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## President's Message



It is with a sense of delight that I convey this message for the JUAAB News on the auspicious occasion of the annual general meeting (AGM) 2013 of the Japanese Universities Alumni Association in Bangladesh (JUAAB). The mission of JUAAB is to promote friendship between Japan and Bangladesh to develop harmony, sharing of knowledge, experience and exchange of culture to work for building a more peaceful and prosperous nation.

The bilateral linkages between Japan and Bangladesh have embraced multifaceted and diversified dimensions. There has been a significant and increasing relation between the countries. As the growing linkages and the emerging pattern of cooperation imply, despite asymmetry in economic status, our relation has been increasing steadily. In today's increasingly interdependent world, we will continue our efforts to move toward creation of a world of peace and prosperity through cooperation and friendship. I believe JUAAB will continue their efforts to strengthen the friendship with Japan through collaborative activities like education seminar, learning of Japanese language, Japanese Language Speech Contest, training on Ikebana, social gathering, observance of Hiroshima and Nagasaki days and exchange programme of Bangladeshi students in Japan.

Due to the enthusiasm and hard work of the executive committee members our association has grown to be an active and vibrant one. In the mean time we amended constitution of JUAAB and included the JUAAB Welfare Foundation as a part of the constitution. Hopefully, JUAAB will be sustainable organization through our continuous efforts and your generous active participation.

It is indeed timely for us to remember the commitment and hard work and co-operation of many of our valued members to bring the commendable successes of the association. We look forward to working with you and in gaining inspiration from your growing strength. Thanks and sincere appreciations are also due to fellow members of the executive committee for publishing the JUAAB News. I also express my heartfelt thank and warm appreciation to Embassy of Japan in Bangladesh for their continuous supports.

**Prof. Dr. Md. Khurshed Alam Bhuiyan**  
President

Japanese Universities Alumni Association in Bangladesh (JUAAB)

## General Secretary's Report March 29, 2013



On the occasion of 12th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Japanese Universities Alumni Association in Bangladesh (JUAAB), I would like to express my great indebtedness, heart-felt thanks and sincere appreciation to you all. As we all believe and are working to ascertain the beauty that the JUAAB is an organization of an assorted group of people from various disciplines and professions, who have acquired highest academic degrees from different Japanese Universities and now been playing pivotal roles in national development. Perceiving into the history, another year has flown after AGM of JUAAB which was held at XINDIAN Restaurant on 30th March, 2012 with full energy and vigor to put forward JUAAB activities. Various activities have been done during the passing year and now, I shall try to give a short description of the major activities carried out by the JUAAB team during last one year.

### **(1) Ikebana and short course certificate giving ceremony, 24th May, 2012**

An Ikebana (number of students 4) and short course Japanese Language (number of students 9) certificate awarding ceremony was held on May 24, 2012 at JUAAB office. Prof. Dr. Md. Khurshed Alam Bhuiyan, President of JUAAB, Prof. Dr. M. A. M Yahia Khandoker, General Secretary of JUAAB, Dr. A. K. M. Moazzem Hussain, Courses coordinator of JUAAB Language School and concern Language Teachers were present in this occasion.

### **(2) Bangladesh Ikebana Association (BIA) AGM, 15th June, 2012**

Bangladesh Ikebana Association's third Annual General Meeting (AGM) along with the election of the BIA executive committee for the period from July-2012 to June-2014 session was held on 15th June 2012 at JUAAB office. Mr. Hideki Igawa, Head of the Information & Cultural Division of the Embassy of Japan was present as the Chief Guest in this program. JUAAB President, General Secretary and some other JUAAB members were also present in this occasion.

### **(3) Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT), 1st July, 2012 and 2nd December 2012**

Japan Foundation has two JLPT in each year. JUAAB organized these JLPTs in collaboration with the Embassy of Japan in Bangladesh at the Institute of Modern Language (IML) of Dhaka University on 1st July 2012 (number of students 92) and 2nd December 2012 (number of students 129).

### **(4) N5 and N-4 course certificate giving ceremony along with the farewell of Japanese Language Teacher Mrs. Tamie Rahman on 6th July, 2012**

N-5 (number of students 19) and N-4 (number of students 8) courses certificate awarding ceremony was held on 6th July, 2012 at JUAAB office. Prof. Dr. Md. Khurshed Alam Bhuiyan, President of JUAAB, Prof. Dr. M. A. M Yahia Khandoker, General Secretary of JUAAB and Dr. A. K. M. Moazzem Hussain, Course coordinator of JUAAB

Language School, concern Japanese Language Teachers and some other EC members of JUAAB were present in this occasion. Mrs. Tamie Rahman, Head teacher of JUAAB Japanese Language school join in a Japanese company. JUAAB memorized her contribution and arranged a farewell ceremony on the same day at JUAAB office and given her a crest.

