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Introduction to BRAC University

Background

From a modest beginning almost thirty years ago, BRAC has today grown into one of the largest non-government development organizations in the world. It works in a number of closely related areas such as poverty alleviation, rural health care, and non-formal education among many others to bring about socioeconomic changes for a large number of our people, mostly women and children, whose lives are dominated by extreme poverty, illiteracy, disease and malnutrition. BRAC continually revisits its approaches to ensure its effectiveness as a catalyst for change. BRAC recognizes that development strategies, information technology and effective management can play significant roles in modernizing Bangladesh and in securing meaningful jobs for the Bangladeshi workforce at home and abroad. In line with BRAC's continued support to education as a force of change and development, BRAC University has been established to provide high quality education to meet the demands of the modern age. BRAC University is accredited by the University Grants Commission (UGC) and approved by the Ministry of Education, Government of Bangladesh.

Mission

The mission of BRAC University is to foster the national development process through the creation of a centre of excellence in higher education that is responsive to society's needs, is able to develop creative leaders and actively contributes to learning and creation of knowledge.

Goal

The goal of the university is to provide an excellent broad based education with a focus on professional development to equip students with the knowledge and skill necessary for leading the country in its quest for development. Along with this, the university provides an environment for faculty development in order to ensure a dynamic teaching environment. Faculty members provided with an environment in which they can enhance their teaching expertise and can contribute to the creation of new knowledge by developing and using their research skills.

Scope

BRAC University will provide instruction and confer degrees in all branches of Arts, Social Science and Science including Medicine, Engineering, Architecture, Agriculture, etc. Degrees will be granted at the undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate (doctoral) levels. In addition, the University will offer Diploma programs on professional courses.

Organisation Structure

The Governing Board is the highest policy making body of BRAC University and is responsible for ensuring that the highest levels of educational and administrative standards are set and maintained at BRAC University. A number of committees assist the Board in matters essential to the smooth functioning of the University. The committees are: Academic Council, Course Committee, Finance Committee, Selection Committee, Audit Committee, Committee on Student Affairs, Committee on University Development and Committee on Medical Facilities. The Vice Chancellor (VC) is the Principal Academic and Executive Officer of the University. The academic wing of the University consists of Chairpersons of the Departments, Faculty Members, and Teaching Assistants. The Director of Research is responsible for research, advisory services and publications. The Director of Student Affairs co-ordinates and supports all extra-curricular activities. The University library is headed by the Librarian who is assisted by a Deputy Librarian and Assistant Librarians. The Registrar with Assistant Registrar and Officers is responsible for day to day administration, human resource management, technological services and records.

Fifth Year of BRAC University

The fifth year of BRAC University (BU) brought with it various important events, not only on the academic front but also in other student and faculty activities. Once again sports, cultural events and student participation in various clubs and forums fostered the talents of the energetic student body, while allowing them to relax and express themselves outside the classroom. On the other hand, seminars and discussion sessions helped them flourish within the classroom. The faculty also took part in its fair share of extracurricular activities, ranging from organizing and attending various exhibitions and shows within the university.

Some major events took place in BU this year. The LLB program of BU was re-designated as LLB (Hons) and the change was approved by the University Grants Commission (UGC) on January 05, 2005.

A Memorandum of Intent (MoI) was signed between BU and Massey University & Auckland Institute of Studies (AIS), New Zealand, on January 05, 2005. According to this 4-year MoI, both institutions wish to establish a formal cooperative relationship with the purpose of assisting each institution to become more diversified and attaining educational and organizational objectives.



The James P Grant School of Public Health (JPGSPH) was officially launched on February

11, 2005. The launch was announced by Mr. F H Abed, Founder and Chairperson BRAC and President, BU Governing Board, at a dinner in BRAC Centre Inn.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed on May 24, 2005 between Johns Hopkins University, Bloomberg School of Public Health and JPGSPH, BU for a period of three years, renewable by mutual agreement. The arrangement will involve invited faculty from Johns Hopkins to participate in teaching at JPGSPH, to share curriculum and course materials, and to explore the possibility of granting access to the materials from one additional course per year produced by Johns Hopkins Distance Education Division.

The department of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (MNS) started the undergraduate program in Physics from the Fall semester of 2005.

For the first time in this region, BU has taken the initiative to offer postgraduate programs in Disaster Management, hosted by the Department of Architecture, BU. The coordinator for this program is Dr. Iftekhar Ahmed. So far, Oxfam-GB has provided financial and other support to the program, while CIDA has provided a scholarship fund. The programs started on September 4, 2005.

The inauguration of the Master in Governance and Development (MGD) program of BU took place on September 17, 2005. Dr. Akbar Ali Khan earlier joined as the Director of the Centre for Governance Studies (CGS) on August 4, 2005. MGD is being conducted in collaboration with Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University and few other leading universities in USA, UK, Netherlands, Australia, Singapore & Malaysia. Dr. Imran Matin, Director Research and Evaluation Division (RED) joined as the Head of the Master of Development Studies (MDS) Program at BU in September 2005. This position is a complement to his present designation as the Director of RED, BRAC.

He aims to strengthen the curriculum by utilizing current research knowledge and best practices in development and making linkages between BRAC's own development programs and those of the University.

The English Language Programme (EL-Pro) was officially launched in September 2005. The program aims to teach all BU students the basics of the language, keeping in mind their initial capability and aptitude, and bringing them up to an internationally acceptable standard.

The Institute of Educational Development (BU-IED) was selected in November, 2005 to be a partner in an international research consortium on educational access supported by DFID. The five year research project called CREATE (Consortium for Research on Education Access, Transition and Equity) is led by the University of Sussex, Centre for International Education and also includes the

Institute of Education, University of London; the Institute of Development Studies at Sussex, U.K.; the National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration, Delhi; the Education Policy Consortium (EPC), South Africa; and the University of Education at Winneba, Ghana.

BU, along with the University of Alabama, USA, and the Local Government Engineering Department (LGED), Government of Bangladesh (GoB) organized the US-Bangladesh Workshop on "Innovation in Windstorm/Storm Surge Mitigation". The inaugural session was held on December 19, 2005 and the concluding session on December 20, 2005. This program was organized with sponsorship from the National Science Foundation, USA, and the Ministry of Food and Disaster Management, GoB. Professor J R Choudhury, VC, BU was the Chairperson of the workshop.



Achievements and Recognitions

Professor JR Choudhury, VC, BU participated in the “World Conference on Disaster Reduction” held in Kobe, Japan, from 18-22 January, 2005. He made a presentation on “Recent Developments in Disaster Risk Assessment and Vulnerability Reduction in Dhaka City”.

The United Nations Heads-of-Mission in Bangladesh launched three landmark reports on the “Millennium Development Goals (MDG) for 2015” on February 16, 2005. Dr. AMR Chowdhury, Deputy Executive Director, BRAC and Dean, James P Grant School of Public Health, BU made a presentation on Global MDG Report.

Kazi Rahman, a student from the Department of Computer Science & Engineering (CSE) presented his paper on “E-Education Without Borders 2005” at the International Student conference held in Abu Dhabi from February 19-21, 2005.

Internet Learning Center (ILC) from non-profit Cyber Schools, Bangladesh was launched at UCEP Dhaka Technical School on March 7, 2005. Mr. Harry K. Thomas, the Ambassador of the United States of America to Bangladesh, formally launched the program. Professor JR Choudhury, VC BU, spoke on the occasion as the special guest, emphasizing on the need for promoting English to tap the full potential of information and communication technology.

Dr. Mumit Khan, Associate Professor, CSE, was invited to be a judge at SOFTEC 2005, the first all Asian Software competition organized by National University of Computing and Emerging Sciences, Lahore, Pakistan from March 10-15, 2005. He participated in the second PAN Localization Regional Training and IDRC Partners' meeting in Siem Reap, Cambodia from June 19-26, 2005. Dr. Khan

also presented a paper titled “Status and Challenges of Local Language Computing in Bangladesh” at the 2nd International Joint Conference on Natural Language Processing (IJCNLP-05) Jeju Island, Korea from October 11-14, 2005.

The Hon'ble President of Peoples Republic of Bangladesh and the Chancellor of BU reappointed Professor JR Choudhury as the Vice Chancellor for the second term. The appointment was made effective from April 1, 2005.

BU team of four BBA students accompanied by Mr. Shawkat Kamal, Senior Lecturer, Management & Business (MGB) participated in the Annual Global Business Challenge Case Competition 2005 at the University of Washington Business School, Seattle, USA from April 3-11, 2005. The student participants were Shahina Perveen, Abdullah Al Jubayer, Samia Shaikh Afrin and Syed Niaz Ahmed. A total of 16 teams from 14 countries participated in the competition, the BU team being the only one from South Asia.

Professor JR Choudhury, VC, BU presented the keynote paper at the seminar on “Earthquake and Tsunami: Vulnerability of Bangladesh”, organized by National Oceanographic and Maritime Institute (NOAMI) at Atomic Energy Centre auditorium in Dhaka on April 09, 2005.

BBC Radio interviewed Professor JR Choudhury, VC, BU on the “Problems of Planning and Construction of Buildings” on April 28, 2005.

From April 28-30, AQM Abdullah, Lecturer, ARC, presented two papers at the 10th International Conference of CAADRIA in New Delhi. He also received the “Young CAADRIA Award”.

On May 4, 2005 Dr. Yousuf M Islam participated in a workshop “Bridging the Divide” at UC Berkeley, repeating the

presentation at Stanford and UT Austin later.

Three research papers have been published in the International Conference on Information and Communication Technology in Management 2005 (ICTM) held in Multimedia University, Malaysia on May 23-25, 2005. Mr. Md. Mahfuz Ashraf, Mr. Suntu Kumar Ghosh and Mr. Md. Thoufiqul Islam, faculty members of MGB, prepared the papers.

Professor JR Choudhury attended the first working group meeting of IAP (Inter-Academy Panel) initiative of "Natural Disaster Mitigation" organized by the Chinese Academy of Sciences, at Simatai from June 4-5, 2005.

Dr. AMR Chowdhury, Dean JPGSPH, was appointed as Professor in the Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University, USA on June 13, 2005. The appointment is a recognition of his excellent accomplishments in Public Health and his potential to contribute in future.

Naushad UzZaman, a student of CSE, travelled to Calgary, Canada, to attend the 4th IASTED International Conference on Computational Intelligence from July 4-6, 2005. He presented a paper on "A Double Metaphone Encoding for Approximate Name Searching and Matching in Bangla". The paper was co-authored by Dr. Mumit Khan, Associate Professor of CSE.

Professor Firdous Azim, Chairperson English & Humanities (ENH), presented a paper titled "The Critical Legacies of Asian Feminism" in the Korean National University of Arts on July 12, 2005.

Professor Fuad Mallick, Chairperson, ARC, and Dr. Zainab F Ali, Associate Professor of the department, were panelists at the roundtable conference on "The Education of Architecture in Bangladesh Future Direction" arranged by the Department of Architecture in NSU and the English daily, New Age, on July 14, 2005.

For his distinctive contributions towards the development of ICT, Professor JR Choudhury, VC, BU received the BCS Gold medal on July 27, 2005. Professor Dr. Iajuddin Ahmed, Hon'ble President of Bangladesh attended the function as the Chief Guest and distributed the awards.

The Hon'ble President of Bangladesh and the Chancellor of BU confirmed the appointment of Dr. Salehuddin Ahmed as Pro-Vice Chancellor BU effective from August 1, 2005.

Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD) organized an "Indo-Bangladesh Dialogue on Trade, Investment and Connectivity" on August 06-07, 2005. Professor JR Choudhury, VC, BU participated as an expert in a session entitled "Cooperation on Telecommunications".

Dr. Zainab F Ali, Associate Professor, ARC, attended International Solar Energy Society (ISES) 2005 Solar World Congress on August 6-12, 2005 in Florida, USA. She presented a paper on Passive Architecture titled "Kahn in the Tropics".

A paper by Sumon Shahriar titled "An Advanced Minimization Technique for Multiple Valued Multiple Output Logic Expressions Using LUT and Realization Using Current Mode CMOS" was published in the IEEE 8th Euromicro Conference On Digital System Design Architectures, Methods and Tools held in Porto, Portugal, from August 30-September 3, 2005.

