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## CPD Workshop on Fire Prevention, Precaution & Control

A day long CPD workshop titled "Comprehensive Training on Fire Prevention, Precaution and Control" took place on 30th May 2015. Professor Dr. Nizamuddin Ahmed was present as the Key Instructor of the event along with Ar. Dewan Shamsul Arif and Engineer Belal Ahmed.

The workshop focused on basic ideas of the preventions, precautions and controlling measures of fire hazard. The speakers also discussed particularly on serving a legal framework for the architects to protect the respective design and thereby ensure continued safety. Certificate was distributed among the participants at the end of the workshop in presence of IAB President Ar. Abu Sayeed M Ahmed and General Secretary Ar. Qazi M Arif were present

The event was co-ordinated by Ar. Ehsan Khan, Secretary, Profession, IAB and was powered by Asian Paints Bangladesh Ltd.



Distribution of Certificates among the participants of CPD Workshop

## CPD Workshop on **Imarat Nirman Bidhimala**

Another CPD workshop titled "Imarat Nirman Bidhimala 2008" were held on 13th June 2015. The event was conducted by Ar. Shahadat Hossain Shahin.

The focus of the course was particularly on "Comprehensive Knowledge on Imarat Nirman Bidhimala 2008" and its application during the design process and submission for Building Permit. All the participants received certificates upon completion of the workshop.

The event was co-ordinated by Ar. Ehsan Khan, Secretary, Profession, IAB and was powered by Asian Paints Bangladesh Ltd.

Distribution of Certificates among the participants of CPD Workshop





## Conversation with Mustapha Khalid Palash

As a part of its Lecture Series, Institute of Architects Bangladesh arranged a conversation with prominent architect, singer, painter and musician Mustapha Khalid Palash on the evening of Thursday, 4th June. The event at Chhayanaut Auditorium in town, transformed the hot summer evening into a cool and serene atmosphere for the audience.

A brief conversation, which the event was meant to be, lasted for about two hours and left the audience with a desire that unfulfilled to learn about the architect.

Architect Palash shared amazing stories touching different aspects of the adventurous and exciting journey of his life. The conversation held the sheer interest of young listeners about the architect known for his apparent introvert conduct. He talked of his early days in BUET, fascination about architecture, starting of his own practice and, of some events of his personal life. Memories of his early-life affection to anything about science and buying his first car amused the audience while they also got an insight about his architectural philosophy and life ideals.

This talented architect drew some light on his thinking process, practice management as well as, 'on and off site' work procedure which certainly educated the young architects present in the audience. He infused some important life-skill advices audience which would help them in their career. The event was conducted by Ar. Farhana Sharmin, who at the end, moderated the question answer session. Ar. Palash addressed all the issues and answered the questions with delightful gesture, ethical and philosophical stand point.

President of IAB, Prof. Abu Sayeed M Ahmed presented the distinguished guest a crest on behalf of the institute.

A portion of audience listening the stories of Ar. Mustapha Khalid Palash





## Seminar on Learning about Earthquake & Architecture

As a part of IAB Lecture Series, IAB organized a seminar titled "Learning about Earthquake & Architecture" on 16th May, 2015 at Chhayanaut Auditorium.

Prof. Jamilur Reza Choudhury, country's eminent engineer and Vice Chancellor of the University of Asia Pacific, Prof. Dr. Syed Humayun Akhtar, Chairman, Department of Geology, Dhaka University, Brig. Gen. (retd.) Abu Naim Md Shahidullah, former Director General of Fire Service and Civil Defence spoke at the seminar.

Prof. Dr. Syed Humayun Akhtar mentioned that Bangladesh is geographically an earthquake-prone country. He also discussed the causes of earthquake, their magnitude and also the measures that people should take during the disaster.

Prof. Jamilur Reza Choudhury suggested the ways and means to prepare a plan of a structure considering the risk of earthquake so that those can be protected from possible earthquake and thus save assets.

Brig. Gen. (retd.) Abu Naim Md Shahidullah discussed about the post-earthquake preparation that can be undertaken by the government agencies. He also laid the importance of modernization of the Fire Service and Civil Defense Directorate in this regard. He also suggested the authority for improving and modernizing shelter homes to tackle the post-quake situation. Architects, engineers, journalists and eminent members of the civil society attended the seminar.

The event was powered by Asian Paints Bangladesh Ltd.



Distinguished speakers of the seminar on "Learning about Earthquake & Architecture"





## ARC Architectural Consultant The Studio of Ar. Nahas A Khalil

The second "On Sites & At Studios" event took place in "ARC Architectural Consultant" the practice headed by eminent architect Nahas Ahmed Khalil on Saturday, 23rd May, 2015.

