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# 8th Death Anniversary of Ms. Hasna Abedin

Monday, February 10, 2025

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The 8th death anniversary of Ms. Hasna Abedin, Founder and former Chairperson of American International University-Bangladesh (AIUB), will be observed on Tuesday, February 11, 2025. AIUB will hold special prayers, a recitation of the Holy Quran, and a Milad in her honour. The university will remember her contributions to higher education and pray for blessings and forgiveness for her departed soul.







# AIUB and UTS Sign Memorandum of Understanding to Strengthen Academic Collaboration

Monday, February 3, 2025

AIUB and the University of Technology Sarawak (UTS), Malaysia, have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) at AIUB campus to foster academic collaboration and research initiatives.

Prof. Datuk Dr. Khairuddin Ab. Hamid, Vice Chancellor of UTS, along with Dr. Abu Saleh Ahmed, Associate Professor at UTS, visited AIUB for this occasion. On behalf of AIUB, Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Saiful Islam signed the MoU, while Prof. Datuk Dr. Khairuddin Ab. Hamid represented UTS.

The ceremony was attended by distinguished AIUB officials, including Prof. Dr. Md. Abdur Rahman, Pro-Vice Chancellor; Prof. Dr. ABM Siddique Hossain, Dean, Faculty of Engineering; Prof. Dr. Tazul Islam,

Dean, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences; Mr. Mashiour Rahman, Dean (In-Charge), Faculty of Science and Technology; Group Captain (Retd) Dr. Mohammad Zahidul Islam Khan, Registrar; Prof. Dr. Nisar Ahmed, Treasurer; Prof. Dr. Manzur H Khan, Proctor; Prof. Dr. Mohammad Faridul Alam, Director, MBA; Dr. Md. Abdullah - Al Jubair, Director, FST; Prof. Dr. Nowshad Amin, Dr. Ziarat H Khan, Deputy Director, Office of Student Affairs; and Mr. Abu Mia Akanda Tuhin, Assistant Director, PR.

Following the signing ceremony, the UTS delegation toured AIUB and thanked the management for their hospitality and dedication to international academic ties.

<https://www.aiub.edu/aiub-and-uts-sign-memorandum-of-understanding-to-strengthen-academic-collaboration>



## 9th Bangladesh Qualifying Rounds of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition 2025 Successfully Held at AIUB

Thursday-Saturday, February 6-8, 2025

The 9th Bangladesh Qualifying Rounds of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition 2025 took place on February 6-8 at AIUB, with 44 universities and four observer teams, making it the world's third-largest qualifying round and South Asia's second-largest.

The inaugural ceremony featured Chief Guest Mr. Md Asaduzzaman, Honorable Attorney General of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, alongside Mr. Ishtiaque Abedin, Founder Member, Board of Trustees, AIUB; Professor Dr. Saiful Islam, Vice-Chancellor, AIUB; Mr. Nuran Choudhury, National Coordinator, ILSA Chapters Bangladesh; and K M Ashbarul Bari, National Administrator, 8th Bangladesh Qualifying Rounds.

The grand finale on February 8 was presided over by His Lordship Mr. Justice Md. Rezaul Hasan, High Court Division, Supreme Court of Bangladesh, joined by co-adjudicators Professor Guðmundur Eiríksson, former ITLOS Judge and Jindal Global Law Professor, and Barrister Sara Hossain, Deputy Head of Chambers, and Partner at Dr. Kamal Hossain &

Associates.

Among the distinguished attendees were Dr. Hasanul A Hasan, Founder Member & Vice Chairman, Board of Trustees, AIUB; Dr. Carmen Z Lamagna, Former Vice-Chancellor and Member, Board of Trustees; Professor Dr. Saiful Islam, Vice-Chancellor; and Professor Dr. Taslima Monsoor, Adviser, Department of Law.

BRAC University won the championship, with Eastern University as runners-up. Mahir Chowdhury (Eastern University) was named 'Best Mooter.' North South University won 'Best Applicant Memorial,' and Jahangirnagar University took 'Best Respondent Memorial.' Noakhali Science and Technology University received 'Best New Team.'

The closing ceremony announced the teams advancing to the White & Case International Rounds in the U.S., where they will represent Bangladesh against top law schools worldwide.

<https://www.aiub.edu/9th-bangladesh-qualifying-rounds-of-the-philip-c-jessup-international-law-moot-court-competition-2025-successfully-held-at-aiub>

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# AIUB Hosted Kids Space Camp 2025

Saturday, February 8, 2025

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On February 8, 2025, Space Innovation Camp organized Kids Space Camp 2025 at AIUB. Young participants from 85 schools across Bangladesh took part in the event.

