



# Report on Achievement of Implementation towards SDG-4: Quality Education

## Institutional Quality Assurance Cell Daffodil International University



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## **Prelude**

In order to improve the quality of education at the tertiary level, the government of Bangladesh has taken several steps. The Higher Education Quality Enhancement Project (HEQEP) is one of such initiative. The University Grants Commission of Bangladesh (UGC) is the implementing agency of the project. The project is jointly financed by the World Bank and Government of Bangladesh, contributing 88 percent and 12 percent of the total cost respectively. Under HEQEP, a Quality Assurance Unit (QAU) was established at UGC in order to expedite the process of establishing quality culture at the universities. Towards targeting the establishment of quality culture at the universities, the Institutional Quality Assurance Cells (IQACs) have been established in all public and private universities. The QAU provides guidance to the concerned IQACs, and oversee the activities including Self-Assessment (SA) of degree programs during the project period.

Under the activities of IQAC, DIU following steps were followed:

1. Self-Assessment Process
2. External Peer Review Process
3. Post Self-Assessment Improvement Plan
4. Implementation Phase

## **Quality Assurance (QA) Areas:**

Based on the following criteria, all SA Departments have completed the SA Exercise:

Criteria 1: Governance

Criteria 2: Curriculum Content Design & Review

Criteria-3: Student Admission, Progress and Achievements

Criteria 4: Physical Facilities

Criteria 5: Teaching - Learning and Assessment

Criteria 6: Student Support Services

Criteria 7: Staff and Facilities

Criteria 8: Research and Extension

Criteria 9: Process Management & Continuous Improvement

## **1.0 Formation of IQAC at DIU**

Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), DIU has started its journey during 14 June, 2015 through signing the performance contract with University Grants Commission of Bangladesh (UGC).

### **1.1 General Objectives of the IQAC, DIU**

- To ensure quality culture as the prime concern for DIU through institutionalizing and internalizing all the initiatives taken with internal and external support.
- To develop a sustainable quality assurance mechanism for providing quality education of international standards;
- To produce skilled graduates for the competitive jobs in the national and international job markets; and
- To make effective contribution in creating a knowledge-based society through research and development (R&D) activities.

### **1.2 Specific Objectives of IQAC, DIU**

- To review existing teaching-learning practices and other relevant aspects of higher education (contents, assessment procedures, course outcomes, use of technology, program orientation, academic performance, availability of resource materials, co-curricular activities etc.), existing policies, and procedures at the program offering entity level for further improvement through enhancing managerial efficiency;
- To identify the areas of improvement, such as, contents, instructional materials, delivery methods, capacity building, achievement of the course goals, and use of technology, support services, policy making etc. and plan relevant activities to ensure quality;
- To take initiatives and conduct appropriate activities through training, workshops, seminars, conferences, facilities development, orientations, awareness and capacity building etc. focusing on employers' needs and demands and respond to the global trends on quality education;
- To guide and assist the program offering entities (departments and faculties) to improve course objectives, student-centered teaching-learning methods, knowledge and skills of students and coordinate all quality assurance activities of the university with a view to produce skilled graduates for global markets;
- To provide support to the departments for conducting Self-Assessment (SA), External Peer Review and implement quality culture at the department; and
- To conduct research on quality education and prepare the university to meet the external quality assurance assessment and accreditation requirements.

### **1.3 Value Framework**

- Fostering Global Competencies among Students
- Inculcating a Value System among Students

- Promoting the Use of Technology
- Quest for Excellence

## 2.0 Benefits

IQAC, DIU facilitates:

- Ensure heightened level of clarity and focus in institutional functioning towards quality enhancement;
- Ensure internalization of the quality culture
- Ensure enhancement and coordination among various activities of the institution and institutionalize all good practices
- Provide a sound basis for decision-making to improve institutional functioning
- Act as a dynamic system for quality changes in HEIs
- Build an organized methodology of documentation and internal communication.

## 3.0 Some of the functions IQAC delivers towards ensuring quality

- Development and application of quality benchmarks/parameters for various academic and administrative activities of DIU.
- Facilitating the creation of a learner-centric environment conducive to quality education and faculty maturation to adopt the required knowledge and technology for participatory teaching and learning process
- Arrangement for feedback response from students, faculty members and other stakeholders on quality-related institutional processes
- Dissemination of information on various quality parameters of higher education
- Organization of inter and intra institutional workshops, seminars on quality related themes and promotion of quality circles
- Documentation of the various programmes/activities leading to quality improvement.
- Acting as a nodal agency of the Institution for coordinating quality-related activities, including adoption and dissemination of best practices.
- Development of Quality Culture in the institution.
- Preparation of the semi-annual monitoring report (SAMR) and quarterly financial management report (QFMR) as per guidelines and parameters of Quality Assurance Unit (QAU) of University Grants Commission (UGC) of Bangladesh.