The event was divided into two sessions. At the first session Ar. Nahas Ahmed Khalil shared his experiences from professional arena at his studio. The second session took place at two of the sites of his projects, Hasnahena Apartments and United International University, where he explained his architectural thoughts and views regarding the design process

Participating architects got the opportunity to hear from Ar. Nahas Ahmed Khalil himself, the design philosophy, vision and methodology while visiting the two sites. Ar. Asif M Ahsanul Huq, Secretary Heritage & Cultural Affairs, IAB coordinated the program.

The event was powered by Asian Paints Ltd.

Ar. Nahas A Khalil is giving brief to the participants on his site





## Closing Ceremony of IAB Indoor Games Tournament 2015

The first ever IAB Indoor Games Tournament successfully came to an end through a grand closing ceremony organized at the IAB Centre premises in Agargaon on the evening of 2nd April, 2015.

The event started off with Men's Fellow Table Tennis Singles, followed by Men's Table Tennis Singles, Men's Fellow Badminton Doubles and Men's Badminton Doubles.

Former Captain of Bangladesh National Cricket Team, A S M Roqibul Hassan graced the occasion as Chief Guest. Former National Badminton Champion and General Secretary of Bangladesh Badminton Foundation Zobaidur Rahman Rana, Former National Table Tennis Champion Zobera Rahman Linu, Chief Architect of the Department of Architecture, Ministry of Public Works, Govt. of Bangladesh Ar. Kazi Golam Nasir, Immediate Past President of IAB Ar. Mubasshar Hussain and Former President of IAB Ar. Rabiul Husain were present as special guests. IAB President Prof. Abu Sayeed M Ahemd, Vice President (International Relations) Ar. Masud R Khan and General Secretary Ar. Qazi M Arif were present during the closing ceremony among several members.

At this program, certificates were distributed to the participants of the IAB Cricket Team that participated in the Goodwill Cricket World Cup held in Kochi, India on the year 2013. After that, the prize giving ceremony among the winners of Indoor Games, 2015 was held.

IAB memento was handed over to the special guests and chief guest by the President of IAB Prof. Abu Sayeed M Ahmed. The closing Ceremony ended with a grand dinner. The event was sponsored by TOTO, together with RAK Ceramics, Baumerk Waterproofing Systems and Items Trading Ltd.

The event was coordinated by Ar. Masudur Rahman Khan - Vice- President (International Relations) with the cooperation of Ar. Asif M Ahsanul Haq, Ar. Selim Altaf Biblob and Ar. Shahid Hassan Rabbani.

Winners of the IAB Indoor Games Tournament 2015 with the distinguished guests





## Roundtable Discussion

### Strengthening the Bridge Between Profession and Pedagogy



Institute of Architects Bangladesh arranged a roundtable discussion titled “Strengthening the Bridge Between Profession and Pedagogy” on 25th April, 2015 at the Conference Room of Bishwa Shahityo Kendro Bhaban.

The roundtable was attended by the Heads of all 25 schools of architecture of Bangladesh and members of IAB Education Standing Committee. Members of IAB Executive Council were also present.

The august forum discussed various issues related to architectural education that included curriculum, accreditation, cooperation between schools, capacity building of faculty etc.

The program was coordinated and moderated by Ar. Mahmudul Anwar Riyad, Secretary Education, IAB.



Participants of the roundtable



## National Convention of the United Architects of the Philippines (UAP); ARCASIA Office Bearers Meeting and UIA Region IV Meeting

United Architects of the Philippines celebrated its 41st Annual National Convention which was held in Manila on April 16-18, 2015. The three day event was attended by about 2300 delegates, including ARCASIA & UIA officials, invited guests from ARCASIA Member Institutes, the officers and members of UAP, members from government and the academe, local and foreign speakers and guests who shared their knowledge and expertise. 2nd Office Bearers Meeting of ARCASIA was held on April 16, 2015 which was attended among other ARCASIA Office bearers, by Ar. Qazi M Arif, Chairman, ARCASIA Committee for Green & Sustainable Architecture (ACGSA) & General Secretary, IAB along with Ar. Masud R Khan, Vice President (International Relations), IAB.

A meeting of UIA Region IV was also held on 17th April, 2015 which was attended by Ar. Qazi M Arif, Head, Architecture & Renewable Energy Sources (ARES) Work Program of UIA Region IV.

Several activities were lined up for the three-day convention, in addition to these meetings. These were the UAP Convention Exhibits (Conex 2015), Arkilympics, the General Assembly and Business Meeting, Investiture of New Fellows, Architectural tours and the Fellowship Night. The events included CPE seminars structured around the central theme and subthemes which were aimed to equip the architects with the tools and basic knowledge required for them to be competitive in their profession. It also aimed to provide architects updated information on disaster-resilient housing, on various housing technologies, and on new products in the industry of design and construction.