A paper by Naushad UzZaman and Dr. Mumit Khan titled "A Double Metaphone Encoding for Bangla and its Application in Spelling Checker" was accepted in IEEE International Conference on Natural Language Processing and Knowledge Engineering (IEEE NLP-KE 2005) held on October 30 - November 01, 2005, Wuhan, China. The paper was presented by Naushad UzZaman a former student of CSE, BU and currently a Research Programmer at BU.

Ms. Tasnuva Arafeen, Lecturer, ENH, BU presented a paper at the 3rd Asia TEFL International Conference held in Beijing, China from November 4-6, 2005. Her presentation was on “Insight into Students’ Problems: A Study of the English Foundation Course at the Tertiary Level in Bangladesh”.

Dr. Manzoor Ahmed, Director of BU-IED participated in a number of international conferences and events including: a Roundtable on Education Strategy of the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), hosted by the Federal Minister of Education in Ottawa, Canada in November, 2005. Dr. Ahmed also was a resource person at the OIC Ministerial Meeting on Children in Rabat, Morocco in November, 2005.

Ms. Huraera Jabeen, Lecturer, contributed as a judge in the event "Be an Eco-Scientist Show and Tell" organized by the British Council on December 19, 2005.

Dr. Shahaduz Zaman, Assistant Professor, JPGSPH, published a book titled “Broken Limbs, Broken Lives, Ethnography of a Hospital Ward in Bangladesh”. Dr. Sabina

Rashid published a paper on “Women, Gender and Sexualities: Practices in South Asia”, in Encyclopedia of Women and Islamic Cultures, Volume III, [general ed] in December 2005.

Dr. QM Mahtab-uz-Zaman, Associate Professor, Department of Architecture, has been appointed/nominated to the following organisations/bodies during the year 2005: As External Examiner for Master of Architecture thesis examination at the Department of Architecture, University of Auckland, New Zealand. Appointed as external research advisor to the Department of Architecture, the University of Hong Kong. Selected as a member of International Scientific Committee (ISC) for the Global Built Environment Network at University of Lancashire, Preston, UK. Selected as task group member for the ongoing ‘Campaign for Urban Conservation: Restoration of Shakhari Bazaar Neighbourhood’, jointly organised by the Urban Study Group and the Institute of Architects Bangladesh. Selected as a member of the expert group at the SAARC Expert Group meeting on ‘Formulation of a Comprehensive Framework on Disaster Management’.



Academic Progress

Currently BU offers nine programs at the undergraduate level, five at the graduate level and four post graduate diploma and certificate programs. These are listed below:

Undergraduate Programs:

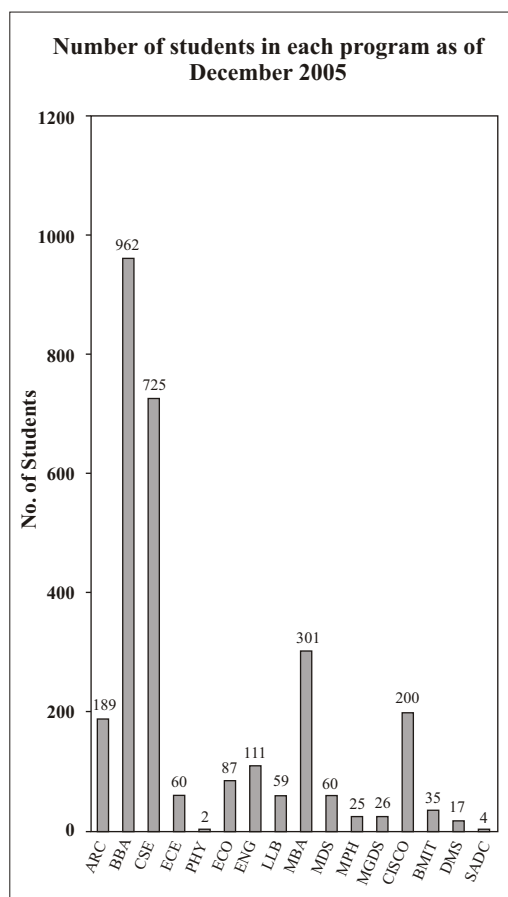
- ▶ Bachelor of Architecture
- ▶ Bachelor of Arts in English
- ▶ Bachelor of Business Administration
- ▶ Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Engineering
- ▶ Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
- ▶ Bachelor of Science in Electronics and Communication Engineering
- ▶ Bachelor of Science in Physics
- ▶ Bachelor of Social Science in Economics
- ▶ Bachelor of Law (Hons)

Graduate Programs:

- ▶ Master of Business Administration
- ▶ Master of Development Studies
- ▶ Master in Disaster Management
- ▶ Master of Arts in Governance and Development
- ▶ Master of Public Health

Post Graduate Diploma and Certificate Programs:

- ▶ Post Graduate Diploma in Bank Management and IT
- ▶ Post Graduate Diploma in Disaster Management
- ▶ CISCO Certified Network Associate
- ▶ Certificate Course on Disaster Management
- ▶ Postgraduate Diploma in South Asian Development and Cooperation (SADC)



There are six major departments, two schools, one centre and one institute at BU. These are:

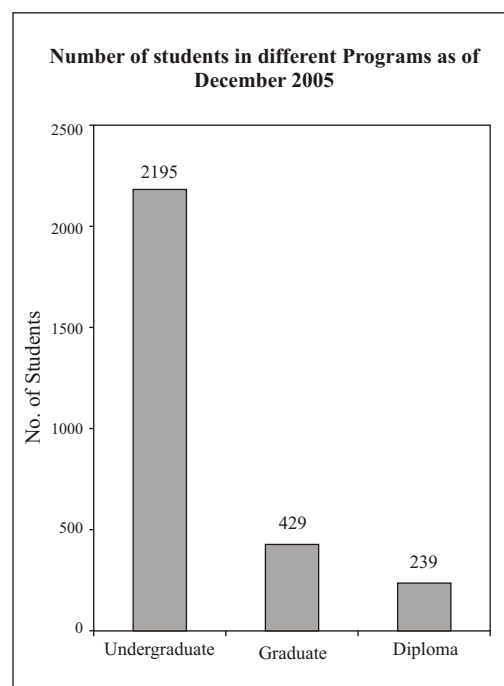
- ▶ Department of Architecture (ARC)
- ▶ Department of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE)
- ▶ Department of Economics and Social Sciences (ESS)
- ▶ Department of English and Humanities (ENH)
- ▶ Department of Management and Business (MGB)
- ▶ Department of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (MNS)
- ▶ School of Law (SoL)
- ▶ James P Grant School of Public Health (JPGSPH)
- ▶ Centre for Governance Studies (CGS)
- ▶ Institute of Educational Development (IED)

The total number of students at BU as on 31 December 2005 was 2195 in undergraduate programs and 429 in graduate programs. In the

certificate and diploma courses, there were 239 students as of 31 December 2005. The following table shows the breakdown of the students enrolled:

No. of Students Admitted	
Undergraduate	
ARC	189
BBA	962
CSE	725
ECE	60
PHY	2
ECO	87
ENG	111
LLB	59
Total:	2195
Graduate	
MBA	301
MDS	60
MPH	25
MGD	26
DMS	17
Total:	429
Diploma	
CISCO	200
BMIT	35
SADC	4
Total:	239
Grand total:	2863

The largest number of students was enrolled in the MGB Department. The following table shows the number of students in undergraduate, graduate and diploma/certificate programs:



Partners in Education

Over the years, BU has partnered with the following institutions from around the world to enhance the educational experience of its students:

Centre for Governance Studies (CGS)

- ▶ Kennedy School of Government (KSG), Harvard University, USA
- ▶ Institute of Development Studies (IDS), Sussex University, UK
- ▶ Key Centre, University of Griffith, Brisbane, Australia
- ▶ Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore
- ▶ London School of Economics, UK
- ▶ University of Bath, UK
- ▶ University of Monash, Australia
- ▶ University of Malaya, Malaysia
- ▶ Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, Netherlands

BRAC University Institute of Educational Development (BU-IED)

- ▶ George Washington University, Washington, D.C., USA
- ▶ University of Sussex, Centre for International Education, U.K.
- ▶ Institute of Education, University of London, U.K.
- ▶ Manchester University, School of Education, U.K.

- ▶ National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration, New Delhi
- ▶ Aga Khan University, Institute for Educational Development (AKU-IED), Pakistan

James P. Grant School of Public Health (JPGSPH)

- ▶ Carleton University, Canada
- ▶ Harvard School of Public Health, USA
- ▶ Bloomberg School of Public Health, Johns Hopkins University, USA
- ▶ George Washington University, USA
- ▶ London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, UK
- ▶ Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University, USA
- ▶ Uppsala University, Sweden
- ▶ Karolinska Institute, Sweden
- ▶ Umea University, Sweden
- ▶ University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
- ▶ ICDDR, Bangladesh

Management and Business Department (MGB)

- ▶ Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand
- ▶ Ohio University College of Business, USA

Faculty Development and Capacity Building

- ▶ Harvard University, USA
- ▶ George Washington University, USA
- ▶ Colorado University, Denver, USA

Governance

Chancellor

Professor Dr Iajuddin Ahmed
Hon'ble President
People's Republic of Bangladesh

GOVERNING BOARD

The Governing Board is the highest policy making body of BU. It is responsible for ensuring that the highest level of educational and administrative standards are set and maintained at BU. The current Governing Board consists of the following eminent personalities of Bangladesh:

President

Mr Fazle Hasan Abed
Founder & Chairperson, BRAC

Members

Professor Jamilur Reza Choudhury
Vice Chancellor
BRAC University

Dr Salehuddin Ahmed
Pro-Vice Chancellor
BRAC University

Mr Faruq Ahmed Choudhury
Advisor, BRAC

Professor Anisuzzaman
Department of Bangla
Dhaka University

Professor AH Wahiduddin Mahmud
Department of Economics
Dhaka University

Dr Hameeda Hossain
Research Director
Ain O Salish Kendro (ASK)

Professor Dr Tehmina Hussain
Former Secretary
Primary & Mass Education Division
Government of Bangladesh

Dr Riaz Khan

Former Executive Director
Environmental and Geographical Information
System (EGIS)

Professor Dilara Chowdhury

Department of Government and Politics
Jahangir Nagar University

Dr. A. Mushtaque R. Chowdhury

Deputy Executive Director, BRAC
Dean, BRAC University
James P. Grant School of Public Health and
Professor of Population and Family Health,
Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia
University, New York

Dr Akbar Ali Khan

Director
Centre for Governance Studies
BRAC University

Secretary

Mr Muhammad Sahool Afzal
Registrar, BRAC University

PRINCIPAL OFFICERS

Vice Chancellor

Professor Jamilur Reza Choudhury

Pro-Vice Chancellor

Dr Salehuddin Ahmed

Treasurer (Honorary)

Mr Sukhendra K Sarker

Registrar

Mr Muhammad Sahool Afzal

MEETINGS

The Governing Board had three Regular Quarterly Meetings during the year 2005. The meetings took place on March 8, June 14 and September 6, 2005. The Annual Meeting of the BU-GB took place on December 27, 2005.

