

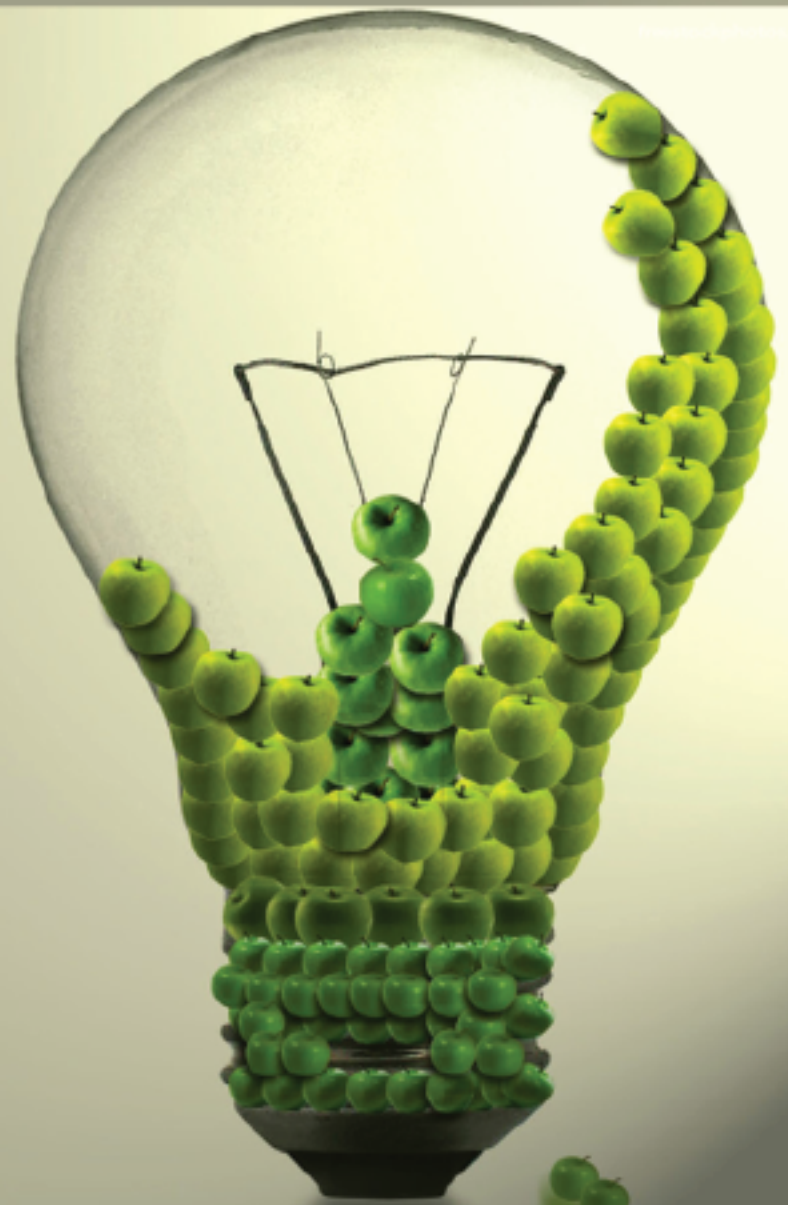


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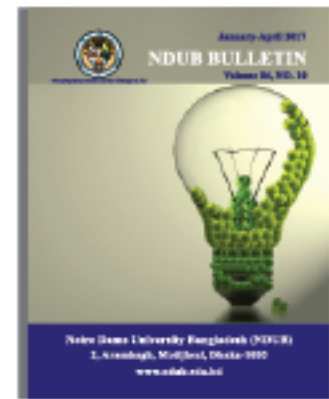
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# Editorial



## Why “Notre Dame”

The Holy Cross Congregation was founded in France 180 years ago. The earliest members were all French. “Notre Dame” is French and means “Our Lady”.