## 4.0 Role of IQAC, DIU towards achieving SDG:4

4.1 *SDG 4: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all*

*“....Since 2000, there has been enormous progress in achieving the target of universal primary education. The total enrolment rate in developing regions reached 91 percent in 2015, and the worldwide number of children out of school has dropped by almost half. There has also been a*

dramatic increase in literacy rates, and many more girls are in school than ever before. These are all remarkable successes. Progress has also been tough in some developing regions due to high levels of poverty, armed conflicts and other emergencies. In Western Asia and North Africa, ongoing armed conflict has seen an increase in the number of children out of school. This is a worrying trend. While Sub-Saharan Africa made the greatest progress in primary school enrolment among all developing regions – from 52 percent in 1990, up to 78 percent in 2012 – large disparities still remain. Children from the poorest households are up to four times more likely to be out of school than those of the richest households. Disparities between rural and urban areas also remain high. Achieving inclusive and quality education for all reaffirms the belief that education is one of the most powerful and proven vehicles for sustainable development. This goal ensures that all girls and boys complete free primary and secondary schooling by 2030. It also aims to provide equal access to affordable vocational training, to eliminate gender and wealth disparities, and achieve universal access to a quality higher education.

#### 4.2 IQAC, DIU

IQAC, DIU aims at continuous enhancement and sustenance of quality in higher education. The quality assurance provides confidence to the stakeholders for developing competent graduates in an efficient and effective way.

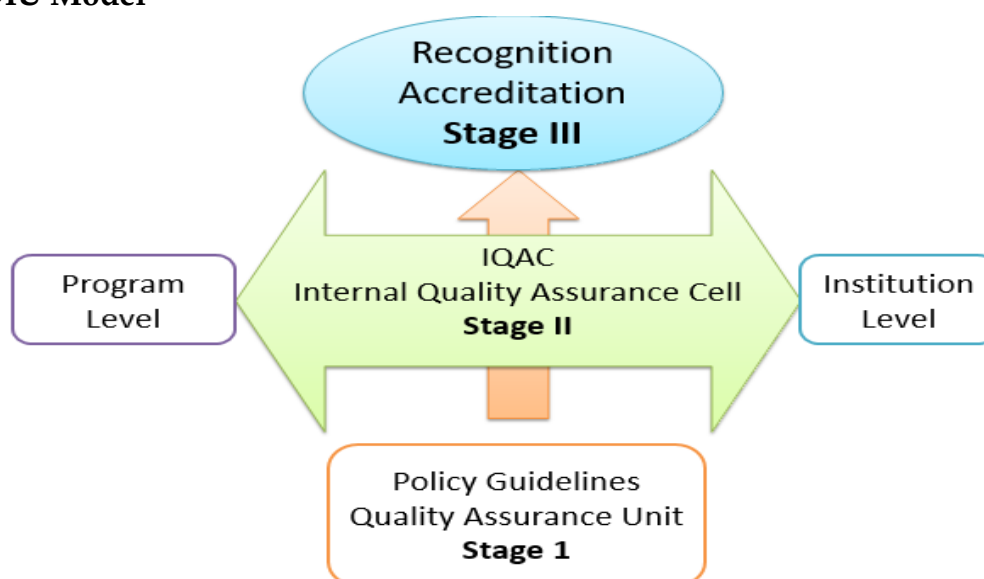
##### 4.2.1 Establishment of QA Mechanism

- Institutionalization of IQAC
- Development of Qualifications Framework

##### 4.2.2 Outcomes

- Establish Quality Culture
- Maintain Global Quality Label
- Internationalize HE

#### 5.0 DIU Model



## 6.0 Case in point

1. Pedagogical Innovations and Pedagogy enhancement infrastructure
2. Continuous Professional learning/ Development
3. Research Excellence:
4. Multi-pronged, deep industry relationships/ partnership to build industry research model
5. Strong focus on international collaborations and interdisciplinary research
6. Develop institutional capabilities
7. Collaborations for Societal Impact

## 7.0 IQAC, DIU in action

### 7.1 Outcome based Education (OBE)

#### Trainers Training on Quality Education, Research and Globalization

During November 16, 2015, Institutional Quality assurance cell (IQAC) of Daffodil International University (DIU) organized a training session on "Trainers Training on Quality Education, Research and Globalization" at Main Building, Daffodil International University. This extensive training session was organized including the senior faculty members of DIU for the broader aspect of development. The session focuses on the interrelations between quality educations and necessity of research in this globalized environment of education sector.



