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PRIME UNIVERSITY NEWSLETTER

Freshers' Reception of Summer Semester-2018



A view of the Freshers' Reception and Eid Reunion Program

On Friday, the 6th of July 2018, the Freshers' Reception and Eid Reunion Program was held for the newly enrolled students of different Undergraduate and Graduate Programs of Summer Semester- 2018 at 114/116, Mazar Road, Mirpur-1, Dhaka-1216.

The function was presided over by Prof Dr M Abdus Sobhan, Vice Chancellor of Prime University. Mir Shahab uddin, Chairman of the Board of Trustees (BOT) was present as the Chief Guest. Mohammad Ashraf Ali, Senior Vice Chairman, BOT, Treasurer Prof Mohammad Arshad Ali, Deans of Faculties, Registrar Captain (Retd, BN) M A Jabber, Controller of Examinations, Heads of Departments, faculty members, executives, newly enrolled students of the University and guests were present in the function.

Captain (Retd) M A Jabber delivered the welcome speech. In his speech, he emphasized that there are manifold prospects of higher education in the private sector, and these can be achieved through ensuring quality education and better training.

In the session Prof Mohammad Arshad Ali, Treasurer of Prime University suggested the newly enrolled students to utilize their time in the University properly to groom them up to combat the challenges of life successfully to bring honor to themselves, their families and the nation at large.

Mir Shahabuddin, Chairman, BOT urged the students to study regularly and attentively to build up their career. He felt encouraged to introduce Mohammad Parvej (former student of English Department, 29th Batch) who became a BCS cadre (37th Admin) and advised the freshers to take full advantage of the facilities of the University like him and reminded them to be attentive in achieving the quality education from Prime University.

Prof Dr M Abdus Sobhan, Vice Chancellor, Prime University highlighted the importance of studying Science, Technology, Engineering, Business, Law and English as Bangladesh is on the way to be a digital nation by 2021. Bangladesh is establishing 20 hi-tech parks and industrial zones in the 12 districts, where hundreds and thousands of quality knowledge workers will be required. The students must develop themselves with a creative and innovative

outlook for the development and prosperity of the country.

During the program, Deans of different Faculties, Controller of Examinations also welcomed the newcomers and advised them about their duties, moral values they should follow to become worthy citizens of the nation.

In this event, academic and extra-curricular activities of the university were explained to the students. The course curricula, examination system, rules and regulations, class attendance, discipline etc. were also highlighted to them. At the end, there was a colorful cultural participated by students and faculty members.

Celebration of National Mourning Day



Special munajat is being offered on the National Mourning Day

Prime University observed the National Mourning Day and paid homage to the Father of the Nation, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman with due solemnity and honor marking his 43rd death anniversary on 15 August 2018 at the university campus, 114/116 Mazar Road, Mirpur-1 in the capital. Prime University chalked out various programs including discussions to commemorate the 43rd anniversary of Bangabandhu's tragic death. The day's program began with hoisting of national flags half-mast and black flags at 6:00 am and placing of wreaths at the portrait of Bangabandhu. At 10:00 am a discussion meeting was held

in the conference room. Md Ashraf Ali, Chairman, BOT who urged to convert shock into strength by translating Bangabandhu's dream of building a "Sonar Bangla" into reality. Vice Chancellor Prof Dr M Abdus Sobhan briefly discussed on the life and deeds of Bangabandhu. Nrepen Maitra, Vice Chairman, BOT and Treasurer Prof Mohammad Arshad Ali were also present in the seminar and delivered speeches for the audience. The program was followed by a "Munajat". For the eternal peace of Bangabandhu and his family members who embraced shahadat on 15 August 1975. Treasurer, Registrar, Controller of Examinations, Deans and Heads of the different departments, Faculty members, Executives and students of the University were present on the occasion.

Seminar on Importance of Educational Research Held in Prime University



Faculty members of the Department of Education with Vice Chancellor and the keynote speaker

A seminar entitled, 'Importance of Educational Research' was organized by the Department of Education with collaboration of Centre for Research, HRD Publications (CRHP), Prime University in the Conference Room-2 on 29 June 2018 at 10:30 am. Prof M Nazmul Hag, Former Professor, Institute of Education and Research (IER), University of Dhaka was the keynote speaker of the seminar. The Vice Chancellor of the University Prof Dr M Abdus Sobhan graced the session as the Chief Guest and Prof Dr M A Wahab, Head, Department of Education chaired the seminar. Md Ashrafuzzaman, Senior Department of Education Lecturer.

welcomed the guests and participants of the seminar. F Nahid Huq, Deputy Director of CRHP introduced Prof Nazmul Haq to the audience. In the session, the keynote speaker talked about the importance of educational research by highlighting about the beginning of research, nature, contributors, importance, problems and the way out of educational research. The presentation of Prof Haq came to an end with a very lively question answer session. Finally, the seminar was concluded by handing over the crest, token of gift to the Speaker by honorable Chief Guest and the Chairperson.