[Delegates for the ARCASIA Office Bearers meeting and UIA Region IV meeting](#)





## Participation in ARCASIA Teachers Training Workshop

The Institute of Architects Pakistan, (IAP) organized ARCASIA Teachers Training Workshop on "Urbanism and Architecture" from 7th April - 18th April 2015 at COMSATS University Campus, Islamabad, Pakistan. Italian Professor Fabio Todeschini was invited to conduct the workshop.

The event was attended by young teachers of architecture from all over Pakistan and SAARC Countries. Ar. Masud Ur Rashid, Assistant Professor of the Ahsanullah University of Science and Technology and Secretary, Publication & Publicity of the Institute of Architects Bangladesh (IAB) participated the workshop on behalf of IAB.

The workshop covered three domains- Urban, Rural and Suburbs. It was divided in phases and a systemic approach was taken towards engaging the participants. A series of classes was conducted on city planning and its various aspects. After a series of group works the participants were involved to give some quick proposal to redesign a portion of Islamabad city which was designed by eminent architect Constantine Doxiadis in 1960. The participants individually presented their ideas about the redesign in front of professionals from different government authorities and civil society through extensive studio works.

The two weeks long workshop was ended up by distribution of certificates and crests among the participants.



Participants of the workshop with the host and instructor



INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

## IAB Donates for Nepal Earthquake Victims

Institute of Architects Bangladesh has been deeply concerned for the loss of lives in Nepal due to the massive earthquake on the 25th of April 2015. IAB is also saddened to learn about the damage & destruction of precious buildings and heritage sites.

Immediately after the earthquake, EC of IAB allocated a fund to be disbursed and arranged to be sent to the officials of the Society of Nepalese Architects (SONA) through the good offices of her excellency Architect Mashfee Binte Shams, hon'ble Ambassador of Bangladesh to Nepal.

A fund raising campaign titled 'Help Nepal' was also launched on behalf of IAB and an amount of BDT 627,400.00 has been collected from the generous donation by members, friends and associates and students of architecture. The remainder of the donation shall be handed over to SONA during the 36th ARCASIA Council meeting in Ayutthaya, Thailand in November if not earlier.



## CAA Conference Designing City Resilience' Summit at RIBA, London

The 50th Anniversary of the Commonwealth Association of Architects (CAA) was celebrated at the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) in London from 15th to 18th June, 2015. The occasion was marked by an eventful International Summit on "Designing City Resilience" on the 16th and the 17th. The event also included a Council meeting and a Council dinner on the 15th and a General Assembly on the 18th.

The summit incorporated 36 international speakers who shared ideas on city resilience through 16 sessions. Among the speakers were experts involved in the design and construction, development and infrastructure, city leadership and governance, insurance and finance, and technology and communications of a city. There was also a Designing City Resilience panel that discussed, through 6 panel sessions, the key themes of City Resilience. The themes were:

- Defining urban resilience
- Designing places for people
- The role of technology in improving resilience
- City Resilience: Vision, strategy, barriers and lessons so far
- Creating long-term value through innovative city investment strategies
- Climate Change and shocks to the system

The event also included three case study presentations on Barcelona, Bristol and New York and how these cities are addressing their own challenges to improve their well-being. The presentations emphasized on the policies that these cities are establishing in order to achieve their goals on improving their infrastructure as well as the social and economic consistency.

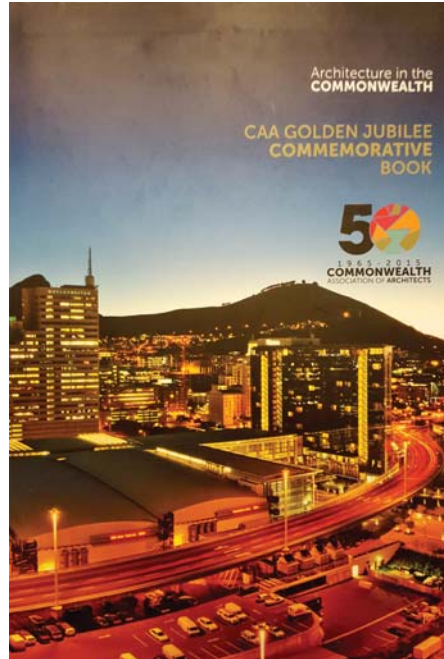
The summit was highlighted by an exciting City Resilient Challenge as a participatory way of bringing architects from around the world to propose strategies addressing the challenges faced by 11 international cities: Austin, Barcelona, Bristol, Chennai, Glasgow, Manchester, Melbourne, New York, Rio de Janeiro, Rotterdam and Vejle. Based on the challenges these cities faced, four composite cities—Emerging City, Mega City, City Region, and Innovative City—were formed with a Mayor assigned to each. They collaborated with attendees from around the world to establish strategies addressing the issues which were then presented by the Mayors at the end of the summit.