#### 7.1.1 IQAC workshop on 'Quality in Higher Education: Teaching Learning Perspective' conducted by An US Quality Expert



In view to exchange the global views and experiences, IQAC, DIU invited Professor Dr. Quamrul H. Mazumder, P.E., Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Michigan-Flint, USA to conduct the workshop on 'Quality in Higher Education: Teaching Learning Perspective'. The said workshop was held on 25 April, 2019 at Daffodil International University.



The workshop facilitator, Professor Dr. Mazumder holds various key positions like Program Evaluator, Accreditation Board of Engineering and Technology, USA, Director, American Society of Engineering Education, USA, Advisory Board Member, Center of Teaching and Learning, University of Michigan-Flint.

In the workshop, Heads of the departments, Conveners and Members of Self-Assessment Committee of each SA Departments, Additional Director, IQAC, DIU, Dr. Md. Jashim Uddin, Director (Operations), admission.ac, Mr Ariful Alam and IQAC team members were present.

Director, IQAC, DIU, Professor Dr, A.K.M. Fazlul Haque, welcomed the participants and handed over the crest to the invited Key Facilitator, Professor Dr. Quamrul H. Mazumder, P.E. After the welcome session, Professor Dr. Mazumder started his key presentation. In his presentation, he has talked on several issues and global practices on quality in higher education and teaching learning practices. In sharing his experiences, he has focused on diverse areas like importance of quality in higher education, assessment and criteria of quality, overview of the globalization of quality in higher education and different models of quality in higher education in different countries. Talking on policy, he addresses different policy models of quality in higher education. Apart from these, Professor Dr. Mazumder has provided a brief overview of student motivation in higher education, evaluation process of different techniques to motivate students to become active learners, relevant motivational theories, positive learning strategies, also analyzed teaching styles and how they can be applied to improve quality of education.

The workshop was interactive and all faculty members took part into the discussion session and appreciated the role of IQAC for arranging such workshop.

### *7.1.2 EEE Department organizes workshop on “Laboratory Curriculum Development and Efficient Utilization of Lab Resources to comply with OBE”*

Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering (EEE) of Daffodil International University organized a workshop on “Laboratory Curriculum Development and Efficient Utilization of Lab Resources to comply with OBE” held on May 12, 2018 at Permanent Campus of the university at Ashulia. Professor Dr. Md. Shahidullah Head of the Department of EEE conducted the workshop. In the workshop various issues relating to curriculum development of laboratory, laboratory class management and efficient resource utilization have discussed. The interactive workshop was presided over by Mr. Md Dara Abdus Satter, Associate Head of EEE Department. Self Assessment committee conveners of other department and faculty member of EEE were present at program.



### *7.1.3 AUAP-QA team to work closely with DIU on quality assurance in HEIs*

International Quality Assurance (QA) Team of 7-member high profile and globally acclaimed quality assurance experts, major representation from the Association of the Universities of Asia and the Pacific (AUAP), started their visit at Daffodil International University (DIU) during 9-12 February 2018. The delegation is warmly welcomed by the management of DIU led by Dr. Md. Sabur Khan, Chairman, Board of Trustees, DIU. During their visit, the team will participate in a series of meetings, workshops on Quality Assurance (QA) domain in higher education institutes (HEIs), including paying a visit to Permanent Campus of DIU at Ashulia.



The international QA team comprised of Professor Dr. Ricardo P Pama, Team Leader and AUAP Secretary General, Philippines; Dr. Janet LowrieNason, CEO Advisor, IPEKA Schools, USA and Senior Consultant Global, School Consulting Group; Porntip Kanjananiyot, Former Director of Fulbright Thailand and Former AUAP Advisory Council, Thailand; Prof.Dr. Sri Atmaja Putra, Director, Directorate of Postgraduate

Studies, Universitas Muhammadiyah Yogyakarta, Indonesia; Prof. Dr. Riza Atiq Abdullah Bin O K Rahmat, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic & International Affairs), Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia; Dr. Cathrine Castaneda, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Adamson University, Philippines; and Ms.SupapornChuangchid, Executive Secretary, AUAP, Thailand. Focusing the recent trend of Asian experiences in quality education ecosystem, IQAC, DIU takes this holistic initiative to address the challenges of quality in HEIs and attempts to find out the ways, consulting with stakeholders of the national and international arena.