Seminar on Preparing for the BAETE Accreditation

Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering (EEE) with the co-operation of Center for Research, HRD and Publications (CRHP) of Prime University organized a seminar titled 'Preparing for the BAETE Accreditation' on 30th of July 2018 at 3:00PM in the Conference Room-2. The keynote speaker of the seminar was Dr Anisul Haque, Professor of the Department of EEE of East West University. He made a presentation on the journey towards obtaining the accreditation and also explored the different aspects of getting this accreditation. He said that, BAETE accreditation is the acknowledgement of providing quality engineering education. It



A crest is being handed over to the keynote speaker by the Senior Vice Chairman, BOT

was followed by a very interactive question answer session. The Chief guest Md Ashraf Ali, Senior Vice Chairman, Board of Trustees, Prime University emphasized the benefits of getting this accreditation. He also encouraged the organizers to arrange daylong seminars or workshops in future. He concluded the speech thanking the speakers and organizers. The special guest Professor Dr M A Sobhan, Vice Chancellor, Prime University talked about standardization of programs, such as, Institutional Quality Assurance Cell. The Chairperson Professor Dr ASA Noor, Dean, Faculty of Engineering, expressed his gratitude to the keynote speaker for his knowledgeable speech. Deans of different faculties, Heads of different departments and faculty members were present in the seminar.

Seminar on Human Rights and IT: 25 Years of Data Decentralisation

A seminar on 'Human Rights and IT: 25 Years of Data Decentralisation' was held on 3rd August 2018 (Friday) at 10:00 am in the Board Room of Prime University. The seminar was organized jointly by the Department of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) and Centre for Research, HRD and Publications (CRHP) of the University. It was chaired by Prof Dr M Abdus Sobhan, Vice Chancellor of the University. Md Ashraf Ali, Sr Vice Chairman, Board of Trustees and MyunJu Lee, President of Seventh-day Adventist Church of Bangladesh graced the seminar as chief guest and special guest respectively. Among others, Deans of



A view of the dais during the seminar

faculties, Heads of different departments, faculty members, executives and students of the University also attended the seminar. Professor Dr Songchun Moon, College of Business, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology presented the keynote paper. The keynote speaker discussed the issue of 25 years of data decentralisation and program in the arena of information technology. He focused on human rights and freedom of expression in information technology. There was a question answer session at the end where the audience participated spontaneously. Dr Moses Cho, Physician from Korea and Malay Kishore Sarker from Seventh-day Adventist Church of Bangladesh were present in the seminar.

Seminars on Good Governance Organized by IQAC

Two seminars on 'Good Governance' were organized by Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Prime University on two different dates. One was for the Academics organized on July 11, 2018 in the Conference Room of the





Views of the seminars

university. Mir Shahabuddin, Chairman, BOT was the keynote speaker of the seminar. Md Ashraf Ali, Sr Vice Chairman, BOT was the Chief Guest while Prof Dr M Abdus Sobhan, Vice Chancellor chaired the session. The keynote speaker at a glance presented the scenario of 'Good Governance' in different government and non-government institutions as well as educational sectors of the country especially in Prime University. Another seminar on 'Good Governance' for the Executives and Staff was organized on July 26, 2018 concerning the importance of good governance in university administration. Md Ashraf Ali, Senior Vice Chairman, BOT was the keynote speaker. Prof Dr M Abdus Sobhan, Vice Chancellor was the Chief Guest while Prof M Arshad Ali was the Special Guest of the occasion. Director of IQAC Prof Dr Abu Saleh Abdun Noor chaired the session. From his experience, the keynote speaker pointed out the ways of learning good governance and the ways of implementing those in an educational organization particularly in Prime University.

Seminar on Job Placement in Software Firm

Department of Computer Science & Engineering of Prime University organized a seminar titled "Job Placement in Software Firm" on 24th of July, 2018 at 12:00 pm on Level-8, Seminar Room-805. The software firm named Datasoft Systems Bangladesh Limited was invited in the seminar. The speakers were Md Shakhawat Hossain, Human Resource Manager and Md Atikur Rahman, Associate Project Manager of this renowned software firm. Md Sakhawat Hossain motivated students saying about the procedure of writing standard CV, facing viva board, dressing up, manners etc. for getting a good job in software firm. The