With the guidance of experienced Mission Controllers, children and teenagers learned model rocket building and launching, space robot creation and programming, telescope making and space observation, and designing colonies for Mars and the Moon. The camp also featured VR-based astronaut training, offering an immersive space experience. Additionally, besides designing a Mars colony, a team of young participants also published their own research paper.

The event was graced by the presence of the Chief Guest, Dr. Hasanul A Hasan (Founder Member and Vice Chairman, Board of Trustees,



AIUB). Mr. James Gardiner (Economic Officer, U.S. Department of State) joined as the Special Guest. The President of Space Innovation Camp, Mr. Ariful Hasan Opu talked about their goals. Prof. Dr. Saiful Islam (Vice Chancellor, AIUB) delivered the closing remark. Dr. Carmen Z. Lamagna (Member, Board of Trustees), and Prof. Dr. Md. Abdur Rahman (Pro-Vice Chancellor) also attended.

<https://www.aiub.edu/aiub-hosted-kids-space-camp-2025>

# Industrial Visit to Atomic Energy Research Establishment (Fall 2024-25)

Sunday, February 9, 2025

On February 9, 2025, the Faculty of Engineering (FE), AIUB, with support from the AIUB Community of Engineering Students (ACES), organized an industrial visit to the Atomic Energy Research Establishment (AERE) in Gonokbari, Savar, Dhaka. Twenty-three students, accompanied by two faculty members, participated.

The visit began with an introductory briefing by Mr. Md. Shamsul Islam (Principal Librarian, Scientific Information Unit (Siu), AERE). Mr. Anisur Rahaman (Principal Scientific Officer, Bangladesh Atomic Energy Commission) conducted a session at the nuclear reactor, allowing students to observe the operation of the reactors and different research applications. Mr. Mohammad Anwar Hussain (Chief Engineer, Radioisotope Production Department) led a session on isotope doping, accompanied by a live demonstration. Dr. Md. Abdul Malek Soner (Director & CSO, Institute of Energy Science) provided



an overall briefing and expressed gratitude for the visit.

The session concluded with a Q&A segment, followed by AIUB souvenirs presented to AERE officials by Dr. Gour Chand Mazumder and Mr. Bishwajit Banik Pathik, Assistant Professors, FE, AIUB.

<https://www.aiub.edu/industrial-visit-to-atomic-energy-research-establishment-fall-2024-25>

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# HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO Dr. HASANUL A. HASAN

Monday, February 10, 2025

BEST WISHES FROM AIUB FAMILY TO HONORABLE FOUNDER  
MEMBER BOARD OF TRUSTEES, DR. HASANUL A. HASAN ON HIS  
BIRTHDAY, 10th FEBRUARY.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO DR. HASANUL A. HASAN



<https://www.aiub.edu/happy-birthday-to-dr-hasanul-a-hasan>



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# Courtesy Call Visit of AIUB to the Philippine Embassy

Monday, February 10, 2025

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AIUB recently conducted a courtesy call visit to the Philippine Embassy to formally meet and extend their greetings to the newly appointed Ambassador, her Excellency Ms. Nina P. Cainglet, and Vice Consul Judienne S. Capiz. The visit aimed to strengthen diplomatic and academic relations between AIUB and the Philippine diplomatic mission, fostering mutual cooperation in educational and cultural endeavors.

The AIUB delegation, led by Board of Trustees member, Dr. Carmen Z. Lamagna, and Fellow Filipino senior university officials, Ms. Dulce L. Mazumder and Ms. Carlin Noelle L. Alcanzare, faculty members, Mr. Eduardo Alcanzare, Mr. Danilo Morgia and Ms. Rani Ellen V. Ramos, was warmly received by the new Philippine Ambassador and the Vice Consul.

Both parties agreed on exploring future partnerships, including faculty



and student mobility programs, academic conferences, and collaborative research projects. The meeting concluded with a reaffirmation of commitment to continued engagement and cooperation in the field of education and diplomacy.

<https://www.aiub.edu/courtesy-call-visit-of-aiub-to-the-philippine-embassy>

# AIUB Inter College Football Championship 2025

Thursday, February 13, 2025

The AIUB Inter-College Football Championship 2025 commenced on February 8, 2025, at AIUB Sports Field. Organized by the AIUB Office of Sports in collaboration with the Office of Student Affairs, the championship brought together 36 college teams from across the Dhaka Division.