Our Lady, of course refers to Mary, The Mother of Jesus. Christians have a great devotion to her to implore her prayers for us. We see Mary (Maria) in the Bible and recognize her great goodness.

We also hear great praise of Mary (Miriam / Maryam) in the Quran (Koran):

3:37 The Lord graciously accepted her. He made her grow a goodly child.....

3:43 remember the Angel’s words to Mary. He said, “Allah has chosen you. He has made you pure and exalted you above all women.”

66:12 she put her trust in the words of her Lord and His Scriptures and was truly devout.

It is good and right that this University be named for her. We ask her prayers for us and her blessing on all that we do here. We want to honor her with our University. Universities have many different names by which they are known, but ours is named for one who truly is our lady, Notre Dame. We can be proud of of that.

We are now in our third year of classes at NDUB, and this year we have been able to add some more classroom space. Visitors who come to our university may not yet be impressed with our building, which can well be described as “cramped,” but they are regularly impressed with our spirit. People—administrators, faculty, students and staff— seem to feel at home here. There is a seriousness, coupled with friendliness. People are involved, and there is a gentle spirit. We have an atmosphere that is relaxed and inviting.

Our ties with the University of Notre Dame in the United States have grown stronger and provide a lot of encouragement. That relationship will continue to blossom into something advantageous to both institutions. The clubs here are adding to the life of the university, bringing faculty and students together in events and projects that deepen knowledge, sharpen skills, and are interesting and enjoyable also.

The design of our soon-to-be-built permanent academic building is being done very professionally by the teams of engineers and architects at BUET. It will be a striking building, well-suited to contemporary intellectual work, presenting an attractive and welcoming addition to the skyline of downtown Dhaka City. The final design, after much consultation, will soon be at hand. Our yearbook, “Daystar,” is now published and it is beautifully done and gives a good impression of the university, so we can be proud of this first edition.

We are in close contact with the University Grants Commission and appreciate their watching over all the private universities. We are attempting to meet all of their requirements, which we take very seriously.

This university is growing and developing. We are still new and sometimes we struggle, but this is a special place. We have a growing sense of pride in who and what is here and in which direction we are going. We are trying to live up to our motto, which is to achieve “the competence to see and the courage to act.”

Let us all pray for the success of our university.

**Fr. Frank Quinlivan, CSC**



# NDUB ANNUAL SPORTS 2017



Games and sports refer to the physical activities usually involving skills of competitive nature.

Sports have been part of humanity from the initial activities of history. A game gives an opportunity to all athletes to nurture their physical fitness and social interaction skills. Sports and strengths are believed to be two sides of the same coin. People having attachment to this arena usually demonstrate a life of high quality. Necessity of sports:

- Sport activities are the sources of good recreation and they ease the burden of life.
- A game enables a person to maintain health and physical fitness.
- As sports are governed by a set of rules, sportsmanship provides one with guidelines that can be generalized to classroom and lifelong achievement.

Without sports an ideal society cannot be constructed by its members. Participation in a particular game ensures one's good health, freshness and freedom. Sports teach youngsters to become disciplined and to function in a competitive environment. Great virtue of sports teaches everybody to acquire determination to be victorious. The participating candidate may win or lose; thus he/she learns to accept both victory and defeat with grace. There is a famous saying, **"Winners win, winners lose, but winners play."**

To take part in a game during one's free time is important. It enables a person to maintain health and physical fitness. But students need not spend too much of their valuable time playing something or watching sports on TV at the cost of academic progress. However, gifted or talented athletes are encouraged to choose their careers in the field of games and sports.





Nowadays anti-social elements often disrupt normal life causing immense sufferings to the innocent lives. There is a strong belief that if sports along with healthy culture are incorporated into the deep root of society, shameful acts will not frequently take place.

