

COURSES OFFERED AT ALIAH UNIVERSITY

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1 4-year B. Tech in Civil Engineering (CEN) | 15 3-year B.A./ B. Sc Honours in Geography |
| 2 4-year B. Tech in Electrical Engineering (EEN) | 16 3-year B.A Honours in History |
| 3 4-year B. Tech in Electronics & Communication Engineering (ECE) | 17 3-year B.A. / B. Sc Honours in Economics |
| 4 4-year B. Tech in Computer Science & Engineering (CSE) | 18 3-year B.A. Honours in Arabic |
| 5 4- year B. Tech in Mechanical Engineering (MEN) | 19 3-year B.A. Honours in Theology |
| 6 4-year B.Sc in Nursing | 20 3-year B.A. General in Theology |
| 7 5-year Integrated MBA | 21 3-year B.A. Honours in Islamic Studies |
| 8 3-year BCA | 22 3-year B.A. Honours in Urdu |
| 9 3-year B.Sc Honours in Biological Science | 23 3-year B.Sc. Honours in Statistics |
| 10 3-year B.Sc Honours in Chemistry | 24 EEN (Lateral Entry) |
| 11 3-year B.Sc Honours in Mathematics | 25 ECE (Lateral Entry) |
| 12 3-year B.Sc Honours in Physics | 26 CSE (Lateral Entry) |
| 13 3-year B.A. Honours in Bengali | 27 CEN (Lateral Entry) |
| 14 3-year B.A. Honours in English | 28 MEN (Lateral Entry) |
| | 29 2-year B. Ed. |

POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

- | | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| 1 3-year MCA | 11 2-year M.A. in Arabic |
| 2 2-year M.Sc. in Statistics | 12 2-year M.A. in Theology |
| 3 2-year M.Sc. in Chemistry | 13 2-year M.A. in Journalism and Mass Communication |
| 4 2-year M.Sc. in Mathematics | 14 2-year M.A in Urdu |
| 5 2-year M.Sc. in Physics | 15 2-year M. Tech in Civil Engineering |
| 6 2-year M. A. in Bengali | 16 2-year M. Tech in Electronics and Communication Engineering |
| 7 2-year M.A. in English | 17 2-year M. Tech in Computer Science and Engineering |
| 8 2-year M.A. / M.Sc. in Geography | 18 2-year M. Tech in Electrical Engineering |
| 9 2-year M.A. in History | 19 2-year M. Tech in Mechanical Engineering |
| 10 2-year Master of Law (LL.M.) | |

Publication Committee

Tajuddin Ahmed, Saifulla, Shaheen Sultana, Parveen Ahmed Alam, Meraj Ahmad, Md. Shamim Haidar, Imdad Husain, Md. Abdul Khan, Shashi Bhusan Mishra, Sk Hafizur Rahman, Md. Khalid Mustafa, Mohammad Reyaz

Aliah University, II-A/27, Action Area II, Newtown, Kolkata, West Bengal 700160
Ph: 03323416444 Email: info@aliah.ac.in Website : www.aliah.ac.in



Aliah University NEWSLETTER

Volume VI Number I • Spring 2018



CONTENTS

- Editorial
- From the Vice-Chancellor's Desk
- Events and Occasions : Academics and Beyond
- University Updates
- Snapshots
- Accolades and Achievements - Students
- Accolades and Achievements - Faculty Members
- Publications of the Teachers
- Seerat-un-Nabi organised at Aliah University
- Courses Offered at Aliah University

Chief Patron : **Prof. Mohammad Ali**
Vice-Chancellor

Publication
Coordinator : **M. Reyaz**

Editor : **Tajuddin Ahmed**

Editorial

Centuries ago, the great English poet Geoffrey Chaucer had said that people go for a pilgrimage in the springtime when 'that aprill with his shoures soote/The droghte of march hath perced to the roote/And bathed every veyne in swich licour/ Of which vertu engendred is the flour'. Indeed spring is the time for a new beginning, a time when things get fresh lease of life. It is evident everywhere now - colourful flowers are blushing at the gentle sunlight, the trees are swaying with new leaves in the cool breeze and green grass has sprouted up amid the dusty concrete jungle of this city. The mood at the university, keeping with the spirit of nature, is buoyant and quietly optimistic. Prof. Mahammad Ali, who has joined the university as Vice-Chancellor on 13 April 2018, is now at the helm of affairs. With his immense experience and achievements in academic sphere and great administrative acumen, Prof. Ali would certainly steer the university to its desired destination of excellence.

Life at the university campus is moving smoothly. Besides the regular routine of lectures and practical classes at the laboratories, students are also being enriched through seminars, conferences and workshops organized by the different departments of the university. The infrastructural development of the university is also taking place satisfactorily. The library with its state of the art facilities is a witness to this development. While the older departments have always fared well, newly initiated programmes are also drawing the attention of the academic world of the state and beyond. Extracurricular and cultural activities of the students have brought about a new vibrancy in the university campus.

