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## **SDG 17**

Sustainable Development Goal 17 is about "partnerships for the goals." One of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals established by the United Nations in 2015, the official wording is: "Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development".

### **Partnership for Implementing the Goals**

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**DIU's Contributions and Progress:**

Total Number of Partnership with local and foreign universities since inception	400+
Publications of Academic Journal: DIU Journal of Science & IT	2 Issues
Number of International Mega Event Organized	5
Participation in national & international Cross Sectoral Dialogues/Conferences	50+
Number of Educational Outreach Programs	15+
Number of academic courses related to sustainability	Around 250
Number of inbound exchange students	1600+
Number of outbound exchange students	Around 1600
Number of inbound exchange staff	600+
Number of outbound exchange staff	Around 400

**Collaboration with NGO and International Organizations on data gathering for SDG**

**Collaboration with World Health Organization (WHO) for Data on Malaria under the 5th Malaria Joint Monitoring Mission (JMM-5) project**

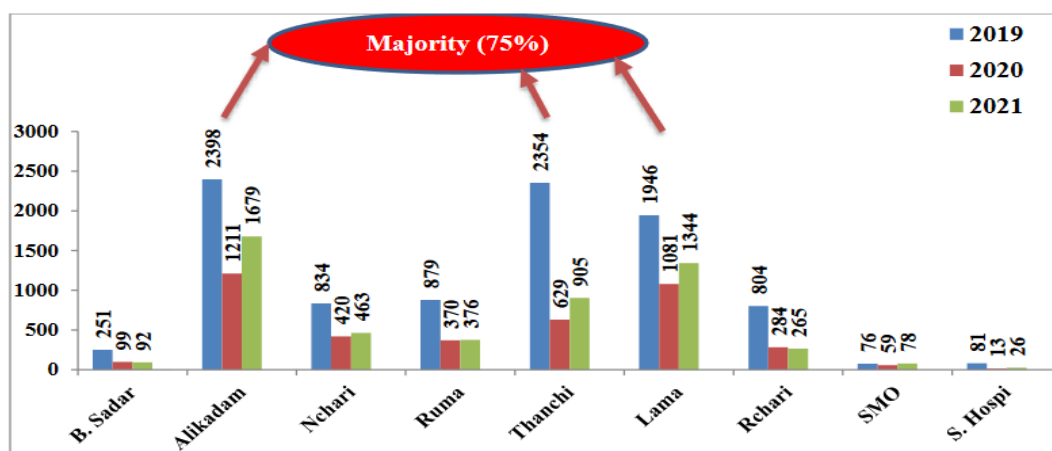


Figure-3: Bandarban Upazila-wise Case Distribution: 2019 – 2021

Under the collaboration between World Health Organization (WHO) and DIU, the Public Health Department of the university provided unbiased recommendations for the National Malaria Elimination efforts in the country. The DIU researchers contributed to the:

1. analysis of existing program data, and relevant documents pertaining to health systems, private sector, other public sector organizations to provide relevant recommendations, based on their expertise local knowledge.
2. expert technical inputs based on relevant local context to develop the checklists, and other technical documents during the preparatory phase of the JMM.
3. field visits to Dhaka/Gazipur, Bandarban, Cox's Bazar, Rajshahi / Chapai Nawabganj, Sylhet etc. stakeholder meetings, dissemination meetings to support the national program and international experts in their technical and advocacy efforts.
4. drafting of the final JMM-5 report and include relevant implementable recommendations, based on their knowledge of the country context.

**Adaptation Research Alliance (ARA), UKAid Project on Saving Mothers, Protecting the Womb**

The "Saving Mothers, Protecting the Womb" is an innovative and unique action research project undertaken by Daffodil International University funded by Adaptation Research Alliance (ARA), UKAID. It addresses a critical issue at the intersection of climate change, public health, gender and technology, offering a holistic approach to improving the well-being of marginalized coastal pregnant women in Bangladesh. The project installs a low-cost solar panel rotator called 'SolarAchieve' that harnesses solar energy efficiently by combining gravity to produce safe, clean drinking water. The innovation lies in its simplicity and affordability, as users can assemble it using readily available local materials like wood or bamboo. The SolarAchieve is regarded as a low-cost, sustainable solution to the water salinity problem. This unique project recognizes the impact of climate change beyond environmental concerns and directly affects maternal health. Its outcomes and enhanced community resilience serves as indicators of the project's effectiveness.