To look after the affairs of NDUB sports 2017 an Organizing Committee with Fr. Lawrence N. Das, CSC as Convener and with faculty members and office staff was constituted earlier. On 8-9 February enthusiastic students took part in the heats through which about 8-10 athletes were selected for each item of the competition. NDUB Annual Sports 2017 began at 9:00 a.m. on 11 February 2017 at the playground of NDC. Barrister Rabeya Bhuiyan, Senior Lawyer and Chairperson, Bhuiyan Academy attended the program as Chief Guest. Fr. Benjamin Costa, CSC chaired the event. With hoisting of the national flag and chanting of the national anthem the program started as scheduled. The athletes stood in the playground in rows and greeted the Chief Guest and others in a humble way. Running with a burning torch the previous year's Sports Celebrity Ornab circled the playground, approached towards the cauldron and ignited the flame. Then Mr. Rizwan Shihab (faculty member) administered sports related oath to the competitors.





Fr. Benjamin in his inaugural speech laid emphasis on carrying out co-curricular activities including sports side by side pursuing regular studies. He reminded all saying, **“All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.”** Fr. Benjamin motivated the students to receive education with pleasure and take part in games at leisure time. He declared that soon there would be NDUB student picnic cum study tour at Nuhash Pally (Gazipur) established by renowned author’ Humayun Ahmed.’

The Chief Guest in her address mentioned, “NDUB promotes student-centered, non-discriminatory and standards-based quality higher education and moral formation through modern curricula giving emphasis on problem-solving that stresses skills development as well as acquisition of knowledge. Proper education aims at the training of the body, mind and behavior of learners. Students generally take to athletic activities for pleasure, diversion and refreshing of mind.” She appreciated NDUB authority for arranging annual sports day every year, which fosters spirit and sportsmanship among the students. Barrister Rabeya





inspired the participants to learn from the examples of healthy competition and to cope with difficult situations in life through display of their feats. Then the Chief Guest inaugurated the program by releasing pigeons and balloons in the sky.

There were 11 events including 100 and 200 meter run, discus and shot-put throw, long jump and dress-as-you like for both boys and girls. Some items such as free-kick, throwing arrow-artifact for male and female members of faculty and staff and pillow-passing only for female teachers gave much enjoyment to the spectators. A large number of students, teachers, and staff attended the sports day program. The Chief Guest's participation in the item of pillow-passing added an additional value to the occasion.

After completion of the sports medals along with books were distributed to the winners by the Chief Guest, VC, Treasurer and Registrar. Ornab Sangma and Aleya Khatun succeeded in becoming Champions for the boys' and the girls' events respectively. There was a raffle draw for 25 prizes including a laptop. The joy of the top prize winners knew no bounds. At the end of the program the Registrar expressed gratitude to the Organizing Committee for executing the day-long program in a joyful atmosphere. He also extended thanks to the faculty members, students and staff for taking active part in this important event.



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# AMAR EKUSHEY (Immortal 21<sup>st</sup>)

## and International Mother Language Day Celebration at NDUB

Mother language is what a baby child communicates for the first time with mother. It is a language a person never forgets, wherever that person lives. The mother language is a prism that determines the first notions of the world to a baby child. The umbilical cord between mother language and thought is inseparable. It is the mother language that represents thought, culture and heritage of an individual. (Barrister Harun-ur-Rashid, Ex Bangladesh Ambassador to the UN)

Bengali is the native language to the region of east and south Asia which is comprised of Bangladesh, the Indian state of West Bengal, and parts of Tripura and Assam. With about 230 million speakers, Bengali is one of the top 10 languages (ranking 7th) of the world.







A program to show glowing respect to Amar Ekushey and International Mother Language Day was celebrated at NDUB campus at 7:30 a.m. on 21 February 2017, which was attended by all levels of people of the university. At the beginning, one minute silence was observed in honor of the language martyrs who laid down their lives on 21 February 1952. Then with the chanting of the national anthem Fr. Benjamin Costa, CSC, VC-in-charge and Fr. Adam S. Periera, Registrar hoisted the national flag at half-mast. They placed floral wreaths at the makeshift monument and stood in solemn silence for some time as a mark of homage to the memories of the language heroes. The teachers and students also placed bouquet there.

