Bangladesh.

The Librarian Times which was inaugurated on 2 February 2017 with a mission to overcome the Library and Information Science professional barriers, inspire professionals and contribute to the country by supporting library and information advocacy and undertaking research.

It was decided at the outset that the central vision of the initiative was to envision a nation where library and information communities will have the opportunity to attain an excellent platform to build a literate society with collaborative practice. I am proud to say that over the past two years TLT has worked with enthusiasm to realise this vision. TLT has organised many professional development activities along with other organisations for the benefit of the Bangladeshi LIS community.

From 2nd February 2017, TLT started publishing the weekly newsletter and has appeared on every Sunday carries news about LIS industry worldwide and to spread knowledge and information to everyone. The Librarian Times is a non-profit initiative. The board members are working voluntarily to contribute to the profession positively.

TLT actively supports any individual or organisations who are working with Open Access, Open Access Policy and Strategy Groups. TLT also closely works in partnering with government agencies and LIS organisations to assist in policy reforming on Open Access Copyright, Creative Commons, National Bibliographic Database, and LIS related unsolved issues. As part of its mission, TLT has arranged several webinars on Open Access and related topics.

TLT has been actively involved in promoting professional library development, award and scholarship arrangement for LIS professionals and ISLM students, arrange to fund for potential research in LIS. Participation in the 84th World Library and Information Congress in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia which took place from 24th -30th August 2018 is an excellent example of TLT's dedication toward professional developments.

TLT is pleased to help students and library professionals succeed, by offering programs like TLT Sponsored Scheme Scholarship Award. The first winner of the TLT Sponsored Scheme Scholarship Award 2018 was Ahmadul Islam Howlader. The recipient awarded in the total amount of 36,000.00 BDT. (3000.00 BDT) Per month to a deserving for up to 12 months. This money was provided to the recipient towards the educational expenses. Therefore, the student was able to concentrate on his study accurately and entirely with no tension appears at that time. The awardee currently an "Executive Apprentice" at a Nuclear Power Plant Company Bangladesh Limited under Ministry of Science and Technology, The People's Republic of Bangladesh.

As part of our 2nd Anniversary of the founding of TLT, I would like to pay tributes to our recent two legendary LIS professionals who sadly are no more with us, ADM Ali Ahammed, and Dr Mirza Mohd. Rezaul Islam. I am happy to invite their families to receive a TLT Posthumous Award! These awards mark them for their incredible contribution to the library profession in Bangladesh.

I wish to congratulate the board members of TLT for all the excellent work you have done this last two years to foster goodwill amongst LIS community in Bangladesh. I convey my greetings and good wishes for the future too.

I will conclude by taking this opportunity to congratulate the award winners and thank all our event partners, sponsors, committee members, award selection committee members, all guests, panellists and volunteers those who have contributed to the success of tonight's function and all our activities during the past two years.

Prodip Roy AALIA (DCP)
Library Officer, (Digital Collections)
RMIT University Library



Dr Mirza Mohd. Rezaul Islam honoured with TLT Posthumous Award!

The award marks Dr Mirza Mohd. Rezaul Islam for his indelible contribution to the library profession in Bangladesh.

Dr Reza was born on 18 August 1959 at New Town in Netrokona district. He was the fourth son of Mirza Mohd Abdul Hannan and Ms Rahatun Nesa. His two sons; Mirza Mohd Asif Sakib and Mirza Mohd Tehzib Sadaf are studying Independent University of Bangladesh and Ahsanullah University of Engineering and Technology respectively. His wife Ms. Ummay Salma is a house wife.

He obtained PhD in Library and Information Science from Jadavpur University, India in 1998. Prior to this, he completed a master degree in Library science from the University of Dhaka in 1984.

He started a professional career with Grameen Bank library. Later, he worked for the British Council (Dhaka), University of Engineering and Technology (BUET), and Bangladesh Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (BCSIR) in managerial level. Before his death, he served as the University Librarian in the Library and Documentation Office of Islamic University of Technology (IUT) for 17 years.

Dr Reza was also engaged with part-time teaching and external examiner including, Dept. of Library and Information Science of the University of Dhaka. He was involved with several social volunteering activities including Rotary Public Bangladesh, Bangladesh Association of Librarians, Information Scientists and Documentalist (BALID) . He became Chairman of BALID for the fourth times.

He received a number of travel and research grants including the International Association of University Libraries (IATUL) travel grant.

Personally, Dr Reza was very much cooperative, courageous, devoted and legend library professional in Bangladesh. He was also very active in library movement and tried to solve everyone's professional problems.

He organized more than fifty programmes including trainings, seminars, workshops and lecture series under his BALID Chairmanship.



A.D.M. Ali Ahammed honoured with TLT Posthumous Award!