On behalf of the CAA, the RIBA organized a competition which aimed to 'highlight the diversity of challenges, opportunities and responses faced by cities throughout the world, from large nation states to small island communities'. The entries were displayed at the RIBA headquarters during the event and the winners were announced at the RIBA President's Reception on 16th June. A Gala dinner, hosted by the Worshipful Company of Chartered Architects in collaboration with the RIBA, was held on the 17th and a CAA General Assembly marked the end of the event on 18th June.



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## CAA Commemorative Book

The Commonwealth Association of Architects (CAA) introduced a commemorative publication—‘ARCHITECTURE IN THE COMMONWEALTH’—as part of its Golden Jubilee celebration at the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA), London in June 2015. The book was launched at the CAA General Assembly and Conference during the event.

The book contains articles on the CAA and its achievements along with congratulatory messages from eminent figures. The ‘CAA chronicles’ section highlights the starting of CAA, its publications so far, the list of CAA Presidents, and all the General Assemblies that have been held since its beginning, including the one held in Dhaka, Bangladesh in 2013. The book also lists the member country profiles as well as the profiles of the CAA Council just before the latest election, which include Ar. Mubasshar Hussain as the immediate past president and Ar. Jalal Ahmed as the Vice President Asia Alternate.

As part of the commemoration, the publication also highlights some significant architectural works from the member countries. From Bangladesh, Ar. Muzharul Islam’s works, including the Art College in Dhaka, Chittagong University, Jahangirnagar University, National Library, and Joypurhat Housing, have been featured as outstanding architectural examples of all time. Moreover, pictures of the National Institute of Public Administration (NIPA), by Ar. Mazharul Islam and the Friendship Centre by Ar. Kashef Mahboob Chowdhury have been included in the book.

This commemorative publication of the CAA is a useful source of information about the architectural profession in the Commonwealth. It provides reference material on professional bodies and other related organisations involved in the construction industry, architectural education, and cross border recognition of qualifications.

### Ar. Jalal Ahmed Elected as the Vice President Asia of CAA

The Commonwealth Association of Architects (CAA) has elected Ar. Jalal Ahmed from Bangladesh as the Vice President Asia for a 3-year term, starting from 2016. He was an IAB-nominated candidate and has been elected unopposed. Ar. Jalal Ahmed is also the Vice President (National Affairs) of IAB and the immediate past Vice President Asia Alternate of CAA. He has also served as the Honorary Secretary of Architects Regional Council Asia (ARCASIA) during 2009-10 & as the General Secretary of IAB during 2011-14. The immediate past Vice President Asia was Kalim A. Siddiqui from Pakistan.







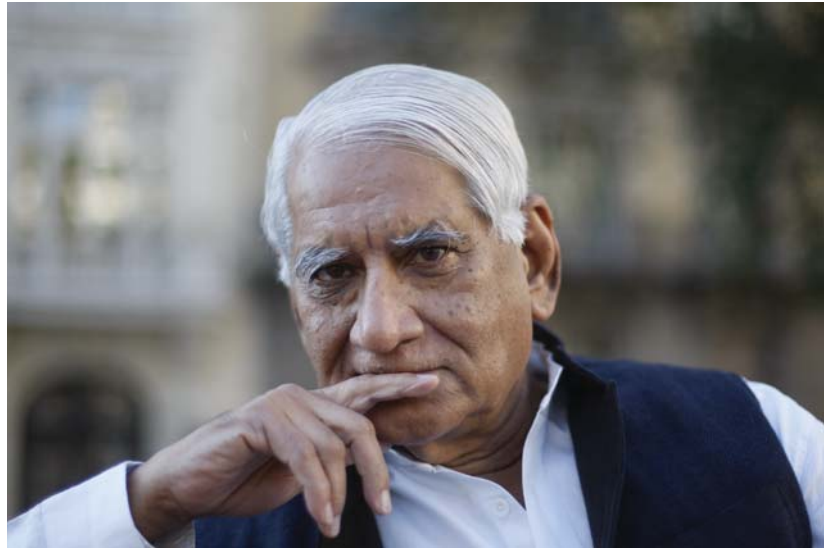
## Charles Correa [1930-2015]