**DIU-USAID PEER Partnership: Advancing Sustainable Forest Management Through Technology**



The DIU-USAID PEER Project is at the forefront of sustainable forest management in Bangladesh, utilizing Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) for tree cover assessment and deforestation analysis (data). In a training and workshop program for the Department of Environmental Science and Disaster Management (ESDM) students, experts like Mr. Md. Jawadul Gani and Deputy Conservator of Forests, Md. Zaheer Iqbal, shared their insights. With the participation of esteemed guests, faculty, and students, this initiative aligns with the SDGs,

contributing to responsible environmental stewardship and the preservation of Bangladesh's invaluable forests. The project worked on data analysis on deforestation.

### **Collaboration with CDD, Bangladesh and CBM (Christian Blind Mission), Germany on Disability**



The study on scope of work and strategies on disability inclusive climate change adaptation was undertaken in collaboration with CDD, Bangladesh and CBM (Christian Blind Mission), Germany to identify the gaps of inclusion of persons with disabilities in adaptation measures to climate change and find out further scope of work and operational strategies in the Sundarban adjacent coastal areas on Disability Inclusive climate change adaptation through CDDiDRM & CCA project in Sharankhola, Bagerhat. The study showed that climate change is amplifying the risks and exclusion systematically that persons with disabilities already experience in their daily lives. Additionally, climate change is

introducing new risks and creating new barriers like securing livelihoods and ensuring household food security.

On the basis of the findings, persons with disabilities present a call to action to all agencies and organizations working on climate-related policy and programming in Bangladesh. Crucially, disability-inclusive climate action needs to better address existing and emerging risks and respond to the differential impacts of climate change on persons with disabilities. Disability inclusive climate action can only be achieved by ensuring the meaningful participation of persons with disabilities in climate preparedness, adaptation, and mitigation.

### **Mitigating Educational Losses: A Collaborative Research Initiative with Universitas Airlangga, Indonesia**

Daffodil International University in Bangladesh and Universitas Airlangga in Indonesia have collaborated on a research project to assess and mitigate educational losses caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Led by Professor Dr. Syed Mizanur Rahman, the project focuses on Nawaz Ali Ideal High School in Dhaka. It aligns with UN Sustainable Development Goals, particularly SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals). The goal is to address educational deficits in Bangladesh and develop methodologies applicable globally through the World University Association for Community Development (WUACD), ensuring inclusive and equitable education, even in challenging circumstances.



### **Baseline Study on Resilience strengthening of vulnerable population in northern, western and eastern Bangladesh**

A baseline Study on Resilience strengthening of vulnerable population in northern, western and eastern Bangladesh through a network approach of 5 partner organizations was conducted by a team of researchers from Daffodil

International University, supported by PHALS (Programme for Helpless and Lagged Societies), Bangladesh and Malteser International, Germany. This baseline study (comprehensive survey and qualitative data collection) was conducted in Khuruskul and Chowfaldandi unions under Sadar Upazila, Cox's Bazar district, Bangladesh. This baseline study shed light on the significant challenges faced by the poor and marginalized communities in Khuruskul and Chawfaldandi unions of Cox's Bazar. The study emphasized the urgent need for targeted interventions addressing climate change awareness, livelihood diversification, market development, women's empowerment, climate-resilient infrastructure, and improved access to social safety net programs. By implementing evidence-based strategies and interventions, the project can enhance the participants' socio-economic conditions, foster resilience to climate development in the region.