**(5) Six months course certificate giving ceremony, 20th July, 2012**

JUAAB arranged a six months special language course for an organization of Grameen Shopnoo. A total of 24 (twenty four) students completed this course and Language teacher Mrs. Natsuko Sato conducting the course. A certificate awarding ceremony was organized at JUAAB office on 20th July, 2012 at JUAAB office.

**(6) Hiroshima & Nagasaki day and JUAAB Iftar party, 11th August, 2012**

JUAAB observed Hiroshima and Nagasaki day on 11th August at JUAAB office. JUAAB EC members, general members and some invited guests were present in this auspicious program. Video show on Hiroshima-Nagasaki tragedy and some poster on 2nd world war were shown in this program. After that JUAAB members and guests join in the JUAAB Iftar party.

**(7) Monbukagakusho orientation program on 1st September, 2012 and March 21, 2013**

An orientation program for MONBUKAGAKUSHO winners in October was organized jointly by JUAAB and the Embassy of Japan, at Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council (BARC) Auditorium, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215, on 1st September 2012. One hundred seven students obtained scholarship in this session to pursue higher studies at different universities of Japan and almost all the students were present in this orientation program. Kazi Farhana Rahim and Dr. Farhana Rahman Babli Education Adviser of Japan Embassy given speech on "Life and Study in Japan". Visa application form was distributed among the students and some students were registered for short Japanese Language course. Professor Dr. Md. Rafiqul Hoque, Honorable Vice Chancellor, Bangladesh Agricultural University and Mr. Hideki Igawa, Head of Public Affairs & Culture Section of the Embassy of Japan in Bangladesh were present as the Chief Guest and Special Guest, respectively in this program.



In addition to that, an orientation program was arranged by Japan Embassy on March 21, 2013 at Japan Embassy for the Embassy recommended 10 MONBUKAGAKUSHO winners. General Secretary was present in this program as JUAAB representative and Dr. Mirza Hasanuzzaman of Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University was given a speech on "Life and Study in Japan" as the recently backed MONBUKAGAKUSHO fellow.

**(8) Tamagawa Japanese Language School visit JUAAB office on 6th September, 2012**

Ms. Kumi Tanaka representative of Tamagawa International Language School, visited JUAAB office on 6th September, 2012. Mrs. Natsuko Sato, Teacher JUAAB Japanese Language School was present. A fruitful discussion on further development of collaboration was held in this meeting.

**(9) Japan Foundation outstanding program August, 29th- September 12, 2012**

JUAAB recommended 4 (Four) students for this program. Out of four one, Ms. Kostiri Rizia North South University student finally selected to attend the "Japanese-Language program for overseas students (outstanding students-2012) in Japan.

**(10) Reception of Mr. Takayuki Kawakami on 21st September, 2012**

A reception party for Mr. Takayuki Kawakami, newly joined Head, Public Affairs & Culture Section, Embassy of Japan in Bangladesh was arranged on 21st September 2012 at JUAAB office. JUAAB EC members were present in this occasion.

**(11) Bangladesh Ikebana Association Eid Reunion, 29th September, 2012**

Bangladesh Ikebana Association's Eid Reunion was held on 29th September, 2012 in collaboration with JUAAB. Mr. Takayuki Kawakami, Head, Public Affairs & Culture Section was present in that reunion as the Chief Guest.

**(12) Short course certificate giving ceremony and appreciation of Mrs. Tamie Rahman and Mrs. Natsuko Sato on 3rd November, 2012**

A Short course certificate awarding ceremony (number of students 20) and appreciation of Mrs. Tamie Rahman and Mrs. Natsuko Sato for their students' good performance in the JLPT, July, 2012 was held on 03-11-2012 at JUAAB office. Prof. Dr. Md. Khurshed Alam Bhuiyan, President of JUAAB, Prof. Dr. M. A. M Yahia Khandoker, General Secretary of JUAAB and Dr. A. K. M. Moazzem Hussain, courses coordinator of JUAAB Language School were present in this occasion.

**(13) JASSO and MOFA delegates visited JUAAB office on 3rd November, 2012**

JASSO and MOFA delegates visited JUAAB office on 3rd November 2012. JUAAB Executive Committee and Advisory Council members were present in this program and a fruitful discussion on further development of collaboration was held.