A glimpse of handing over of memento to the speakers

speech was followed by Mr Atikur Rahman. He encouraged students to develop the technical skills, such as CCNA, Big Data Management and IoT (Internet of Things). Then there was a very interactive question answer session which was conducted by the two speakers. The Chief guest Md Ashraf Ali, Senior Vice Chairman, Board of Trustees, Prime University advised the students to receive technical training for developing technical skills to fulfill the demand of the IT world. He, then, encouraged the organizers to arrange daylong job placement seminars or workshops in future. He added that these types of seminars were very helpful for the betterment of the students. He concluded his speech thanking the speakers, organizers and students. The special guest Prof Dr M A Sobhan, Vice Chancellor, Prime University said that to keep IT system running, a large number of workforces are needed to maintain networks, create new Software Engineer, Database Engineers, Web Designers etc. He encouraged the students to take preparation to explore themselves in IT sector to build up Digital Bangladesh. The Chairperson Md Abu Zaman, Associate Professor and Head of CSE, Deans of different faculties, Heads of different Departments and faculty members were present in the seminar.

Seminar on 'জাগো তারুণ্য, রুখো জঙ্গিবাদ'

A seminar on 'জাগো তারুণ্য, রুখো জঙ্গিবাদ' was held on 29.08.2018 at 12:00 pm in Prime University premises. The seminar was chaired by Prof Dr M Abdus Sobhan, Vice Chancellor of the University. The keynote speaker of the seminar was Mr Anupam Shahajahan Joy, Honorable MP (Tangail-8). Qantara Khan, Director. Foundation, was the coordinator of the seminar. The seminar was jointly organized by Centre for Research, HRD and Publications of Prime University and Suchinta Foundation, Dhaka. Hossain, Editor of Ai Sarabela, anchored the seminar. The seminar focused on the perception of the young generation on



Anupam Shahajahan Joy, Honorable MP (Tangail-8) delivering his speech

terrorism worldwide. Among others, Deans of different faculties, Registrar, Heads, faculty members and students of different departments were present in the seminar.

Workshops on Self-Assessment (Draft) Report Held



Chairman, BOT delivering speech on 'Self Assessment (Draft) Report' organized by Dept. of Law

Following the proposal of Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Heads of all the Self-Assessment Committees (SAC) submitted their Activity Plans to the Director of IQAC and then the Activity Plans were approved by the Vice Chancellor, Prime University. As per the Activity Plan, six entities of the university arranged their 2nd workshop entitled 'Self Assessment (Draft) Report' conference room of the university where Department of CSE arranged the workshop on September 04, 2018, Department of English on September 05, 2018, Department of Law on September 06, 2018, Department of Education on September 07, 2018,

Department of EEE on September 13, 2018 and lastly, Department of Business Administration arranged the workshop on September 15, 2018. In these workshops, members of SACs shared their findings and analysis of the result from data collection process through questionnaires. After every workshop, in the question-answer session, healthy discussion took place among SACs and Mir Shahabuddin, Chairman, BOT, Md Ashraf Ali, Sr Vice Chairman, BOT, Prof Dr M Abdus Sobhan, Vice Chancellor and Prof Dr Abu Saleh Abdun Noor, Director of IQAC. The observations were noted and correction were made in the 'Draft Self-Assessment Reports' (SAR) of the respective departments.

Court Visit Program Organised by the Department of Law

Court Visit is a regular activity for the students of the Department of Law. Recently, students of final semester participated in the event of court visit for the partial completion of their Clinical Legal Education course. Court Visit means to visit a court and to watch its environment, its rules, regulation, proceedings of trial and so on. On 17, September 2018, the students of final semester of LLB (Hons) went to Dhaka District and Session Judge's Court with Md Ariful Islam, Lecturer of the Department, where the students visited District Judge's Court, Session Court, Chief Metropolitan Magistrate (CMM) Court and various sections of the court like GR section, Seresta etc. From the visit, students learnt the practical court proceedings. Court visit of the department of Law has been an invaluable contribution for this University for a long time as a part of the academic program.

Mock Trial in the Department of Law



A view of the mock trial

Mock trial involves witness testimony with statements and arguments. It simulates the trial level proceeding. It also involves witness testimony, with statements and arguments. The department of Law of Prime University devotes its utmost sincere effort to involve the law students in advocacy practices with a view to building up their persuasive legal skills. Mock trial is regularly organized at the department by final semester students for the partial completionof their Clinical Education course. In Summer Semester 2018, GolamSarowar, Assistant Professor and Head along with the students endeavored throughout the semester for

holding the trial successfully. Syed Mohammad Rezwanul Islam, Lecturer of the department played the role of Judge. Mock Trial in the Department of Law has been an invaluable contribution for this University for a long time as a part of the academic program.