The newsletter aims to chronicle and report all the important events of the university to keep everyone informed of all the new developments. This might be of great help in building bridges between the university and all those who are related to or concerned with this university. We request all those associated with this institution for their cooperation in making the newsletter a success. We all, the young faculty members along with the more experienced administrators and academic advisors, the administrative and non-teaching staff and the enthusiastic students of this university would certainly bring the potential of this university to fruition. Ours would be an institution bearing the impresses of all that is best in the traditional and the modern.



FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR'S DESK

I am very pleased to know that Aliah University Newsletter is coming out regularly after a hiatus of almost three years. The newsletter, I expect, would be a great success in communicating to the wider world the mission, vision and regular activities of this institution of higher learning.

Aliah University and its predecessor (Calcutta Madrasah College), as we know, has a long history of providing quality education to the people of this land from the colonial days till recent years. Aliah Madrasah enjoyed the advantage of being poised at a vantage point between the traditional and the modern education.

Aliah University, as it functions now, aims to bring the benefits of higher education to socially and educationally marginalised sections of the populace who have, for long, been out of the precincts of formal university education. The primary aim of the university, as I understand, is to train the students in science, technology, management, humanities and social sciences in such a manner that they fare well in the competition of the present day globalized employments. The state of the art infrastructure, dedicated faculty members and an ever-encouraging administration would certainly help us in reaching the goal.

However, no less important is the growth of the students as socially and culturally sensitive individuals who would contribute to the progress of the minority community as well as of the country. Aliah University would leave no stone unturned to make their students well mannered, disciplined, confident and of good moral character. Such students would promote the ideas of secularism, integration, humanism and rationalism, so needed in the present age of consumerism. Through this message I express my sincere hope that our students would make us proud being successful both as skilled professionals and proper human beings.

Through this newsletter I also take the opportunity to thank the present state government led by our Hon'ble Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee for the generous funding and timely guidance offered to this University.

Finally, I would like to thank the publication committee of the university for bringing out this very informative issue of Aliah University Newsletter. I believe this newsletter would be of great help to everyone related to and interested in this university.

Prof. Mahammad Ali

EVENTS AND OCCASIONS: ACADEMICS AND BEYOND

It is true that the importance of teaching and learning through classroom lectures and lab-based trainings remains supreme and yet one must admit that academic excellence of the institutes of higher learning depends much on seminars, conferences, workshops and other intellectual exercises. The importance of celebrating the occasions of national and social importance can also in no way be denied. Not surprisingly, seminars, conferences and celebration of important occasions have featured regularly in the calendar of Spring Semester, 2018. The Newsletter offers a glimpse into these events.



documentary film maker and founder of *Chal Chitra Abhiyan*, Nakul Singh Sawhney. The lecture included screening of Film Clips from *Izzatnagari Ki Asabhya Betiyaan*, *Muzaffarnagar Baaqi Hai...*, *Kairana*, *Surkhiyon ke Baad...*, *Muavza*, etc.

INDUSTRY EXPERT FROM USA

Department of Computer Science & Engineering organised a Special Lecture entitled 'Let's Pretend We Know Our Future...Now What?' on Data Analytics & Case Studies on US Healthcare Industry on 19 January 2018.



Atish Banerjee, Manager, Optum Advisory Services, Chicago IL, USA was the speaker of the illuminating lecture, moderated by Dr. Abhishek Das, Head, CSE Department.

REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION

Aliah University celebrated the Republic Day on 26 January 2018 in all the three campuses of the university where NSS volunteers, students, faculties and administrative officers participated in the event.

SEMINAR ON BODIES, SPACES AND POWER

Department of English organized a one day State Level Seminar and Poster Competition on the theme 'Bodies, Spaces and Power: Perceptions and Contestations' on 29 January 2018.



SPECIAL LECTURE ON MEDIA AND COUNTER CULTURES

A Special Lecture, along with screening of film clips, was organized by the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication, in collaboration with the Department of English, on 19 January 2018. The special lecture was delivered by renowned

Eminent speakers included Prof. Niladri Chatterjee, Dr. Swati Gungly, Dr. Arpita Chatteraj, Dr. Siddharitha Biswas, and Dr. Joyjit Ghosh.

Three 2nd yr and one 1st yr B.Sc. Nursing students secured 1st prize, and one 2nd yr B.Sc. student secured 2nd prize in poster competition on the said theme.

EDUCATIONAL FIELD TRIP

Department of Education organized a day long educational field trip on 10 February 2018 for the 4th Semester B.Ed. students to Raichak, a place of ecological importance by road on two University Buses.

B.Ed. students went on the field trip under the guidance of Dr. Jakir Hussain Laskar, Head and Associate Professor, Dept. of Education, and Dr. Md. Jamal Uddin, Assistant Prof., Dept. of Education.

