

The Advisor's Note

The Eastern University Newsletter henceforth to be known as EU Newsletter is a semestral publication. It comes out regularly at the start of a new semester and is presented on the Orientation day of the semester and distributed among newly admitted students and their guardians. The EU Newsletter is basically a broadsheet on the happenings that take place in the previous semester. The Newsletter actually provides a glimpse of what Eastern University stands for and how it functions through the semesters. As a university, EU naturally puts emphasis on the academic grooming of the students, but it puts equal emphasis on the extracurricular activities so that students not only become knowledgeable and scholarly, but they are also groomed to be smart, self-confident and dynamic. The Newsletter records the academic and extra-academic activities of the students, teachers and office staff in order to enthuse all, particularly the students so that they do the same when their turn comes.

I wish the EU Newsletter well and congratulate the members of the faculty and the staff who worked tirelessly to bring it out.

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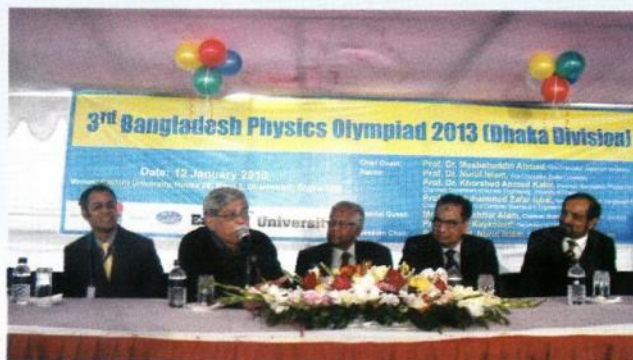
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EU Hosted 3rd Bangladesh Physics Olympiad (BdPhO) 2013

3rd Bangladesh Physics Olympiad 2013 (for Dhaka division) was held on January 12, 2013. Eastern University hosted the event at the university premises. There were three categories this year for the Physics Olympiad: category A - students from class 7-8; category B - students from class 9-10; and category C - students



from class 11-12. Around 500 participants in these three categories took part in the competition. In category A, Mohaimen Islam from Oxford International School secured the first position; in category B, Soumik Adnan Sarwar from Sunnydale School secured the first position; and in category C, Shahriar Tanveer from Rajuk Uttara Model College secured the first position. Prof. Dr. Khorshed Ahmed Kabir, the chair of the Department of Nuclear Engineering (DU) and the President of the Bangladesh Physics Olympiad Committee, Prof. Dr. Muhammed Zafar Iqbal, the chair of the Department of CSE (SUST) and the Senior Vice-President of the Bangladesh Physics Olympiad Committee, Dr. M Kaykobad, the prominent mathematician, computer scientist and eminent Professor of BUET, Mr. S. M. Bakhtiar Alam, the chairman of EU BOT, Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam, the Vice Chancellor of EU, Prof. Dr. Md. Nurul Islam, the Dean of the EU Faculty of Science and Technology and Dr. Md. Mahfuzur Rahman, the chair of the Department of CSE (EU), were present at the prize giving ceremony. The staffs of the Bangladesh Physics Olympiad Committee, teachers and students of EU and the participants were also present at the occasion.

Orientation Ceremony: Fall 2012



The orientation ceremony for the undergraduate students of Fall 2012 was held on September 23, 2012 on its own premises on Road no 5, Dhanmondi. The chief guest was the Shabyasachi writer Syed Shamsul Haque. In his address the Chief Guest said, "Perseverance is a prerequisite for acquiring knowledge." The chair of the ceremony, Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam highlighted the goal and visions of the university and said that EU is always uncompromising in maintaining quality education from its very beginning. Prof. Dr. Nazrul Islam, Dean of the Faculty of Business Administration, Prof. Dr. Md. Nurul Islam, Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and

Technology, Prof. Kashinath Roy, Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Prof. Dr. Burhan Uddin Khan, Advisor of the Faculty of Law also spoke on the occasion.

