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**COUNTRY REPORT**  
**Institute of Architects Bangladesh (IAB)**  
40<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting, ARCASIA  
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### **1.0 Brief History**

Institute of Architects Bangladesh (IAB) was established on February 25<sup>th</sup>, 1972 in Dhaka, immediately after the independence of Bangladesh in 1971. The Institute of Architects Bangladesh is a professional institution to safe guard, promote and develop the profession of architecture in Bangladesh. The members of the Institute of Architects are morally bound to practice the profession according to rules, regulation and ethics established by the IAB. It has the mandate of its members to represent them as the supreme authority to deal with any matter related to the profession of architecture in Bangladesh. The Institute is run by a fifteen-member Executive Council that the members elect for a two-year term.

### **2.0 23rd EC Office Bearers (for the term 2019-2020)**

President	:	Ar. Jalal Ahmed
Vice-President (National Affairs)	:	Ar. Mamnoon Murshed Chowdhury
Vice-President (International Relations)	:	Ar. Ehsan Khan
General Secretary	:	Ar. Nowajish Mahbub
Assistant General Secretary	:	Ar. Nabi Newaz Khan
Treasurer	:	Ar. M. Masud Ur Rashid
Secretary, Education	:	Ar. Mohammad Arefeen Ibrahim
Secretary, Profession	:	Ar. Bayejid Mahbub Khondker
Secretary, Membership	:	Ar. Tofayel Md. Sarower
Secretary, Publication & Publicity	:	Ar. Sheikh Itmam Soud
Secretary, Seminar & Convention	:	Ar. M Taufiqur Rahman Khan
Secretary, Heritage & Culture	:	Ar. Mohammad Sazzad Hossain
Secretary, Environment & Urbanization	:	Ar. Dr. Farida Nilufar
Chairman, Chittagong Chapter	:	Ar. Najm-ul Latif
Immediate Past President	:	Ar. Kazi Golam Nasir

### **3.1 Membership**

There are mainly 2 categories of membership, namely General Membership and Honorary Membership. Fellow, Member, Associate Member and Student Member are the parts of General Membership. Honorary Fellow and Honorary Member are the parts of Honorary Membership. Only Fellows and Members have voting rights.

### 3.2 Current Membership Strength

As of October 2019, the membership strength of the Institute is as follows:

Total Member	:	4350	Out of which,
Fellow	:	371	
Member	:	1322	
Associate Member	:	2443	
Student Member	:	214	

A Member pays a yearly subscription of Taka 2,000.00 (USD-25) Approx. only.

### 4.0 Budget

**Funds of IAB are raised from the following sources: -**

- (a) Admission Fees and Annual Subscription of the members.
- (b) Fund raising activities such as building material exhibition, publications etc.
- (c) Financial Grant from the Government through the Ministry of Housing and Public Works.

Every year the Treasurer of the Institute prepares a budget, which the Executive Council approves. The Treasurer is also responsible for preparation of the audited accounts (Income and Expenditure) and the Balance Sheets, which are approved by the Executive Council before presentation at the Annual General Meeting.

### 5.0 Number of Chapters, Centers

According to the Constitution, Institute can establish Chapter from time to time in different regions of Bangladesh, where the number of members and fellows are at least 25. The constitution also has the provision for formation of Centers of IAB at different parts of Bangladesh, where the number of members and fellows are between 10 and 25. At present IAB has one chapter in Chittagong and two Centers in Khulna and Sylhet. The Executive Council formulates rules and regulation for operation of the Chapter and Centers as per the Constitution of IAB. The Chapter, Centers operate through sub-committee accountable to the Executive Council of the Institute.

### 6.0 AGM/ BiAGM

As per the constitution of IAB, Annual General Meeting (AGM) is held in every year by the 1<sup>st</sup> week of December to consider and adopt the yearly accounts and balance sheet and the general reports.

The Biennial General Meeting (BGM) is also held in the 1<sup>st</sup> week of December in every second year of the running executive council to consider and adopt the yearly accounts and balance sheet and the general reports of the Executive Council. Election of the subsequent Executive Council is held as last agenda of this meeting. As and when necessary, Extra-ordinary General Meetings are convened to transact any specific or urgent business. the last BGM was held on **December 2018**. The Biennial General Meeting and Election for the next Executive Council will be held in the last week of **December 2020**.

## 7.0 Legal Status of the Institute

The institute is registered with the Government as a Society under provision of law and hence IAB has a legal basis in the Country.