Academic Council

The Academic Council recommends the educational policies of the university and also determines the curricula and courses that can help achieve high educational standards. The council is currently composed of the following academics and professionals:

Chairperson

Professor Jamilur Reza Choudhury
Vice Chancellor
BRAC University

Members

Dr Salehuddin Ahmed
Pro-Vice Chancellor, BRAC University

Professor Iqbal Mahmud
Former Vice Chancellor, BUET

Dr Hafiz G A Siddiqi
Vice Chancellor, North South University

Professor Zafar Iqbal
Chairperson, Electronics & Computer Science
SUST

Professor Syed Manzoorul Islam
Department of English, Dhaka University

Professor Zarina Rahman Khan
Department of Public Administration
Dhaka University

Professor Ainun Nishat
Country Representative
International Union for Conservation of
Nature (IUCN)

Dr Riaz Khan
Former Executive Director
Centre for Environmental & Geographic
Information Service (CEGIS)

Mr Waliur Rahman Bhuiyan
Managing Director
BOC Bangladesh Limited

Dr Debapriya Bhattacharya
Executive Director
Centre for Policy Dialogue

Dr Imran Matin
Director, Research & Evaluation Division
BRAC

Mr Mamun Rashid
CEO, Citi Bank, NA

Dr A Mushtaque R Chowdhury

Deputy Executive Director, BRAC
Dean, BRAC University
James P. Grant School of Public Health and
Professor of Population and Family Health,
Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia
University, New York

Dr Golam Samdani Fakir
Director, Training Division, BRAC

Dr Manzoor Ahmed
Director, Institute of Educational Development
BRAC University

Professor Abdur Rab
Chairperson, Management & Business
BRAC University

Dr Sayeed Salam
Chairperson, Computer Science & Engineering
BRAC University

Professor Fuad H Mallick
Chairperson, Architecture, BRAC University

Professor Firdous Azim
Chairperson, English & Humanities
BRAC University

Dr Shahdeen Malik
Director, School of Law, BRAC University

Dr Akbar Ali Khan
Director, Centre for Governance Studies
BRAC University

Secretary

Mr Muhammad Sahool Afzal
Registrar
BRAC University

MEETINGS

Five Meetings of the Academic Council were held during the year 2005. The meetings took place on February 9, May 11, August 24, November 30, and December 18, 2005.

Departments

Department of Architecture (ARC)

During the course of the year 2005, this department was very active, both in terms of academics and extracurricular activities. It not only provided practical exposure to the students, but also taught them much in theory. Furthermore, the faculty has also been very involved.



On January 15, 2005 the department launched a workshop series on architecture and environment for children Arch.KIDS (Architecture for Kids). The long-term goal of this series is to create awareness on issues of environment, architecture, city, environmental behavior and management and urban development. The second session of this program was held on September 03, 2005. The session 'My Dream Street' focused on the streets the children use regularly on their way from homes and schools to explore how they conceptualize and visualize their dream streets for their safety, comfort and enjoyment.

The department also organized a number of lectures. On February 23, 2005 a studio lecture titled 'Frank Lloyd Wright' was conducted by Dr. Zainab F. Ali. On July 28, 2005 Ms. Anju Kapoor, landscape designer from India, delivered a lecture on Chandigarh and its city centre; landscape appraisal and design solution. Michael Slingsby, Chief Technical Adviser of UNDP/UN-Habitat/LGED Local Partnership for Urban Poverty Alleviation

Project in Bangladesh, gave a talk on "Approaches to Urban Poverty Alleviation in Bangladesh: Experiences of the Local Partnerships for Urban Poverty Alleviation Project" on July 18, 2005 in a research seminar. The 7th research seminar titled "Housing of the Ultra-Poor: A Study of Outdoor and Indoor Spaces in the Rural Homesteads" was held on October 3, 2005.

The department organized a day-long workshop on Building Code with special emphasis on "Earthquake Disaster: Pre- and Post Disaster Management", with sponsorship from Oxfam-GoB and DipECHO on May 5, 2005.



Individual students of the department have also been very active throughout the year. On February 10 a student of Sophomore II, Tanjina Khan, was announced the winner of 3rd prize in the "Living Room Category" among 82 submissions in 'Hatil Furniture Design Competition 2004'. Hosnee Reza Choudhury, a student of Junior I, won a gold medal in the Osaka Youth Art Competition held in the summer of '05. As part of the Annual Exhibition 2005, a design charrette was held for architecture students across the country on April 15. On May 03, 2005, ten prizes were distributed to winners of this charrette. Freshman II students organized a 3-day exhibition of 'seats' that they designed from November 22-24, 2005 at Prangan. Looking at the international front, fourth year students, Md. Nafisur Rahman and Amir Ibn

Sharif underwent their practical training course at Vastu Shilpa Consultants at Ahmedabad, India. On the other side of the world, Raihan Alamgir, an ex-student of this department, who had transferred his credits to Pratt University, Brooklyn, USA, earned a position on the President's List with a GPA of 3.74.



Mr. Khondaker Hasibul Kabir, Lecturer, participated in a week-long workshop on "Sustainable Solutions for the Management of Urban Wetlands" from June 16-22, 2005.

In June 2005, the department received a donation of 35 boxes of journals, books and periodicals from the knowledge resources centre of American Institute of Architects (AIA), who also paid the freight and handling charges of the entire consignment.

Department of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE)

Several seminars were organized by this department in order to help the students expand their knowledge base. On June 15,



2005 a seminar on "Successes and Failures of the Use of Technology in Education" was organized. Ashraful A Chowdhury, Associate Professor, Computer Science/Math, Georgia Perimeter College, USA was the keynote speaker. Mr. Chowdhury shared his experiences and lessons learnt using various technologies in face-to-face, hybrid and online courses. The department also organized a seminar on "Computerized Land Management System" on August 17, 2005. Mr. Tahaboob Alam, Assistant Commissioner (Land) was the key speaker. A seminar on "Global IT Industry Trends" was held on September 25, 2005. Professor Stanley Sakai, Korea Development Institute, was the key speaker. A seminar on "Ubiquitous Computing: Making Machines Understand the People and Places Around Them" was organized on November 23, 2005. Dr. Tanzeem Choudhury, researcher, Intel Research, Seattle and an affiliate faculty member of the Computer Science and Engineering department at the University of Washington, was the keynote speaker. Lecturers of the department and instructors of the CISCO Certified Network Associate (CCNA) program participated in the Bangladesh PLAN-IT Workforce Development workshop on December 7-8, 2005 at AIUB, Dhaka.

Alongside these seminars, a number of papers written by students and faculty of this department have been published, some of them in international conferences.

In December 2005 five papers from the department were accepted for publication in International Conference on Computer and Information Technology (ICIT) 2005. Four papers were accepted for presentation in the regular sessions and the other for display in the poster sessions.

The certificate awarding ceremony of the CCNA program was held on December 10, 2005. Thirty students completed the course and received their certificates on the occasion.



Department of Economics and Social Sciences (ESS)

The activities of this department ranged from seminars to workshops to discussion sessions. On March 7, 2005 the department organized a seminar on “Altruistic Economics”, the keynote speaker being Dr. Robin Upton. The presentation highlighted a contradiction between the behavior appropriate in the marketplace and that appropriate in personal relationships. To answer the various questions in the minds of students, the department organized a talk on “Why not America for higher education?” The speaker, Dr. David Ludden, a Professor of the University of Pennsylvania, presented a very informative discussion about the scope, advantages and disadvantages, and educational, financial and visa requirements for higher education in the USA. On December 19, 2005 a seminar was organized on “ICT and Bangladesh”.

Ms. Faria Huq, a lecturer of the department, participated in and completed a three-day workshop by Centre for Policy Dialog (CPD) on “WTO & Bangladesh” on January 4-6, 2005.

On July 7-8, 2005 a two-day ESS research initiatives workshop was held in retreat at BRAC Centre for Development Management (BCDM), Rajendrapur. In this workshop, the participants identified four distinct but broad research areas for future research projects, to be developed by the members (faculty and students) of the Economic and Social Science Research Group (ESSRG). All full-time ESS



faculty members and 6 junior/senior level students were present at the workshop. Finally, on September 5, 2005 ESS launched a working paper series. The research contributions of the ESS faculty members were published as working papers and presented at this launch.

Department of English and Humanities (ENH)

Activities in the ENH department have also been very focused and productive. Eminent writer, Selina Hossain, was invited for a seminar at BU campus, Savar on June 22, 2005. The title of the seminar was “Women's Issues in Bangladesh”. A seminar was organized on “The Interpretation of Desire: Freud and Lacan on Hamlet” on October 2, 2005. Dr. Salimullah Khan, writer and Professor of Law, Stamford University, Dhaka, was the keynote speaker. ENH, in collaboration with Brine Pickles, a creative writers' group supported by the British Council, arranged an “Afternoon of Poetry” on November 20, 2005. Also, a presentation was made on “The State of Women Studies in BU” on November 28, 2004, followed by an open discussion about the possibility of the formation of a ‘Gender Cluster’, a platform for all gender-related activities in BU.

Besides these seminars, various talks and workshops were offered for professional development of the faculty members. A reading and discussion session by Edward P. Jones, the Pulitzer Prize winner for fiction in 2004, was arranged on March 20, 2005. The seminar was titled “Invisible Chains; Pictures

of Slavery in Nineteenth-Century America". The department also organized a talk on "Multi-Culturalism in American Literature" on April 04, 2005. The key speaker was Michelle Jones, Deputy Director, The American Center, Dhaka. A day-long workshop titled "Curriculum Development and Course Design" was held on May 29, 2005. The aim of the workshop was to discuss the curriculum design of two new courses.



The faculty has also been involved in writing and presenting various papers. Professor Firdous Azim participated in a dialogue on "English Medium Education in Bangladesh" on July 8, 2005. Ms. Shuchi Karim, Lecturer, took part in a "Regional Workshop on Curriculum Development" from July 6-8, 2005. This was organized by the Department of Women's Studies, University of Dhaka. She also participated as a presenter in the workshop on "The State of Women's Studies in Different Public and Private Universities of Bangladesh" organized by the RMMRU of Dhaka University on October 8, 2005. The 3rd International Conference on "The Effective Teaching of English in Bangladesh: Pedagogy and Practice" arranged by Stamford University in cooperation with BELTA was held on July 9, 2005. Ms. Tasnuva Arafeen, Lecturer, ENH presented a paper on "Developing ELT Materials for Classrooms at the Tertiary Level". Ms. Shuchi Karim and Ms. Tabassum Zaman, both Lecturers from the same department presented a joint paper on

"Teaching Language from Literature Background: Bringing the Best of Two Worlds".

Department of Management and Business (MGB)

Management and business is best understood from observance of real world phenomena. Keeping this in mind, the department organized numerous seminars, workshops and trips. A Case Workshop for business students was held on February 07, 2005. The objective of the workshop was to select the participants for the Global Business Challenge Case Competition to be held at the University of Washington Business School, Seattle, USA.

The department organized a seminar on "Quality of Bus Service in Dhaka City" on March 17, 2005. Dr. Syed Saad Andaleeb, Professor and Program Chair at the Sam & Irin Black School of Business at Pennsylvania State University (Erie) USA, and Mr. Mahmudul Haq, Senior Lecturer MGB-BU, jointly presented the paper at the seminar based on a recent survey. Mr. Ferdous Ahmed, Additional General Manager, Customer Relations Division (CRD), Grameen Phone, delivered a lecture on "HR Practices in Leading Companies in Bangladesh" on April 9, 2005. On June 20, 2005 Mr. Kamrul Islam, Procurement Coordinator, World Bank Group, Dhaka office, delivered a lecture on "Procurement and Disbursement: Issues and Management of the World Bank Group", as a part of the seminal work for the advanced



finance course Project Appraisal and Management. Dr. Shams Rahman, Associate Professor and Coordinator of Logistics Management Program at the Graduate School of Business & Professional Development at the University of Wollongong, Australia, presented a paper on “Supply Chain Management” on July 07, 2005. Dr. Md. Mahbubur Rahim of School of Business Systems, Faculty of Information Technology, Monash University, Australia, offered a presentation on IOS Adoption on July 12, 2005. To expose students to statistical methods Dr Md. Forhad Hossain, Professor, Department of Statistics, Jahangirnagar University and Visiting Faculty, King Khaled University, Saudi Arabia presented a paper on “A New Approach to Determine Assymmetric Distribution: An Application to Students' Evaluation of Teaching” on July 20, 2005.

In order to see developments in the real business world, the students of Small Business Management course visited Dhaka Export Processing Zone (DEPZ) at Savar on April 6, 2005. The tour was to assess companies situated inside EPZ in terms of attaining excess benefits over others located outside EPZ.

MGB organized the first Annual National Business Case Competition 2005 on August 19-20 at BU Campus, Savar. Eight universities, including BU, participated in the competition. Institute of Business Adminis-



tration (IBA) emerged as the champion team.