NATIONAL SEMINAR ON URDU LITERATURE

Newly established (2016) department of Urdu organized a day long national seminar at the Park Circus Campus on 12 February 2018 on 'Urdu Adab Ka Umoomi Jayezah'. The speakers offered nuanced views on the topic.

QUALITY CARE NURSING WORKSHOP

Department of Nursing conducted a one-day International Workshop on 'Quality Care of Client: Impact on Health and Wellbeing' on 23 February 2018 in collaboration with Nurses Network of India.



STATE LEVEL CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL INTEGRATION

NSS Volunteers and Programme Coordinator Dr. Md. Mustaqim attended the State Level Celebration of National Integration- 2018" on 16 February 2018 which was organized by the NSS Cell, University of Burdwan. NSS volunteers of Aliah University also performed cultural activities at the event.

EKUSHE BAKTRITA

Journalist Milan Dutta delivered a special lecture entitled *Ekushe Baktrita* on 21 February 2018 at the Bengali Department. He focused on the difficulties faced by mother tongue at the face of invading western culture.

4TH ANNUAL SPORTS MEET

4th Annual Sports Meet was organised by the Department of Education on 27 & 28 February 2018.

The sports meet was inaugurated at the Multi-purpose



auditorium, Ground Floor, Park circus Campus. The Chief Guest of the inauguration programme was G. H. Obaidur Rahman (IAS), Commissioner, MA & ME, Govt of WB. The Guest of Honour was Dr. Nursadh Ali, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor (Acting) and Registrar. The 2-day long sports program comprised separate events for boys and girls at the Park Circus playground.

SEMINAR ON EPOCH-MAKING CHANGES IN HISTORY

Department of History organized a state level seminar on 'Epoch-Making Changes in History: Pre-Colonial and Colonial India' on 22 March 2018 at Park Circus auditorium of the University.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

Department of Education celebrated the International Women's Day on 8 March 2018 at the auditorium of the Park Circus Campus.



Chief Guest, Prof. Mita Banerjee, Honble VC, WBUTTEPA highlighted on the theme of 'Women Empowerment'. Dr. Nursadh Ali, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor (Acting) and Registrar, Aliah University shared his valuable thoughts on women rights and women education.

WORKSHOP ON THIRD THEATRE

Department of English organized a four-day Workshop on Third Theatre, in collaboration with Badal Sircar Satabdi Natya Goshthi from 21-24 March 2018.



Eminent theatre personalities Sumit Biswas, Krishna Ghosh, and Dr. Subhendu Sarkar participated in the workshop.

AKS DAR AKS : CONNECTING MUSLIM STORIES ON CELLULOID

A 2 day International Film Festival on issues of the East, 'Aks Dar Aks: Connecting Muslim Stories on Celluloid' was jointly organized by Department of Arabic & Department of Journalism & Mass Communication on 28 & 29 March 2018 at Auditorium of Park Circus Campus.

Khuda Ke Liye (Pakistan, 2007), *Wadjda* (Saudi Arabia, 2012), *Matir Moina* (Bangladesh, 2002), *Children of Heaven* (Iran, 1997), *The Message* (Egypt 1976), and *Omar* (Palestine, 2003) were screened for students and teachers. The screening was followed by interactive sessions.



SPECIAL LECTURE ON CINEMA FROM IRAN AND OTHER WEST ASIAN COUNTRIES



Dr Manas Ghosh, Assistant Professor from Department of Film Studies, Jadavpur University delivered a special lecture on 'Liberation of Confined Self: The Contemporary Cinema of Iran And Other West Asian Countries' on 29 March 2018 during the Film Festival.

SPECIAL LECTURE ON REPORTING FROM THE GROUND

Department of Journalism and Mass Communication organised a special lecture on 'Reporting from the Ground:

Covering Communal Tensions' by Dilnawaz Pasha, senior correspondent of the BBC World Service for the JMC students on 4 April 2018.



Pasha shared with students practical challenges one faces in the field based on his years of experience of reporting from the ground.

WORLD HEALTH DAY

Department of Nursing celebrated the World Health Day 2018 at the Park Circus Campus on 6 April 2018. The department had arranged for health camp where blood pressure, pulse, height, weight, BMI and random blood sugar were checked for all teachers, staff and students who came to attend the program.

SEMINAR IN COLLABORATION WITH THE WEST BENGAL URDU ACADEMY

Department of Urdu organized a national seminar on 12 April 2018 in collaboration with the West Bengal Urdu Academy on 'Abdul Ghafoor Nassakh : Hayat O Funn'.



CAPACITY BUILDING WORKSHOP ON BUDGET ANALYSIS

Department of Journalism and Mass Communication, in collaboration with Centre for Budget and Governance Analysis (CBGA), Association SNAP and NSKK organized a 2 day 'Capacity Building Workshop on Budget Analysis' on 18 and 19 June 2018. Subrata Das and Provita Kundu of CBGA were the resource persons.