The Government of Bangladesh recognizes the Institute (IAB) as the only organization to represent Architects of the Country. The members of the Institute are morally bound to practice the profession according to the rules, regulations and ethics IAB establishes. The Institute has mandate of its members to represent itself as the supreme authority to deal with any matter related to the profession of Architecture in Bangladesh.

## 8.0 International Affiliations

IAB is affiliated with the following International Architectural Bodies:

- UIA : Union of International Architects
- CAA : Commonwealth Association of Architects
- ARCASIA : Architects Regional Council ASIA
- SAARCH : South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation of Architects

## 9.0 Major Activities in the Past Year:



**Installation of 9<sup>th</sup> Chapter Committee:**  
Chittagong Chapter celebrated its Installation Ceremony of 9th Chapter Committee.



**ARCASIA Council Meeting,  
4th Steering Committee Meeting of UN SDG Commission &  
Dinner Hosted by IAB in the Honor of ARCASIA President and UIA  
President**



## World Architecture Day

7 October 2019 At Chayanaut Auditorium Institute of Architects Bangladesh, IAB observed the World Architecture Day on the 7th October, 2019. World Architecture Day was initiated by the International Union of Architects (UIA) in 2005. The theme of this year is: "Architecture... housing for all".

Dear Architects,  
Institute of Architects Bangladesh is going to celebrate the **World Architecture Day** on the **7th October, Monday**. The theme of this year, 2019 is: "Architecture... housing for all".

Architect **Khondaker Hasibul Kabir** will share about architects' engagement in the co-creation process of housing and development. After the presentation a discussion session will be held on the theme of this event. Architect **Professor Shayer Ghador**, Architect & Planner **Neaz Rahman** and Architect **Kabir** will participate in the discussion session.

**ARCHITECTURE... HOUSING FOR ALL**  
**WORLD ARCHITECTURE DAY**

06:30 PM  
7 OCTOBER 2019  
CHHAYANAUT, DHANMONDI, DHAKA

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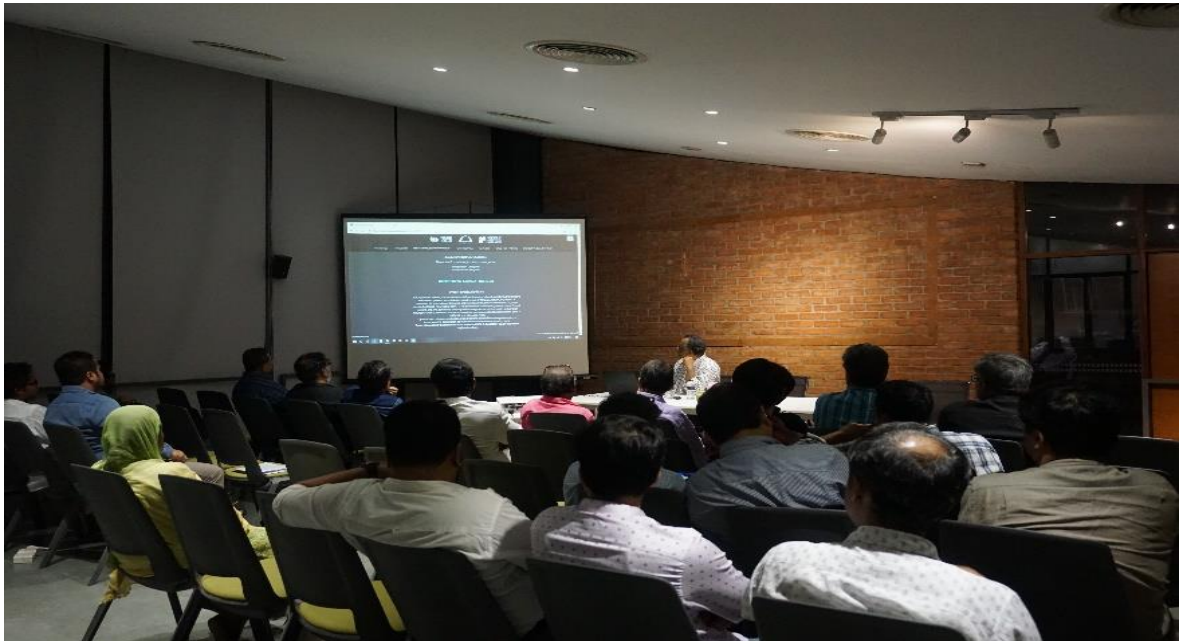
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## MoU Signing with Different Organizations for different purpose:



**Meeting of the Organizing Committee(s) at different times for ARCASIA Forum 20, Dhaka.**



**Cultural Activities and Events:**



  
**IAB  
PICNIC  
2019**

**Friday | 1 February**

**BRAC CDM,  
Rajendrapur, Gazipur, Dhaka**

*Register by Sunday, 20 January 2019*  
*For more information please follow your email, IAB facebook page  
and contact at IAB front office*

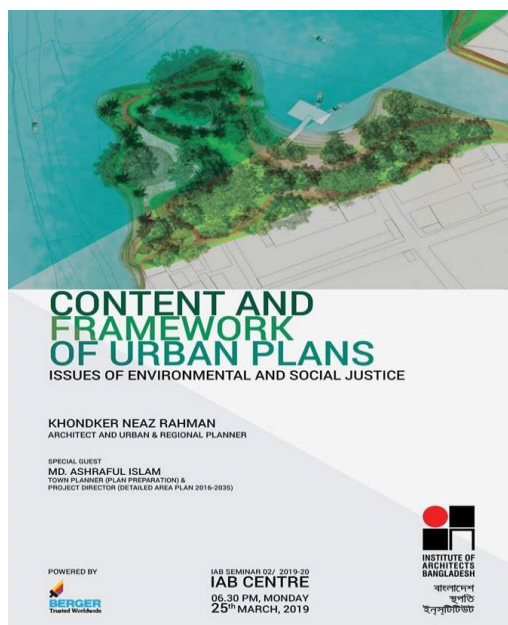
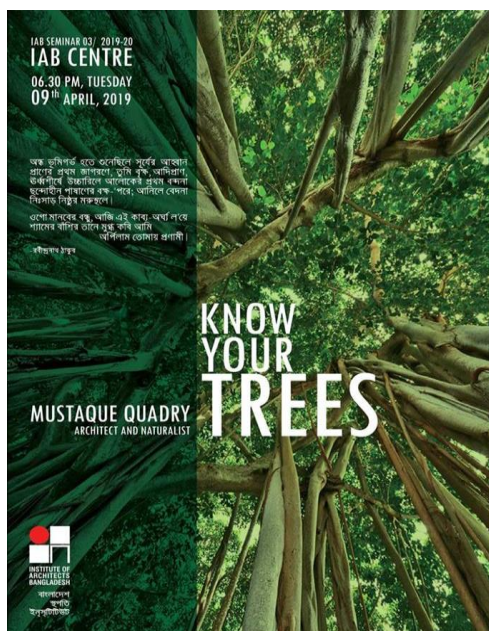
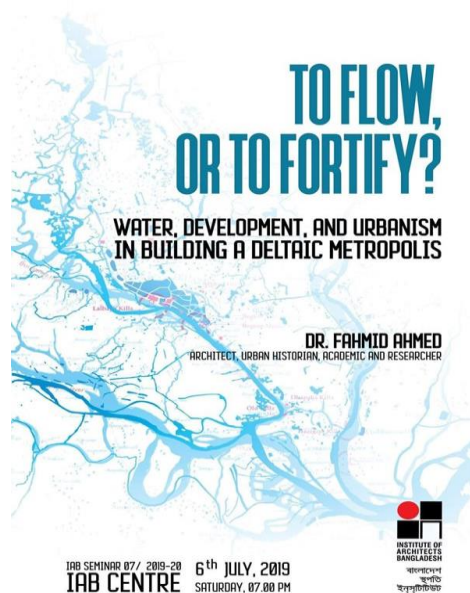
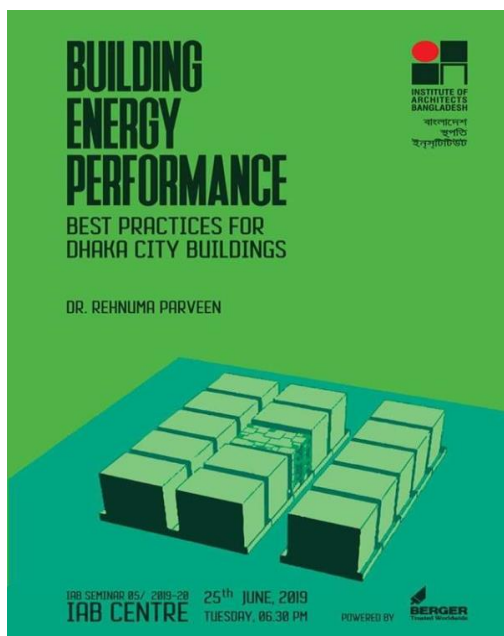