**Students across the University are being integrated with Global Goals- SDGs**



**Sustainability related academic courses at DIU**

Courses/modules related to environment and sustainability		
Sl.	Courses/modules	Department
1	Introduction to Environmental Science and Disaster Management	Environmental Science and Disaster Management
2	Geography and Environment	
3	Environmental Biology	
4	Environmental Biology lab	
5	Soil and Environment	
6	Environmental Economics	
7	Bangladesh: Physical Environment	
8	Fundamentals of Ecology	
9	Introduction to Geographic Information System	
10	Introduction to Geographic Information System Lab	
11	Environmental Engineering	
12	Environmental Chemistry	
13	Environmental Chemistry with Lab	
14	Environmental Resource Management	
15	Statistics for Environmental Sciences	
16	Forest and Wildlife Management	
17	Environmental Hazard and Disaster Management	
18	Fundamentals of Earth Sciences	
19	Remote Sensing and GIS	
20	Remote Sensing and GIS Lab	
21	Fundamentals of Hydrosphere	

22	Climatic Disaster Management		
23	Environmental Pollution and Management		
24	Database System Concepts		
25	Database System Concepts Lab		
26	Water Resources Planning & Management		
27	Coastal & Marine Environmental Management		
28	Biodiversity Conservation		
29	Remote Sensing for Resource Appraisal		
30	Remote Sensing for Resource Appraisal Lab		
31	Urban Environmental Issues & Planning		
32	Environmental Impact Assessment		
33	Environmental Monitoring and Auditing		
34	Research Method (Project Design)		
35	Urban Waste and Effluent Management		
36	Environmental Modeling		
37	Seminar (Pre-approved Topic)		
38	Public Health and Environment		
39	Gender and Environment		
40	Environmental Laws and Ethics		
41	Instrumental Methods for Environmental Analysis		
42	Landscape Simulation and Perception		
43	Project and Seminar		
44	Introductory Agriculture and Principles of Agronomy		Agriculture Science



45	Introductory Agriculture and Principles of Agronomy Practical	
46	Farm Power and Machinery	
47	Farm Power and Machinery Practical	
48	Fundamentals of Agricultural Economics	
49	General Biochemistry	
50	General Biochemistry Practical	
51	Principles of Agroforestry	
52	Principles of Agroforestry Practical	
53	Fundamentals of Horticulture	
54	Fundamentals of Horticulture Practical	
55	Fertilizers, Agro Chemicals and Environmental Chemistry	
56	Fertilizers, Agro Chemicals and Environmental Chemistry Practical	
57	Fundamentals of Agricultural Extension Education	
58	Principles of Weed Science	
59	Principles of Weed Science Practical	
60	Introductory Soil Science	
61	Introductory Soil Science Practical	
62	Fundamentals of Plant Pathology	
63	Fundamentals of Plant Pathology Practical	
64	Fundamentals of Agribusiness	
65	Principles of Genetics and Cytogenetics	
66	Principles of Genetics and Cytogenetics Practical	
67	Fundamentals of Entomology	

68	Fundamentals of Entomology Practical	
69	Cropping System and Crop Farm Management	
70	Cropping System and Crop Farm Management Practical	
71	Soil Physics and Soil Chemistry	
72	Soil Physics and Soil Chemistry Practical	
73	Plant Morphology and Taxonomy	
74	Plant Morphology and Taxonomy Practical	
75	Principles of Seed Science and Technology	
76	Principles of Seed Science and Technology Practical	
77	Diseases of Field Crops and Horticultural Crops and Their Management	
78	Diseases of Field Crops and Horticultural Crops and Their Management Practical	
79	Crop Physiology and Ecology	
80	Crop Physiology and Ecology Practical	
81	Insect Ecology and Economic Entomology	
82	Insect Ecology and Economic Entomology Practical	
83	Principles of Plant Breeding	
84	Principles of Plant Breeding Practical	
85	Principles of field crops	
86	Principles of field crops Practical	
87	Vegetables and Spices Crops	
88	Vegetables and Spices Crops Practical	
89	Soil Survey, Classification and Conservation	

90	Soil Survey, Classification and Conservation Practical	
91	Crop Pests and Pest Management	
92	Crop Pests and Pests Management Practical	
93	Metabolism and Human Nutrition	
94	Metabolism and Human Nutrition Practical	
95	Ornamental Horticulture and Plantation Crops	
96	Ornamental Horticulture and Plantation Crops Practical	
97	Soil Microbiology and Fertility	
98	Soil Microbiology and Fertility Practical	
99	Fruit Crops	
100	Fruit Crops Practical	
101	Introductory Environmental Science	
102	Introductory Environmental Science Practical	
103	Plant Biotechnology and Genetic Engineering	
104	Plant Biotechnology and Genetic Engineering Practical	
105	Bioenergy-Principles and Practices	
106	Bioenergy-Principles and Practices Practical	
107	Extension Teaching Methods and Aids Practical	
108	Extension Communication and Group Approaches	
109	Extension Program planning and Data Processing Practical	
110	Agro-industrial Chemistry	
111	Agro-industrial Chemistry Practical	
112	Extension Organization and management	