The award marks A.D.M. Ali Ahammed for serving, leading and his legendary contribution to the library profession in Bangladesh.

He was born on 1 October 1961 in Longir village of Gafargaon Thana of Mymensingh. After completing primary education at the village primary school, he passed secondary school from he Kandi Para Asker Ali Bahumukhi High School in 1976 and higher secondary school from Kabi Nazrul Government College (Dhaka) in 1978. He obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in 1980 from Government Shahid Sahrawardy College (Dhaka). Later, he completed his master of Arts in Library and information science 1980 from the University of Dhaka. He also received a Bachelor of Laws degree from Dr Alim Al Raji law College in 1986. His career started as an Assistant Librarian in Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies (BISS) in 1984. In 1991, he joined as Librarian at Mymensingh Govt. Library under the Ministry of Cultural Affairs. In all his Service life he served the Govt. diligently in many stations. In 2017, when working as Librarian (Admin & Accounts), Department of Public Libraries, Ministry of Cultural Affairs, Dhaka, Bangladesh, he joined to British Council (Bangladesh) on lien as Component Lead-Model Library, Libraries unlimited.

He wrote many books on his subject (Library & Information Science) and also on other topics e.g. Mathematics, Science, religion, Computer etc. His 1st book published in June 1999 named Library Administration & Management. His other departmental books are Modern Classification: Theoretical, Society & Library, Archives administration & management, Modern Tabulation: Theoretical & Practical etc. His other books are anke moja, bichitro biggan, gonit charcha, esho onko shikhi, computer porichiti, adhunik bigganer adda, jana ojana mohakash etc. His writing on The Contribution of Public Library on Socio-economic Development was published in a reputed newspaper. Besides performing official duties, he also did many socio-economic activities. His books on Library & Information Science useful for the students and professionals as well.

He was the founder member of the Institute of Library and Information Science, Chittagong Division. Apart from this, he served as a part-time teacher in different Library & Information Science institutions that are affiliated with the National University of Bangladesh.

He founded a mosque & musafirkhana when he was in charge of Chittagong Muslim Hall near the Public Library of Chittagong, a kindergarten school named 'childcare academy' at his village and also a college. He also established a mosque at his country house. Through his all life he worked for the development of the library sector of Bangladesh. Nearly 400 posts of Assistant Librarian in the Department of Public Libraries had been created through his tireless effort. The administrative building of Mymensingh Public Library is another outgrowth of his earnestness. He was the life member of Library Association of Bangladesh (LAB) & Muslim Institute of Mymensingh. He was elected Treasurer of LAB in 2015 and further elected Vice President in 2017 holding highest vote throughout the country in LAB election.

Before his death, he performed as the Vice president of LAB. He breathed last on 5 March 2019 in square hospital, Dhaka.

All these happen because of TLT Sponsored Scheme Scholarship Award

Ahmadul Islam Howlader

TLT board helps students and library professionals succeed, by offering programs like TLT Sponsored Scheme Scholarship Award 2018. The board announced the first winner of the TLT Sponsored Scheme Scholarship Award 2018 on 8 April 2018. Today I am pleased to share my experience on this award helps me in my life.

Words are used for communication with people, mutual understanding, expressing the feeling of a person, but I don't have any word to express my heartiest gratitude for obtaining TLT Sponsored Scheme Award 2018.

Everyone has their dream, and people try hard and soul to fulfil their specific dream. People reach their final footsteps who are industrious. It may take more time, or it may take less time, but one will find the desired way one day.

The path of a student is not plain and simple, and they face various difficulties to lead their study. I am not different from others.

Because of TLT Sponsored Scheme Award, I was able to study accurately and correctly with full concentration, and no tension appears at that time. I am grateful to the honourable teacher of my department because they are beneficial, cooperative, friendly, kind, supportive, sympathetic, caring and hospitable to the students. It was a critical time that I was facing severe financial problem during my student life. TLT gave me such an excellent opportunity for continuing my study without any barrier. As a result, I was able to cut a good figure in BA and MA, and I do not have any pressure to earn more money.

Besides, every person has some overwhelming memory which is unforgettable in their life. The most memorable moment was the day of the 51st conference of the University of Dhaka when I had awarded for "Md. Shahidullah Gold Medal-2017". This award was given by the honourable President of Bangladesh President Abdul Hamid for securing the highest CGPA in MA in 2018. Moreover, I have also won provost award of Bijoy Ekattor Hall which was conferred by the honourable Vice-Chancellor Dr Md. Akhtaruzzaman of the Dhaka University at the time of 2018. All these happen because of TLT Sponsored Scheme Scholarship Award.

It is my pleasure to inform you that I have been appointed as "Executive Apprentice" in Nuclear Power Plant Company Bangladesh Limited under the Ministry of Science and Technology, The People's Republic of Bangladesh.