QUIZ CHAMPIONS

Two 2nd yr B.Sc. Nursing students secured 2nd prize in quiz contest on Consumer Protection Act 1986 and WBRTPS Act 2013 organized by Consumer Affairs & Fair Business Practices E.S.R.O., Govt. of West Bengal.

CAMPUS PLACEMENTS



Companies like Amazon, Cognizant, ABM Technologies, Onqanet Technologies, ADP, Sketch Web Solutions, RDC Concrete, Lumino Industries Limited, among others visited the campus and hired several engineering graduates.

WBCS COACHING PROGRAM

WBCS (Exe) 2017 Mains: 18 Students out of 56 have qualified in 2nd stage Mains Exam and will now face PT/Interview for Group 'A' & 'B' Services in 2018.

WBCS (Exe) 2018 Prelims: 35 Students out of 41 have qualified in 1st stage Prelims Exam and will appear in Mains Exam scheduled by PSC in August 2018.

UNIVERSITY UPDATES

ALIAH UNIVERSITY WELCOMES NEW VICE-CHANCELLOR

Prof. Mahammad Ali, renowned Chemistry professor, joined as the third full-time Vice-Chancellor of Aliah University on 13 April 2018.

He has been working as a Professor in the Department of Chemistry at Jadavpur University, Kolkata since 2008. He was awarded M.Sc. 1st class (specialization in Inorganic Chemistry) from Burdwan University in 1986. His Ph.D. Thesis was on 'Electron transfer kinetics of heteropolytungstocobaltate(II/III) Centered Species' from Jadavpur University in 1991. Earlier he has worked as a Lecturer in the Department of Chemistry, Vidyasagar College, Kolkata and a Reader, Department of Chemistry at Jadavpur University, Kolkata.

He was a Postdoctoral Fellow at the Department of Chemistry, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beer Sheva, Israel during 1994-1995. He has also been a Postdoctoral Fellow at the Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry, University of California, Santa Cruz, California, USA during 1997-1999 and also 2003-2004. He has been a Visiting Scientist at CNRS, UPR 8641, Centre de Recherche Paul Pascal (CRPP), France during 2009.

He has over 147 publications in the International and National Journals. He is an Editorial board member of the *Central Physical Chemistry Journal* (SCI and Scopus Indexed).



Professor Ali has brought about in the university new energy, and the campus has become very vibrant. Due to the flurry of activities the university is steadily being recognized in the wider academic world. Aliah fraternity genuinely believes that the university will grow in leaps and bounds under his able leadership.

The university is getting ready for proposed September visit of the UGC expert committee for inclusion under section 12(B) of the UGC Act.

Professor Ali is particularly focusing on streamlining the academic activities in the campus. He has directed all departments to update their syllabi, and from next academic year the university will offer Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) in all courses.

Special budget has also been allocated for the development of laboratories in concerned departments, and libraries are being stocked with new books and journals.

Further, several clubs for photography, films, debate etc are being constituted at the university level, besides those existing in some departments.

As initiated by the Vice-Chancellor, from the 2018-19 academic session the university will also begin the publication of annual students magazine.

SECRETARY, MA&ME VISITS ALIAH UNIVERSITY

Dr. P. B. Salim, Secretary, Minority Affairs and Madrasah Education Department, Government of West Bengal and Chairperson, MDFC West Bengal, visited Aliah University on 21-22 March to interact with the students, faculty members and other staff of the university. He talked candidly about the challenges and prospect of the university and shared his vision for this institution. His suggestions and proposals for the university instilled great hope and enthusiasm among everyone associated with this institution of higher learning.