The inauguration ceremony was graced by Dr. Hasanul A Hasan, Founder Member and Vice Chairman, Board of Trustees, AIUB, alongside Dr. Carmen Z. Lamagna, Member, Board of Trustees; Prof. Dr. Md. Saiful Islam, Vice Chancellor; Prof. Dr. Abdur Rahman, Pro-Vice Chancellor; Prof. Dr. Manzur H Khan, Proctor; and Mr. Md. Joynal Abedin, Coordinator, Office of Sports.

The grand finale and prize-giving ceremony took place on February 13. Dhaka Commerce College clinched the championship title for the first time in the tournament's history.

The prize distribution was graced by AIUB's Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Saiful Islam, Proctor Prof. Dr. Manzur H Khan, and Mr. Khurshed Alam, Additional Registrar, and Exam Controller. The program was hosted by Mr. Md. Joynal Abedin, Coordinator, Office of Sports, AIUB.



<https://www.aiub.edu/aiub-inter-college-football-championship-2025-final>



# Future Cricket Stars Enhance Communication Skills at AIUB

Thursday, February 13, 2025

The Under-19 National Cricket Team of Bangladesh recently attended a language class at AIUB on February 13, 2025. The session, organized as part of AIUB's ongoing collaboration with the Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB), aimed to enhance the players' communication skills, particularly for international engagements.

This initiative is part of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between AIUB and BCB, which focuses on the holistic development of young cricketers, including their academic and professional skills. The interactive session covered essential communication techniques,

helping players build confidence in verbal and non-verbal interactions.

The players actively participated in discussions, exercises, and practical learning activities, making the session highly engaging and fruitful. They expressed their appreciation for the initiative, recognizing the importance of language proficiency in their sporting careers.

<https://www.aiub.edu/future-cricket-stars-enhance-communication-skills-at-aiub>

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# MoU Signing Ceremony between AIUB and Midland Bank PLC

Monday, February 17, 2025

On February 17, 2025, AIUB and Midland Bank PLC signed a MoU to promote financial literacy, primarily amongst the university's students and faculty members. The document was signed by Mr. R. Tareque Moudud FCMA, Director, Office of Placement and Alumni (OPA), and Mr. Rashed Akter, Head of Retail Distribution Division & Chief Bancassurance Officer, on behalf of their respective organizations.

This is the first such agreement that the Bank has signed with any University.

The main focus of the agreement is to inculcate the habit of saving and investment amongst the target audience. The financial literacy program will also cover educating students on how to protect themselves from online frauds, hacking of their accounts, and other banking products. The signing ceremony was attended by Prof. Dr. Mohammad Faridul



Alam, Director, MBA/EMBA program, Dr. Rezbin Nahar, Director, BBA Program, AIUB, along with Mr. Mohammad Faruq Ur Rahman, Manager, Financial Literacy Wing, and Mr. Syed Saquibuzzaman, Manager, Islami Banking Department from Midland Bank PLC.

<https://www.aiub.edu/mou-signing-ceremony-between-aiub-and-midland-bank-plc>





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## Workshop on “Towards AI Across the Disciplines”

Tuesday, February 18, 2025

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On February 18, 2025, The Department of English, AIUB organized an interactive and insightful workshop on “Towards AI Across the Disciplines”. The session was conducted by Prof. Dr. Mohammad Q. Azhar, a distinguished Professor of Computer Information Systems at the City University of New York.

The workshop for FASS faculty and students began with an AI overview, followed by hands-on experiments and discussions on its ethical and practical use in arts and social sciences. It also included a brief guide on

AI tools for students and educators.

During the activity and discussion session, each participant gave a prompt to ChatGPT following the instruction provided by the facilitator and at the end of the activity the participants shared their constructive opinions on the result they received. This hands-on approach allowed the faculty members and students to identify the limitations of using AI tools and allowed them to think about the potentiality of AI across disciplines.

<http://aiub.edu/workshop-on-towards-ai-across-the-disciplines->



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## Design Dialogue, Fall 2024-25

Tuesday-Thursday, February 18-20, 2025

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The Department of Architecture, AIUB, completed the Thesis Jury of final-year undergraduate students (Fall 2024-25 semester) from 18th to 20th February 2025.

This year, 24 students presented final-year studio projects. Guided by studio mentors Farzana Siddiqua and Mehedi Amin, with support from Head M. Arefeen Ibrahim and thesis supervisors, students worked diligently throughout the semester.