Finally, I would like to thank TLT members from the bottom of my heart, and I am grateful for their support. It will be appreciative if TLT continues this scholarship in future for needy students. Last but not least, it is the humble request to you, please, pray for me that I will be able to go further way in coming days.

At last, I want to finish my word with Robert Frost Poem "Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening".

Whose woods these are I think I know.
His house is in the village though;
He will not see me stopping here
To watch his woods fill up with snow.

My little horse must think it queer
To stop without a farmhouse near
Between the woods and frozen lake
The darkest evening of the year.

He gives his harness bells a shake
To ask if there is some mistake.
The only other sound's the sweep
Of easy wind and downy flake.

The woods are lovely, dark and deep,
But I have promises to keep,
And miles to go before I sleep,
And miles to go before I sleep.



Md. Atikuzzaman wins

TLT Young Student Award 2019
(Student of the Year)

The Department of Information Science and Library Management of the University of Dhaka has nominated Md. Atikuzzaman for the TLT Young student award 2019. Mr. Atikuzzaman has completed Bachelor of Arts (honors) from the same department in this year by obtaining the highest CGPA (3.9 on a scale of 4). He has maintained outstanding result in all the semester during the program. In addition, he is an active participant in different co-curricular activities organized by the department, residential hall, and the University.

He is going to present his first article in 1st International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management during the last week of April 2019 at Dhaka. He secured 2nd position at the reading circle program organized by the department. He has obtained scholarship for the training on Automation of Information Institution using Koha-ILS and MARC 21' organized by Daffodil International University Library. He did his internship at Bangladesh National Scientific Technical Documentation Center (BANSDOC). He volunteers in 'Clean BB Hall Green BB Hall' program, and departmental reunion.



Md. Mubassir Ahasan wins

TLT Young Excellence Innovation Award 2019
(Young librarian of the year)

The award selection committee has chosen Md. Mubassir Ahasan for recognizing his accomplishment of an exceptionally high standard of expertise as a young library professional. He is working as a library in-charge at the Southeast University Library, and took initiatives to upgrade the systems and services for example, online registration, Self-renew, Live Chat with users, and so forth. He has arranged the Library day program and awarded to the best library users both in faculty category and student category that may be encouraged the library professionals to enhance the user engagement.

He has obtained Bachelor and Master degree from the Department of Information Science and Library Management of the University of Dhaka. Furthermore, he obtained a diploma in web & e-Commerce from Daffodil Institute of Information Technology, and a post graduate diploma in Computer Science from Bangladesh Institute of Management.

He provides free services to Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Agricultural University and Mirzapur Cadet College to launched automated library. He helps Bangla Academy Library, Asiatic Society of Bangladesh Library, Bangladesh Supreme Court Division Library and few other libraries to install KOHA - a open source library management software.

He is an admin of the one of the most vibrant Facebook Community 'Digital Library Systems in Bangladesh'. In addition, he is involved in the translation of KOHA in Bangla with another Facebook Group 'Koha Bangla Translators'. He has a blog site (sothik.net) where library problems are being solved via tutorial that helps others to know and solve similar problems in the future.



Dil Ruksana Basunia wins

TLT Excellence Academic Librarian Award 2019
(Academic Librarian of the Year)

The award selection committee has nominated Dil Ruksana Basunia for TLT Excellence Academic Librarian Award 2019 for her contribution to the Arena of Academic Library. She is currently working as Deputy Librarian in the Central Library of the University of Chittagong and fairly very young for the position among others. She has prepared a project on 'Central Library Automation Project' and established a cyber center under this project in the first phase. She organizes trainings and workshops for the staff and students as part of professional development and enhances the user engagement in the library.

Earlier, she worked as the University Librarian of Asian University for Women (AUW) - an International University in Bangladesh. During that period, she installed the library automation system with customized software and designed the library webpage with the help of IT department. She was the coordinator of information literacy class and work as an advisor of the AUW book club. She arranged TED Talk series in Library.

She is performing as a corresponding member of Regional Standing Committee of Asia and Oceania (RSCAO), IFLA and attended several seminars in Singapore, India and Malaysia. In 2018, she won the IFLA ARL (Academic and Research Libraries Section) grant to attend IFLA Annual Congress in Malaysia. She has shared her experience in IFLA Newsletter and ARL Blog. She also presented a paper on her experience of IFLA in a seminar organized by Chittagong Veterinary and Animal Sciences University Central Library.

She secured first class both in bachelor and master's in Information Science and Library Management from the University of Dhaka. For her academic excellence, she has received Maitree Foundation Gold medal award' from Bangladesh Kuwait Maitree Hall of the University of Dhaka.