**(14) Education seminar at North South University (NSU) and Dhaka University (DU) on 4th November, 2012**

Embassy of Japan arranged the Education seminar in collaboration with JASSO and JUAAB at North South University and TSC Auditorium of University of Dhaka on 04 November, 2012. About 100 participants were present in NSU seminar and more than 500 participants were present in DU seminar. Professor Dr. A K M Nowsad Alam, Executive Committee member of JUAAB made a power point presentation on "Study in Japan as a foreign student" at NSU. Prof. Dr. Mohammed Abdullah Khan, Executive Committee member of JUAAB delivered a speech on "Life and Study in Japan" in DU.

**(15) Navira Ltd visited JUAAB office on 12th November, 2012**

Navira Ltd visited JUAAB office with two Japanese delegates from KOWA partners on 12th November 2012. A fruitful discussion on further development of collaboration for Language School matter was held in this meeting.

**(16) Reception of Mr. Ryogi Tsuge on 15th December, 2012**

A reception party for Mr. Ryogi Tsuge, newly joined Head, Public Affairs & Culture Section; Embassy of Japan in Bangladesh was arranged on 15th November at JUAAB office. Some JUAAB EC members were present in this occasion.





### **(17) 3rd Social gathering on 15th December, 2012**

JUAAB gathering along with the recently returned graduates from Japanese Universities was held at BIAM Foundation, 63 New Eskaton, Dhaka-1000 on December 15 (Saturday) under the collaboration with Japan Embassy in Bangladesh. H. E. Japanese Ambassador to Bangladesh Mr. Shiro SADOSHIMA was present as the Chief Guest in this auspicious program. Two scientific presentations, on "An analysis on e-landing in academia from the view point of knowledge management-case study of library and information science schools." and on "Growth promoting effects of garlic stem and leaf" were arranged in this program. Another excellent presentation by the KIZUNA bond program participants were also made in this program. Cultural program was performed by Jahangirnagar University's Cultural team. More than one hundred (100) JUAAB members were present in this social gathering.



### **(18) N5 and N3 course certificate giving ceremony on 28th December, 2012**

N-5 (number of students 14) and N-3 (number of students 3) courses certificate awarding ceremony was held on 28th December, 2012 at JUAAB office. Prof. Dr. Md. Khurshed Alam Bhuiyan, President of JUAAB, Dr. A. K. M. Moazzem Hussain, courses coordinator of JUAAB Language School and concern Language Teachers were present in this occasion.

### **(19) Bangladesh Ikebana Association' Exhibition on 12th January, 2013**

Bangladesh Ikebana Association (BIA) arranged an exhibition at Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207 on 12th January 2013 in collaboration with the JUAAB. Mr. Ryoji Tsuge, Head of Public Affairs & Culture Section of the Embassy of Japan in Bangladesh, was present as the Chief Guest in this program. Professor Dr. M. A. M. Yahia Khandoker, General Secretary of JUAAB and Dr. Shaikh Tanveer Hossain, JUAAB EC members were present in this demonstration.

### **(20) The 4th National Speech Contest in Japanese Language along with Bengali Singing Contest for the Japanese Nationals on 18th January, 2013**

The 4th National Speech Contest in Japanese Language, along with Bengali Singing Contest for the Japanese Nationals, organized by the Japanese Universities Alumni Association in Bangladesh (JUAAB) and the Japan Foundation in cooperation with the Embassy of Japan in Bangladesh and the Japanese Association in Dhaka, was held at the Bangladesh Agriculture Research Council (BARC) Auditorium, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215 on 18th January 2013. Mr. Hiroyuki Minami, Charge d'affaires Embassy of Japan in Bangladesh was present as the Chief Guest in this program. Initial screening was performed for Japanese Language speech contest and nine (09) contestants were selected for final contest. First two contestants (Ms. Kosturi Rizia - 1st position and Mr. Pallab Debnath - 2nd position) were selected to attend the SUFJUA Japanese Language speech contest hold on 23rd March, 2013 in Sri Lanka and Ms. Kosturi Rizia stood first position.

Bengali singing contest was also arranged on the same day for Japanese Nationals. Seven Japanese were participated in this contest. Mrs. Natsuko Sato obtained 1st position, Mr. Yoshinobu Yamaguchi obtained 2nd position and Ms. Atsumi Takano obtained 3rd position. A successful media coverage made by Channel-I.