The orientation ceremony for Master's Programs was held on September 25, 2012 in the Seminar room of the Faculty of Law and Arts building. The program was presided over by the Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam and Mr. Intekhab Alam, Managing Director, Phoenix Finance and Investment Ltd. was the chief guest. M. A. students from all the departments were present at the event. Prof. Dr. Md. Nazrul Islam, Dean of the Faculty of Business



Administration, Prof. Kashinath Roy, Dean of the Faculty of Arts, Prof. Dr. Burhan Uddin Khan, Advisor of the Faculty of Law, and Ms. Iffat Ara Nasrin Majid, Advisor, ELT Program and the EU BOT members Prof. Dr. ABM Shahidul Islam and Al-Haj Sk. Saydur Rahman also took part in the discussion.

Seminar on SME Loan & Entrepreneurship Development in Bangladesh



A seminar on SME Loan & Entrepreneurship Development in Bangladesh was organized by the Faculty of Business Administration (FBA) of Eastern University under the guidance and direct supervision of the Dean of FBA, Prof. Dr. Nazrul Islam, on 20 October 2012 at the auditorium of the university. Mr. Selim R. F. Hussain, CEO & Managing Director, IDLC Finance Limited was the Chief Guest and the resource person of the seminar. It was chaired by the Vice

Chancellor of Eastern University, Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam. A large number of students of BBA and MBA and the faculty members of Business Administration attended the seminar. Mr. Hussain said that to be a successful entrepreneur, one should have the courage and initiatives to take risk of losses. Prof. Dr. Nazrul Islam in his welcome speech emphasized the need of SME for the economic development of Bangladesh and encouraged the students to start with small businesses after their graduation.

Prof. Dr. Nazrul Islam Joins BJEMT as Academic Editor

Prof. Dr. Nazrul Islam, Dean, Faculty of Business Administration, has joined British Journal of Economics, Management and Trade (BJEMT) as an Academic Editor. BJEMT (ISSN: 2278-098X) is a quality-controlled, peer reviewed, open access international journal that publishes manuscripts with valuable insight to research, ideas and strategies of management, economics and trade.



Scholarship Awarding Ceremony at Eastern University



A ceremony was organized on the occasion of giving scholarships to the brilliant students of Eastern University on 14th November 2012 at the FBA Building of the university. Prof. Dr. Alauddin Ahmed, Education, Social Development & Political Advisor to the Honourable Prime Minister, was present as the chief guest. He handed over the certificates and scholarships to the students. The scholarships given away by the members of EU BOT are: Abul Kashem Haider Education Development Scholarship, Anowara Begum Scholarship, Khalil Anowar Scholarship, Late Aminul Islam Scholarship, Khurshida

Begum Scholarship and Zahima Khatun Scholarship. A total of forty-two students were awarded with the scholarships for the session 2010-11. In his speech the Chief Guest praised highly this endeavour of the members of the BOT and said, "The envious success of this university within a short span of time has marked it as one of the top-level universities of Bangladesh". The ceremony was presided over by the Vice Chancellor of Eastern University Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam. The ceremony was also attended by the Chairman of the BOT of EU, Mr. S M Bakhtiar Alam, members of the BOT, Prof. Dr. ABM Shahidul Islam and Mr. Anwar Hossain Chowdhury, and the Registrar of EU, Brigadier General Shafaat Ahmed (retd.) ndc, psc., Prof. Dr. Nazrul Islam, Dean of the Faculty of Business Administration, Prof. Dr. Md. Nurul Islam, Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology, Prof. Kashinath Roy, Dean of the Faculty of Arts along with the chairpersons of all the departments, teachers, staffs and students were also present.

Public Lecture Series in the Faculty of Law, Eastern University

The Department of Law of Eastern University held a public lecture on 24th December, 2012. The lecture, a continuance of a series of lectures arranged by the department was focused on a contemporary issue. M Rafiqul Islam, PhD, Professor of law in the Macquire University, Australia was the Key speaker and his paper was titled "Violent Abuse of Human Rights in a Conflict Ridden World: The Role of Mass Media". Mr. Islam elaborated on the constructive role played by the mass media in a world torn between terrorism and counter-terrorism, which had put the human rights of the people



on the back-seat. His lecture provided a balanced view of the media's role in the process of securing human rights and also referred to the newly developed principle of International law- "Responsibility to Protect". The Honourable Vice Chancellor of Eastern University, Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam, the Advisor of the Department of Law Prof. Dr. Borhan Uddin Khan and the faculty members of the Law Department were also present in the lecture.