In collaboration with ESS, the MGB department organized a two-day workshop on Research Methodology for the faculty on August 21 and 25. Dr. Anwarul Hoque, Chairperson, ESS, Mr. Mahmudul Haq of MGB, and Mr. Tanzir A. Chowdhury of ESS conducted the lecture sessions, touching on different aspects of carrying out research. The faculty members of MGB went to BCDM, Rajendrapur for a residential training program entitled “Case Analysis Techniques” on May 24-25, 2005.

The students are not only showing outstanding performance inside the classroom, they have proven themselves at other fronts as well. Elate Friend Association and Nescafe jointly organized a talent hunt competition under the banner “EFA Nescafe Jump Starters 2005”, which started on February 08, 2005. After a three-day preliminary session, 42 students were selected for the final day and 10 'Jump Starters' were finally selected on the basis of their performance and potential. Samir Abdur Rahman of BBA, a participant from BU, was among this list of top 10 participants.

Department of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (MNS)

This department has been flourishing with the addition of the new undergraduate program in Physics. A number of seminars and talks were held during the 2005. On March 21, 2005, Dr. Mahbub Majumdar, Research Associate in Theoretical Physics (Blackett Lab, Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine, London, UK) made a presentation on “Cosmic Strings in String Theory”. Also, a seminar on “Biotechnology: Research and Practice in Bangladesh” was organized on June 25, 2005 at BRAC Centre Inn, Conference Room. Dr. M. Osman Farruk MP, Hon'ble Minister for Education was present as the Chief Guest and Mr. Mirza Fakhru Islam Alamgir MP, Hon'ble State Minister for Agriculture was the Special Guest. The department organized a seminar on



“Biotechnology: Present Status and Prospects in Bangladesh” on July 14, 2005. Professor Naiyyum Choudhury of the MNS Department was the keynote speaker. Another MNS departmental seminar was held on July 21, 2005. Professor Mofiz Uddin Ahmed spoke on “Earthquake Prediction from Space through Plasma Dynamics”.

School of Law (SoL)

The LLB (Hons) program of this school was redesigned in January 2005. After this, the school witnessed great progress. Mr. Ridawan Hoque, LLB Honors (Dhaka) and LL.M. (Cambridge). (currently pursuing his Ph.D. at the School of Oriental and African Studies, London University and also an Assistant Professor of Law (on leave) at Chittagong University) gave a talk on the “Existing Dominant Legal Theory, Separation of Power and Judicial Activism: A Critical Assessment” as part of the Lecture Series Program of the School of Law, BU on March 17, 2005. Mr. Kazi Habibul Awal, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs, GoB and Head of Legislative and Drafting Wing delivered a talk on “Drafting Legislation and the Legislative Process” on April 21, 2005.

The Deputy Assistant Secretary for South Asian Affairs, USA, Mr. John Anthony Gastright, paid a brief visit to the School of Law, BU on June 29, 2005. He held



discussions with the Director of the School, Dr. Shahdeen Malik and faculty member Dr. Saira Rahman Khan, on legal and judicial affairs in Bangladesh and South Asia. They discussed law and justice as well as training programs for lawyers and judges in Bangladesh.

James P Grant School of Public Health (JPGSPH)

During the inaugural year, the James P. Grant School of Public Health (JPGSPH) hosted many important events. On May 29-31, 2005 Dr Mushtaque R Chowdhury, Dean, JPGSPH, BU spoke at an International Conference on “Health Systems and Equity” held at the Spectra Convention Centre, Dhaka.

The SPH launched the report on “Human Development in South Asia 2004: The Health Challenge” on June 29, 2005, at BRAC Centre Inn. An invited paper on the JPGSPH authored by Dr. Mushtaque R Chowdhury appeared in the Global Forum Health research book and was also accepted for presentation at the American Public Health Association held in New Orleans in November 2005. At the same time, Ms. Sabina Rashid's paper on “Social Exclusion in Accessing Resources The Complex Dynamics of Health and Equity among Urban Slum Dwellers in Bangladesh” was accepted as poster presentation for the Global Health Forum held in Mumbai from September 12-16, 2005.



Dr. Sabina Rashid was awarded a research grant from “Special Program of Research Development and Research Training in Human Reproduction”, World Health Organization, Geneva. The grant is available till the end of 2006.

ICDDR,B: Centre for Health Population Research hosted the JPGSPH at their Mohakhali Centre from July-Dec 2005 courses, hospital, and laboratory work.

The students successfully completed the first and second parts of the MPH program in June and December 2005 respectively. The second part of their coursework involved completion of their independent research study from early December 2005. The students spend the last 10 weeks of their MPH degree carrying out primary research on a public health topic of their choice. The purpose of the Independent Study was to enable the students to synthesize and integrate the full range of MPH knowledge and skills at the end of the coursework period of this new program.

Centre for Governance Studies (CGS)

The Centre for Governance Studies (CGS) was inaugurated on September 17, 2005 with the aim of providing a Master in Governance and Development degree and for conducting research on governance issues. Dr. Akbar Ali Khan earlier joined as the Director of the Centre on August 4, 2005. Already at such an early stage of its development, the Netherlands Development Cooperation has agreed to



support over three years of governance activities at BU, along with a contribution of US \$150,000. This grant is to aid in the capacity building of the CGS, and to tackle managerial and policy issues through research and publication on relevant issues.

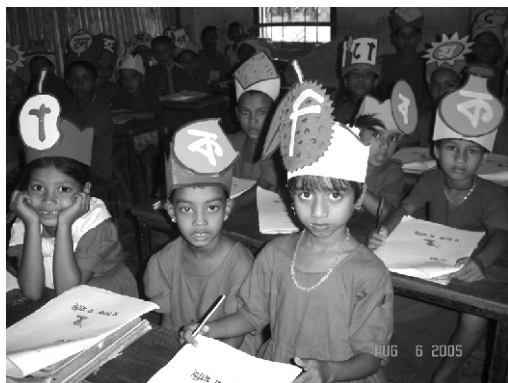
There are 26 participants in the first course, which commenced on September 17, 2005. Of the 26 participants, 25 are Bangladesh Government officers and one is from BRAC. There are six female students.

The program is being conducted at the BRAC Centre for Development Management, Rajendrapur. The Masters program is being conducted in collaboration with Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University and some of the leading universities in USA, UK, Australia, Singapore, Malaysia and Netherlands.

Institute of Educational Development (IED)

The Institute of Educational Development, BRAC University is a key element of BRAC's overall effort to support the national education system. The Institute's main mandate is to work on national capacity-building in Bangladesh. In line with its mission, BU-IED has continued its work in 2005 in the following areas to support the national system at the school, local and national levels:

- ▶ Preparation of learning packages for Bangla and Math in primary schools and English, Science and Math in the secondary grades. The first modules for grades 1 and 6 have



been prepared and tested in selected schools.

- ▶ Development of a design of a primary education teacher training model combining face-to-face teaching, distance education and supervised classroom practice.
- ▶ Establishment of the Early Childhood Development (ECD) resource centre to undertake training, research, learning materials development and policy advocacy in respect of early childhood development.
- ▶ Education research including Education Watch studies and a tracer study of BRAC NFPE graduates.
- ▶ Significant recent initiatives include participation in an international research consortium on access to basic education sponsored by DFID; survey of inclusive education in cooperation with UNICEF as support to the PEDP II program; and planning for advanced professional development programs for educational professionals at BU-IED in collaboration with overseas institutions which is expected to commence in 2006.

A national Working Group on Early Childhood Development (ECD), consisting of Government and non-Government representatives, have decided to locate the Secretariat of the national Early Childhood Development network at the Early Childhood Development Resource Centre (ECDRC) of BU, Institute of Educational Development (BU-IED). The ECD Network has

developed a directory and website for sharing information, programs and activities in Bangladesh. The Strategic Development Plan for the period 2006 to 2010 for BU-IED was made public on August 3, 2005.

BU-IED and ECDRC jointly organized a seminar on “ECD in Bangladesh: Status and Future Directions” on March 02, 2005. Professor JR Choudhury, VC BU, Mr. Edward Thomas Espey, Country Director, PLAN Bangladesh and Dr. Manzoor Ahmed, Director, IED spoke at the seminar. Later in the month BU-IED organized a day-long workshop on “The Problems and Prospects in Private Sector English Medium Education in Bangladesh” at BRAC Center Inn on March 12, 2005. Dr. M. Osman Farruk, MP, Hon'ble Minister for Education was present as Chief Guest. Dr Manzoor Ahmed, Director IED was the keynote speaker in the working session and Professor Firdous Azim, Chairperson, ENH, BU was a discussant. Chairpersons of English Medium schools in Dhaka attended the workshop.

Master in Development Studies (MDS)

The students and faculty of this program have remained constructively occupied throughout the year 2005. Among the activities, the most intriguing was a seminar on “Thinking Interdependence: The Basics of Game Theoretic Reasoning” held on September 24, 2005. Dr. Fahad Khalil, Associate Professor, University of Washington, delivered the main speech.

Two MDS students were awarded scholarships by Citibank, N.A. on August 29, 2005. The scholarships were offered to ten meritorious students of several educational institutions around the country.

EL-Pro

EL-Pro, short for English Language Programme, was established in September 2005. The main purpose of the programme is to teach, monitor, improve and support the

English Language skills of all BU students.

The need for a separate programme devoted to improving students' English Language skills was deemed necessary for a number of reasons. First of all, many instructors felt that an unacceptably large number of students lacked the language skills necessary for competence in their careers in their respective disciplines. What is more, two or three semesters are often not enough to bring the students' language skills up to a standardized level. An astounding 90% of the students claimed that they feel that the usual school system does not prepare them to face the highly competitive job conditions today in terms of language proficiency.

EL-Pro offers English Language classes based on the individual student's needs and aptitude. Students are required to sit for a placement test and are accordingly placed in one of eight modules, depending on their level of



proficiency. Henceforth they are given classes that aim to bring them up to internationally acceptable standards. The classes are taken by professionally qualified ELT specialists, and the programme is both structured and motivating. The programme tackles problems in the areas of comprehension, grammar and writing in English.

Student Affairs

The Student Affairs Office is responsible for all club and forum activities and other such student activities. The following two sections take a look at what has been going on in the Student Affairs Office in the year 2005.

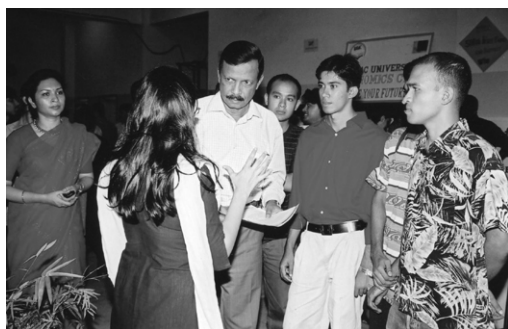
Student Activities

The students of BU have always been a source of pride to the university. They have excelled not only on the academic front, but also in other types of activities. This has ensured that they are attaining a wholesome and well-rounded education.

The Indoor Games Tournament 2005 commenced on February 16, 2005 in the BU Indoor Games Room.

AIIESEC Bangladesh hosted an international conference on “Asian Pacific Exchange Leadership Development Seminar 2005” on March 24-30 at BCDM, Rajendrapur. Ten members from BU attended the meeting as delegates and members of the Organizing Committee.

BU celebrated its 4th anniversary, the BU Day, on April 17, 2005. Professor JR Choudhury, VC, BU was the chief guest. In his speech Professor Choudhury said that within a short span of four years BU has earned respect as one of the top private universities in the country. The BU day was followed by a cake-cutting ceremony. The other attraction of the



program was the food festival to mark the start of the first month (Baishak) of the new Bangla year. Students displayed and sold various home made delicious food items in ten different stalls.

The American Center of the U.S. Embassy Dhaka organized a presentation and performance for BU students by Eddie Stats, a well known Disc Jockey better known as DJ Stats, from USA on November 30, 2005 at BU cafeteria.

An impromptu map drawing competition was held on December 15, 2005 to commemorate Bijoy Dibosh (Victory Day). All the students present at the cafeteria entered the competition, which was to “Draw the Map of Bangladesh in One Minute”. A team of teachers judged the competition, and six students were given prizes for drawing the best maps. The students along with teachers and staff then sang the National Anthem with great pride. BU teachers and students of different departments organized this competition.