113	Post-Harvest Management of Horticultural Crops	
114	Post-Harvest Management of Horticultural Crops Practical	
115	Animal Science and Fisheries	
116	Animal Science and Fisheries Practical	
117		
118	Basic Microbiology	Public Health (Bachelor)
119	Health Education	
120	Environmental & Occupational Health	
121	Community Health	
122	Health Policy and Planning	
123	Public Health Nutrition	
124	Fundamental of Sociology & Sports Sociology	Physical Education and Sports Science
125	Sports Nutrition	
126	Corrective Physical Education & Rehabilitation	
127	Development Theories, Strategies and Issues	Development Studies
128	Poverty Alleviation and Development	
129	Gender and Development	
130	Governance and Development	
131	Sustainable Development	
132	Research Methodology	
133	Basic Statistics for Development	
134	Project Management	
135	Natural Resource Management	
136	Development Evaluation and Management	
137	Rural Development	

138	Introduction to Food Science and Technology	Nutrition and Food Engineering
139	Physical, Inorganic and Analytic Chemistry	
140	Methods for Nutritional Status	
141	Statistics and Probabilities	
142	Dietetics	
143	Food Microbiology	
144	Fruits and Vegetable Technology	
145	Clinical Nutrition	
146	Nutrition in Health and Disease	
147	Water and Beverage Technology	
148	Nutritional Planning	
149	Environmental Food Technology	
150	Food Preservation and Engineering	
151	Sensory Evaluation	
152	Food Storage Engineering	
153	Organic Pharmacy	Pharmacy
154	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology	
155	Bangladesh Studies	
156	Statistics and Probability	Computer Science & Engineering
157	Art of Effective Living	
158	Project Management	Multimedia and Creative Technology
159	Business Statistics	Business Administration
160	Organizational Behavior	

161	Legal Environment in Business	
162	Entrepreneurship Development	
163	Research Methodology	
164	Bangladesh Studies: Socio-Economic Perspective	
165	Art of Living	
166	Environmental Science and Business Management	
167	Economic Geography	
168	Projects Appraisals and Management	
169	Agricultural Marketing	
170	Disaster Management	
171	Entrepreneurship	Innovation and Entrepreneurship
172	Art of Living	Real Estate
173	Environmental Issues in Real Estate	
174	Geographical Information System in Real Estate	
175	Urban Land Use and Development	
176	Urbanization & Regional Development	
177	Research Project in Real Estate	
178	Sustainable Land Use Planning and Management	
179	Public Land and Natural Resources Laws	
180	Geographical Information System	Tourism and Hospitality Management
181	Entrepreneurship	
182	Sustainable Tourism	
183	Tourism Impact and Sustainability	

184	Bangladesh: Land and Culture	Journalism and Mass Communication
185	Art of Living	
186	Communication Research Methodology	
187	Statistics for Social Research	
188	Health and Population Communication	
189	Legal Research Methodology	Law
190	Art of Living	
191	Environmental Law	
192	Renewable Energy Technology	Electronics & Telecommunication Engineering
193	Radar and Navigation	
194	Statistics and Probability	
195	Environmental Mgt. in Textile & Allied Industries	Textile Engineering
196	Climate Responsive Architecture	Architecture
197	Ecology	
198	Green Architecture and Sustainable Development	
199	Luminous Environment in Architecture	
200	Water Management in Buildings	
201	Sustainable Architecture	
202	Sonic Environment in Architecture	
203	Environmental Design and Disaster Studies	
204	Architectural & Urban Conservation	
205	Research Methodology	
206	Geology and Earthquake Engineering	Civil Engineering
207	Environmental Engineering	
208	Environmental Engineering Lab	
209	Water Resource Engineering	