Fr. Benjamin in his speech narrated, "Pakistan having mainly two parts as West Pakistan and East Pakistan (current Bangladesh) gained independence from Great Britain on 14 August 1947. On this day in 1952 students and people from all walks of life took to the streets in Dhaka to protest the then government's refusal to recognize Bengali as one of the state languages and the unjust imposition of Urdu as the solo official language of Pakistan. Salam, Barkat, Rafiq and a few others lost their lives when the police opened fire indiscriminately on the procession. As a result, the movement in support of Bengali continued across the country. In 1956 the Pakistan government was compelled to incorporate an article in the constitution, which declared that the state languages of the country would be Bengali and Urdu. Finally through a great struggle and bloodshed Bengali was established as an official language of Pakistan."

It is mention-worthy here that 11 Bengalis were killed on 19 May 1961 in police firing at Selchar railway station, Assam, India while demanding state recognition of Bengali language. Their invaluable sacrifice is also remembered with honor.



Fr. Adam mentioned with satisfaction that Bengalis living in different parts of the globe celebrate the event with due dignity. Mr. Jamilur Rahman Khan (faculty member) explained the background and history of Amar Ekkushey in a nutshell and added that the language-based massive protest progressed into the national struggle that led to the emergence of Bangladesh. So the movement to preserve the honor of Bengali is an immense source of pride and inspiration for all Bengalis as we celebrate great Ekushe (21 February). Mr. Tahsin Ahmed Shams (another member of faculty) recited a poem enriched with the spirit of language movement. A student also recited a patriotic poem and another student presented a song. Fr. Adam expressed his gratitude to the faculty, office staff and students for arranging the program befitting the occasion. He thanked all for attending the celebration which was nicely conducted by Josephine Benedicta Gomes, a student of NDUB.





## NDUB STUDENT PICNIC 2017

Going on a tour is always a matter of joy and merriment. Taking students out of their academic arena to a place of interest makes them more open-minded and confident. It is really great for them to have time together in nature gossiping, talking, playing, and taking a closer look at the available objects. A picnic-type education tour for students is a simple way to gain experiential knowledge.

Such an adventure helps them in the following:

- increases awareness about surroundings
- enhances critical thinking
- allows to gain new experiences with confidence
- stimulates creative faculty
- Inspires to be sensitive to the environment





On 10 March 2017 NDUB student Education Tour cum Picnic was arranged at Nuhash Palli, Gazipur (founded by renowned litterateur Humayun Ahmed) about 50 kilometers north of Dhaka Metropolis. It is a park having some facilities for a picnic or excursion. A contingent of 850 people including 700 students of all departments, administrative officers, and faculty and office staff started off at 8:00 a.m. for the destination by 19 buses and 2 university vehicles. The entourage included VC, Treasurer, Registrar and some members of the faculty. Breakfast was served to all on the buses during the journey. There was a bit of traffic jam on the way, so the transports carrying the picnickers reached the destination at 11:00 am. The beauty of the author's memory is enmeshed at Nuhash Palli and enchanted everybody. The students closely observed the green vegetation with different types of trees, medicinal plants and flowers. Humayun Ahmed was an adorer of nature. There are some splendid statues at the entrance point, birds in the long cage and lotus and water lily in bloom inside the ditch. Some huts on the high trees remind the visitors of the famous movie titled Tarzan. A brick-built house stained with mud is located at the mid-eastern side of the park. The rooms are furnished with some beds, chairs and tables. In the northern part a pond along with a mermaid named Lilabati and a mound creates illusive atmosphere. There is a small rest house with a balcony stretching out to the pond. The place also displays a sculpture of Humayun Ahmed and some stone-statues of animals of the pre-historic age. A chess board of concrete structure with wooden chessmen is a special attraction to those who are fond of the game of chess. In the south-western corner of the park the popular novelist and dramatist Humayun sleeps in his tomb receiving shade from some litchi trees encircled by a wire fence.