EU sponsored Debate Competition at Viqarunnisa Noon School & College



Eastern University sponsored the "1st Inter-School, 1st Inter-Club (College and University) and 1st Mixed up Debate Competition" organized by Viqarunnisa Noon Debating Club. The program was held in Viqarunnisa Noon School and College premises from 3rd to 4th January, 2013. The Vice-Chancellor of Eastern University Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam was present as the Chief Guest of the occasion.

Launching of Automated & Digital Library Services at EU



The Eastern University Library organized a launching ceremony of Automated & Digital Library Services through KOHA Integrated Library Management Systems and Greenstone Digital Library Software on 30 December 2012. Prof. Dr. S. M. Zabed Ahmed, Chairperson, Department of Information Science and Library Management, DU & Librarian, DU Library was present on the occasion as the Chief Guest and Ms. Dilara Begum, Country Coordinator, Digital Library Network South Asia (DLNETSA), President (Acting), Library Association of Bangladesh (LAB) and Librarian,

East West University, was present as the Special Guest. Prof. Dr. Nazrul Islam, Dean, Faculty of Business Administration, EU was also present in the program. Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam, Vice Chancellor, EU presided over the ceremony. A welcome speech and launching overview on Automated & Digital Library Services was presented by Md. Jahangir Alam, Deputy Librarian, EU. The digital library includes e-books, journals, newsletters, theses, internship reports, images, news clippings, audio and video resources. On the occasion, Dilara Begum said that EU Library Team has made an ideal digital library that can play a vital role in the proposed Digital Library Network in Bangladesh. Prof. Dr. S. M. Zabed Ahmed said that it is a challenge to set up a proper digital library but EU has successfully launched one of the best digital libraries in Bangladesh. At the end, the Honorable Vice Chancellor said it is a wonderful and great achievement for our university that would be more helpful for our users.

Outsourcing Workshops Organized by EU

Two consecutive four-day long workshops on outsourcing were held at Gazipur Commerce College, Gazipur and Anondomohan University College, Mymensingh respectively. The workshops were aimed at creating employment opportunities for the young generation by equipping them with different uses of information technology and thus promoting their skills needed in the respective work fields. Students from different colleges of Gazipur and Mymensingh took part in the workshops. In the workshops the participants were given practical orientation on how to earn money sitting at home by using online information technology. At Gazipur Commerce College the workshop was formally inaugurated at the college auditorium by Principal Md. Shakir Al Mamun. On the



other hand, Principal of Anondomohan University College, Prof. Dr. M A Mannan, commenced the workshop at the college auditorium. In the closing ceremony, Prof. Dr. ABM Shahidul Islam, member of EU BOT, was present as the chief guest and Prof. Dr. M A Mannan was the special guest. The ceremony was also attended by Dr. Gazi Hasan Kamal, General Secretary, Anondomohan University College Teachers' Association, Mr. Himel Chowdhury, Divisional Secretary, Jugantor Shojon Shomabesh and Mr. Khairul Islam, a faculty member of Anondomohan University College. The ceremony was presided over by Mr. Ataul Karim Khokon, chief of Mymensingh Bureau, Jugantor and Advisor to the Shojon Shomabesh.

Seminar on Women in Creative Professions



EU and Bangladesh Nari Shangbadik Kendro organized a seminar on Women in Creative Professions held at the Faculty of Business Administration building. Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam, the Vice Chancellor of EU, presided over the session. The eminent novelist, Ms. Selina Hossain was the Chief Guest and Ms. Nasimun Ara Haque, President, Bangladesh Nari Shangbadik Kendro, Ms. Parvin Sultana Jhuma, General Secretary, Bangladesh Nari Shangbadik Kendro and Prof. Dr. ABM Shahidul Islam, member, EU

BOT, were the special guests. Dr. N. K. Natasha, news presenter of Maasranga Television and Ms. Tahmina Rahman, Country Director of Article 99 also spoke on the occasion. Prof. Dr. Nazrul Islam, Dean, FBA, gave the welcome speech. All the faculty members, staffs and around 300 students attended the seminar.