210	Water Resource Engineering Lab	
211	Climate Change and Sustainable Development	
212	Biostatistics	Public Health
213	Research Methodology	
214	Occupational and Environment Health	
215	Environment Health Toxicology	
216	environmental policies, strategies, Regulation and occupational Environmental & Disease	
217	Introduction to statistics	Information Technology & Management
218	Art of Living	
219	Bangladesh Studies	
220	History of the Emergence of Bangladesh	
221	Bangla Language and Literature	
222	Structured Programming	
223	HCI and User Experience	
224	Object Oriented Concepts	
225	Database management system	
226	Website Application Development	
227	Data communication and computer networking	
228	Mobile and Web Security	
229	Software Quality Assurance and Testing	
230	Open Source Software System	
231	Principles of Management	
232	Business Communication	
233	Legal Environment in Business	



234	Human Resource Management		
235	Organizational Behavior		
236	Research Methodology		
237	E-commerce and E-Business		
238	Principles of Cyber security		
239	Digital Forensics		
240	Enterprise resource planning system		
241	Training and Development		
242	Compensation Theory and Administration		
243	Economics		CIS
244	Agile Development		
245	Bangladesh Studies		
246	Industrial Management		
247	Employability 360		
248	Project Management Essentials		

**Collaboration with Sorolota Foundation (NGO) for Gyaner Pathshala**



Gyaner Pathshala, mainly deals with ensuring the education for disadvantaged children of the society. Daffodil International University always stands by the initiative of Gyaner Pathshala as part of its academic social responsibility. This new branch of Gyaner Pathshala is located at Bagerhat in collaboration with the NGO Sorolota Foundation.

Gyaner Pathshala also organized fruits festival with the local fruits for the disadvantaged children of the society.

### Collaboration with BITM

HRDI, DIU and BITM signed MoU for introducing several Skill Development Programs jointly for the enhancement of real need-based skills of the youths.



### Mobile Storytelling Workshop with UNDP Project Managers



### Research Collaboration with UiTM, Malaysia

Under an agreement, researchers from DIU's Faculty of Business Entrepreneurship and UiTM's Accounting Research Institute will collaborate on five research projects, with funding provided by both universities.

- Waqf in Enhancing Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Malaysia & Bangladesh
- Mitigation of Money Laundering Risk: A Maqāṣid Al-Sharī'ah Perspective
- An Application of Text Mining on the Nexus Between Climate Change Risk and Earnings Management
- The Influence of Information Digitalisation and Globalisation in Improving the Quality of Governance: An Analysis of Asia
- Online purchasing risk among Gen Z. Does digital literacy mitigate?



### Partnership with Creative IT Institute

The HRDI of DIU has had a partnership with Creative IT Institute to embark on a transformative journey that blends cutting-edge technology with education, promising groundbreaking opportunities for students and beyond. The partnership strives to the synergy between IT and education.



### Policy Advocacy and Collaboration with Government and private sector:

#### National HR Summit at DIU



Daffodil International University organized the National HR summit in collaboration with a2i (Aspire to Innovate) and supported by the Dhaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry (DCCI) and the Bangladesh Society of Human Resources Management (BSHRM). ICT secretary Md Shamsul Arefin was present as chief guest at the inaugural ceremony, while Mohd Monirul Islam, additional secretary, SDG affairs, Prime Minister's Office, Mohammad Nuruzzamn, CEO, Daffodil Family, Tapan Kanti Sarker, president CTO Forum, Mohammad Mashequr Rahman Khan, president Bangladesh Society for

Human Resource Development Anir Chowdhury, policy adviser, Aspire to Innovate, were present as special guests. Faculty, students, high officials along with HR professionals of various universities and business organizations attended the summit.

### Establishment of a \$10 million crowdfund for Startup & Entrepreneurship

Dr. Md. Sabur Khan, made a groundbreaking announcement during the **Daffodil Alumni Australia Reunion**, declaring the establishment of a \$10 million crowdfund with the contribution of Daffodil Alumni Worldwide dedicated to the welfare, job placement, and entrepreneurship development of Non-Resident Daffodil Alumni worldwide.



Outreach community Programs:



The students of the Department of Innovation and Entrepreneurship and officials of Daffodil Institute of Social Sciences (DISS) took part in a community outreach program at Chandpur district of Bangladesh to identify rural entrepreneurship and their challenges. The objective of the survey was to provide necessary guidance, mentoring, financial support etc. to the identified entrepreneurs who are facing challenges to sustain their ventures.