Special English Course for the Foreign Students

Prime University Language School launched the first batch of special English course for foreign students on 12 April, 2018. At the orientation class, Mir Shahab uddin, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Prime University and Professor Dr M Abdus Sobhan, Vice chancellor of the University were present. In the first batch, twelve students from different countries attended the language class. In the speech, Mir Shahab uddin encouraged the foreign students from Ghana and Somalia to achieve English skill properly. He also added that to have sound knowledge in English language is the pre-in requisite to study overseas. Besides, the medium of instruction of this university is English. So, he urged the newly enrolled foreign students to be skilled in English language taking advantages of all the facilities available in the University. Vice Chancellor in his speech welcomed the newly admitted foreign students and advised them to attend special English course that will really be helpful to cope with the study in this university.

Launching 2nd Batch of IELTS Program

Prime university started the second batch of IELTS Program on 18 October, 2018. In this era of globalization, English has become a universal language in case of high speed communication. So, to keep pace with the world, English skill is obligatory. Obviously, IELTS program provides knowledge on the four skills of English language that help the students achieve communicative competence. After the successful completion of this program, students will have a wide range of opportunities at home and abroad. Finally, to make this English program more effective, the authority has formed a new IELTS committee. In this committee, Rakib Uddin, Assistant Professor, Department of English, is the coordinator while Mst Tanzila Yasmin, Senior Lecturer and Md Alaul Alam, Lecturer of PULS are the members.

Cultural Session and Formation of Cultural Club of the Department of English

The students of the department of English arranged a cultural session in their department in presence of all faculty members and students of the department on Thursday, 12th of July 2018 in room no. 606. Aysha Alam Talukder, Senior Lecturer and Convener of the Cultural Committee of the department guided the students to arrange the cultural session in a successful manner. The students from different batches, Jannatul Ferdous, Saima Sadia, Md Shoiab Ahmed, Monisha Bhowmick and Md Saif Ahmed, took part in the session with songs both in Bangla and English, recitations and jokes. The Treasurer of the University and acting Head of the department of English, Professor Mohammad Arshad Ali was present as the chief guest of the cultural session and was very pleased to witness such a spontaneous event. At the end of the program, Aysha Alam thanked everyone for their presence and requested the Head of the Department to formally constitute a Cultural Club of English

Department with the interested and dedicated students to sustain the continuity of program of the kind. Professor M Arshad Ali later declared the composition of the club in the name and style of PRIMUS where Md Sazzad Hossain (45th batch) and Md Shoiab Ahmed (46th batch) were elected President and Secretary respectively. He also suggested all the students to be active in such kind of sessions to remove their monotony of study and be in serenity to breathe an all-round healthy life.

Iftar and Doa Mahfil Held in Different Departments





Views of the iftar and doa mahfils

During the Holy month of Ramadan the Departments of Law, Electrical and Electronic Engineering, and Business Administration arranged Iftar Parties and Doa Mahfils individually in their respective departments on the 1st, 3rd and 5th June respectively. Prime University Alumni Association also arranged an Iftar Party on the 2nd June 2018 with a motto of strengthening the ties among the Alumni. Mir Shahabuddin, Chairman, BOT was the chief guest of all the programs. Professor Dr M Abdus Sobhan, Vice Chancellor also graced all the three parties with participation of the Treasurer, Deans of different faculties, Registrar, Heads of different departments, faculty members, executives and staff. In every Iftar party, a large number of students of respective departments were present.



Inauguration of Prime University Bandhusabha



A group image of the inauguration Program

On 12 August, 2018 the inauguration program of Prime University Bandhusabha was held at the permanent campus of the University at 114/116, Mazar Road, Mirpur-1, Dhaka-1216. Prof Dr M Abdus Sobhan, Vice Chancellor of Prime University presided over the program and Md Ashraf Ali, Acting Chairman and Senior Vice Chairman, Board of Trustees, Prime University was present as chief guest. Both of them focused on developing the nation by practicing unity, honesty and sincerity. At the end, Md Nur Hossain Talukder. Controller of the Examinations. M Jasim Khan, Lecturer in PULS, Saif Ali Arian, a student of English Department,

Prime University recited poems. Saiduzzaman Rowshan, President, National Board of Directors, Prothom Alo Bandhusabha, was present in the cultural program. Emu Akter sang mind blowing songs while Sumiya Sultana danced enchantingly. Imran Hossain and Salma Akter Bristi anchored the program.

New Head and Faculty Members Joined the University

Professor Dr Md Jahangir Alam, D. Engg., joined as the Head of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) on 5th September 2018. He completed Doctor of Engineering from Morgan State University, USA and MSc in Computer Science from American University of London. Before joining Prime University, Professor Alam served as the Coordinator of Science Instrumentation at the Department of Physics and Materials Science of the University of Memphis, Memphis. Currently Prof Alam is doing research on Nanotechnology. His focused area of research is Nanofiber, Growth and Characterization.

Besides, two Lecturers joined the University in the summer semester, 2018. They are: Masrur Sobhan in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) and Md Khalidur Rahman in the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering (EEE).



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