EU receives "Letter of Appreciation" from Japan Bangladesh

Eastern University receives "Letter of Appreciation" from Japan Bangladesh Friendship Hospital (JBFH) for the participation in their celebration of World Heart Day. To make people aware of the Heart diseases and to take precautions, JBFH launched a 7-day "Heart Screen Program" and celebrated WORLD HEART DAY 2012 on 29th September, 2012 at a large scale. Around 500 volunteers from 10 institutions participated in this event and to mark the day, JBFH provided free treatment to mass people at several places. In this program, Eastern University Social welfare club (EUSOWCL) team has played an excellent role to make this event successful. Ms. Kursia Jahan, one of the Club Coordinators, the president of the club, Mamonor Rashid and other executive members of EUSOWCL were present at the certificate giving ceremony.



Eastern University Social Welfare Club (EUSOWCL) distributes warm clothes in Pabna



Eastern University Social Welfare (EUSOWCL) distributed warm clothes in Pabna on December 27, 2012 as a part of its Winter Clothes Collection Campaign, 2012. More than 2000 cold afflicted people gathered in M A Mahmud Technical & B M College ground, Atlongka, Chatmohar, Pabna on Thursday morning to get warm clothes and blankets. Md. Shahidul Islam, Assistant Professor, Department of Law and Md. Abdur Rob, Senior Lecturer, Department of CSE, two of the coordinators of EUSOWCL, gave away clothes and blankets to cold-hit people. Mr. Md. Mahmudul Alam, Founder-Principal

and Ms. Khalida Nargis, Vice Principal of the college, Abu Saleh Md. Mazed, President of the governing body of the college, and Md. Isharot Ali, Upozila Chairman were present at the occasion. Md. Mamonor Rashid, President of EUSOWCL, Ibrahim Khalid Nasim, General Secretary, Nahidur Rahman Jewel, Finance Secretary, Md. Sumon Miah, Organizing Secretary were also present there with a group of 15 members of the club. EU Social Welfare Club purchased clothes, blankets with the money collected from the students, teachers, and EU officials. Under the guidance of Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam, Vice Chancellor of EU and the supervision of Oli Ahad Thakur, Chief Coordinator of the club, the members of EUSOWCL raised the fund for the campaign. It is worth-mentioning here that in 2011 EUSOWCL distributed warm clothes in Dinajpur and in 2010 in Rangpur and Gaibandha.

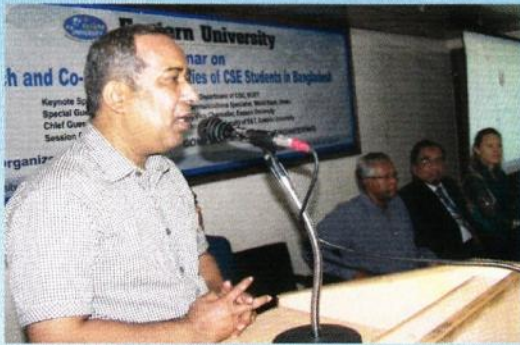
EU Students on an Industrial Tour

To initiate learning experience outside the books, the Faculty of Business Administration of Eastern University has taken the initiative to take fifty students to a tour to Orion Knit Textile in Bhaluka, Mymensing. The team of fifty students, divided into four groups, was shown around the textile mill. Later, after lunch, the Assistant Vice President of Orion Knit Textile, Dr. Shameem Rahman gave a talk on the history of the company. Dr. Nazrul Islam, Dean of the Department of Business Administration led the team. The Chairperson of the Dept. of Business Administration, Prof.



Dr. Md. Ashraf Hossain, Director of MBA program, Dr. Md. Shafiullah and the faculty members Ms. Maksuda Hossain and Ms. Feroza Begum were also present. Mr. Zahid Hasan, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Business Administration, coordinated the visit.

ICT Carnival and Seminar at Eastern University



A three-day seminar on Research and Co-curricular Activity of CSE Students in Bangladesh was organized by the Computer Science and Engineering Department of Eastern University from 13-15 October, 2012 at the university auditorium. Prof. Dr. Md. Nurul Islam, Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology, presided over the session and the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam was present as the Chief Guest and Communication Expert of World Bank Miss Mirava Tuliya Moilanen was present as the Special Guest on the occasion. Prof. Dr. M Kaikobad, Department of Computer Science, BUET was the key-note speaker and

the welcome speech was delivered by Dr. Md. Mahfuzur Rahman, Chairperson, Department of CSE, EU. In his key-note speech Prof. Dr. M Kaykobad highlighted the different aspects of research and co-curricular activities. At the end of the seminar, prizes of ICT Carnival competitions were handed out to the participants.