The event was graced by the presence of the Honorable Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dr. Saiful Islam along with Dr. Md. Abdur Rahman, Pro-Vice Chancellor, and Dr. A B M Siddique Hossain, Dean, Faculty of

Engineering on the first day of the program. The invited jurors included: Ar. A B M Mahbubul Malik (Professor, AUST), Dr. Md. Nawrose Fatemi (Professor & Head, University of Asia Pacific), Tahmina Rahman (Assistant Professor, University of Asia Pacific), Sarah Bashneen Suchana (Associate Professor, Stamford University Bangladesh), Nabanita Islam ((Associate Professor, North-South University), Ar. Mohammed Emran Hossain (Design Principal, Architect Emran & Associates), Ar. Mahtab Hussain Siddiqui ( Principal Architect, MW3 Design+Partners) & Cyrus Shah (Principal Architect, Cyrus Shah Associates).

<https://www.aiub.edu/design-dialogue-fall-2024-25>



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# AIUB Inter College Basketball Championship 2025

Wednesday, February 19, 2025

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The AIUB Inter College Basketball Championship 2025 commenced on February 16, 2025, at AIUB Sports Field. The tournament, organized by the Office of Sports, AIUB, featured 12 esteemed educational institutions. The opening ceremony was graced by Ms. Nadia Anwar, Founder Member and Chairman of the Board of Trustees, AIUB, along with Prof. Dr. Manzur H Khan, Proctor; Dr. Ziarat H Khan, Deputy Director, Student Services and Welfare; and Mr. Md. Joyнал Abedin, Coordinator, Office of Sports.

The championship concluded with a grand final and prize-giving ceremony on February 19. After an intense competition, Notre Dame

College emerged as the champion, while Sunnysdale School and St. Gregory's High School and College secured the first and second runner-up positions, respectively. St. Joseph Higher Secondary School was honored with the Fair Play Award for their exemplary sportsmanship.

The medals and trophies were distributed by Prof. Dr. Saiful Islam, Vice-Chancellor, AIUB; Prof. Dr. Manzur H. Khan, Proctor; and Professor Dr. Mohammad Faridul Alam, Director of the Graduate Program, FBA.

<https://www.aiub.edu/aiub-inter-college-basketball-championship-2025-final>



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# AIUB's 22nd Convocation Held

Saturday, February 22, 2025

The 22nd Convocation Ceremony of AIUB was held on, February 22, 2025, at AIUB campus. His Excellency Mr. Mohammed Shahabuddin, the Honorable President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh and Chancellor of AIUB, kindly authorized Dr. Salehuddin Ahmed, Honorable Adviser to the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, to preside over the ceremony and confer degrees upon the graduating students. Prof. Dr. S. M. A. Faiz, Honorable Chairman of the University Grants Commission of Bangladesh, attended as the Special Guest. Prof. Dr. Salimullah Khan, a writer, scholar, and recipient of the Bangla Academy Literary Award 2024, served as the Convocation Speaker. Ms. Nadia Anwar, Chairman and Founder Member, Board of Trustees, AIUB, Prof. Dr. Saiful Islam, Vice-Chancellor, AIUB, and Prof. Dr. Md. Abdur Rahman, Pro-Vice

Chancellor, AIUB, also delivered speeches.

A total of 2,547 graduates who completed all academic requirements in various disciplines of Bachelor's and Master's degree programs were conferred degrees at AIUB's 22nd Convocation. Medals were awarded in different categories to meritorious students in recognition of their academic achievements and excellence.

The Founding Members of AIUB, Dr. Hasanul A. Hasan and Mr. Ishtiaque Abedin, along with the Members of the Board of Trustees, Syndicate and Academic Council Members, Treasurer, Deans, Registrar, and other university officials, graced the ceremony. The event was also attended by UGC representatives, graduating students and their families, as well as many journalists from the print and electronic media.

<https://www.aiub.edu/aiubs-22nd-convocation-held>





# AIUB Holds Freshers' Orientation for the Spring 2024-2025 Semester

Monday, February 24, 2025

On February 24, 2025, AIUB hosted its Freshers' Orientation for the Spring 2024-2025 semester at its campus.

Ms. Nadia Anwar, Founder Member and Chairman of the AIUB Board of Trustees, attended as the chief guest.