Clubs and Forums

Clubs and forums play an invaluable role in nurturing students' creativity, speaking and presentation skills and leadership qualities, while recreation providing amidst the hectic rush of studies.

Currently there are 16 clubs in BU. These are listed below:

- ▶ AIIESEC-Global Forum
- ▶ Computer Club
- ▶ Cricket Club
- ▶ Cultural Club
- ▶ Debating Club
- ▶ Drama and Theatre Forum
- ▶ Economics Club
- ▶ Enterprise Development Forum
- ▶ Film Club
- ▶ Global Affairs Forum
- ▶ Indoor Games Club
- ▶ MBA Forum
- ▶ National Heritage Forum

- ▶ OIKOS
- ▶ Photography Club
- ▶ Social Development Forum

These clubs and forums have been very active throughout the year. Some of the major activities are mentioned below:

BU Cultural Club (BUCC) organized a workshop on Nazrul Geeti on March 1, 2005. The club held its Annual Cultural Competition on March 7-8, 2005. The prizes for this were later distributed on October 19, 2005. A puppet show was also organized for the students of the Residential Semester at Savar on March 21, 2005. To celebrate Independence Day the club organized a show at BRAC Centre Inn on March 29, 2005. Some BU students sang patriotic songs, followed by a talk by M. H. Siddiqi, highlighting a few important events during his life as a leader of freedom fighters. The club also arranged a Cultural Evening at the National Museum, Dhaka on April 16, 2005.



BUCC and BU Heritage Forum jointly organized a Kite Flying Day at the BU campus, TARC, Savar on April 5, 2005.

The BU Photography Club (BUPC) has also been very active. A four-day workshop was conducted on “Digital Photography” on March 18, 2005. Later in the year, BUPC announced their Digital Photography Competition 2005 on September 13, 2005 preceded by a lecture on “Digitally Altered Photographs” by Obaidul Fattah Tanvir. The winners of this contest were announced on December 13, 2005. Two

members of BUPC won awards in the Architecture and Landscape categories respectively in the International Inter University Photo Exhibition 2005 (IIUPE 2005) organized by NSU Photography Club on May 27, 2005.

The BU Theatre and Drama Forum has been on the go as well. On April 2, 2005 a day-long workshop was arranged on “Acting Techniques”. They also staged parts of three plays at the National Museum Auditorium on December 9, 2005. The theme of all of these plays was related to the Liberation War of Bangladesh.



BU Economics Club (BUEC) has been organizing a vast range of events throughout the year. The first seminar of this club was organized on April 21, 2005, on “Stock Exchange”. The students then went on a trip to Chandina, Comilla on July 22-23, to study the effectiveness of a newly formed NGO, Development Initiatives for Poverty Alleviation (DIPA). A nine-member BUEC team also visited the monga-affected areas in Rangpur and distributed 425 blankets and Tk. 1500 in cash to the victims on December 15, 2005.

BU Film Club (BUFC) has screened a multitude of films to celebrate various occasions and events. Some of these include “My Architect”, “Lal Salu”, “Ice Age”, “Maya Lin: A World of Ideas”, “Wall Street”, “Aguner Poroshmoni”, “Ora Egaro Jon”, etc.

OIKOS, the International Student Organization for Sustainable Economics and Management has given permission to open the first local

chapter of OIKOS in Dhaka. Now OIKOS has 16 worldwide chapters, among there Stanford University of U.S.A and London School of Economics. This is the first time BU got as an exclusive affiliation to open an international students chapter in Bangladesh.

Other clubs have been doing quite a bit of work too. BU Debating Club successfully finished its 2nd inter-semester debate competition, with the final round held on February 24, 2005. The Global Affairs Forum (GAFBU) made a presentation on “The Role of a Diplomat and Experiences” on March 17, 2005. BU Entrepreneurship Development Forum (EDF) organized a seminar on “How to Become an Entrepreneur” on April 9, 2005. The BU Computer Club organized an inter-university computer programming contest on July 17 and the Unreal Tournament 2005 on September 25-29.

A discussion session on the sentiments of the youth towards social problems, jointly organized by the British Council and BU Forum for Social Development, was conducted on October 9, 2005.

A four member BU Social Entrepreneurs Forum (BUSEF) team, consisting of 3 students accompanied by Ms. Bushra Tawfiq Chowdhury, Lecturer, CSE visited Turkey to attend a field visit seminar program from November 18-26, 2005. The visit was sponsored by Ashoka Foundation. The students were Shayera Moula, ENH, Samiur Rahman Tushar, ARC and Tanveer Reza Rouf, ESS.



School and College Visits

A BU team undertakes school visits at intervals with the aim of bridging the gap in

transition from school/college phase into the university phase. The purpose is to inform school/college students about the various programs and facilities offered at BU so that when the time comes they can make an informed decision about whether or not to attend this university.

The various schools visited this year were: Mastermind School, European Standard School, Maple Leaf International School, A ga Khan School, Sunny Dale School and Scholastica.

BU student teams accompanied by Mr. Ashiqur Rahman and Ms Farzana Akter, Student Counselors visited Shaheen College, Notre Dame College, Dhaka College, Uttara Model School & College, Rifles Public School & College, Ideal School & College, City College, Viqarunnessa School & College, Holy Cross College and exchanged ideas with the students. They also informed the students about the different Academic and Financial Assistance Programs of BU.

Scholarships

BU provides a number of scholarships for students. These scholarships are available to students who

- ▶ Performed well in their HSC/SSC or O/A Levels prior to joining BU
- ▶ Are performing well in BU
- ▶ Are ultra-poor
- ▶ Are not ultra-poor, but are needy
- ▶ Are children of BRAC employees
- ▶ Have other siblings studying in the University
- ▶ Are physically challenged

Furthermore, all female students get a waiver of Tk 500 per credit for every course they take. During the year 2005, BU disbursed a total of Tk 1,89,83,827 in scholarships and tuition fee waivers to 340 students. The ratio of male to female students among these is 61.47% male and 38.53% female.

Residential Semester

The Residential Semester (RS) aims to improve students' communication and community living skills, help them develop leadership skills and improve them overall as human beings so that they can better face any challenges that may come their way. One major change was that Brigadier General (retired) Shafaat Ahmed was appointed the Campus superintendent on April 15, 2005.



Visits

- ▶ The students of RS were divided into groups and taken to visit the Liberation War Museum, Dhaka and various BRAC projects in Manikganj and Gazipur on March 12 and 19, 2005.
- ▶ The students visited BRAC projects in Manikganj and Dhamrai as a part of their Bangladesh Studies course on April 16, 2005.
- ▶ A total of 130 students were divided into two groups to visit BRAC projects in Manikganj and Gazipur on July 2, 2005.
- ▶ On September 17, 2005 the students of RS were divided into two groups. One was sent to visit BRAC projects in Manikganj and Gazipur, while the other performed the microlab exercise. On October 1, the group that had visited the projects earlier

performed the microlab exercise, while the other went to visit the BRAC projects.

- ▶ Two groups of students went to visit various BRAC projects in Manikganj and Sreepur in November 2005.

Campus Superintendent's (CS) Dinner

- ▶ March 9, 2005. Noted presenter Professor Abdullah Abu Sayeed, Chairperson, Bishwa Shahittya Kendra, was the Guest of Honour.
- ▶ April 11, 2005. Mr. Abdul Mueed Choudhury, Executive Director of BRAC, was the Guest of Honour. Senior officials of both BRAC and BU, outgoing and incoming Campus Superintendents and some distinguished faculty members of MPH program from USA and Europe were also present.
- ▶ June 22, 2005. Professor A H Wahiduddin Mahmud, Dhaka University and a Member of BU Governing Board was the Guest of Honour. Ms. Simeen Mahmud, Senior Research Fellow, BIDS attended the program as the Special Guest.
- ▶ July 13, 2005. Mr. Aftab ul Islam, President, American Chamber of Commerce in Bangladesh was the Guest of Honour.
- ▶ August 1, 2005. Professor J R Choudhury was the Guest of Honour and distributed prizes and certificates of various competitions.
- ▶ September 25, 2005. Dr. Debapriya Bhattacharya, Executive Director, Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD) was present as Guest of Honour.
- ▶ October 26, 2005. Professor J R Choudhury was the Guest of Honour at the concluding Iftar party and he distributed certificates among the winners of various competitions.
- ▶ November 16, 2005. Ms. Hua Du, Country Director, Bangladesh Resident Mission of

the Asian Development Bank was the Guest of Honour.

- ▶ November 30, 2005. Professor Zillur Rahman Khan, Rosebush Professor Emeritus, University of Wisconsin and Mr. Dilwar Hussain Choudhury, Head of Internal Control, City Bank, were the Guests of Honour.
- ▶ December 14, 2005. Dr. Salehuddin Ahmed, Pro VC, BU was the Guest of Honour.



Activities

- ▶ Ms Shuchi Karim, Lecturer, ENH delivered a lecture on “Gender Issues in Bangladesh” to the students of RS on March 7, 2005.
- ▶ The microlab exercise was held on April 2, 2005.
- ▶ An “Organizing for Residential Semester” workshop was held on May 19, 2005.
- ▶ A day-long workshop for teachers and managers involved in RS was held on August 30, 2005. The purpose was to discuss how to make the RS as effective as possible.
- ▶ RS students organized a Cultural Competition on September 20, 2005, another one on October 3, 2005 and a Cultural Evening on November 15, 2005.
- ▶ A number of Student Activity Newsletters (ANL) came out at regular intervals throughout the year. These publications are based on life at TARC and are produced entirely by the students.
- ▶ A number of inter-dorm competitions in sports such as football, handball, volleyball, carom, table tennis, badminton, chess, etc. were held during the year.
- ▶ A number of quiz competitions were held throughout the year.

Career Services Office

The name Career Placement Office was changed to Career Services Office (CSO) in August, 2005. The office will assist in identifying possible positions and help prepare application materials: writing a resume, developing applications and sharpening interviewing skills through Professional Skills Development Program (PSDP). CSO also holds 'Networking Session' with the prospective employers to create opportunities for students to mingle with organizations directly.

There were two sessions of PSDP, one during the spring semester and the other during the fall semester. PSDP deals with etiquette training, CV/cover letter writing, developing interview skills essential for the job search process. Nevertheless, English remained a problem for a few. Based on a student survey of the value of the Savar residential semester in relation to English, an English Language Program (El-Pro) has been introduced. To that end El-Pro has been integrated into PSDP to improve students' English speaking capabilities.

A PSDP session was held on June 29, 2005 for the architecture students. Ten senior students, of which two were due to depart for India for an international internship, participated in that session. Professor Fuad Mullick, Dr. Zainab F Ali and Dr. Mahtab-Uz-Zaman were present and also gave relevant inputs. The primary objective of the brief session was to make the students aware about the importance of a professional image and positive attitude.

The year started with successful internship placements of six MBA students at BRAC Bank and one MBA and two BBA students at Citibank NA. Thereafter student placement included one CSE student at BASE IT Ltd, one

BBA student at ShowMotion Ltd and one at British American Tobacco Bangladesh (BATB)

BATB recruitment test took place at BAT Premise on May 18, 2005. Sixteen MBA students participated in the test. Nurul Hasan, MBA student, qualified for the test and was later recruited as a Territory Officer, now posted in Pabna.

Eight former students have attained internships and fourteen have attained jobs through CSO.

As part of the Networking Session a Banker's Night Dinner was held on Thursday, March 24, 2005. The highlight of the session was the open floor discussion between employers and the prospective graduates. The employers focused on the importance of communication skills and significance of an analytical mind.



Dr. Zainab F Ali, Director of Students Affairs arranged a networking session on June 27, 2005 for the students undertaking Professional Skills Development Program, conducted by the Career Services Office. The guest for the session was Mr. Dinesh Bidappa, HR Director of Unilever. Mr. Bidappa spoke about his experiences and the attitude prospective graduates must possess in order to gain entry into the job market.