EU at Price Media Moot Court Competition

A team of Eastern University, comprising four members, headed by Mr. Iftekhar Mahmud, Assistant Professor of the Department of Law, took part in the Price Media Moot Court Competition 2012-13 held at National Law University of Delhi from 22nd to 27th November. Niaz Morshed, Ananya Zaman and Bushra Rahman from the Department of Law of EU were the three other members of the team. The competition was organized by Comparative Media Law and Policy and Price Media Moot Court.



First Anniversary of EU Earth Care Club

The first anniversary of Eastern University environmental organization Earth Care Club was observed on 15 December, 2012 at the university auditorium. A discussion session highlighting the slogan 'How to become a friend of the environment' was organized on the occasion. Mr. Mostafa Kamal Mozumder, Editor, the Daily New Nation, Mr. Abu Naser, President, Save the Environment Programme, and the Vice Chancellor of Eastern University Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam were present as the discussants. The ceremony was conducted by Razib Lochan Das, Assistant Professor of the FBA and Chief Coordinator of the club. It is worth mentioning that EU Earth Care Club was launched in 2011 with a view to making the public aware of the environment.

Seminar on Career Counseling



A seminar on Career Counseling, Effective CV Writing and Interview Facing organized by the Faculty of Business Administration was held at the university auditorium on January 1, 2013. The program was presided over by Prof. Dr. Nazrul Islam, Dean of the Faculty of Business Administration. The key-note speaker of the seminar was Mr. S M Farhad Hossain, Vice President, HRD, Robi Axiata Ltd. The chair of the Department of BBA, Prof. Dr. Ashraf Hosaain was present as the guest speaker. In his speech Mr. S M Farhad Hossain discussed about the ways of ensuring job in the competitive market and how to prepare effective

CV's and the way of approach in an interview session. Students and faculty members of the Faculty of Business Administration were present at the seminar.

EU Faculty Member's success in UK



Eastern University faculty member Ms. Farzana Mannan Borna has got distinction in MA in International Politics (Globalization, Poverty & Development) from Newcastle University, UK, under Commonwealth Scholarship for the session 2011-12. She completed her BSS (1st Class 7th) & MSS (1st Class 3rd) in Sociology from Dhaka University. Ms. Borna is currently serving EU as a senior Lecturer in the Department of BBA. She looks forward to contributing to the development sector of Bangladesh. She is actively taking part in various social activities for the development of the nation.

Eastern University Celebrates Victory Day, 2012



Eastern University arranged a discussion followed by a cultural program to celebrate the Victory Day on 23rd December, 2012. Honourable Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam, presided over the discussion session and the chief guest was Major (Retd.) A.K.M. Hamidul Hossain Tareq, Bir Bikram and the Special Guest was the prominent singer Ms. Shaheen Samad. The Chief Guest reflected on all the sacrifices of the freedom fighters and motivated the students to engage their time, labour and intelligence for the betterment of the country. In her speech, Ms. Shaheen Samad said "To build up a developed Bangladesh,

proper leadership is very important". Teachers and students of different departments were present in the program. At the end of the program, the Cultural Club of Eastern University performed a grand cultural show.

EU Language Club organizes "Wordworm-2012"

A vocabulary contest titled 'Wordworm-2012' was organized by Eastern University Language Club (EULC) on December 22, 2012. Students from all departments participated in the program with great zeal and showed much enthusiasm for the enrichment of their vocabulary. Participants securing first 10 positions were given special prizes, and among them Maruf Hasan, a student of Faculty of Law, won the title 'Wordworm-2012.' The Prize Giving Ceremony was held on December 24, 2012 in the Seminar Room, Faculty of Arts and Law building. Professor Dr. Nurul Islam, Vice Chancellor, Eastern University, was the Chief Guest of the ceremony and Prof. Kashinath Roy, Dean, Faculty of Arts, was present as the Special Guest on the occasion. Ms. Sureya Huda, Chair, Dept. of English, and respected Faculty members were present at the ceremony. The program was conducted by Shibaji Mridha, Lecturer, Department of English and Coordinator, EULC. A movie was screened after the prize giving ceremony, and an instant listening quiz was conducted based on the movie. Three students won prizes in this section.