Dr. P. B. Salim, IAS, with the students of the university

SNAPSHOTS



Celebrating the International Mother Language Day



The Drama Club performing at the Park Circus campus



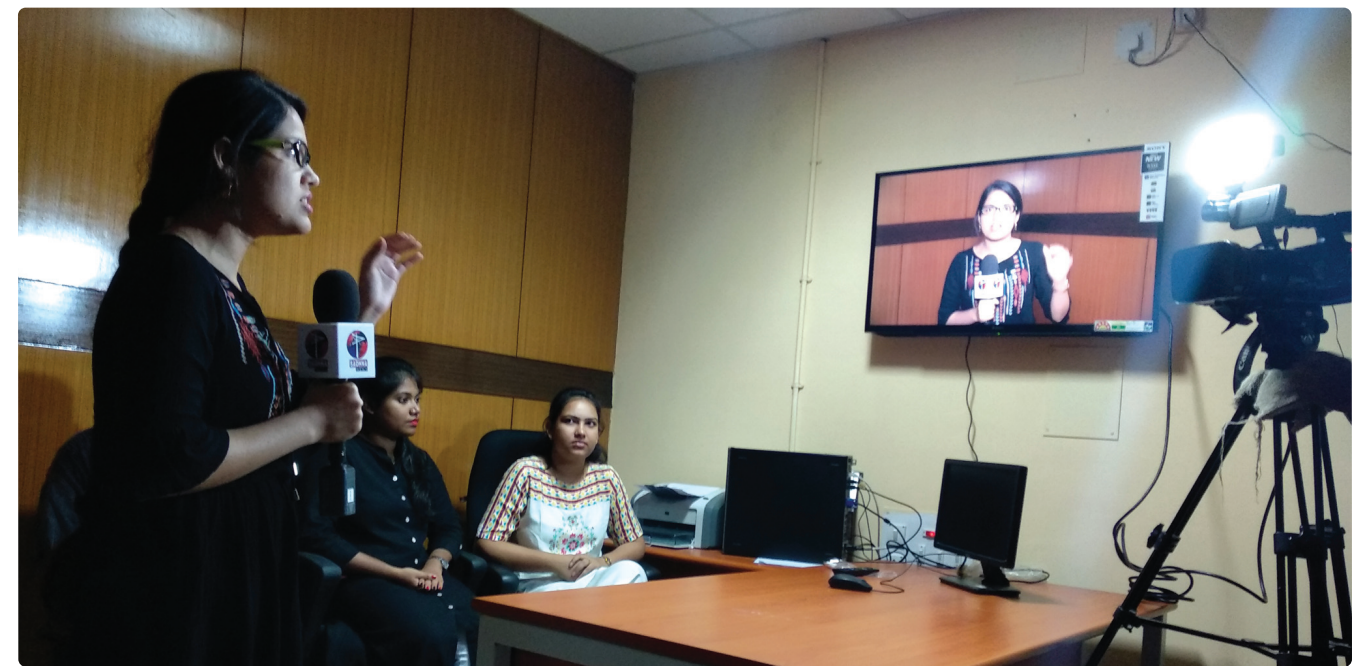
Students and faculty members of Physics department with an invitee



The wall and the magazine



Doing the practicals



JMC students during practice session



Students in interaction with a visiting resource-person



Award winning poster by the nursing students



New 10 storied girl's hostel at Park Circus



Farewell !

ACCOLADES AND ACHIEVEMENTS - STUDENTS

A teacher might have earned many laurels in life, but the greatest achievement of a teacher is always his/her successful students. The joy and the sense of pride a teacher feels in witnessing the students blooming to their full potential is indeed incomparable. Here are some examples of our students' success in academic and other activities. It must be admitted that the list has not managed to include all the stories of students' success of this semester.

- Tohidur Rahaman, a student of the department of English has been awarded the special jury prize at 2nd International Students' Contest. "Text and Image" organized by University of Craiova, University of Rome and University of Timisoara, Departments of English, History, German and Anglo-American Studies in 2018.
- Following students from the department of Computer Sc. & Engineering have been placed at various companies: Sahil Mortuza and Sohel Sk.
- Md. Rezauddin from the department of MCA has been offered job in a software company.
- The following students from the department of Electrical Engineering have been placed with various companies: Sk Amber Razaa, Tanveer Raza, Firoz Ali Mondal.
- 6th Semester students of the department of English has received award of recognition in *Sandipan Majumder Memorial State Level Festival of One-act Play in English*, organised by the dpt. Of English, Rishi Bamkim Chandra Collge, Naihati, North 24 Parganas for their enactment of Scenes from Shakespeare's *As you Like It* on 23 February 2018.



STUDENTS' AMENITY CENTRES AT NEWTOWN AND PARK CIRCUS



Amenity Centre, New Town



Amenity Centre, Park Circus

Students' Amenity Centres are almost ready in both Newtown (G+2) and Park Circus (G+4) campuses, and will soon be functional. Amenity centres will comprise Medical Centre, Common Room, Cafeteria, Swimming Pool, Squash Court, Gymnasium, Indoor games, Reprographic facilities, Stationery Outlet, Bank ATMs etc.

ACCOLADES AND ACHIEVEMENTS - FACULTY MEMBERS

Henry David Thoreau, the great American essayist, poet, and philosopher once said, 'Success usually comes to those who are too busy to be looking for it'. At Aliah University most of the faculty members are busily engaged in search of academic excellence. The following list of accolades and achievements earned by the faculty members in this semester is a gentle reflection of perseverance and originality that have become a religion in Aliah University.

- Md. Mehedi Kalam** from the department of Physics, as part of UNESCO Foreign Institute Visit, has visited Institute of Advanced Studies in Basic Sciences, Jan



Jan, Iran and delivered Invited Talk on 'Wormhole and Exotic Matter' during the visit to IASBS.

- Md. Abdul Khan** from the department of Physics has been invited as Member of International Advisory



Committee for the 'Conference on Theoretical Physics and Nonlinear Phenomena' (CTPNP)-2018, Hasanuddin University, Indonesia.

- A K M Maidul Islam** from the department of Physics has been awarded International Travel Grant for ICTP Institute Visit sponsored by ICTP- ELETTRA Users Program (ICTP, Italy) and Indo-Italian Program of Co-Operation (POC).