On July 10, 2005 Ms. Irfat Ali, Head of Operations of Global Suppliers Ltd, a company that has recently franchised A&W, fast food international chain, spoke about her first hand experience of franchising A&W and the obstacles faced in the process. The information was particularly helpful for the BUS 101: Introduction to Business students who were studying about franchising.

British American Tobacco (BAT) held a case competition called the 'Battle of Minds' on September 12, 2005. Ten private and public universities had participated including BU. Four students, Shah Md. Azlan, Fahmida Tani

Ahmed, Jinea Akhter and Samir Abdur Rahman participated from BU. Shah Mohammad Azlan received a ticket to the assessment centre of BAT for job recruitment.

MBA Forum in collaboration with CSO held a Networking Session over Iftar on Sunday, October 30, 2005. Senior Executives were invited from BRAC Bank and The City Bank Ltd.

A "Global Micro Entrepreneurship Award" research was jointly sponsored by CITI Group and UNCDF. Nine BU students have been selected as Volunteer Researchers in the program.

Facilities for Learning

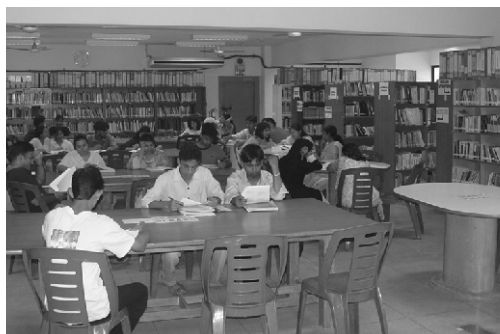
BU has expanded physically in the last year. It now occupies six floors of Aarong House (AH), a twenty-storied building situated adjacent to the University building itself. The BU library extends over two floors of this structure. The University also occupies six floors of Standard Tower (ST), a building located a block away from the main University building. These floors hold the Departments of Architecture, Economics and Social Sciences and Mathematics and Natural Sciences, and the Schools of Law and Public Health. Furthermore, the University also occupies five floors of the main University Building (UB) at Mohakhali. IED is located in a five storied building in Niketan.

Classrooms

BU boasts a multitude of classrooms, ranging from regular ones that can hold 40-50 students, to large ones with a capacity of 80-100 seats. Each classroom is fully air-conditioned and is equipped with multimedia projectors, overhead projectors and computers with access to the Internet. Some classrooms have, in addition to these, televisions, VCR and equipment that can be used for teleconferencing. Furthermore, BU has access to facilities at BRAC Centre Inn and the BRAC support facilities all over Bangladesh for teachers and students use during field visits.

Ayesha Abed Library

Spread over two floors of Aarong House, the library of BU covers an area of 9,000 square feet. The library currently has over 14,000 textbooks, journals, magazines, research papers and other digital resources. In addition, BU has a subscription to the journal archive, JSTOR (www.jstor.org). Six professional



librarians staff the reference/circulation desk, perform literature searches, offer training, referral and bibliographic services. E-mail facilities for individual students and photocopying are available. Agora and Hinari fulltext journal databases provide web access to over 4,000 serial titles covering medicine, development, appropriate technology and social sciences. The library online book catalog is available through the Internet.

The library on the second floor of Aarong House has workstations, a newspaper corner, a CD corner, silent study rooms, discussion rooms as well as a general study area. BRAC employees also have access to the library. Inter library loans and cooperative information exchange with other major libraries supports reference and research responses.

Journal

Two issues of BU journal were published during 2005. The journals contained articles relevant to the departments of BU. The contributions came from both within and outside BU.

Computer Lab

There are currently three labs at the University Building (UB), six at Aarong House (AH), including the library, one at Standard Tower, three in the Savar campus, including a SPSS lab that is used exclusively by MPH students,



and one in the Centre for Governance Studies at Rajendrapur. These computer labs have a total of 323 computers, of which 65 are in the Savar campus and 26 are in the Rajendrapur campus. These are all latest model personal computers with built-in multi-media connected to IBM Netfinity 5000 Servers by a Windows NT local area network (LAN). For all lab work, there is one computer for each student. Computers are connected to a host of other peripheral devices such as scanners, printers, digital cameras, etc. Suitable UPS units back up electric power supply to all computers and peripheral devices. Furthermore, stand-by generators back up other electric equipment. All these facilities are continually being upgraded to keep pace with changing technology. Furthermore, all servers have been upgraded with new configurations, as have the student, staff and faculty main servers.

Digital Lab

The purpose of establishing a separate digital lab was to enhance students' understanding of microprocessors, circuits and electronics. This lab contains a wide variety of equipment, including oscilloscopes, trainer boards, microprocessors, digital multimeters, ammeters, wattmeters, rheostats, generators, inductors and other such equipment.

Language Lab

The language lab in BU, one of the first of its kind in the country, is meant to help students

improve their language and communication skills. The lab is divided into individual cubicles, each equipped with headphones, recording and playback devices.

Video Conferencing Centre

BU is the only university that has its own Video Conferencing Centre. This is located on the fifth floor of Aarong House and is used to conduct live meetings, corporate affairs, seminars and presentations among people who are geographically apart. Furthermore, it enables virtual tours and participation in global events. Around 25 people can participate at a time.



IT Network

The IT Network of BU enables all members, students and faculty alike, to maintain personal user accounts with an email account and a home folder. In addition to this, all members can access certain common folders. This makes sharing and distribution of class lectures, assignments and other such information a mouse click away. BU now has 647 workstations linked together through Local Area Network (LAN) and Wide Area Network (WAN).

Architectural Studio

There are eight architecture studios at BU, each equipped with large drawing tables,

worktables, equipment such as rulers, lockers and plenty of space in which to display the final outcomes. Each of these studios can hold up to 20 students at a time.

Prangan

Prangan, located on the first floor of the University Building, is an open-air garden with a capacity of 100 students. This area includes a snack bar that serves tea, coffee and snacks, a provision for indoor games such as carom and chess and plenty of seats where



students can lounge around and enjoy the fresh air.

BU Cafeteria

The Cafeteria of the university is a spacious and well-lit area that can hold up to 150 students at any given time. It serves a variety of snacks, meals and drinks. Adjacent to the cafeteria is the Indoor Games Room, with provisions for playing table tennis, carom and chess.



Faculty Development Programs

BU organized a number of seminars and workshops throughout the year to help its faculty members to improve their teaching skills.

Workshop # 01 : “Excellence in Teaching”

Focus : Principles of effective teaching and learning, communication skills, class and course organization, teaching with technology, course assessment techniques
Facilitator : Dr. Kauser Jahan, Associate Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering at Rowan University, New Jersey, USA
Participants : Chairpersons and senior faculty
Date : January 3-5, 2005

Workshop # 02 : “Organizing for Residential Semester”

Focus : Problems encountered in residential semesters so far and how to overcome those
Facilitator : Dr Yousuf M Islam, Coordinator, RS program, BU
Participants : Professor Firdous Azim, Dr Abdur Rab, Brigadier General (retired) Shafaat Ahmed, Campus Superintendent, teachers attending RS Summer 2005
Date : May 19, 2005

Workshop # 03 : “Case Analysis Techniques”

Focus : Various case analysis techniques and how these can be incorporated into classroom teaching
Facilitator : Professor Abdur Rab
Participants : Faculty members of the MGB Department, BU
Date : May 24-25, 2005

Workshop # 04 : “Curriculum Development and Course Design”

Focus : Curriculum Design of two new courses, Eng 201 and Eng 301
Facilitator : Ms Shaheena Chowdhury, Lecturer and Ms. Mafruha Mohua, Lecturer
Participants : All full-time faculty of ENH Department, BU
Date : May 29, 2005

Workshop # 05 : “ESS Research Initiatives Workshop”

Focus : Development of research initiatives at faculty and student levels, and identify broad research areas under which future work is to be done
Facilitator : Dr. Anwarul Hoque
Participants : All full-time faculty and junior/senior level students of ESS Department, BU
Date : July 7-8, 2005

Workshop # 06 : “Planning and Teaching Tips for University Teachers”

Focus : Course planning, organization, delivery and evaluation
Facilitator : Dr Ahmed Mustafa, visiting faculty, Associate Professor, Purdue University, USA
Participants : Faculty members of all Departments.
Date : August 11, 2005

Workshop # 07 : “Research Methodology”

Focus : Different aspects of carrying out research
Facilitators : Professor Abdur Rab, Dr Anwarul Hoque, Mr Mahmudul Haq and Mr Tanzir A Chowdhury
Participants : Faculty members of MGB Department, BU
Date : August 21 and 25, 2005

Workshop # 08 : “Orientation Workshop for New Teachers”

Focus : Teaching techniques for new teachers
Facilitators : Dr. Salehuddin Ahmed, Pro VC, BU (main), Dr. Yousuf M Islam (coordinator), Professor Abdur Rab, Professor Naiyyum Choudhury, Professor Fuad H Mallick, Professor Syed Manzoorul Islam, Dr Sayeed Salam, Ms. Suchi Karim and Mr. Tanzir A Chowdhury
Participants : 21 new and some fairly new teachers of BU
Date : August 24-25, 2005

Other Seminars and Faculty Activities

Throughout the year 2005, a number of seminars and workshops were organized at BU.

A seminar on Appropriate Information Technology was held on January 03, 2005 at BRAC Centre Auditorium on “The Case for Technology for Developing Regions” by Professor Eric A. Brewer, Associate Professor of Computer Science, UC Berkeley and “Creating Sustainable Information Technology, Products, and Services” by Mr. Greg Wolff, Vice President of Ricoh Innovations and a 2004-2005 fellow in the Digital Vision program at Stanford University.

BU hosted a seminar on “Agile Approaches towards Software Development” on February 28, 2005. Mr. Ahmed Hafiz Ahsan, currently Vice President at JP Morgan in New York was the key speaker.

The Campaign for Popular Education (CAMPE) organized the launching ceremony

of the Education Watch 2003/04 Report “Quality with Equity: The Primary Education Agenda” on March 12, 2005. Dr. M Osman Farruk, MP, Hon'ble Minister for Education was present as a chief guest. Dr. Manzoorul Ahmed, Director, BU-IED also spoke in the ceremony.

“The Saturday Hour” series seminar was held on October 01, 2005. Dr. Imran Matin, Head, MDS Program, presented the second seminar of the series. Feature film “Kranti”, a 90-minute feature film dedicated to creating social awareness and promoting women's rights, was screened in the seminar. Dr. Mirza Hassan, filmmaker and independent researcher, presented a brief review of the film.

Mr. M A H Sameni, Librarian, Ayesha Abed Library, BU attended a daylong Training Workshop organized by United Nations Information Centre (UNIC) on November 29, 2005 at CIRDAP Auditorium. The title of the training workshop was ‘Role of Knowledge Managers to Disseminate UN Resources Through Website’.