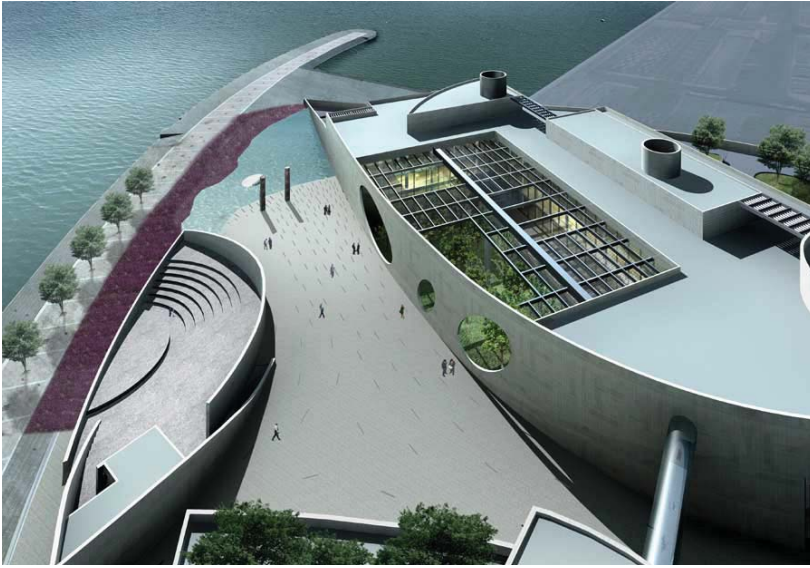
IAB deeply mourns the demise of the eminent architect Charles Correa, who died on 16th June 2015 in Mumbai following a brief illness. Charles Correa was an Indian Architect, urban planner and activist. An influential architect credited for the creation of modern architecture in post-Independence India, he was celebrated for his sensitivity to the needs of the urban poor and for his use of traditional methods and materials.

Charles Mark Correa was born on 1st. September, 1930, in Secunderabad, India. Correa began his higher studies at St. Xavier's College, Mumbai at the University of Bombay (now Mumbai) and went on to study at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor (1949–53) and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in Cambridge, Massachusetts (1953–55).

He established his own Mumbai based professional practice in 1958. He designed the Mahatma Gandhi Memorial that same year, aged just 28, before going on to work on projects including the State Assembly for Madhya Pradesh (1967), the Bharat Bhavan arts complex in Bhopal (1982), the National Crafts Museum in New Delhi (1990) and the British Council building in Delhi (1993).

Jawahar Kala Kendra in Jaipur, Rajasthan  
State Assembly for Madhya Pradesh  
Kanchanjunga Apartments, Mumbai





Champalimaud Centre for the Unknown in Portugal

He also completed housing projects in Delhi, Bombay, Ahmedabad, Bangalore, while his most recent designs include Toronto's Ismaili Centre, the Brain Science Centre at MIT and the Champalimaud Centre for the Unknown in Portugal. In 1990 he became the third recipient of the Gold Medal from the International Union of Architects, while his many other accolades include the Aga Khan Award for Architecture, Japan's Premium Imperiale and the Padma Vibhushan – India's second-highest civilian award.

He designed the distinctive buildings of National Crafts Museum, New Delhi (1975–1990), Bharat Bhavan, Bhopal (1982), Jawahar Kala Kendra (Jawahar Arts Centre), in Jaipur, Rajasthan (1986–1992), British Council, Delhi, (1987–92) the McGovern Institute for Brain Research at MIT, Boston (2000–2005) and the City Centre (Salt Lake City, Kolkata) in Kolkata (2004). Ar. Correa also designed state-of-the-art research and development facility of Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd (Mahindra Research Valley) at Chennai, which is the epicenter of various R&D networks of Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd.

From 1970–75, he was Chief Architect for New Bombay (Navi Mumbai), an urban growth center of 2 million people across the harbour from the existing city of Mumbai. He was involved in extensive urban planning of the new city along with Shirish Patel and Pravina Mehta. Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi appointed him Chairman of the National Commission on Urbanization in 1985. In 1984, he founded the Urban Design Research Institute in Bombay, dedicated to the protection of the built environment and improvement of urban communities. During the final four decades of his life, Correa has done pioneering work in urban issues and low-cost shelter in the Third World.

One of Correa's most important later projects is the new Ismaili Centre in Toronto, Canada which is located in the midst of formal gardens and surrounded by a large park designed by landscape architect Vladimir Djurovic. It shares the site with the Aga Khan Museum designed by Fumihiko Maki.

*[Source of information and images: Internet]*

The new Ismaili Centre in Toronto, Canada







## Workshop on Sustainable Building Design and Green Building Certification

Workshop on 'Sustainable Building Design and Green Building Certification' was held at the office of IAB Chittagong on 20th May, 2015 organized jointly by Environmental Design Solution (EDS) and IAB Chittagong Chapter.

The objective of this workshop was to equip individuals with the fundamentals of building energy efficiency. The workshop attempted to address the technological advancement and demonstrate compliance strategies to meet national and international standards of energy efficiency.