Dr. Hasanul A. Hasan, Founder Member, AIUB Board of Trustees; Dr. Caprmen Z. Lamagna, Member, Board of Trustees; Prof. Dr. Saiful Islam, Vice-Chancellor; Prof. Dr. Md. Abdur Rahman, Pro-Vice Chancellor; Prof. Dr. Siddique Hossain, Dean, Faculty of Engineering; Prof. Dr. Tazul Islam, Dean, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences; Sr. Associate Prof. Mr. Mashioor Rahman, Dean, Faculty of Science and

Technology; and Dr. Rezbin Nahar, Director, BBA Program also joined. Earlier, Prof. Dr. Manzur H Khan, Proctor, made an informative presentation about AIUB and its various policies.

Ms. Shania Mahia Abedin, Member, Board of Trustees, along with the Registrar, faculty members, directors, and senior officials, were also present at the event.

The orientation concluded with a concert by renowned singer and AIUB alumnus Minar Rahman. Various student clubs of AIUB put up their booths to inform freshmen students about their activities and events.

<https://www.aiub.edu/aiub-holds-freshers-orientation-for-the-spring-2024-2025-semester>



# AIUB Joins Hands with Venturas Ltd. for Student Placements in Japan

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

AIUB and Venturas Ltd. signed a MoU on February 25, 2025. Mr. R. Tareque Moudud FCMA, Director, Office of Placement and Alumni (OPA) of the university and Ms. Yoriko Ueda Founder & CEO Venturas Ltd. signed the agreement on behalf of their respective organizations.

The MoU aims to further develop employment of AIUB students and alumni, in particular, of the Faculty of Science & Technology (FST) and Faculty of Engineering (FE), in IT and Tech. sectors of Japan.

Since 2019, Venturas Ltd. has recruited AIUB engineering students for Japanese IT firms, interviewing about 100 and placing many. They now aim for regular placements and plan short training sessions with Japanese recruiters to bridge skill gaps.

After the signing of the MoU, Ms. Yoriko Ueda paid a courtesy call on Professor Dr. Saiful Islam, Vice-Chancellor and Dr. Md. Abdur Rahman, Pro-Vice Chancellor of AIUB.

<https://www.aiub.edu/aiub-joins-hands-with-venturas-ltd-for-student-placements-in-japan>



# National Round of the 15th Bangladesh Physics Olympiad 2025 Held at AIUB

Friday, February 28, 2025

On February 28, 2025, AIUB hosted the National Round of the 15th Bangladesh Physics Olympiad. From 10,000 regional participants, 1,400 students competed in the National Round.

The inauguration began with the national flag hoisting, led by Chief Guest Prof. Dr. A.F.M. Yusuf Haider (Renowned Physicist & Chairman, Mathematics & Natural Sciences, Professor & Acting Dean, School of Pharmacy, BRAC University, and Former Pro-Vice Chancellor, University of Dhaka). Special guests included: Mr. Shahin Reza (Oxford AQA), Ms. Jannatul Ferdous Sigma (Pearson Bangladesh), Mr. Munir Hasan (Prothom Alo), Mr. Fayeze Ahmed Jahangir Masud (Bangladesh Physics Olympiad) and Prof. Dr. Md. Abdur Rahman (Pro-Vice Chancellor, AIUB) who served as a Chairperson of the Opening Ceremony on behalf of Ms. Nadia Anwar (Founder Member and Chairman, Board of Trustees, AIUB).

The Olympiad was followed by lunch and a Q&A with Prof. Dr. M. Arshad Momen (Independent University, Bangladesh, and Coach,

National Team for the Bangladesh Physics Olympiad.) and Prof. Dr. Saleh Hasan Naqib (University of Rajshahi). A magic show and cultural performance followed. During the prize giving ceremony, Chief Guest Prof. Dr. M. Aminul Islam (Renowned Physicist & Special Assistant to the Chief Advisor, Interim Government of Bangladesh), delivered an inspiring speech. Other notable speakers included: Prof. Dr. Md. Abdur Rahman (Pro-Vice Chancellor, AIUB), Prof. Dr. Saleh Hasan Naqib, Mr. Anisul Hoque (Prothom Alo), Prof. Dr. Mahbubul Alam Majumder (BRAC University), Prof. Dr. M. Arshad Momen, Mr. Fayeze Ahmed Jahangir Masud and Prof. Dr. Saiful Islam (Vice Chancellor, AIUB) was the chairperson of the prize distribution and closing ceremony.

188 students won medals and certificates, with the top winners receiving trophies and books. Five will represent Bangladesh at the 55th International Physics Olympiad in France. The event was jointly organized by the Bangladesh Physics Olympiad Committee and AIUB.

<https://www.aiub.edu/national-round-of-the-15th-bangladesh-physics-olympiad-2025-held-at-aiub>



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