### **(21) 3rd National Ikebana Contest and Ikebana Demonstration, along with Japanese Tea Ceremony on 8th February, 2013**

The 3rd National Ikebana Contest and Ikebana Demonstration, along with Japanese Tea Ceremony, were organized by JUAAB and the Embassy of Japan in Bangladesh at La Vita Hall of Lake Shore Hotel (Road-41, House-46, Gulshan-2, Dhaka-1212) on 8th February. H.E. Mr. Shiro SADOSHIMA, Ambassador of Japan to Bangladesh, was present as the Chief Guest in this program. Bangladesh Ikebana Association (BIA) and the Japan Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce & Industry (JBCCI) acted as the co-organizer. In this contest Mrs. Selina Akhter obtained 1st position, Mrs. Asma Akter obtained 2nd position and Mrs. Sultana Shahana Akter obtained 3rd position. Ikebana demonstration was performed by Mrs. Kazuyo Zoha and Prof. Monowara Islam. Ikebana display was performed by Mrs. Shamsun Nahar Hossain, Ms. Dil Rowshon Akhtary, Mrs. Shamim Ara Saima, Mrs. Shahinoor Baby, Mrs. Razia Zaher and Mrs. Khaleida Islam. Tea ceremony demonstration was performed by Ms. Rumi Ariyoshi, Ms. Akemi Nagashima and Ms. Nahoko Sako.



### **(22) KIZUNA program on (20th January 2nd February, 2013)**

JUAAB recommended Ms. Zahura Chowdhury, Level-1 (Term-2) Civil Engineering student of BUET to attend the KIZUNA program in Japan on 20th January to 2nd February, 2013.

### **(23) JUAAB Office Transfer**

As you know, previously we have shared our office with New Vision Solutions Ltd and Kokusai Links Co. Ltd. At the end of 2012 our partners took decision to leave the office. We were really in problem but fortunately we have find out the present office space by paying almost same rent (earlier it was 37,000 and presently 45,000 Taka). We are trying to find out a permanent office space for our JUAAB office.

### **(24) Executive Committee (EC) meeting held**

JUAAB EC always tried their best to do the work with highest sense of responsibility and transparency. Generally as per provision, in each of 3 (three) months, 2 (two) EC meetings were conducted, in addition to several special EC meetings. Thus, a total of 9 (nine) EC meetings were conducted during last one year.

### **(25) Finance status**

JUAAB Treasurer would have been very much prepared to present the audit report to the house. However, I would like to give you a brief idea on financial matter. We have 45 lac, 50 thousand FDR saved since the launching of JUAAB to March, 2012. In spite of comparative lesser budget came in from the Embassy.

during the last year, we have been able to raise funds and deposited an extra amount of Taka 15 lac within this one year. In our last two years tenure we have able to saved Taka 25 Lac. Thus, the JUAAB has the total FDR amounting Tk.60 lac, 50 (fifty) thousand now. Besides this, we have a running balance of Taka 3,66,215 (Three lac sixty six thousand two hundred and fifteen only) in JUAAB bank account. This graceful saving was made possible mostly by raising funds from outer sources and by practicing cost analysis in expenditure as well.

### (26) Publication of JUAAB constitution and JUAAB News

This year we did not get any financial support from the Embassy to publish JUAAB constitution and JUAAB News. So, JUAAB's revised constitution and JUAAB News were publish this year own fund.

I am thankful to our honorable advisors for their valuable suggestions and cooperation. Thanks and gratitude to all EC members of JUAAB. Thanks are also extended to our office staffs for their restless effort and of course thanks to the Embassy of Japan for their continuous support and cooperation in every aspect of JUAAB activities. Thank you all the honorable members of JUAAB.



(Professor Dr. M. A. M. Yahia Khandoker)  
General Secretary, JUAAB



## Treasurer's Report

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
Period : 1st March 2012 to 28th February 2013