- Md. Hasan Ali**, Technical Assistant (Grade-1) from the department of Geography was awarded a minor research project of fund value Rupees three lakh in 2018 from the ICSSR for his research project on 'Child Labour and their Psycho-economic Conditions in the Brick Kiln Industries: A study of Murshidabad District, West Bengal' for 12 months duration.

- Rukhsana** from the department of Geography has been pursuing a major research project of fund value Rupees eight lakh from the ICSSR on the title 'Nature and Dimension of Crop Diversification: Empirical Evidence from smallholders in West Bengal' for 24 months duration.

- Aznarul Islam** from the department of Geography has been pursuing a major research project of fund value Rupees eight lakh from the ICSSR on the title, 'Assessment of Socio-Economic Vulnerability of Flood Victims and Preparation of Community-Based Disaster Management Plan Using Social Engineering: A Study of Murshidabad District, West Bengal' for 24 months duration.

- Nasrin Banu** from the department of Geography was awarded a minor research project of fund value Rupees two lakh seventy thousand in 2018 from the ICSSR on the title, 'A pragmatic assessment of health care facilities and health well-being in North 24 Paraganas - A case from Indo-Bangladesh boarder' for 12 months duration.

- Moumita Chatterjee**, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Mathematics & Statistics, Aliah University has



delivered a talk on 'R Software Application in Economic Analysis' at the University of Economics & Business - VNU, Vietnam on 27 March 2018.

PUBLICATIONS OF THE TEACHERS

In today's academic world, publishing is perhaps the most important way to improve one's reputation or to make a dent in the intellectual community. The teachers of Aliah university have always been seriously engaged in the pursuit of academic excellence as is evident from the long list of publications in a wide range of topics and areas. Here, it must be admitted that the list contains very little detail of the publications as there indeed is serious paucity of space.

- **A K M Anwaruzzaman** from the department of Geography has published several articles and book chapters including "What Ails Indian Higher Education?" in *Research Expo International Multi-Disciplinary Journal*, "State of Higher Education in Malda District and Road Map for Development" in *IJMAR*, Malda College, Malda.
- **Abdur Rahim Gazi** from the department of Bengali has published a monograph entitled *Tarai Dooarser Lokosanskriti*.
- **Arup Kumar Baksi** from the department of Management & Business Administration has published several articles and book chapters including "An Estimation of Zone of Tolerance based on Destination Atmospherics" in *Abhigyan*, "The Assessment of Marketing Culture Impact on Perceived Service Quality and Destination Loyalty Link: Evidence from West Bengal Tourism" in *Kindler*, "Developing a Communication Satisfaction Scale for Internal Marketing" in *Asian Journal of Management*, "Teaching The Teachers: The ICT way" in *Teacher Education in the 21st Century: Issues & Concerns*, "Developing TOURZOT: A Model Explaining Zone-of-tolerance in Tourism Services based on Destination Atmospherics", "Linking Tourism Service Quality, Tourist Satisfaction and Destination Loyalty Using Tourist Relationship Management Framework" and "Visual Imageries as means of Cognitive Expression to Destination Bonding: A Case of Instagram Application" in the Edited volume *Exploring New Horizons in Management and Business Practices*.
- **Ayan Majumdar** from the department of Management & Business Administration has published several articles and book chapters including "Influence of Macroeconomic Variables

on Stock Market Volatility: A Study on Nifty" in *Asian Journal of Management*, 9(1).

- **Aznarul Islam** from the department of Geography has published several articles and book chapters including "Analysis of Social and Psychological Terrain of Bank Erosion Victims: A Study Along the Bhagirathi River, West Bengal, India" in Chinese Geographical Science, "Quaternary Geomorphology in India-Case Studies from the Lower Ganga Basin" in *Geography of the Physical Environment*, "Quaternary Geomorphology in India: Concepts, Advances and Applications" in *Quaternary Geomorphology in India-Case Studies from the Lower Ganga Basin* and "Imprints of Neo-tectonism in the Evolutionary Record Along the Course of Khari River in Damodar Fan Delta of Lower Ganga Basin" in *Quaternary Geomorphology in India-Case Studies from the Lower Ganga Basin*.
- **Badiur Rahaman** from the department of Physics has published a research article entitled "Canted Antiferromagnet Superimposed on a Buckled Kagome Network in $RbMn_4(PO_4)_3$ " in *Acta Crystallographica Section C* 74, 2018.
- **Furquan Uddin** from the department of Management & Business Administration has published several articles and book chapters including "Sources of New Life Insurance Product Ideas in LIC of India" in *International Research Journal of Business Studies*, April - July, 2018.
- **Hasina Wahida** from the department of English has published several articles and book chapters including "I'll be aroun' till hell freezes over." - Redefining Identity and Ethnic Solidarity in John Steinbeck's *The Grapes of Wrath*" in the edited volume *Perspectives*, "Looking Back in Loneliness: Negotiating the Dilemma of Identity of the Victims of Partition in Sunanda Sikder's *Dayamoyeer Katha* and Adhir Biswas' *Amra to Ekhn Indiyay and Punya Gangar Kachakachi*" in the edited volume *Border, Globalization and Identity*.
- **Jayanta Kr Saha** from the department of Physics, has published (jointly) a research article entitled "Explicitly Correlated Variational Estimates of the Energy Levels of Negative Hydrogen Ion under Spatial Confinement" in *Int. J. Quan. Chem.*