**Some of the seminars and lectures are mentioned below:**

**Arranged by IAB.**

<b>SL #</b>	<b>Name of the Subject/Theme</b>	<b>Presenter</b>	<b>Venue</b>
1	ARCASIA Award 2018, Japan, Winning Projects from Bangladesh	Ar. Jalal Ahmed, Ar. Ehsan Khan and Ar. Asif Mohammed Ahsanul Haq	Multipurpose Hall, IAB Centre, Agargaon
2	Rural Development and Urbanization from a Subaltern perspective	Mr. Delwar Jahan	Berger Seminar Hall, IAB Centre, Agargaon
3	Women in Architecture: Bangladesh 2019'	Ms. Mithila Farzana, Ar. Marina Tabassum, Ar. Saiqua Iqbal, Ar. Huraira Zabin, Ar. Mohd. Foyez Ullah	Berger Seminar Hall, IAB Centre, Agargaon
4	Content and framework of Urban Plans: Issues of Environmental and Social Justice	Ar. Khondker Neaz Rahman	Berger Seminar Hall, IAB Centre, Agargaon
5	Know Your Trees	Ar. & Naturalist Mustaque Hossain Quadry	Berger Seminar Hall, IAB Centre, Agargaon
6	Urban Choreography: Transforming Melbourne	Professor Kim Dovey	Berger Seminar Hall, IAB Centre, Agargaon
7	Building Energy Performance	Dr. Rehnuma Parveen	Berger Seminar Hall, IAB Centre, Agargaon
8	Rural Development & Urbanization from a Subaltern perspective	Mr. Delwar Jahan	Berger Seminar Hall, IAB Centre, Agargaon
9	To Flow or, to Fortify Water, Development and Urbanism in Building a Deltaic Metropolis	Ar. Dr. Fahmid Ahmed.	Berger Seminar Hall, IAB Centre, Agargaon
10	World Architecture Day "Architecture... housing for all".	Ar. Khondaker Hasibul Kabir, Ar. Professor Shayer Ghafur	Berger Seminar Hall, IAB Centre, Agargaon

Posters/Pictures of the seminars and lectures



**List & Pictures of Some of the CPD Programs are given below:**

SL #	Name of the Subject/Theme	Presenter	Organizer	Venue
1	Imarat Nirman Bidhimala, 2008.	Ar. Dewan Shamsul Arif	IAB, Dhaka	Berger Seminar Hall, IAB Centre, Agargaon
2	Imarat Nirman Bidhimala, 1996	Ar. Dewan Shamsul Arif	IAB, Dhaka	Berger Seminar Hall, IAB Centre, Agargaon
3	Imarat Nirman Bidhimala, 1996	Ar. Dewan Shamsul Arif	IAB, Dhaka	Berger Seminar Hall, IAB Centre, Agargaon
4	Live Sketching on site...! Workshop on freehand sketching	Ar. Sajid Bin Doza	IAB, Dhaka	Berger Seminar Hall, IAB Centre, Agargaon
5	Means of Egress in terms of Life Safety	Ar. Dewan Shamsul Arif.	IAB, Dhaka	Berger Seminar Hall, IAB Centre, Agargaon
6	Glass & Coatings for Architecture and New Trends in fabrication work.	Engr. Sivaji Ray	IAB, Dhaka	Berger Seminar Hall, IAB Centre, Agargaon
7	Means of Egress in terms of Life Safety	Ar. Dewan Shamsul Arif.	IAB, Dhaka	Berger Seminar Hall, IAB Centre, Agargaon



## International Speakers:



### 10.0 Outreach Program

In general events of IAB, ministers, high government officials, members of civil society and important personalities are invited as guests with a view to interact with the decision-makers. Seminars and various programs are organized to make people aware of the importance and role of architects in building a better society. These events are given wide coverage in mass media.

Jointly with other agencies the Institute organizes seminars on planning issues of cities and rural areas of Bangladesh.

The Institute publishes a regular Newsletter covering national and international news and views of architectural importance.

#### Meeting With Honorable DNCC Mayor



## 11.0 Architectural Design Competition

Architectural Design Competition is a frequent feature of IAB. In the recent past Institute has successfully organized several competitions for corporate office Projects and national level projects.

- A. **1st Porcelanosa Furniture Design Competition 2018:** Organized in collaboration with Porcelanosa.