#### 7.1.4 Workshop on Road Map for Ensuring Quality Education at Daffodil International University organized by Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC).

A Workshop on “Road Map for Ensuring Quality Education at Daffodil International University organized by Institutional Quality Assurance



Cell (IQAC)” was held on 8th January, 2016 at DIU Permanent Campus. Md. Sabur Khan, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Daffodil International University was present in the workshop as the chief guest. In the Workshop, theme paper was presented by Emeritus Professor Dr. Aminul Islam. Theme of the workshop was to review of Teaching-Learning system, review of existing assessment procedure, find Gaps from the perspective of program, faculty and Institutional level and to solve the gap for national accreditation.



The Faculty of Business and Economics of DIU has achieved the membership from the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP), USA. CSE, ETE of DIU got IEB membership. It was decided that Lesson Plan, Teaching manual from the department and also learning diary of the workshop would be submitted to the IQAC. DIU has student exchange program with more than 65 foreign universities.

#### *7.1.5 IQAC-DIU Organized on-site Training Programme on Outcome-Based Education for Accreditation*



Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Daffodil International University (DIU) in cooperation with the Board of Accreditation for Engineering and Technical Education (BAETE), Bangladesh organized a day-long on-site Training Programme on “Outcome-Based Education for Accreditation” on 10 May, 2018 at the Banquet hall of the University. Professor Dr. S.M. Mahbub-Ul-Haque Majumder, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Daffodil International University graced the inaugural session of the training programme as Chief Guest while Professor Dr. A. K. M. Fazlul Haque, Director-IQAC & Associate Dean-Faculty of Engineering of Daffodil International University chaired the session. Dr. Sk. Abdul Kader Arafin anchored the programme.

After the inaugural session, the key facilitator conducted the session on “Curriculum Design Based on Outcome”. In that session, he highlighted the issues like: Articulation of Vision/Mission/PEO, Program Outcomes (POs), CO writing, Gap Analysis, CO and course content revision, Revision of structure of courses, Key points, Course Outcomes (CO) to Program Outcomes (PO) mapping. After the lunch break, the key facilitator conducted another session on “Teaching and Assessment Based on Outcomes” where he emphasized on: Outcomes Driven Learning Activities, Final Year Design Project, Assessment of Outcomes Achievement, Rubrics for Assessment, Constructive Alignment, Continual Quality Improvement (CQI) and Bloom's Taxonomy of the Cognitive Domain etc.



**Guests and Participants of the training programme**

At the end of the programme Professor Dr. A. K. M. Fazlul Haque, Director-IQAC, DIU thanked the key facilitator for conducting an effective and in-depth training on the subject matter and urged the faculty members of concerned Departments to follow the lesson

learnt from the training for continual quality improvement and facilitate respective Departments to become eligible to get national and international accreditation and provide standard quality of education accordingly. About fifty five faculty members of relevant engineering Departments took part in the day-long training programme.

## 8.0 Teaching Learning, Pedagogy

8.1 Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) organized a workshop on "Experience Sharing: Imparting Faculty Training for Quality Enhancement of Teaching and Research in Higher Education Institutions"

A Workshop on "Experience Sharing: Imparting Faculty Training for Quality Enhancement of Teaching and Research in Higher Education Institutions" was held on 09 April, 2016 at Permanent Campus, DIU. The workshop was organized by IQAC, DIU.

8.1 *Workshop on "Outcome-Based Curriculum: An Approach to Develop Teaching Methodology"*

A workshop on "Outcome-Based Curriculum: An Approach to Develop Teaching Methodology" was held on June 23, 2018 at room No. 308, Main Building of the Daffodil International University (DIU). It was organized by the Self-assessment Committee



(SAC) of Department of Textile Engineering under Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of DIU. Professor Dr. M. Mozahar Ali, Director, GTI, Bangladesh Agricultural University has conducted this day long program. He has explained the importance and gradual implementation plan of OBCC.