The students were divided into a number of groups. They visited every nook and corner, took lots of pictures, heartily enjoyed themselves and became a little tired and hungry.

A delicious lunch appeased their hunger and they became lively again. There was a makeshift stage on which a cultural program consisting of song, dance, recitation and acting was arranged with the participation of the picnickers.



There was also a raffle draw through which some lucky students got several prizes.

Fr. Edmond, Convener, Picnic Committee, Fr. Adam, Registrar and Fr. Benjamin, VC-in-charge praised the students for taking part in the picnic and remaining disciplined all along. The VC-in-charge asked the participants to prepare reflective write-ups on the experience gained during the picnic at Nuhash Palli and declared that Tk. 10,000/ would be given as prize money.

The picnic at Nuhash Palli was an event the students dreamt about. The picnickers enjoyed themselves thoroughly during the daylong program.

All of them boarded the buses which started for Dhaka at 6:45 p.m. and reached NDUB campus between 10:00 and 11:15 p.m. The memory of this picnic is expected to remain fresh in their minds for a long time.

In accordance with the VC's instruction 19 students submitted their write-ups regarding the picnic to VC Office in the stipulated time. Their write-ups disclosed elaborately how they enjoyed the trip together.

A three-member team looked over their scripts with care. Priyonka Deb Nath (Economics, 1st Batch), Murad Ahmed Khan (English, 3rd Batch) and Elizabeth Eti Marandy (English, 5th Batch) became first, second and third and were rewarded Tk. 5,000/, 3,000/ and 2,000/ respectively. The recipients of prize money expressed satisfaction for giving them an opportunity to prove their creative abilities through the initiative. Other participants also were happy to participate in the competition. They are grateful to the NDUB authority for arranging the picnic at such a wonderful venue.



## **CELEBRATION OF INDEPENDENCE DAY** and **Birth Anniversary of Father of the Nation at NDUB**

Bangladesh achieved independence at the cost of three million people's lives and immense sacrifice of numerous families in 1971 from the yoke of Pakistani colonial rule through a nine-month long bloody war under the dynamic leadership of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. Following political uncertainty at the dead of night on March 25, 1971 Bangabandhu was arrested and the Pakistan armed forces carried out one of the cruelest massacres in the world history titled "Operation Searchlight" killing numerous innocent people. Then Bangladesh Government in exile was formed and Bengali armed forces and patriotic citizens began resisting the heavily equipped attackers. The cruel forces continued to perpetrate genocide and destroy the citizens' lives and property till they lost their capacity to carry on misdeeds and crimes against humanity. Finally the occupation forces were compelled to surrender on December 16, 1971 and Bangladesh became a sovereign country. Celebrations of Independence Day and Birth Anniversary of Bangabandhu are two important phenomena in the national life of the citizens.



Bangladesh's 47th Independence Day along with the 97th Birth Anniversary of Father of the nation, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, was celebrated under the auspices of NDUB at its campus on 27 March, 2017. Mrs. Rasheda K. Chowdhury, Adviser to the previous Care-Taker Government and Executive Director, CAMPE was present in the program as Chief Guest. The event started at 12:45 p.m. with chanting of the national anthem and hoisting of the national flag. Then Fr. Benjamin Costa, CSC, VC-in-charge flanked by Fr. Adam S. Pereira, Registrar, teachers, and students laid floral wreaths at the portrait of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman to pay tribute to this great leader who throughout life worked tirelessly to achieve the independence of Bangladesh defying all sorts of conspiracy. The VC-in-charge in his speech mentioned, "Had Bangabaddhu not been born, Bangladesh would not have emerged. Since 1996 Bangabaddhu's Birthday '17 March' has been celebrated as 'Child Day. We know children are the future of the country. Therefore, all parents and teachers must teach the tender-aged humans to become honest,





patriotic, responsible and non-communal citizens.” Ms. Nafisa Sultana and Dr. Jamir Hossain (faculty members) explained the background and history of the liberation struggle led by Bangabandhu. They inspired the students to study the country’s history, follow the ideals of Bangabandhu and other national leaders and learn from their examples.