- **Kaushik Kundu** from the department of Management & Business Administration has published several articles and book chapters including "Socio-economic Profile of Shopkeepers in Embedded Markets: Social and Cultural Perspectives from a Hundred Years of Bengali literary Works" in *Cultural & Social History*, vol. 15 no. 2.
- **Md. Akhtarul Alam** from the department of Chemistry has published (jointly) a research article entitled "Binding Mode Dependent Signaling for the Detection of Cu^{2+} : An Experimental and Theoretical Approach with Practical Applications" in *Spectrochimica Acta Part A*, 2018, 190
- **Md. Julfikar Ali** from the department of Geography, has published several articles and book chapters including "Planning Decentralization and Changing Paradigm of Indian Planning Process" in *International Planning Studies* and "Morphodynamic Changes of Hooghly River and Reorientation of Chakdaha Settlement: A Perspective of Urban Evolution" in *Natural Hazards*.
- **Md. Mehedi Kalam** from the department of Physics has published several articles and book chapters including "Neutron Stars: A Relativistic Study" in *Research in Astronomy and Astrophysics*, vol.18 no. 025
- **Md Maidul Islam** from the department of Chemistry has published (jointly) a research article entitled "Molecular Docking an Important Tool for Drug Designing" in *Mod. Appro. Drug Des*, 2018,1
- **Md. Shamim Firdous** from the department of History has published several monographs and edited volumes including *Kathai Bikas: Prottaher Itihas*, *Nanangik Itihas: Samaj, Rajniti Abong Arthaniti*, *Epoch Making Changes in History: Pre-Colonial & Colonial India*.
- **Md. Mustaquim**, from the department of Geography, has published a research article entitled "Economic Independency and Occupational Engagement of Persons with Disabilities in West Bengal: A Case Study" in *Asian Journal of Research in Social Sciences and Humanities*, vol.8 no.3.
- **M. Sekh** from the department of Mechanical Engineering has published (jointly) several articles and book chapters including "Effects of Production

Parameters on Density and Tensile Properties of Aluminium MMC Foam" in *International Journal of Advanced in Management, Technology and Engineering Sciences*, vol.8 no.3 and "Machinability of Aluminium MMC foam WEDM Process" in *Journal of Materials Engineering and Performance; International Journal of Basic and Applied Research*; vol.8 no. 3

- **M. H. Mir** from the department of Chemistry has published (jointly) several articles and book chapters including "Photochemical Structural Transformation of a Linear 1D Coordination Polymer Impacts the Electrical Conductivity" in *Inorg. Chem.* 2018, "Synthesis of Cd(II) based 1D Coordination Polymer by in situ ligand Generation and Fabrication of Photosensitive Electronic Device" in *Inorg. Chem. Front.* 2018, "Water Tetramer Confinement and Photosensitive Schottky Behavior of a 2D Coordination Polymer" in *Chemistry Select* 2018, "Two Isostructural Linear Coordination Polymers: Size of Metal Ion Impacts the Electrical Conductivity" in *New J. Chem.* 2018, 42, "Novel $Br \cdots \pi$ (Chelate) Interaction in a 1D Coordination Polymer Revealing Aromaticity" in *Chemistry Select* 2018, 3, "Cu(II)-based Binuclear Compound for the Application of Photosensitive Electronic Device" in *New J. Chem.* 2018, 42
- **Mustafa Jahir Raihan** from the department of Chemistry has published (jointly) a research article entitled "Salts of diisopropylammonium - A Non-toxic Alternate to Perovskite ferroelectrics." in *American Institute of Physics: USA*, 2018.
- **Parveen Ahmed Alam** from the department of Management & Business Administration has published several articles and book chapters including "The Linkage between Management Performance System and Compensation, Reward & Recognition" in *Exploring New Horizons in Management & Business Practices* and "Work-Life Balance & Burnout of Women Security Forces" in *Work-Life Balance of Women Employees*.
- **Rukhsana**, from the department of Geography, has published a research article entitled "Micro Level Study of Urban Energy Utilization: A Case Study of Ward no 33 KMC" in *Indian Journal of Regional Science*.
- **S. Haidar** from the department of Mechanical Engineering has published (jointly) a research

article entitled "Overview of Surface Treatment of Casting with Automation Integration" in *Transactions of 65th Indian Foundry Congress-2017*