8.2 *Training on "Pedagogy and Assessment Bloom's Taxonomy" held at Daffodil International University*

A 2-day training program on "Pedagogy and Assessment Bloom's Taxonomy" began today at Daffodil International University (DIU) organized by Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of DIU. The inaugural session of the program was graced by the presence of Professor Dr. Mesbahuddin Ahmed, Head, Quality Assurance Unit, University Grants Commission of Bangladesh as the Chief Guest while Prof. Dr. Yousuf Mahbubul Islam, Vice Chancellor, Daffodil International University and Prof. Dr. M. Abul Kashem, Quality Assurance Specialist, Quality Assurance Unit, HEQEP, UGC, Bangladesh were present as the Special Guests. Prof. Muhammad Mahboob Ali, Ph.D, Director, IQAC, DIU attended the program as Session Chair



### 8.3 EEE Department organizes workshop on "Development of Outcome Based Lesson Plan"



Electrical and Electronic Engineering Department of Daffodil International University (DIU) arranged a workshop on "Development of Outcome Based Lesson Plan" on May 17, 2018 in room 308 of the main building of the university. Professor Khawza Iftekhar Uddin Ahmed, Director, IQAC, United International University conducted the workshop. Professor Khawza Iftekhar Uddin

Ahmed presented briefly about preparing lesson plan and criteria for accreditation renewal by BAETE. He emphasized to mapping the Lesson outcome (LO) with Course outcome (CO). SAC members of all Departments under FE, Faculty members of EEE will be present in the workshop.

### 8.4 Workshop on "Adoption of Outcome-Based Course Curriculum at Department of Real Estate: Effective Tool for Ensuring Quality Education" held

The Real Estate Department under IQAC, Daffodil International University organized a workshop on "Adoption of Outcome-Based Course Curriculum at Department of Real Estate: Effective Tool for Ensuring Quality Education" on April 12, 2018 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at Room No. - 714 (Computer Lab), 7th Floor, Daffodil Tower. The Resource Person of the Workshop was Mr. Abu Zafar Ahmed Mukul, Assistant Professor & Head,



Department of Management & Finance, Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University. Dr. Sk. Abdul Kader Arafin, Additional Director, IQAC-DIU was present as Guest of Honor while Mr. Nurul Mohammad Zayed, Head, Department of Real Estate chaired the session.



Among others, Faculty Members, Alumni, Students, and Administrative employees of DIU attended in the workshop and discussed for the development of Real Estate Department for ensuring quality education.

*8.5 Department of Pharmacy organized a workshop on “Outcome Based Teaching Learning Strategy”*



Department of Pharmacy, Daffodil International University organized a workshop on “Outcome Based Teaching Learning Strategy” under Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) on 9th May, Wednesday, 2018, at Digital Class Room, 2nd Floor, Daffodil Tower. Prof. Dr. Yousuf Mahbubul Islam, Vice Chancellor, Daffodil International University was the key facilitator at the workshop. He clearly

demonstrated how the outcome based teaching learning technique can be acquired for the Department of Pharmacy by creating ownership to the students.

*8.6 The Fifth Workshop from IQAC-ENGLISH Quantity Enhancement series on “Teaching Latin American Literature”*

The fifth workshop on “Teaching Latin American Literature” was held on April 08 at the Digital Classroom, Level 4, Daffodil Tower, Sobhanbag as a part of the ongoing quality assurance process implemented at Daffodil International University by the department of English in



collaboration with Institutional Quality Assurance Cell. The facilitator of the session was Professor Dr. Syed Manzoorul Islam, a renowned Professor of English at the University of Dhaka, a noted column writer, an art critic and an award winning fiction writer.

In his speech, Professor Syed Manzoorul Islam shared the significant aspects of Latin American Literature. He illustrated that Latin American Literature encompasses all the literary works from Mexico, Central America and South America. His speech served as a guide for teachers introducing students to Latin American literary works. A good number of faculty members from DIU as well as other universities were present in the session.

### 8.7 Pharmacy Department Organized the Workshop on “Development of Teaching Learning Process for Quality Education”

The Self-assessment committee of Department of Pharmacy under Institutional Quality Assurance Cell, Daffodil International University organized a workshop on “Development of Teaching Learning Process for quality education” on 10th March, 2018, Saturday, from 2:30 pm to 7:00 pm at Digital Class Room, 2nd Floor, Daffodil Tower. Prof. Dr. M. Mozahar Ali, Director, Graduate Training Institute, Bangladesh Agricultural University, Mymensingh was the resource person at the workshop. He highlighted the key issues of OBTL, lesson planning, graduate profile and course contents and question analysis according to Bloom’s Taxonomy.