ANNEX-A**List of Faculty Members****Architecture**

SI Name	Designation
1 Professor Fuad Hassan Mallick	<i>Chairperson</i>
2 Dr Zainab F Ali	<i>Associate Professor</i>
3 Dr Q M Mahtab-Uz-Zaman	<i>Associate Professor</i>
4 Ms Nesfun Nahar	<i>Lecturer</i>
5 Mr Hafizul Hasan	<i>Lecturer</i>
6 Ms Huraera Jabeen	<i>Lecturer</i>
7 Mr Khondaker Hasibul Kabir	<i>Lecturer</i>
8 Ms Yasmin Ara	<i>Lecturer</i>
9 Mr Abu Muhammad Rahat Mujib Niaz	<i>Lecturer</i>
10 Ms Tanzia Sharmin	<i>Lecturer</i>
11 Mr A H M Anwar Sadmani	<i>Lecturer</i>
12 Mr Iftekhar Ahmed	<i>Lecturer</i>
13 Mr A Q M Abdullah	<i>Lecturer</i>
14 Ms Rehnuma Parveen	<i>Lecturer</i>
15 Mr Shawkat Ahmed Mozumder	<i>Lecturer</i>
16 Mr Shams Mansoor Ghani	<i>Lecturer</i>
17 Professor Jamilur Reza Choudhury	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
18 Ms Farhana Azim	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
19 Md Enamul Haq Enam	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
20 Mr Shameen Ahmed	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
21 Dr Raquib Ahsan	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
22 Dr Kamrun Nahar	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
23 Dr K Iftekhar Ahmed	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
24 Professor Khairul Enam	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
25 Dr Enamul Haque	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
26 Dr Shabbir Ahmed	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
27 Dr Nasreen Hossain	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
28 Mr Md Rafiq Azam	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
29 Mr Kazi Golam Nasir	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
30 Mr B K S Inan	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
31 Mr Mustasim M Khan	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
32 Mr Manosh Kumar Mitra	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
33 Mr Shah Alam Talukder	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
34 Mr Nurur Rahman Khan	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
35 Dr Shahaduzzaman	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
36 Mr Qazi Muhammed Arif	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
37 Ms Marina Tabassum	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
38 Mr Ehsan Khan	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
39 Mr Mustafa Hasan Shamim	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
40 Mr Md Lutfor Rahman	<i>DCO</i>

Disaster Management

SI Name	Designation
1 Dr K. Iftekhar Ahmed	<i>Coordinator</i>
2 Ms Dilruba Haider	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
3 Mr Kh Hasibul Kabir	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
4 Professor Fuad H Mallick	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
5 Professor Ainun Nishat	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
6 Professor Rezaur Rahman	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
7 Mr Muhammad Saidur Rahman	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
8 Mr Ian Rector	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
9 Mr Q M Mahtab-uz-Zaman	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>

Computer Science & Engineering

SI Name	Designation
1 Dr Sayeed Salam	<i>Chairperson</i>
2 Dr Mumit Khan	<i>Associate Professor</i>
3 Mr Md Mafijul Islam	<i>Lecturer</i>
4 Ms Amina Hasan Abedin	<i>Lecturer</i>
5 Mr Syed Md Ashraful Karim	<i>Lecturer</i>
6 Ms Sadia Kazi	<i>Lecturer</i>
7 Mr Hossain Arif	<i>Lecturer</i>
8 Mr Matin Saad Abdullah	<i>Lecturer</i>
9 Mr Moinul Islam Zaber	<i>Lecturer</i>
10 Mr Abdullah Al Mamun	<i>Lecturer</i>
11 Ms Bushra Tawfiq Chowdhury	<i>Lecturer</i>
12 Mr Md Sumon Shahriar	<i>Lecturer</i>
13 Ms Farzana Rashid	<i>Lecturer</i>
14 Mr M Ashraful Amin	<i>Lecturer</i>
15 Mr Abdussamad Ahmed Muntahi	<i>Lecturer</i>
16 Mr Shadid Haque	<i>Lecturer</i>
17 Mr Mushfiqur Rouf	<i>Lecturer</i>
18 Ms Sonia Sharmin Islam	<i>Lecturer</i>
19 Mr Rajat Shuvro Roy	<i>Lecturer</i>
20 Mr Zillur Rahman	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
21 Mr Mohammad Shafkat Amin	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
22 Dr Javed I Khan	<i>Visiting Professor</i>
23 Dr Nasim Dewan	<i>Part Time Faculty</i>
24 Ms Rowshan Jahan	<i>Project Coordinator</i>
25 Mr Asif Iqbal Saker	<i>Research Programmer</i>
26 Mr Dewan Shariar Hossain Pavel	<i>Research Programmer</i>
27 Mr Md Zahurul Islam	<i>Research Programmer</i>
28 Naushad UzZaman	<i>Research Programmer</i>
29 Mr Kamrul Hayder	<i>Linguistic Consultant</i>
30 Ms Naila Al Mahmuda	<i>DCO</i>

English & Humanities

SI	Name	Designation
1	Professor Firdous Azim	Chairperson
2	Ms Sohana Manzoor	Lecturer
3	Ms Shaheena Choudhury	Lecturer
4	Shuchi Karim	Lecturer
5	Ms Nausheen Eusuf	Lecturer
6	Ms Tania Afroz Khan	Lecturer
7	Ms Shagufta Hyder Sadia	Lecturer
8	Ms Rukshana Rahim Chowdhury	Lecturer
9	Ms Naira Khan	Lecturer
10	Ms Nazia Husain	Lecturer
11	Mr Rakesh Palash Saha	Lecturer
12	Mr Mohammad Shahidul Islam	Lecturer
13	Ms Sahana Bajpaie	Lecturer
14	Professor Syed Manzoorul Islam	Part Time Faculty
15	Ms Shenin Ziauddin	Part Time Faculty
16	Professor Kaiser Mohamed Hamidul Haq	Part Time Faculty
17	Professor Jahanara Huq Chowdhury	Part Time Faculty
18	Professor Shawkat Hussein	Part Time Faculty
19	Dr Ahmed A Jamal	Part Time Faculty
20	Ms Nazmeen Huq	Part Time Faculty
21	Ms Farzana Zabeen Khan	Part Time Faculty
22	Ms Aleya Siddika	Part Time Faculty
23	Ms Farahanaz Rabbani	Part Time Faculty
24	Ms Zerine Alam	Part Time Faculty
25	Dr A K M Salahuddin	Part Time Faculty
26	Ms Faria Tofail	Part Time Faculty
27	Mr Mohammad Ali Khan	DCO

EI-Pro

SI	Name	Designation
1	Ms Syeda Sarwat Abed	Director
2	Mr Michael Kossivas	Coordinator
3	Mr A T M Sajedul Haq	Lecturer
4	Ms Shaheen Ara	Lecturer
5	Ms Tasnuva Arafeen	Lecturer
6	Ms Jesmine Zaker	Lecturer

Economics & Social Sciences

SI	Name	Designation
1	Dr Anwarul Hoque	Chairperson
2	Dr Wasiqur Rahman Khan	Assistant Professor
3	Mr Tanzir Ahmed Chowdhury	Program Coordinator & Senior Lecturer
4	Mr Mohammad Jahangir Alam	Lecturer

SI	Name	Designation
5	Ms Shaila Parveen	Lecturer
6	Ms Irum Shehreen Ali	Lecturer
7	Mr Abu Zafar Md Shahriar	Lecturer
8	Ms Mahbuba Naznin Sani	Lecturer
9	Ms Sakiba Zeba	Lecturer
10	Ms Humaira Husain	Lecturer
11	Ms Nahid Sultana	Lecturer
12	Mr Md Kamrul Hasan	Lecturer
13	Mr Perves Shonchoy	Lecturer
14	Mr Shafkat Ali	Lecturer
15	Ms Fiona T Rahman	Part Time Faculty
16	Dr Ferdous Jahan	Part Time Faculty
17	Dr Mahmudul Alam	Part Time Faculty
18	Dr Shamim F Karim	Part Time Faculty
19	Dr Enamul Haque	Part Time Faculty
20	Dr Nurul Huda Abul Monsur	Part Time Faculty
21	Dr Ferdous Osman	Part Time Faculty
22	Dr Rezai Karim Khandakar	Part Time Faculty
23	Ms Farhana Sharmin Chowdhury	DCO

Master of Development Studies

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1	Dr Imran Matin	Director
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3	Professor S R Osmani	Visiting Professor
4	Dr Lutfun Nahar Khan Osmani	Visiting Professor
5	Dr M Sahaduzzaman	Course Contract
6	Mr Shafi R Khan	Course Contract
7	Mehnaz Rabbani	Course Contract
8	Dr Munim Kumar Barai	Course Contract
9	Ms Rumana Hashem	Course Contract
10	Dr MA Hakim	Course Contract
11	Dr AKM Saiful Majid	Course Contract
12	Dr M Sulaiman	Course Contract
13	Mr Sadat Bin Saif	DCO

Management & Business

SI	Name	Designation
1	Professor Abdur Rab	Chairperson
2	Mr Mahmudul Haq	Lecturer
3	Mr Shawkat Kamal	Lecturer
4	Mr Suntu Kumar Ghosh	Lecturer
5	Mr Md Zakir Hossain Sharkar	Lecturer
6	Mr Anisur Rahman Faroque	Lecturer
7	Ms Nadia Huq	Lecturer
8	Md Farhan Faruqui	Lecturer
9	Ms Afsana Akhter	Lecturer
10	Mr Mohammad Khaleq Newaz	Lecturer

SI	Name	Designation	SI	Name	Designation
11	Mr Mohammad Ali Tareq	Lecturer	10	Professor Mofiz Uddin Ahmed	Part Time Faculty
12	Mr Ali Salman	Lecturer	11	Professor Sajeda Banu	Part Time Faculty
13	Mr Tanvir Ahmed Khan	Lecturer	12	Professor Ziaush Shams Haq	Part Time Faculty
14	Mr Ashique Khan	Lecturer	13	Professor Amin Hasan Kazi	Part Time Faculty
15	Dr Md Jahangir Alam	Part Time Faculty	14	Dr Kazi Md Fazlul Haq	Part Time Faculty
16	Professor Mujib U Ahmed	Part Time Faculty	15	Mr Abul Bashar	Part Time Faculty
17	Professor Ali Ahsan	Part Time Faculty	16	Ms Mirza Shamaruh	Part Time Faculty
18	Mr Kishwar Imdad	Part Time Faculty	17	Mr Mohammad Shamim Azad	DCO
19	Ms Farzana Choudhry	Part Time Faculty	School of Law		
20	Mr Md Shofiqul Islam	Part Time Faculty	SI	Name	Designation
21	Mr Md Abdus Sobhan	Part Time Faculty	1	Dr Shahdeen Malik	Director, School of Law
22	Mr Md Nazmul Haque	Part Time Faculty	2	Mr Shamsuddin Mahmood	Head, Under Graduate Program
23	Mr Md Ridwanul Haq	Part Time Faculty	3	Ms Saira R Khan	Assistant Professor
24	Mr Abdul Kader Nazmul	Part Time Faculty	4	Dr Quazi Reza-Ul Haque	Part Time Faculty
25	Mr Naseer Ahmed	Part Time Faculty	5	Ms Seema Zaman	Part Time Faculty
26	Mr Mohammad Salek	Part Time Faculty	6	Mr Rayhanul Haque	DCO
27	Mr Kh Shamsuddin Mahmud	Part Time Faculty	School of Public Health		
28	Mr Mahbubur Rahman	Part Time Faculty	SI	Name	Designation
29	Dr M Z Mamun	Part Time Faculty	1	Dr A M R Chowdhury	Dean
30	Ms Farzana Choudhury	Part Time Faculty	2	Dr Demissie Habte	International Director
31	Mr Tanzir A Chowdhury	Part Time Faculty	3	Dr Shahaduz Zaman	Associate Professor
32	Mr A S M Parvez	Part Time Faculty	4	Dr Sabina F Rashid	Assistant Professor
33	Mr Mohammad Jahangir Alam	Part Time Faculty	5	Ms Rumana Akter	Research Associate
34	Ms Mirka K Rahman	Part Time Faculty	6	Ms Sabiha Chowdhuri	Research Associate
35	Mr Abdul Kader Nazmul	Part Time Faculty	7	Dr Mizanur Rashid Shuvra	Research Associate
36	Professor Ali Ahsan	Part Time Faculty	8	Mr Donald Bapi	DCO
37	Mr Naseer Ahmed	Part Time Faculty	Center for Governance Studies		
38	Mr Ashraful Haque	Part Time Faculty	SI	Name	Designation
39	Mr Ridhwanul Haq	Part Time Faculty	1	Dr Akbar Ali Khan	Director
40	Mr M Obaidur Rahman	Part Time Faculty	2	Dr M Matiur Rahman	Academic Coordinator
41	Mr Lutfor Rahman	Part Time Faculty	3	Mr Iftikhar Arman Rashid	Assistant Coordinator
42	Mr M Islam Shaikat	Part Time Faculty	4	Ms Erin Islam	Coordination Officer
43	Mr Sajedul Haq	Part Time Faculty	Faculty		
44	Mr Sharmina Hussain	Part Time Faculty	5	Dr Salehuddin Ahmed	Pro-Vice Chancellor
45	Mr Zakirul Haque	Part Time Faculty	6	Dr Munim Kumar Barai	Guest Faculty
46	Mr Mostak Ahmed	DCO	7	Dr Md Golam Samdani Fakir	Director, Training, BRAC
47	Mr Satyajit Kumar Modak	DCO	8	Mr A S M Abdul Halim	Guest Faculty
Mathematics & Natural Science			9	Mr M Mujibul Haq	Guest Faculty
SI	Name	Designation	10	Dr A K Enamul Haque	Guest Faculty
1	Professor A A Ziauddin Ahmad	Chairperson			
2	Professor Naiyyum Choudhury	Professor			
3	Mr Md Jakir Hossen	Lecturer			
4	Mr A K M Shafiq Ullah	Lecturer			
5	Mr Md Lutfur Rahman	Lecturer			
6	Ms Sharmina Hussain	Lecturer			
7	Mr Iftekhar Md Shafiqul Kalam	Lecturer			
8	Ms Nawshaba Islam	Lecturer			
9	Mr Mohammad Maruf Ahmed	Lecturer			