Associate Director of EDS Engr. Hisham Ahmed and Senior Project Manager, EDS Architect Ashutosh Gupta made their respective presentations on LEED certification compliance and Design tools to achieve the certification criteria. Ar. Taslim Uddin Chowdhury, Chairman, IAB Chittagong Chapter spoke on the occasion and distributed the certificates to the participants. Chapter Secretary Ar. Sohail M. Shakoor thanked EDS and their resource persons and all 32 participants for making the workshop successful.

## Shantiniketon-e Kobiguru-r Shikkha & Sthapattya Bhabna Shirshok Kathon (শান্তিনিকেতনে কবিগুরুর শিক্ষা ও স্থাপত্য ভাবনা শীর্ষক কথন)

IAB Chittagong chapter organized a seminar on "Shantiniketon-e Kobiguru-r Shikkha & Sthapattya Bhabna Shirshok Kathon" (শান্তিনিকেতনে কবিগুরুর শিক্ষা ও স্থাপত্য ভাবনা শীর্ষক কথন) on 23rd May 2015. Ar. Kanu Kumar Das, Assistant Professor, Department of Architecture of CUET was the speaker of the seminar. In this seminar, he talked about the Educational and Architectural ideology of Poet Rabindranath Tagore in the Visshwabharati University which was established by the poet.

The program was chaired by chapter chairman Ar. Taslimuddin Chowdhury and was attended by several members.







## BUET Students Win 3rd Prize in CAA & RIBA Organized Open Idea Competition

The Commonwealth Association of Architects (CAA) and the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) announced the winners of the international student competition 'Visualising the Future of the City' at a reception on the evening of 16th June 2015. The announcement coincided with the first day of the international summit 'Designing City Resilience' that the RIBA hosted in London in the year that the CAA celebrates its Golden Jubilee.

The topic of the competition was inspired by the work of the UK Government's Foresight Future of Cities project and it attracted 33 entries from countries as far afield as Japan, Canada, South Africa, and Colombia, to name a few. The judging panel included CAA President Rukshan Widyalandara, RIBA President Stephen Hodder, and RIBA Vice President International Peter Oborn.

The third prize was awarded to the entry 'Resuscitating Dhaka' submitted jointly by Bin Sayeed Bakhti and Manal Anis of BUET. Bakhti and Anis explained that their entry "speaks of a time in the not too distant future where Bengalis, after witnessing self-destruction reach a saturation point, will turn around and, against all odds, survive. The city will, ultimately, experience a harmony between legalized slums and contemporary architecture; farm lands and urban areas; loops of flyovers, roads and restored water channels; globalization and age-old cultural norms."

They went on to add that, "it was an honor and a privilege to have received the third prize in such a prestigious competition. We would like to have this opportunity to thank the esteemed jury panel and RIBA for recognizing our work; our tutor, from Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET), Mahmudul Anwar Riyad for guiding us through the entire process and helping us come up with the best way to demonstrate and explain our vision, our advisor Dr. Zebun Nasreen Ahmed and head of the Department of Architecture, Dr. Farida Nilufar."

## BUET DoA Teams Participated in **Designing Resilience in Asia** Organized by National University of Singapore

Two teams comprised of BUET students from Level 4, Level 5 and M.Arch program participated in a 2 day Symposium titled, "Designing Resilience in Asia" organized by National University of Singapore on 29th-30th. June, 2015. Renowned experts in the field Dr. Marie Acquilino, Dr. Rohit Jigyasu, Dr. Rina Tiwari and Dr. Esther Charlesworth were the principal speakers. The students previously participated in a competition with teams from nine other architectural schools around the world, namely: Universite de Montreal, Canada; South China University of Technology (SCUT), China; Centre for Planning and Technology (CEPT), India; RMIT University, Australia; Technische Universitat Darmstadt, Germany; Institut Teknologi Bandung (ITB), Indonesia; Natioal Cheng Kung University, Taiwan; Lousiana State University, USA and National University of Singapore, Singapore. BUET students Maherul Kader Prince and Nazmul Ahmed presented their design on behalf of group A and Simanto Goshwami presented for group B in a Jury session. Later, a month long open exhibition was arranged by NUS for presenting the ideas. Prof. Shaheda Rahman accompanied the group as an Executive Delegate on behalf of the Department of Architecture, BUET.





## Seminar on Architecture for Green Living at AUST

Eminent architect and artist Rafiq Azam works out of inspiration from nature and a fusion of tradition. He was the key speaker in the seminar titled "Architecture for Green Living" held on 11th June, 2015 at Prof. M.H. Khan Auditorium, Ahsanullah University of Science and Technology.

The architect shared his concepts, philosophy and design process with the audience who were mostly students from different architecture schools of Dhaka. Prof. M.H. Khan, Founder Vice Chancellor AUST and Prof. Dr. A.M.M. Shafiullah, Vice Chancellor, AUST were present in the event as the Chief Guest and Special Guest. The Seminar was Chaired by Prof. Dr M. A. Muktadir, Head, Department of Architecture, AUST.