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### 8.8 The 2-Day long TOT program held at Daffodil International University



The 2-Day long training program for faculty members of Daffodil International University under TOT including Pedagogy, OBTL, Effective Class Management, Teaching Learning, Research & Extension, Student Assessment and Engagement was organized by Institutional Quality Assurance Cell

(IQAC) of Daffodil International University (DIU) recently at DIU premises. Prof. Dr. Mesbah Uddin Ahmed, Head, Quality Assurance Unit, University Grants Commission of Bangladesh was present as the chief guest at the closing ceremony of the program. Dr. Vichayanan Rattanawiboonsom, Associate Dean, Graduate School, Naresuan University, Thailand was present as special Guest. Prof. Muhammad Mahboob Ali, Ph.D, Director, Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), DIU presided over the program. The function was also





addressed by Professor Dr. Bholanath Dutta Founder & President, MTC Global, India. The guests applauded the initiative of IQAC, DIU in arranging such an important ToT program for faculty members of DIU which they believe will help in capacity building of the teachers and ensuring quality education. Prof. Dr. Mesbah Uddin Ahmed described that to familiarize trainers with the content of the training module and enable them to launch a student centric higher educational system. He expressed that afterwards through getting this training faculties will be equipped to be able to make and/or modify a Teaching learning design most appropriate for the target group in their class room. Thus, they should be able to improve the acceptability and adoption rates of improved student centric class room engagement system at the Daffodil International University. At the end of the closing ceremony, the participants were awarded with a certificate as recognition of their participation and contribution to the 2-day long training program.

## 9.0 Research and Extension

### 9.1 Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) organized a Workshop on Poster Presentation on Research Methodology

Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) organized a Workshop on Poster Presentation on Research Methodology at the DIU auditorium on March 14, 2016. A good number of faculty members presented their posters on their respective research topics. The Poster Presentation event was organized

as part of IQAC's endeavor to encourage research based activities among the faculty members at Daffodil International University.



### 9.2 Workshop on "Development of Techniques and Methodologies on Quality Research in Real Estate"



The Self-Assessment Committee (SAC) of Real Estate Department under IQAC, Daffodil International University organized a workshop on "Development of Techniques and Methodologies on Quality Research in Real Estate" on 18 March 2018.

### 9.3 "Research Talk on Future Medicine and Medication for Higher Education" held at Pharmacy Department

A workshop on "Research Talk on Future Medicine and Medication for Higher Education" was held on 12th March, Monday, 2018, from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm at Digital Class Room, 2nd Floor, Daffodil Tower. The self-assessment committee of the Department of Pharmacy under Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Daffodil International University organized the workshop. Dr. Sharif Mohammad Shaheen, Professor, Department of Pharmacy, DIU was the speaker of the workshop. He pointed out the approaches to discover the cost effective medicine for the mass people. Professor Dr. A Z M Ruhul Momen, Chairman, Department of Pharmacy, Jagannath University was present at the workshop as resource person and Dr. Sk. Abdul Kader Arafin, Additional Director, IQAC, Daffodil International University as special guest.



## 10.0 International Workshops

### 10.1 DIU hosts 1st International Workshop on "Need for change in the Course Curricula of Business School: Positioning and Competency of Business School in BIMSTEC region" on June 3-4, 2016

To develop quality of education, research, regional cooperation and other important issues, a 2-day International Workshop on 'Need for change in the course curricula of Business School: Positioning, Competency of Business School in BIMESTIC Region' has



begun today on June 3, 2016 at Daffodil International University Auditorium. Department of Business Administration and Institutional Newsletter of IQAC, DIU Volume 2; Issue 1: 2016 Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Daffodil International University organized this international workshop. Ambassador Md. Waliur Rahman,

Special Advisor to the Prime Minister on International Crimes Tribunal (ICT-BD) in Bangladesh, Former Special Envoy of the Prime Minister and Former Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs inaugurated the workshop as the Chief Guest.