Opening balance			
Cash at Office Account			95,429
Cash at bank			882,279
FDR statement			4,392,897
Current A/ C against FDR			683
Security Deposit for house rent			180,000
<b>Total</b>			<b>5,551,288</b>
Receipts	Taka	Payments	Taka
<b>Courses fees:</b>	<b>1,513,850</b>	<b>Course expenses:</b>	<b>781,591</b>
a) Japanese Language course	1,143,350	a) Teacher remuneration	540,500
b) Ikebana course	19,500	b) JLPT & Teaching materials exp.	241,091
c) JLPT conduct	351,000	<b>Staff salary</b>	<b>377,500</b>
<b>Japan Embassy Contribution</b>	<b>1,902,277</b>	<b>Photocopy, postage and courier</b>	<b>28,559</b>
a) Office Maintenance	689,477	Telecommunication (Internet, TNT and Disantina bill)	49,558
b) Staff salary, allowances	360,000		
c) Other programs	852,800		
<b>Other contribution</b>	<b>224,321</b>	<b>Utility expenses (electricity, Water, gas &amp; service charge)</b>	<b>159,062</b>
a) EC members	10,000	<b>Honorarium (For speakers in different events and seminar)</b>	<b>25,000</b>
b) JBCCI	15,000		
c) Japanese Association	15,000	<b>Office rent</b>	<b>438,000</b>
d) NYK line Bangladesh Ltd.	10,000	Equipment purchase & Office Maintenance-	
e) Japan Foundation	174,321	Farewell & reception of Ambassador	
<b>Membership fees</b>	<b>80,900</b>	and other deligets	207,494
a) Life members	77,000		
b) General members	3,900	<b>Seminar and cultural events</b>	<b>803,151</b>
<b>Miscellaneous income</b>	<b>113,800</b>	Crest for	13,200
Bangladesh Ikebana Ass.	12,000	Kizuna Exhibition (Embassy)	
Thai sale of old office	100,000	<b>Bank charges</b>	<b>2,435</b>
Sale of IPS Battery (old)	1,800	<b>Audit fees</b>	<b>10,450</b>
<b>FDR interest</b>	<b>154,954</b>		
<b>Income from seminar and cultural events</b>	<b>9,100</b>		
(Registration fees-Social gathering)			
	3,999,202		2,896,000
			1,103,202
<b>Excess of Income Over Expenditure (Receipts - Payments):</b>			<b>1,103,202</b>
<b>Present Financial Condition: (Opening balance + Excess Income Over Expenditure)</b>			<b>6,654,490</b>
<b>Closing balance:</b>			
Cash at office account			55,591
Cash at bank			1,866,215
Current A/ C against FDR			683
Closing FDR with last year profit			4,547,851
Security Deposit for house rent			180,000
New Investment in FDR			1,500,000
<b>Total</b>			<b>8,150,340</b>

### JUAAB Executive Committee April 2011- March 2013

President

**Prof. Dr. Md. Khurshed Alam Bhuiyan**

Vice President (1)

**Dr. Syed Shamsuddin Ahmed**

Vice-President (2)

**Prof. Dr. A. F. M. Saiful Islam**

General Secretary

**Prof. Dr. M. A. M Yahia Khandoker**

Treasurer

**Prof. Dr. Md. Khorshed Alam**

Joint Secretary

**Dr. Md. Sirajul Islam**

Research and Publication Secretary

**Dr. AKM Shameem Alam**

Cultural Secretary

**Prof. Dr. Mohd. Muzibur Rahman**

**Executive Committee Members**

(1) Prof. Dr. A K M Nowsad Alam

(2) Prof. Dr. Nazma Shaheen

### JUAAB Membership

Citizens of Bangladesh having at least one academic degree (Bachelor, Master, Doctorate or equivalent) from a Japanese university shall be eligible for membership.

#### Subscriptions :

1. Life member Taka = 5,000 (Five Thousand only)

2. General member Taka = 700 (Seven Hundred only). Application fee of Taka 200/- and annual membership fee of Taka 500/-.

### JUAAB COURSES

#### Japanese Language Courses :

Six-month long Course for those intending to sit for JLPT (N-5, N-4) and also to continue higher level courses and higher studies in Japan (Classes 3 days a week; Fees :Tk. 16,000/-)

Three -month Short Courses (3 times a year) for those willing to learn the basic conversation. ( Fees :Tk. 8,000/-)

Three - month Orientation Course for the Monbukagakusho Scholarship Awardees

#### Ikebana and Dry Flower Making Course :

The class is held on Saturday, 10:30-11:30 Ikebana and 11:30-01:00 Dry Flower Making. The Course Fee is Tk. 4,500/- for three months.

(3) Prof. Dr. Shah Ataur Rahman

(4) Prof. Dr. Mohammed Abdullah Khan

(5) Dr. Nur Ahamed Khondaker

(6) Prof. Noor Md. Rahmatullah

(7) Dr. Shaikh Tanveer Hossain

#### Ex-Officio EC Members

(8) Dr. A. K. M. Moazzem Hussain

(9) Prof. Dr. A. B. M. Obaidul Islam