- **Sharmistha C. Sriwastav** from the department of English has published several articles and book chapters including "The Mad, the Prostitute, the Child and the Dog: Whose 'Partition' is it anyway?" in the edited volume *The Partition of India: Beyond Improbable Lines*, "Reading *Frankenstein* and *The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde* in High School: The Oscillating Worlds of 'Beautiful' and 'Ugly'" in the edited volume *Young Adult Fiction: Issues and Trends*.
- **Saifulla** from the department of Bengali has published several articles and book chapters including "Chayer Dhoya o Ananna: Utpal Manisar Spardhita Uccharan" in *Udar Akas*, January 2018, and "Pascimbanger Bangali Musalman Samajer Sanaskritik Sankat: Paripekkhit o Prabanata", in *Parichay*, BS1423.
- **Safoora Razeq** from the department of History has published several articles and book chapters including "Quest for Modernity and Search for Tradition: Sir Sayyid Amir Ali and Bengal Muslim" in *Muslims in Bengal(1200-2000 AD)* and two

monographs entitled *Women in the New Genre of Ahklaqi Literature: The Muslim Reform Movement in North India during the Late Nineteenth Century and Maulana Abul Kalam Azad: In search of God and the Nation*.

- **Sk Md. Obaidullah** from the department of Computer Sc. & Engineering has published (jointly) several research articles and book chapters including "Handwritten Indic Script Identification in Multi-script Document Images - a Survey", in *International Journal of Pattern Recognition & Artificial Intelligence (IJPRAI)*, *World Scientific*, 2018, "Automatic Line-Level Script Identification From Handwritten Document Images - A Region-Wise Classification Framework For Indian Subcontinent", in *Malaysian Journal of Computer Science (MJCS)*, vol. 31 no. 1, and "Extreme Learning Machine for Handwritten Indic script Identification in Multi-script Documents", in *Journal of Electronic Imaging*, vol. 27 no. 5
- **Tapas Bhadra** from the department of Computer Sc. & Engineering, has published (jointly) a research article entitled "DTFP-Growth: Dynamic Threshold Based FP-Growth Rule Mining Algorithm Through Integrating Gene Expression, Methylation and Protein-Protein Interaction Profiles", in *IEEE Transactions on NanoBioscience*, vol. 17 no. 2

RENOVATION WORK AT TALTALA CAMPUS



Renovation work of Taltala campus (21, Haji Md. Mohsin Square, Kolkata - 16) of Aliah University is in full swing. The grand heritage building with had housed Calcutta Madrasah since 1780 would soon be back to its glorious shape and would function as the centre of higher learning that it had always been.

SEERAT-UN-NABI ORGANISED AT ALIAH UNIVERSITY

Aliah University organized a conference on Seerat-un-Nabi (Life of the Prophet) on 27 March at the Park Circus Campus. A series of lectures on topical issues were delivered by eminent speakers. Students also recited na'at or poetry in praise of the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH).

Ghulam Ahmad Murtaza, a member of the All India Muslim Personal Law Board (AIMPLB) and Secretary of Burdawan based Jamia Islamiia Madinatul Uloom, spoke on 'The Prophet (PBUH): A Messenger of Peace and Harmony'. He said that the Prophet was the best example to mankind as even non-Muslim scholars have acknowledged this fact. He urged the students to read and do research on true history to fight against propaganda being spread by those with vested interests.

Maulana Abu Talib Rahmani, another Kolkata based member of AIMPLB spoke on the topic 'Talaq in Islamic Jurisprudence' in the context of the ongoing debate on the issue. He said that a canard is being spread against Muslims on the false pretext of triple talaq although data shows that the divorce rates among Muslims are quite low. Maulana Rahmani also criticised the media for spreading fabricated and biased stories where they invite 'brokers who learn about Islam from social media' and give provocative bites.

Noted religious scholar and public speaker Maulana Aatur Rahman Mazarbhuiya, former MLA from Assam, also a member of the AIMPLB, was the last speaker who delivered



a lecture on the 'Concept of Education in Islam'. He reminded the audience that the first word that was revealed to the Prophet of Islam was Iqra (read), adding that it is incumbent upon Muslims to seek education. He said that the Prophet equally stressed on the education of girls and had in fact fixed Wednesday to impart lessons to women himself.

He also reminded of the role of Ayesha and Hafsha, wives of the Prophet and Fatima, his daughter, in collecting Hadiths and teaching them. Stressing on the importance of education for girl child he said that educating girls to become doctors or experts in other fields should be encouraged.

Dr. Mohammad Maseehur Rahman, Head of the Department of Arabic, and convener of the program, meanwhile stressed on the importance of modern education in Islam. Quoting government data that shows an abysmally low number of schools in Muslim dominated areas, he said that no doubt there should be mosques, but we also need to open schools and educate our children in modern education.

All lectures were followed by lively discussions with students. The programme was jointly organised by students and teachers of the Park Circus Campus of the University.