Commander Prof. Bhushan Dewan, Former Vice President, Tata Consultancy Services, India, Dr. Mustafa K. Mujeri, Executive Director, Institute for Inclusive Finance & Development, Dhaka and Prof. Dr. Mesbah Uddin Ahmed, Head, Quality Assurance Unit, University Grants Commission (UGC) were present as the special guests in the opening ceremony of the workshop. Md. Sabur Khan, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Daffodil International University delivered the keynote presentation while Dr. Marie-Aimee Tourres, Academic Director, MBA program, University of Strathclyde, UK addressed as the designated discussant. Presided over by Prof. Dr. Yousuf M. Islam, the Vice Chancellor, Daffodil International University, the inaugural ceremony was also addressed by Prof. Dr. Mawdudur Rahman, Suffolk University, Boston, USA and President, Knowledge Globalization Institute USA, Prof. Rafiqul Islam, Dean, FBE of DIU, Professor Dr. Muhammad Mahboob Ali, Director, IQAC, DIU and Executive President, Workshop Organization Committee and Mohammed Masum Iqbal, Head, Dept. of Business Administration, DIU and Chairperson, Workshop Organizing Committee. 50 guest speakers from all over the world joined this international workshop. From the country more than 100 educationists, Entrepreneurs, Bankers, Civil Society, Alumni & students, Journalists Ambassadors, Think Tank, Policy Makers, Researchers, Foreign Analysts, Internationally renowned trainers and educationists conduct the workshop and train up the students to develop quality of education, research, regional cooperation and important issues. While addressing, the Chief Guest, Mr. Md. Waliur Rahman, Retired Ambassador, Government of Bangladesh, stressed on include Education in BIMSTEC. Keynote presenter Mr. Md. Sabur Khan, Chairman, BoT, DIU presented on Regional Accreditation, Ranking of Universities, Journal Indexation, Research and BIMSTEC Cooperation. He mentioned very clearly that the faculty members have a key responsibility to develop adequately skilled graduate on the basis of the demand of industries. He also focused on the learning process of graduating students. He suggested that students of graduating schools should learn by doing. They should engage themselves in the society to know the pulse of the consumers. "Bangladesh is the heart of the Asia" rationally said by the Commander Prof. Bhushan Dewan, Former Vice President, Tata Consultancy Services, India while he was appreciating the pioneering initiative of Daffodil International University in IT sector to make the whole MIS and learning & teaching system digital. He also mentioned the Need for Change in the Course Curricula of Business Schools at the closing ceremony of International workshop. Jointly organized by Institutional Quality Assurance Cell and



Department of Business Administration, Daffodil International University, the conference focuses on Positioning and Competency of Business School in BIMSTEC Region. “Whatsapp, Viber, social interaction media need to be included in curriculum if we really want to produce quality and competent graduates for 21st century” stated by Mr. Md. Sabur Khan, Chairman, Board of Trustees, DIU while talking about Disruptive Innovation in Higher Education in Daffodil International University: Users’ perspectives. He also mentioned the challenges he faced to implement online platform for DIU and now everyone of DIU enjoys the pride of leading its online forum as one of the top forums in the world. He said many universities of the developing countries are struggling to digitalize their university but we made our DIU digital 10 years earlier. Prof. Dr. Bholanath Dutta, Prof. Rafiqul Islam and Prof. Dr. James Gomez were the Guests of Honor of the closing session. Dr. Md. Mokhlesur Rahman, Senior, Operations Officer, World Bank was also present during the closing session as Special Guest who highlighted the contribution of World Bank towards enhancing and ensuring quality in higher education system of Bangladesh. Prof. Dr. Yousuf M. Islam, Vice Chancellor, DIU expressed gratitude to the Chief Organizers of the program, Prof. Dr. Muhamamad Mahboob Ali, Director, IQAC, DIU and Mr. Md. Masum Iqbal, Head Dept. of Business Administration, DIU and the distinguished guests/facilitators of the workshop. The closing session was chaired by Prof. Dr. Muhamamad Mahboob Ali, Director, IQAC, DIU who underscored the need for quality assurance in higher education in the BIMSTEC region. Earlier, the second day started with Interactive teaching and Learning sessions. Commander Prof. Bhushan Dewan, Former Vice President, Tata Consultancy Services, India delivered a presentation on "Entrepreneurship Development & Incubation in B-School Curriculum in BIMSTEC Region" in the session. Professor Shibli Rubayat Ul Islam, Dean, Faculty of Business Studies, University of Dhaka chaired the session. Later on, “presentation on Teaching English to business students: The syllabus, materials, methods, and assessments” was conducted by Dr. M. Maniruzzaman, Professor, Department of English, Jahangirnagar University. Besides, Dr. Shrishti Rrajhesh Gangalay, Assistant Professor, MITACSC Alandi, Pune, India; Dr. Sampa Kundu, Researcher at the Southeast Asia and Oceania Center, Institute for Defense Studies and Analyses, New Delhi, India and Voravate Chonlasin, Senior Program Specialist and the Head of Public Sector Capacity Development Program of AIT Extension, Thailand participated through Video Conferencing at different sessions in the second day of the workshop.