Community Outreach program for 10-days Field School



The Department of Architecture, DIU collaborated with several partners in organizing the first field school in Bangladesh at Sonargaon Dhaka from July 10-19, 2023. This Field School is designed to offer an immersive learning experience in documenting a local community’s-built environment and cultural landscapes, learning how to write the local history of people and places “from the ground up” and learning from material through hands-on activities and to showcase works done in the field school on national and international platforms. Ph.D. candidates from the University of Wisconsin, USA, Architect Dilruba Ferdous Shuvra, Fashion Designer Chandra Shekhar Saha, several architects, artist Niaz Morshed, etc. attended this school. Sheikh Muhammad Rezwan, Assistant professor, DIU due to his expertise in conducting residential workshops in the rural environment was a co-partner of this event. Their works were displayed on 19th July 2023 at Shilpakala Academy.

**Conducted Outreach Advanced Training on Mobile Documentary**



Dr. Abdul Kabil Khan, Associate Professor of the Department of Journalism, Media and Communication, conducted the 'Advanced Training on Mobile Documentary' under the project 'Our Shared Cultural Heritage (OSCH)' in Rajshahi. At the two-day training session, the participants learnt about the fundamental aspects of mobile documentary, mind-mapping, video shooting, storyboarding editing and so on. A total number of 22 participants joined the training sessions. CCD Bangladesh implemented this project with the

support of the British Council and the partnership with the Varendra Research Museum and URONTO Artist Community.

**Attended Cross sectoral Conference**

HRDI of DIU participated in LCOY Bangladesh (Local Conference of Youth 2023) to host a session titled "Planet Protectors: Teamwork for a Greener World." Mr. Amir Hamza from HRDI, DIU led the session using interactive activities and games to address environmental romanticism, key factors contributing to climate change, and nature-based solutions. The session engaged 250 participants from various regions across Bangladesh.



LCOY serves as a worldwide initiative to educate and mobilize youth on environmental factors and climate change.

**DIU Chairman Addresses IAUP Meeting on Transforming Global Higher Education**

Dr. Md. Sabur Khan, Founder & Chairman of Daffodil International University and President of the Association of Universities of Asia and the Pacific (AUAP), delivered a keynote at the IAUP Semi-Annual Meeting in Cairo, Egypt, discussing the transformation of global higher education. He emphasized the importance of enhancing learning quality, fostering innovation, and promoting inclusivity to adapt to evolving educational landscapes and meet the changing needs of students. His insights provide a roadmap for universities to succeed in a changing world while aligning with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).



**DIU Chairman Shares Insights at Uni20 Event on International Collaboration**



Dr. Md. Sabur Khan, Chairman of Daffodil International University's Board of Trustees, participated in the Uni20 event within the G20 series, joining education leaders and entrepreneurs from 46 nations in Pune, Maharashtra. He discussed international collaboration in education and shared insights from Symbiosis International University, emphasizing entrepreneurship, student engagement, and a nature-driven approach. Dr. Khan aims to apply these learnings at DIU and leverage best practices through inter-university cooperation. This event aligns with UN Sustainable Development Goals, including Quality Education, Partnerships for the Goals, and Decent Work and Economic Growth, contributing to global

efforts to enhance education quality and promote sustainable economic growth.

**Participated in the Cross-sectoral 29th international Conference AMIC 2023 in Bandung, Indonesia**

Dr. Kabil Khan, Associate Professor of DIU presented a paper on "Practices and Emerging Trends of Mobile Journalism in Bangladesh: A Case Study of Bangladesh Times" in the Cross-sectoral 29th international Conference AMIC 2023 in Bandung, Indonesia.



**Dr. Md. Sabur Khan: Charting a Sustainable Educational Future as AUAP President**



In a momentous achievement, Dr. Md. Sabur Khan, the Founder & Chairman of Daffodil International University has been elected as the new President of the Association of the Universities of Asia and the Pacific (AUAP) for the tenure of 2023 and 2024. This appointment follows his dedicated service as the First Vice President of AUAP for the years 2021 and 2022. Dr. Khan's leadership embodies a commitment to Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as he vows to elevate AUAP initiatives, enhance membership engagement, and bolster transparency in activities. His unwavering focus on uplifting students and strengthening the capacity of educators reaffirms the organization's dedication to

advancing education and fostering a brighter, more sustainable future across the Asia-Pacific region.