The seminar became more vibrant when the architect started to describe about the his inspirations he received through Lalon's Stories, Rumi's poetries and Jagadish Chandra Bashu's discovery. He represented his feelings through the presentation of his architectural works, sketches and water-color paintings. Ar. Rafiq Azam also answered different questions from the audience regarding the duties, liabilities, responsibilities, limitations and affordability of the architects.

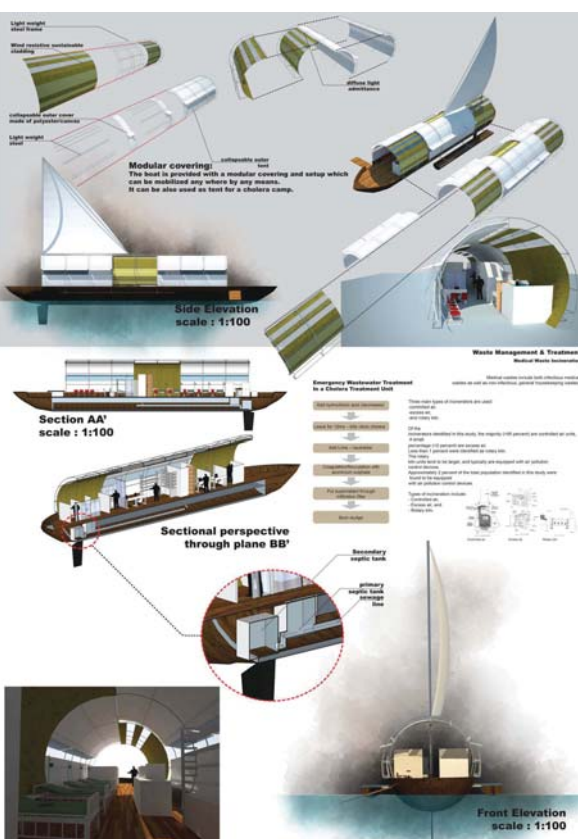
The program was concluded by handing over a set of books written by Professors of the Department of Architecture, AUST to the invited Speaker Ar. Rafiq Azam by Prof. Dr M. A. Muktadir. The event was conducted by Ar. Shehzad Zahir. The seminar was arranged by the Seminar & Workshop arranging Committee of the Department of Architecture, AUST and was sponsored by Shah Cement.

## AUST Students Win Honorable Mention in UIA-PHG International Student Competition

UIA- Public Health Group organized a worldwide Student Design Competition for 2015. The Project was to design of a Mobile Isolation, Diagnosis and/or Treatment Unit for Use in Ebola or Other Communicable Disease Epidemics. Entry of Khairun Nahar and Md. Afif Ibne Mahmood from the Department of Architecture of the Ahsanullah University of Science and Technology received the Honorable Mention in the competition.

The concept of their design was to relieve people from cholera and supply of pure drinking water during epidemic in the flood affected area of Bangladesh. They proposed Boat as a vehicle as it would work best for the mobile units in the flood affected areas. Boats would safely reach to any affected area and the units within it would be able to provide primary treatment, as well as pure drinking water.

The Advisors of the Project were Dr. Rumana Rashid, Ar. Tanzila Samad Choudhury and Ar. Jayedi Aman.







## Workshop on 'Safe Sanitation For Our Habitat: Strategies For Architects' at AIUB

The Department of Architecture of the American International University-Bangladesh (AIUB) and Habitat for Humanity- Bangladesh (HFHB) jointly organized a three-day long workshop at the Department of Architecture AIUB titled, "Safe Sanitation For Our Habitat: Strategies for Architects" on June 11-14, 2015. The prime objective of the workshop was to train young architects to develop new understandings about low-income housing communities, along with focusing on sustainable sanitary facility construction policies and solutions that can work in the rural and urban low-income housing settlements.

The program started with the lecture session on the first day. The participants visited sites by HFHB at Mymensingh on the second day. On the final day, they were divided into groups to work on designing low-cost sanitation toilet ideas for the communities in a day-long design charrette. Their design presentations containing innovative ideas and solutions were presented in front of the HFHB officials and AIUB faculties. Some of the design ideas by participants were considered to be built on actual project sites of HFHB, if deemed viable.

Dr. ABM Siddique Hossain, Dean (Faculty of Engineering) of AIUB and Mr. John A. Armstrong, National Director of HFHB were the Key speakers and Mania Tahsina Taher, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Architecture chaired the program. Mr. Abul Bashar, Program Manager HFHB. Salma A. Safi, Architect & Urban Planner, CUS, Mr. Broja Gopal Saha, Asst Director, CDD, Mr. Mujibar Rahman, Program development Manager HFHB and M. Arefeen Ibrahim, Head of the Department of Architecture, AIUB delivered speech in the workshop.