### **International Workshop on Achieving Corporate Social Responsibility, Ethics and Corporate Governance in Higher Education held at Daffodil International University**

Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Daffodil International University organized an International Workshop on “Achieving Corporate Social Responsibility, Ethics and Corporate Governance in Higher Education” on July 29, 2016 at the university auditorium. Dr. Fay Patel, Former Director, Education



Management, Monash University, Malaysia facilitated the workshop as key resource person. During her presentation towards faculties of different departments of DIU, Dr. Patel highlighted the significant issues like: Social responsibility, ethics, governance in higher education, why social responsibility, ethics and governance in higher education?, taking corporate out of higher education, issues, dilemmas and concerns regarding governance, Bloom's taxonomy, ILOs & global engagement dimensions, CSR and Corporate Governance, Higher education relations to social responsibility etc. Professor Anisul M. Islam, Ph.D, University of Houston Downtown, USA graced the closing session of the workshop as Chief Guest. Prof. Dr. Bholanath Dutta, Founder and President, MTC Global, India was present as Special Guest while Prof. Dr. Md. Fokhray Hossain, Additional Director, IQAC, DIU was present as Guest of Honor. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Mahboob Ali, Director, IQAC, DIU chaired the whole session. The participants were provided with a certificate as recognition of their active participation in the International Workshop.

## 11.0 Social Awareness Programme

**Daffodil International University** holds **International Seminar on "Autistic Personnel for Higher Education"** at DIU Auditorium jointly organized by Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) and Department of Public Health. Mr. Md. Sabur



Khan, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Daffodil International University was present in the seminar as the Chief guest while Professor Dr. Khondoker Md. Nasiruddin, Vice Chancellor, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Science and Technology University and Professor Dr. Ahmad Ismail Mustafa, Dean, Faculty of Allied Health Science, DIU were present in the seminar as Special Guests. Mr. Khan emphasized that both the Government and private sector should go hand in hand towards building a brighter future for autistic people. He also mentioned that DIU puts emphasis on health and food sector as an important factor. He also argued that a syllabus was submitted to the UGC in this regards. Professor Dr. Khondoker Md. Nasiruddin in his speech stressed that guardians and parents need to consider the issue more professionally rather than being shy in ensuring higher education for the physically handicapped people of the society. He suggested that it is the right time to work collectively to ensure a framework of higher education for autistics or special persons through national and global collaboration. Dr. Yashoda Durge shared her experience to visit at BNF (Bangladesh NGO Foundation) subsidized project of blind singers which she thought as a rare example of corporate social responsibility of Bangladesh where private sector investment for special persons higher education is required.



*Professor Dr. AKM Fazlul Haque selected as the Member of the AUAP Quality Assurance Team from Bangladesh*

Daffodil International University proudly announces that Association of Universities of Asia and the Pacific (AUAP) has selected Professor Dr. AKM Fazlul Haque, Director, Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) and Associate Dean, Faculty of Engineering,



DIU as Member of the AUAP Quality Assurance Team. His working areas will be focusing on the task of producing an accreditation instrument for use in accrediting international programmes of college and universities all over the world. It may be cited that QA Working Team consisting of a 7-member high profile and globally acclaimed quality assurance experts from the Association of the Universities of Asia and the Pacific (AUAP) visited Daffodil International University (DIU) during 9-12 February 2018.

AUAP is an association of university chief executives from higher education institutions in Asia Pacific and around the world. The association was found and established by representatives of universities in the Asia and Pacific region assembled in conference at Suranaree University of Technology, Nakhorn Ratchasima, Thailand, on 28 July 1995. The primary purpose of AUAP is to be the main platform for interaction and collaboration among members and the voice of universities in Asia and the Pacific. The involvement of Professor Dr. Haque with AUAP QA Team will surely elevate the image of the country in Quality Assurance (QA) in higher education institutes (HEIs) domain. Daffodil International University congratulates Professor Dr. Haque for being selected in carrying out global QA activities, under such prestigious organization.

**For more information, the following website may be seen:**

Please visit IQAC website: <http://iqac.daffodilvarsity.edu.bd/index.php>