- B. **Multistoried Commercial Office Building on “Underground Substation”:** Organized in collaboration with Dhaka Power Distribution Company (DPDC).



C. **Commercial (Office) Green Building for IDCOL:** Organized in collaboration with Infrastructure Development Company Limited (IDCOL).



D. **Head Office of Bangladesh Energy Regulatory Commission (BERC):** Organized in collaboration with Energy Regulatory Commission (BERC).



**E. ARCASIA Forum 20 2019, Bangladesh Logo Design Competition:**  
Organized by IAB



**F. LOGO DESIGN COMPETITION: KSRM Awards for the Future Architects**  
Organized in collaboration with KSRM

ELIGIBILITY	SUBMISSION	AWARDS	JURORS
Any current student from IAB accredited B. Arch programs of Bangladesh only (individual submission)	<b>14 September, 2019   Saturday</b> logocompetition.iab.org.bd	1st Prize: Tk. 25,000/- and Certificate 2nd Prize: Tk. 15,000/- and Certificate 3rd Prize: Tk. 10,000/- and Certificate	Ar. Ehsan Khan Vice President, International Relations, IAB Ar. Masrura Marshed Chowdhury Vice President, National Affairs, IAB KSRM Representative
	One A4   PDF/JPEG Proposed Logo with Concept (max. 200 words) A copy of valid University ID Declaration Form with signature		
	<b>CONTACT</b> Ar. Haiden Ibrahim, MIAB   Competition Director IAB Centre, Plot 11, Block E, Road 7, Agargaon, Sher-E-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka 1207. Phone: +880255001196, +880255001197		

Competition Brief  
[www.iab.com.bd](http://www.iab.com.bd)

**KSRM**

## **12.0 Awards for Members:**

The Institute has introduced IAB design Awards since 1996 biennially. It has become the most prestigious award in the field of architecture in Bangladesh. Usually IAB organizes Two National Award for Architectures:

- A. IAB Award
- B. Berger Award for Excellence in Architecture (BAEA)

Beside the above mentioned AWARDS, IAB members regularly participate in following AWARD Programs:

- AGA KHAN AWARD FOR ARCHITECTURE
- ARCASIA Award for Architecture
- Monsoon Architecture Award
- JK Architect of the Year Awards
- International Property Award Asia Pacific Region
- Lafarge Holcim Asia Pacific Award for Sustainable Design
- Cityscape Award for Emerging Market
- World Architecture Festival Award
- MIPIM AWARD
- Leading European Architects Forum Award (LEAF)

IAB is going to organize a National Award Program "IAB-KSRM Award for Future Architect" to recognize the best thesis/ final projects of the graduating students of IAB accredited schools of architecture of Bangladesh.

### **ACHIEVEMENT OF IAB MEMBER:**

#### **AGA KHAN AWARD FOR ARCHITECTURE 2017-2019:**

Aga Khan Award for Architecture (AKAA) announced **Ar. Saif Ul Haque Sthapati (FIAB, H-040)** as a winner for 'Arcadia Education Project' in their 2017-2019 Cycle.



### 13.0 Architectural Education

IAB Education Board Committee and Sub-committees:

01. Board of Architectural Education

02. ASIAB Committee:

Accreditation Standard of Institute of Architects Bangladesh (ASIAB) was formulated in 2011. IAB provide accreditation to all the schools in Bangladesh. At present there are 27 Architecture Schools in Bangladesh out of which, 11 Schools are Accredited by IAB.

03. Education Working Sub Committee

IAB attended the bi-annual general meeting of Canberra Accord held in Colombo during 4th to 7th of May 2017, organized by CAA with SLIA. Bangladesh was in observer status there and expressed IAB's interest in becoming a Provisional Member of Canberra Accord.

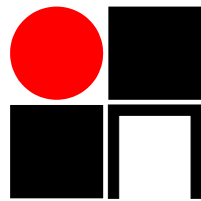
### 14.0 Resources of the institute

- (a) The institute has an acre of land allocated by the Government near Parliament Complex in Dhaka.
- (b) The Institute has building of its own with a big lawn in front of the building;
- (c) The Institute has a library;
- (d) One Multi-purpose Hall of 400+ sitting capacity
- (e) Two Seminar Halls with 100+ sitting capacity each
- (f) The Institute has Telephone, Facsimile and E-mail facilities with other required logistics.

### 15.0 IAB Newsletter, E-cards & Posters



THANK YOU



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