Ms. Rasheda K. Choudhury in her speech stated, “Bangabandhu fully understood the negative attitudes of the then leaders of Pakistan Government towards the Bengali people. So he strategically prepared the nation to face the enemy’s brutal armed forces that cracked down on us in a cowardly manner. Many citizens fled to India to save lives. There was huge bloodshed; millions of people were killed, tortured and two hundred thousand girls and women were violated during the liberation war of Bangladesh.”

The Chief Guest advised the students to know the authentic history of the country and to realize the sacrifice made by the national leaders, freedom fighters and toiling masses. She motivated them to be profoundly respectful to those who laid down their lives to achieve the independence of our beloved motherland. Finally some students recited poems, presented songs and dances befitting the occasion. At the end the Registrar extended thanks to the Chief Guest and others for taking part in the program.







## THE NEW SECOND FLOOR CLASSROOMS Add Space and Luster

The bright central courtyard of the building that houses Notre Dame University Bangladesh has undergone a dramatic transformation. Immediately following the end of final exams in December 2016, workmen of the M/s Mamun Enterprises, a Dhaka construction firm, moved in to carry out the first stage of an expansion project which they completed on schedule at the end of March. What began with the removal of the tile floor and then excavations in order to install new foundation columns has now ended with the addition of four handsome new classrooms above the central courtyard connected by a half-landing staircase at the southwest corner.

These facilities were needed for two reasons. First, in view of the eventual ground breaking for the high-rise campus building being designed by architects at the Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology, the space currently occupied by NDUB's power station had to be relocated. The transformers and large motor generators will soon occupy what is now the library while the library has been shifted to the two adjacent classrooms. But secondly, in addition to replacing these two lost classrooms, this addition of two new classrooms reckons with a growing number of students.

As with the rest of the current provisional building, the design and the materials used in the construction were chosen with an emphasis on ecological considerations. Solar panels, for instance, line the roof just outside these classrooms and the heavy steel girders which form the skeleton of the structure have been installed in a manner that will allow them to be recovered and used again when the present edifice is dismantled.

The Temporary Facilities Extension Committee oversaw this project and worked to minimize the distraction and disruption while classes and other activities of NDUB were going on. It was led by Fr. Edmond Cruze, CSC, assisted by Fr. Hubert Palma, CSC, Sr. Shagorica Gomes, CSC, and Fr. Joseph Peixotto, CSC, all under the guidance of the Vice Chancellor-in-charge, Fr. Benjamin Costa, CSC.



## **Off-Campus Activities of NDUB VC-in-charge Annual Sports and Prize Giving Ceremony at Basundhara Grammar School and College**

'A Sound mind in a sound body' is an unavoidable necessity for all, particularly for school and college going students. All sorts of sports make one's leisure time worthwhile. It imparts a sense of discipline and togetherness. The greatest educational value of all games stimulates a person for study and hard work. Sport activities are the sources of recreation and take up the burden of life.

Annual Sports and Academic Prize Giving Ceremony at Basundhara Grammar School and College, was arranged at its playground at 10a.m. on 2 February 2017. In response to Ms. Rokeya Akhter's (Principal of this institution) invitation Fr. Benjamin became Chief Guest on the occasion and distributed prizes to the winners. While delivering his speech he mentioned, "Life is full of struggle and man has been encountering adverse situations since the creation of the universe. History testifies that those who excelled in sports later could prove their worth in other areas." Fr. Benjamin advised all participants to take part in games and sports without neglecting studies, acquire human qualities, to be vigilant against militancy and fanaticism and persevering in the face of all difficulties. The guardians of the students appreciated the Chief Guest for his kind presence amidst them and their wards. All of them were inspired by his speech giving guidance in respect of formation of effective life. The Chairperson of the program heartily appreciated Fr. Benjamin for calling upon the pupils to be led by ethical values and instilling confidence in their minds and hearts. At the end there was an attractive cultural event with the participation of students.