Successes of Eastern University Debating Club (EUDC)



Eastern University Debating Club (EUDC) participated and became Runner-up in 5th Janata Bank Independence Day Inter-Club Competition, held in November, 2012 arranged by Zia Hall of Dhaka University. A total of thirty two teams took part in the competition. EUDC faced the House of Debaters, a team from Dhaka University in the final. Apart from participating competitions, the EUDC also arranged a Round Table Session on 6 October 2012 where debaters from different universities participated. The topic of the discussion was 'The activities the Debating Clubs may pursue to

ensure continuous growth of the debaters'. The young and experienced debaters shared their views in the session. In December 7 and 8, the EUDC arranged Bangla Debate Competition 2012 which was a great success because of zealous participation of the students from different departments of Eastern University. In that competition, Ishrat Jahan from English Department became the best debater of the tournament while the team of Shahnaz Mita and Emamul Hasan became the Champion.

Meeting of Eastern University Board of Trustees (BOT)

80th meeting of Eastern University Board of Trustees (BOT) was held on 5th January 2013 in the Board room of the university. The meeting was presided over by Mr. S. M. Bakhtiar Alam, Chairman, Eastern University Board of Trustees. The meeting was also attended by the members of the Board of Trustees along with the Vice Chancellor Prof.



Dr. Nurul Islam. A number of decisions, taken by different committees of the university, were reviewed in the meeting. Over and above this, various important decisions were made in the meeting for the overall development of the university.

Visual Archive Events, Fall 2012

Visual Archive, Eastern University's visual club, organized a three-day workshop, from November 29 to December 1, 2012 at the Seminar Room of the Faculty of Arts and Law building. The first day of the workshop was conducted by Mr. Tanvir Murad (photographer and teacher at Pathshala), on techniques of photography. The second day was conducted by Mr. Arifur Rahman, (photographer and teacher at Pathshala), on composition of photography. After the workshop, students were sent on an assignment whose

theme was Park. Later, selected photographs were exhibited in the club's first Visual Archive Photo Wall Magazine. Beside the workshop, a two-day film show was arranged at the auditorium on October 16 and 17, 2012. Each day there were two shows. The film show covered genres like comedy, romance, suspense, thrill and action. Each show hosted around fifty viewers.



Farewell to the Students of Law and Engineering Faculties

Eastern University bids farewell to its students of the 7th batch of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology and the 18th batch of the Faculty of Law on November 7, 2012. The honourable Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam graced the occasion as the chief guest and the session was chaired by the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam. The special guests of the event were the EU BOT members Prof. Dr. ABM Shahidul Islam, Mr. Anwar Hossain Chowdhury and Al-Haj Sk. Saydur Rahman.



The guests spoke on the occasion to inspire the outgoing students to do well in their lives. Later the students were presented with crests as souvenirs. Prof. Dr. Mirza Golam Rabbani, Chairperson of the Department of EEE, Dr. Md. Mahfuzur Rahman, Chairperson of the Department of CSE and the other faculty members and the students were present at the occasion. At the end, the students performed a cultural show to mark the evening.

Dance Drama Staged by Eastern University Drama and Theatre Forum



On the occasion of Eastern University's annual drama festival, the university's Drama Club staged a dance drama on poet Jashimuddin's poem Kobor, on 21 August, 2012 at Chayanat Milanayatan, Shankar, Dhanmondi. The drama was directed by A B M Jem and Zayed Al Ehsan, two of the members of the club. The technical sides like the set, light, costumes, props etc. were designed by the students themselves. The dance drama was the club's fifth production staged till date. Mr. Mamunur Rashid, a renowned actor,

theatre activist and director was present on the occasion as the Chief Guest. Dance director and advisor of Bangladesh Nritto Shongshta, Elias Haider was the Special Guest. Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam, Vice Chancellor of Eastern University and Prof. Sauda Akhter, Department of Bangla, Jahangirnagar University, also enjoyed the drama.

Condolence

We deeply mourn the sudden demise of Amit Saha, student of BBA department of Eastern University. We pray for his departed soul.