Md. Shafiur Rahman wins

TLT Excellence Medical Librarian Award 2019

The award selection committee has selected Md. Shafiur Rahman for excellence in his contribution to the arena of medical Library. He is working as a Senior Library Officer at the Library and Information Services Section of the International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research, Bangladesh (ICDDR,B). He emphasizes strengthening knowledge and expertise on to manage and organize the digital library, handle the specialized tasks of massive digitization, storage and access of E-resources, digital knowledge mining, digital reference services, electronic information services, digital data curation, and manage the archive and its access.

He has obtained both Bachelor and Master of Social Science in Information Science & Library Management from the University of Rajshahi and secured the top position. Later, he has received a Master of Philosophy in Information Science & Library Management from the Department of Information Science & Library Management of the University of Dhaka where he is currently pursuing Doctor of Philosophy program in the same discipline too.

He has received several awards including Agrani Bank gold medal award 2002, Rajshahi University gold medal award 2002, Prime Minister gold medal award 2006 for being the topper of the faculty, 2012 Jay Jordan IFLA/OCLC early career development fellowship program award.



Md. Abdul Hayee Sameni wins
TLT Excellence Library Professional Award 2019
(Librarian of the year)

Md. Abdul Hayee Sameni has been nominated for TLT Excellence Library Professional Award 2019. He has been serving the profession for more than 35 years. He obtained his master's in library science from the University of Dhaka.

He has a legendary contribution to the library and information sector by an individual. He is currently the University Librarian at Shahjalal University of Science and Technology (SUST) in Sylhet. He has initiated to develop an Integrated library management software for the SUST central library that launched in 2002. With his initiative, a Muktijuddho corner in the SUST central library has been opened on 26 March 2009 that is one of the pioneer initiatives of such kind. Later in 2013, he introduced Koha software with MARC 21 format for cataloging and install Radio-frequency identification (RFID) technology. He also introduced a central database of all books of the SUST central library as well as all departmental libraries. He briefly worked as a Librarian of the BRAC University and acquired a donation of ten thousand US dollars from International Network for the Availability of Scientific Publications (INASP) to establish an institutional repository during 2006-07 session.

He has been working for BALID since 1986 in various capacities such as executive council member, Asst Secretary general, Secretary general, Vice Chairman and Convener or member of various Committees. He is a member of SUST BARTA (Quarterly Newsletter of SUST) since 2015 and member of SUST annual report editorial committee since 2011. He has visited a good number of countries for professional learning and to attend and present conference papers.

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TLT Panel Discussion

Bridging the Divide: Ascertaining the Place of Bangladeshi LIS Researchers and Practitioners in Global

ABSTRACT

Since its inception in 1959, the LIS education and LIS institutions has got a new height to go further. In the last few years, there has been increasing participation of the Bangladeshi LIS people in various LIS events globally. They have been recognized and awarded many times and has been highly praised by many LIS associations, institutions globally. They are exploring their position in different LIS events e.g., conference, seminars, training, professional associations; winning grants; doing LIS job with confidence in different countries and equally put emphasis in research. While many LIS researchers and practitioners are contributing to the overall development of this discipline, there isn't much talking till date looking at how much they are doing.

Panellists, researchers, LIS faculty members and practitioners will gather at The Librarians Times 2019 to discuss the perceived visibility of researchers and practitioner from the global point of view. Discussions will include: (1) The role of LIS researchers and practitioners to develop this discipline, (2) research value to practitioners, and (3) solutions to bridge the divide (between home and abroad). This panel discussion will largely focus what is the place of LIS researchers and practitioners globally? What are the challenges they face to compete with global LIS people? What are the barriers they face from their institutions? How likely the LIS practitioners are interested in publishing in journals /conferences? How could they develop partnerships between researchers and practitioners?

STRUCTURE

Sixty-minute program with five/four speakers given ten to fifteen minutes each to speak. Moderator will summarize panel talks for the audience and have two to three planned questions to start the audience discussion. Fifteen to twenty minutes will be provided for questions and answers.

CONTENT

The panel will address the different events, grants, research and other areas of global LIS programs that will help others to get their position globally in future.

PURPOSE

The intention of the panel is to raise awareness about the visibility of LIS people globally. The panel will allocate generous time for audience participation and discussion. This panel, made up of LIS professors and library administrators, included overviews of recent collaborations between scholars and practising librarians as well as a dialogue about strengthening the ties between LIS research and those in the field. The discussion was framed by a series of questions put to the panellists.

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Professor Dr Md. Nasiruddin Mitul, Dean, School of Undergraduate Studies, National University, Bangladesh

Dr Md. Nazim Uddin, Senior Manager and Head, icddr,b Library

Md. Anwarul Islam, PhD Librarian, Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University and Secretary-General of Library Association of Bangladesh (LAB)

Dr Dilara Begum, Chairperson & Associate Professor, Department of Information Studies and Library Management, & Librarian (In-charge), East West University

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