## **Bangla Academy Ekushe Book Fair 2017**

In memory of the martyrs of Bangla language movement 1952 every year under the auspices of Bangla Academy 'Ekushe Book Fair' is organized on 1-28 February at its premises and the middle parts of Suhruwardy Garden. Writers, publishers and readers eagerly wait for this Book Fair where novels, poems, fictions, plays and reflective writings are available. The month-long fair is visited by numerous men, women, youngsters and children from all walks of life. They buy books of their choice. Many parents and guardians present chosen books to their wards.

In the Ekushe Book fair at 4:00 p.m. on February 23, 2017 the wrapper of Fr. Benjamin's book titled Probandasamagra published by Lekha-Prokash was unveiled by culture and media personality and renowned journalist Mr. Kamal Lohani. The write-ups reflect Fr. Benjamin's thoughts regarding human formation, contemporary social issues and amicable solutions to a number of problems the present generations usually come across. All kinds of readers, particularly students, youths, teachers and animators are expected to derive benefits from his writings. This ceremony was attended by many people and a host of intellectual personalities. They lauded the author for making contributions to Bangla literary arena and society.

Fr. Benjamin in his speech mentioned what type of society he all along dreamt of. According to his belief with the extension of ethical value based education the number of committed and morally sound citizens would gradually increase creating an opportunity for the nation to get rid of the existing obstacles and all kinds of hazards.

Mr. Lohani conformed to his ideas and added Bangladesh would see better days in the future. In fact, both of them are considered to be the symbols of idealism at this juncture of social crisis. The nation desires their well-thought guidance to influence the present generations towards the path of pluralistic society where all people irrespective of caste, creed and ethnicity can enjoy equal dignity and rights.

## **Annual Prize Distribution Ceremony at Keraniganj Cosmopolitan Laboratory School**

Annual Prize Distribution Ceremony at Keraniganj Cosmopolitan Laboratory School was arranged at its playground on March 4, 2017. This is a renowned institution situated on the south bank of the river Buriganga. Fr. Benjamin attended the event as Chief Guest while Dr. S M A Rahim, Associate Professor, Bangladesh Open University presided over the inaugural session. A large number of students, guardians, social elites and educationists were present there. Fr. Benjamin who distributed prizes to the winners said, "Students' all round development depends on the utilization of their potentials properly. Though their prime responsibilities are to carry out curriculum based studies and abide by the rules and regulations of the educational institute, they need to be creative, innovative and morally upright. Without promoting co-curricular activities their development at the expected level is not possible."

He thanked the school management and the teachers for involving their pupils in different areas such as peer coaching, debating, cultural activities, creative writing, etc. Such constructive activities would help flourish their hidden talents. Fr. Benjamin hoped that the students of this institution would be able to show their talents everywhere and make contributions to the society and nation. The Chairperson expressed his gratitude to Fr. Benjamin for inspiring the budding youngsters to work hard for academic excellence and attainments in other areas.

## **Annual Sports and Cultural Competition 2017 at Shantinagar SK High School**

Annual Sports and Cultural Competition 2017 of Shantinagar SK High School along with a discussion meeting on Banghabandhu's Birthday was held at its playground on March 17, 2017. Fr. Benjamin graced the occasion as Chief Guest. Prof. Dr. Azizur Rahman, ex DG, NAEM and Head of the Department of Economics, NDUB was present in the program as Special Guest. He praised the school authority for arranging the cultural program on March 17 which is a red letter day in our national life. Fr. Benjamin paid profound respect to the memory of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman on his 97th Birth Anniversary and advised the youngsters to learn from the life of this great leader who was an exemplar in all respects. He congratulated the winners and thanked all the athletes for taking part in the Annual Sports. Fr. Benjamin motivated the students to form good habits and to refrain from indulging in bad activities including drug addiction. He also requested the parents and guardians to take care of their wards and called upon the teachers to consciously mould students' character so that they become worthy citizens. Educationists, social elites and the local Councilor, Dhaka City Corporation (North) attended the program which was chaired by the founder Principal Md. Shahadat Hossain Khan. He said that Fr. Benjamin's value-laden speech enriched the program and enlightened the audience significantly.