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11 Mr Manzoor Hasan	<i>Deputy Executive Director, BRAC</i>	9 Dr Firoza Begum	<i>ECD Research Associate</i>
12 Md Towheed Hossain	<i>Guest Faculty</i>	10 Mr Khaled Al Fesani	<i>ECD Network Administrator</i>
13 Professor Musharraf Hossain	<i>Guest Faculty</i>	Primary Education Team	
14 Ms Nazmeen Huq	<i>Guest Faculty</i>	11 Shaheen Akter	<i>Team Leader</i>
15 Dr Saadat Hussain	<i>Guest Faculty</i>	12 Mr Kazi Sameeo Sheesh	<i>Young Professional</i>
16 Dr Syed Manzoorul Islam	<i>Guest Faculty</i>	13 Mr Syed Mohammad Masud Jamali	<i>Young Professional</i>
17 Dr Yousuf M Islam	<i>Guest Faculty</i>	Secondary Education Team	
18 Ms Jan Jenkins	<i>Visiting Faculty</i>	14 Mr Md Kabir Tafiqul Islam	<i>Team Leader</i>
19 Mr Andrew Jenkins	<i>Visiting Faculty</i>	15 Mr Mohammad Shahidul Islam	<i>Junior Professional</i>
20 Dr Mizan R Khan	<i>Guest Faculty</i>	16 Mr Md Rezaul Karim Siddiky	<i>Young Professional</i>
21 Professor Mohabbat Khan	<i>Guest Faculty</i>	17 Ms Farhana Jahan	<i>Junior Professional</i>
22 Professor Ainun Nishat	<i>Guest Faculty</i>	18 Mr Mohammad Mamunur Rashid	<i>Young Professional</i>
23 Dr Gowher Rizvi, Harvard University	<i>Visiting Faculty</i>	19 Ms Dilruba Sultana	<i>Young Professional</i>
24 Mr M Saiduzzaman	<i>Guest Faculty</i>	Teacher Development Team	
25 Dr Kamal Uddin Siddiqui	<i>Guest Faculty</i>	20 Mr Vibekananda Howlader	<i>Team Leader</i>
BRAC University Institute of Educational Development		21 Mr Jahirul Islam Mullick	<i>Young Professional</i>
Sl Name	Designation	22 Hla Sein Khaine	<i>Junior Professional</i>
Directing Staff		23 Ms Sima Mitra	<i>Young Professional</i>
1 Dr Manzoor Ahmed	<i>Director</i>	Education Research Team	
2 Dr Sudhir Chandra Sarker	<i>Programme Coordinator</i>	24 Mr Md Altaf Hossain	<i>Team Leader</i>
3 Mr Jaddon Park	<i>Visiting Faculty</i>	25 Mr Md Abul Kalam	<i>Education Researcher</i>
ECD Resource Centre		26 Ms Sumala Chowdhury	<i>Junior Professional</i>
4 Ms Mahmuda Akhter	<i>Head, ECDRC</i>	Librarian	
5 Mr Mohammad Kazi Foysal	<i>Junior Professional</i>	27 Ms Foujia Nahid	<i>Librarian</i>
6 Mr Mamun Rashed	<i>ECD Specialist</i>		
7 Mr Golam Kibria	<i>ECD Specialist</i>		
8 Ms Suborna Camelia	<i>Junior Professional</i>		

ANNEX-B**BRAC University Management, Officials and Staff**

Sl	Name	Designation
1	Professor Jamilur Reza Choudhury	<i>Vice Chancellor</i>
2	Dr Salehuddin Ahmed	<i>Pro-Vice Chancellor</i>
3	Mr Sukhendra Kumar Sarkar	<i>Treasurer (Honorary)</i>
4	Mr Muhammad Sahool Afzal	<i>Registrar</i>
5	Dr Yousuf Mahbubul Islam	<i>Director, Research & Advisory Services</i>
6	Dr Zainab F Ali	<i>Director, Student Affairs</i>
7	Mr Shafaat Ahmad	<i>Campus Superintendent</i>
8	Ms Shreyasee Sarma Pati	<i>Senior Assistant Registrar</i>
9	Ms Farzana Choudhry	<i>Assistant Director, Career Service</i>
10	Mr Obaidullah Al Zakir	<i>Public Relations Officer</i>
11	Mr Mohammad Hossain	<i>Senior System Admin</i>
12	Mr Golam Sarwar	<i>Estate Officer</i>
13	Ms Shamsun Nahar Rahman	<i>Senior Student Affairs Officer</i>
14	Ms Rosy Sharif	<i>H R Officer</i>
15	Ms Rofequnnesa Amin	<i>Secretary to the VC</i>
16	Dr Mahbuba Ferdous	<i>Medical Officer</i>
17	Ms Iris Pervin	<i>Examination and Transcript Officer</i>
18	Ms Nazmus Sabeka	<i>Exam & Transcript Officer</i>
19	Mr Md Arifuzzaman	<i>Scheduling and Registration Officer</i>
20	Ms Fahima Khanam	<i>Assistant System Administrator</i>
21	Mr Aminul Islam	<i>Assistant System Administrator</i>
22	Mr Moudud Sabbir	<i>Assistant System Administrator</i>
23	Mr S M Mahbubuzzaman	<i>Assistant System Administrator</i>
24	Ms Keya Kundu	<i>Accountant</i>
25	Ms Tanjima Tamanna	<i>Accounts Officer</i>
26	Mr Emdadul Islam	<i>Assistant Accountant</i>
27	Mr Suman Chandra Das	<i>Assistant Accounts Officer</i>
28	Mr Md Wahedul Islam	<i>Administrative Officer</i>
29	Mr Nurul Islam	<i>Assistant Admin Officer</i>
30	Ms Farzana Akter	<i>Student Counselor</i>
31	Mr Ashiqur Rahman Ashiq	<i>Student Counselor</i>
32	Mr Musleh Uddin	<i>Assistant Marketing Officer & Counselor</i>
33	Dr Samina Masud Santa	<i>Resident Medical Officer</i>
34	Ms Sadeka Banu	<i>House Tutor</i>
35	Mr Aminul Islam	<i>House Tutor</i>
36	Mr Md Shahinur Islam	<i>House Tutor</i>
37	Mr Faruk Hossain	<i>House Tutor</i>
38	Mr Md Abdul Hayee Sameni	<i>Librarian</i>
39	Ms Nasima Begum	<i>Assistant Librarian</i>
40	Mr Kh Ali Murtoza	<i>Junior Librarian</i>
41	Mr Md Shahidul Islam	<i>Junior Librarian</i>
42	Mr Ahmad Parvez	<i>Library Assistant</i>
43	Mr Muhammad Shahjahan	<i>Campus Supervisor</i>

ANNEX C

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Governing Board of BRAC University

We have audited the accompanying Balance Sheet of BRAC University as of 31 December 2005 and the related Income and Expenditure Account and Cash Flow Statement together with notes 1 to 27 for the year then ended. The preparation of these Financial Statements is the responsibility of the management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these Financial Statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Bangladesh Standards on Auditing (BSA). These standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the Financial Statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles and significant estimates made by the management, as well as evaluating the overall Financial Statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the Financial Statements, prepared in accordance with Bangladesh Accounting Standards (BAS), give a true and fair view of the state of the University's affairs as on 31 December 2005 and of the result of its operations and its Cash Flow for the year then ended and comply with Private University Act 1992 and other relevant laws and regulations.

We also report that:

- (a) we have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of our audit and made due verification thereof;
- (b) in our opinion, proper books of account as required by law have been kept by the University so far as it appeared from our examination of those books;
- (c) the university's Balance Sheet, the Income and Expenditure Account and the Statement of Cash Flow are in agreement with the books of account; and
- (d) the expenditure incurred were for the University's purposes;

Dated, Dhaka
02 April, 2006

S. F. Ahmed & Co.
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Chartered Accountants

BRAC University
Balance Sheet
as at 31 December 2005

Assets	2005 Taka	2004 Taka
Fixed assets	27,748,246	25,629,431
Current assets		
Receivables	5,538,806	4,167,198
Prepayments	5,198,706	2,847,091
Fixed deposit receipts	50,000,000	50,000,000
Cash and cash equivalent	150,286,687	56,506,361
Total current assets	<u>211,024,199</u>	<u>113,520,650</u>
Total assets	<u>238,772,445</u>	<u>139,150,081</u>
Fund and liabilities		
Fund		
Scholarship endowment fund	50,038,166	45,854,458
Reserve fund	50,000,000	50,000,000
Deferred Income	6,540,627	4,575,851
Grant received in advance	181,079	6,073,727
Gratuity fund	604,881	-
Surplus/(Deficit) of income over expenditure	<u>(15,669,094)</u>	<u>(15,481,103)</u>
Total fund	<u>91,695,659</u>	<u>91,022,933</u>
Liabilities		
Fees received in advance	2,197,595	1,746,065
Deposit refundable	100,439,317	-
Outstanding liabilities	10,670,931	26,949,884
	113,307,843	28,695,949
Bank over draft	33,768,943	19,431,199
Total liabilities	<u>147,076,786</u>	<u>48,127,148</u>
Total fund and liabilities	<u>238,772,445</u>	<u>139,150,081</u>

The annexed notes form an integral part of these accounts.

Treasurer

Member of Governing Board

President of Governing Board

As per our annexed report of the same date.

Dated, Dhaka
02 April 2006

S. F. Ahmed & Co.
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Chartered Accountants

BRAC University
Income and Expenditure Statement
For the year ended 31 December 2005

Income	2005 Taka	2004 Taka
Revenue	150,905,083	111,512,284
Interest	6,163,488	6,220,274
Income from endowment fund	2,376,740	2,244,323
Donor grants	<u>18,030,171</u>	<u>5,375,848</u>
Total Income	<u>177,475,482</u>	<u>125,352,729</u>
Expenses		
Teachers salaries	51,016,140	44,448,815
Salaries and benefits of staff	16,197,206	9,251,195
Travelling and transportation	4,316,598	2,127,484
Computer operating expenses	1,425,357	1,030,325
Students admission expenses	589,612	302,507
Medical expenses	21,695	27,216
Repairs & maintenance	4,902,745	4,183,116
General expenses	6,458,893	5,027,402
Rent and utilities	31,123,679	27,918,981
Food and accomodation for resedential students	13,499,724	9,005,822
Scholarship to students	20,745,649	11,738,608
Software development and networking	5,040,331	3,178,924
Honorarium	162,000	199,200
Seminar & conference workshop	1,289,942	761,948
Publicity and advertisement	1,213,896	1,403,275
Subscription for Jounals	233,687	268,403
Consultancy fees	129,333	48,000
Audit fees	95,000	95,000
Staff development and training	65,512	378,031
Co-curriculum Activities of students	969,631	861,974
Interest on loan	1,256,657	447,286
Research expenses	1,758,392	1,243,747
Depreciation on fixed assets	<u>15,151,794</u>	<u>13,444,652</u>
Total expenses	<u>177,663,473</u>	<u>137,391,911</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) of income over expenditure (transferred to balance sheet)	<u>(187,991)</u>	<u>(12,039,182)</u>

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Treasurer

Member of Governing Board

President of Governing Board

As per our annexed report of the same date.

Dated, Dhaka
02 April 2006

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