## Collaboration with Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of Bangladesh



## NUBTK-DIU Partnership Project: Professional Journalism Skills Development Program



## Collaboration with Swinburne University of Technology for organizing Mobile and Digital Storytelling Festival in Bangladesh



The Community Digital Storytelling Festival is a powerful and dynamic event that brings together young and aspiring storytellers to share their voices with the world. It gives them an opportunity to promote creativity, innovation and collaboration among storytellers: 'real stories by real people'. This time, the Swinburne University of Technology is collaborating with Daffodil International University to organize the festival in Bangladesh.

**Conducted Community Digital Storytelling workshop at Islamic University**

A workshop on 'Community Digital Storytelling' was recently held at Islamic University (IU), Kushtia, in collaboration with the Department of Journalism, Media and Communication, Daffodil International University (DIU). Dr Md Abdul Kabil Khan, Associate Professor at the Department of Journalism, Media and Communication from Daffodil International University was the keynote speaker.



**Mobile journalism workshop at PIB with journalists of Gopalganj District**



**Dr. Mahfuza Parveen Joins Commonwealth Futures Climate Research Cohort as Mentor**

Dr. Mahfuza Parveen, an Associate Professor in DIU's Department of Environmental Science and Disaster Management (ESDM), has been appointed as a mentor in the Commonwealth Futures Climate Research Cohort 23-24. This program, aligned with SDG 13 (Climate Action), focuses on early career researcher development, climate action, and research co-creation. Dr. Parveen will guide and support fellows throughout a 12-month training program, facilitating climate research collaboration and networking. Her role as a mentor highlights her commitment to climate research and nurturing the next generation of climate researchers, contributing to climate action and sustainable development. Congratulations to Dr. Parveen on this prestigious appointment. SDG 6, 7, 13





### DIU Academic Collaboration for a Sustainable Future



Daffodil International University (DIU) signed MoUs with Bharatiya Engineering Science and Technology Innovation University, India, Techno India University, Nalanda University and others for partnership on joint mobility programs, IT resource development, research collaboration, doctoral degree collaboration, and more.

### Belt and Road Research Centre Inaugurated DIU's Undergraduate Research Program



Daffodil International University's Belt and Road Research Centre celebrated the launch of its first Undergraduate Research Program (URP) at the Prof. Dr. Aminul Islam Seminar Hall in Ashulia. The URP aims to spark research enthusiasm and decision-making skills among students, fostering academic excellence in alignment with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Dr. AKM Mohsin, Head of the Department of Business Studies and Deputy Director of DIU Belt and Road Research Centre, played a pivotal role in launching this program.

### Global Cross-Cultural Engagement at DIU: A Visit from Lithuania

Two exchange faculty members, Dr. Gražina Čiuladienė and Dr. Miglė Eleonora Černikovaitė from Mykolas Romeris University, Lithuania, visited DIU in Bangladesh as part of the EU's Erasmus+ grant program.

During their stay, they not only taught but also immersed themselves in Bengali culture by wearing traditional Sarees and embracing local customs. DIU's commitment to international exchanges and cultural understanding aligns with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) for global cooperation and education.



### Cross-Cultural Enrichment: DIU's Faculty & Student Exchange Program at Assam downtown University 2022

A delegation of students and faculty from DIU's Department of Computer Science and Engineering participated in a week-long Faculty & Student Exchange Program at Assam Downtown University in India. The program included academic exchanges, cultural interactions, and research activities, fostering cross-cultural understanding and promoting global learning experiences.



### 15th AUAP General Conference: Forging Global Academic Partnerships for SDG-Aligned Futures



Daffodil International University hosted the 15th General Conference of the Association of the Universities of Asia and the Pacific (AUAP). The event, attended by representatives from around 30 universities, saw the signing of over 100 Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) focusing on student and faculty exchange, joint academic and research program development, and course sharing. These agreements strengthen academic ties among institutions across ten nations and align with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by promoting international cooperation in education and research for a more sustainable world.