### ***Arrangement of Seminar titled 'Samprity' at Ramkrishna Mission***

A program titled Samprity (harmony) on the occasion of Ramkrishna Mission's centenary was arranged at its premises on March 24, 2017. Srimoth Shyami Pardebanandaji Maharaj, Ramkrishna Moth, Dhaka chaired the session which began with the presentation of Vedic psalm. Fr. Benjamin who was Chief Guest on the occasion said, "Ramkrishna Mission propagates Shyami Vi Veknada's teachings focusing on non-violence, love, fraternity, and communal bond across the world. The torch bearers of this institution are engaged in promoting ethical values and serving humanity selflessly. A handful of communal forces are misleading some emotionally driven people and youths to extremism and militancy. These tiny clans believe in destructive activities and commit crimes against humanity. The majority of Bangladeshi citizens never support their misdeeds." He further added that with the concerted efforts of Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism and Christianity based institutions--Bangladesh would become free from the claws of militancy and terrorism. The intrinsic teachings and values of these religions can unify the people on the same platform. It is imperative for theologians belonging to different religions to interact occasionally to promote harmony among all communities. The spirit of Bangladesh liberation war encourages us to establish such a society of peace and tranquility for the followers of all faiths. The Chairperson of the program expressed his deep gratitude to Fr. Benjamin for responding to Ramkrishna Mission's request to be Chief Guest on the occasion. He further said that Fr. Benjamin's clarion call to all concerned to be united for the noble cause of social cohesion and harmony would result in intensification of progressive minded people's constructive activities.



# Notre Dame University Bangladesh



## Graduate & Undergraduate Programs

Programs	Credit Hours	Program Duration	Admission Fees	Course Fees
Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA)	129	4 Years	10,000	4000
Bachelor of Arts (Hons) in Economics	120	4 Years	10,000	3000
Bachelor of Laws (Hons)	134	4 Years	10,000	3500
Bachelor of Arts (Hons) in English	129	4 Years	10,000	3000
Bachelor of Science (Hons) in CSC	150	4 Years	10,000	4500
Master of Business Administration (Regular)	66	2 Years	15,000	5000
Master of Business Administration (Executive)	48	1½ Years	18,000	5500

## Tuition Fee Waivers

### 1. Common for students of Graduate and Undergraduate Programs

#### a) Waiver based on results:

- 50% tuition fee waiver for MBA, BBA, & CSE: 4:00 out of 4:00, English & Economics: 3:80 and above; Law: 3:60 and above
- 40% tuition fee waiver for MBA, BBA & CSE: 3:95 to 3:99; English & Economics: 3:75 to 3:79, Law: 3:55 to 3:59
- 30% tuition fee waiver for MBA, BBA & CSE: 3:90 to 3:94; English & Economics: 3:70 to 3:74, Law: 3:50-3:54

b) Up to 50% to the physically challenged candidates;

c) Up to 20% to spouse, offspring(s) and sibling(s) of the NDUB faculty members and employees;

d) Up to 20% tuition fee waiver to the children of the freedom fighter;

#### 2. Besides the above waivers, special tuition fee waivers may be granted to only the graduate students:

e) 10% tuition fee waiver will be granted to graduate students coming from missionary colleges and who have financial difficulty;

f) Up to 25% tuition fee waiver for all of a corporate group of at least 3 candidates;

g) Up to 100% tuition fee waiver can be granted to one of the three siblings;

h) Up to 25% tuition fee waiver for one of a married couple