## SUST Celebrates STHAPOTTE BOISHAKH

STHAPOTTE BOISHAKH is the yearly celebration of Pohela Boishakh at Shah Jalal University of Science & Technology (SUST). The Department of Architecture of SUST revolutionized the process of celebration in the past few years. As a result, the university authority officially funded the program this year and eagerly awaited the Department of Architecture to start the Grand Rally. It was a great event for the greater city of Sylhet. The colorful rally cruised over the university campus, followed by a larger procession which traveled through the major roads of the city with numerous massive mascots of tiger, owl, bull, kingfisher etc. and with hundreds of relief masks.. In addition, painting and craft exhibitions also took place marking the occasion. The celebration ended with outstanding presentation of traditional 'Putul Nach' (written, coordinated and performed by the students of architecture) and a memorable Baul Shondha.





## MoU Signing Ceremony

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&  
Institute of Architects Bangladesh (IAB)

Berger Corporate Office | May 17, 2015



### MOU Signing Ceremony with Berger Paints

Institute of Architects Bangladesh (IAB) and Berger Paints Bangladesh Limited (BPBL) signed a Memorandum of Understanding on 17th May, 2015 whereby Berger Paints will sponsor one Seminar Hall with the name of "Berger Seminar Hall" at the IAB Center, Agargaon. The MoU signing ceremony took place at the corporate office of Berger Paints.

Dr. Abu Sayeed M Ahmed, President, IAB and Rupali Chowdhury, Managing Director, BPBL signed the MoU on behalf of their respective organizations.

Through signing of this MoU with Berger Paints, IAB will be facilitated to conduct training and technical sessions for the architects and associated professionals to enhance the knowledge and expertise of the architect community.

Ar. Qazi M Arif- General Secretary, Ar. Mubasshar Hussain- Immediate Past President, Ar. Mamnoon Murshed Chowdhury- Assistant General Secretary, Ar. Mahmudul Anwar Riyaad- Secretary Education and Ar. Ehsan Khan- Secretary Profession attended the ceremony on behalf of the Executive council.

### Architectural Practice Related Books for IAB

Ar. Jalal Ahmed has brought 17 practice related books for the members of the IAB from the RIBA bookshop when he attended the CAA 50th Anniversary event at RIBA, London this year. The books are publications of the RIBA and will be thoroughly helpful for the members for their practice. They are all valuable source books and will be available at the IAB library so that members can easily access them when required.



### Ar. A. H. Abdur Rahman

Ar. A.H. Abdur Rahman [R-001], Fellow of the Institute of Architects Bangladesh passed away on the 8th June 2015 at Apollo Hospital, Dhaka. He received his degree in BSc. Engineering (Civil) from BUET on 1958 and later obtained B.Arch and M.Arch degree from USA. He was the founder chairman of the consulting firm ECAL (Engineering Consultants and Architects Ltd.). He was one of the senior most architects of Bangladesh who represented IAB in many international events. IAB deeply mourns for his demise.

Greetings from the 21st Executive Council of the Institute of Architects Bangladesh.

The second issue of IAB Newsletter of the 21st EC contains some of the news and events of the second quarter (April to June) of 2015. IAB arranged two CPD workshops, two program of lecture series and one program of 'On Sites & At Studios' within this period. There are some mentionable events of IAB such as the roundtable discussion titled, "Strengthening the Bridge between Profession and Pedagogy" that was attended by the Heads of several schools of architecture of Bangladesh and the closing ceremony of IAB indoor games 2015.

In this period IAB expressed its deep concern for the loss of lives in Nepal due to the massive earthquake and introduced the fund rising program titled 'Help Nepal' to all of its members. IAB representatives participated some important international events such as the CAA conference by RIBA, National Convention by UAP and so on. This issue of IAB Newsletter tries to cover all of this events. This issue also publishes a feature on the eminent architect Charles Correa whom we lost recently.

IAB Newsletter also publishes news of significant events organized by the IAB accredited schools and the schools that are on process of accreditation. On this regard some students are working as 'IAB Correspondent' for the IAB Newsletter. As this newsletter is for all the members of the Institute as well as the architects' community, any event or news that is important for architects can be covered by IAB Newsletter. The organizer of event or participants are requested to provide their news to the Editor or IAB office.

I am very grateful to the members of Editorial Board and my colleagues in the EC for their support to publish the newsletter. I am also glad to get co-operation from the contributors. I acknowledge the creative supports of the newsletter team. I hope readers will be kind enough to give their feedback regarding the Newsletter just as I received after the previous issue.

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