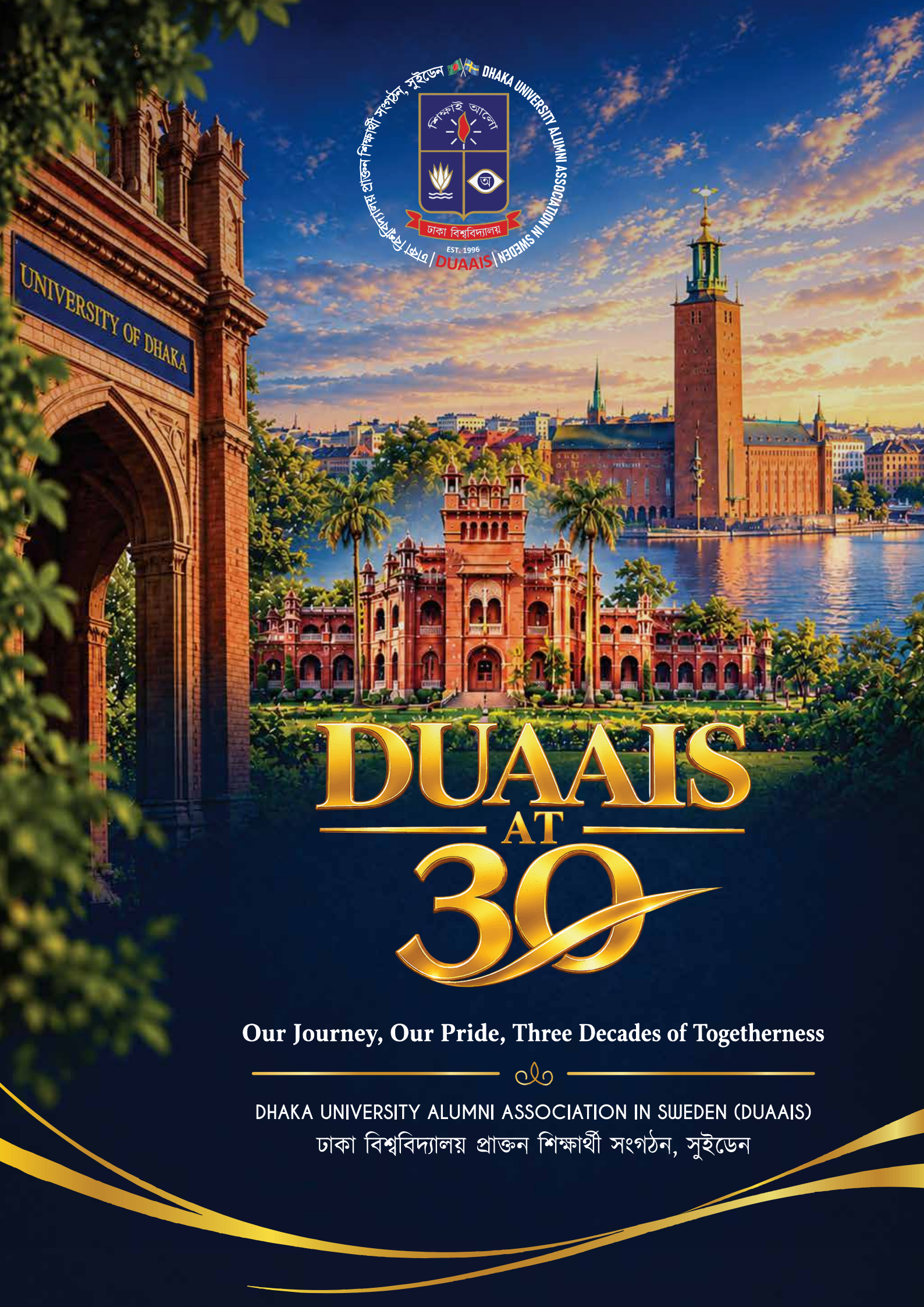


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Congratulations to DUAAIS on three remarkable decades of togetherness, distinction and legacy.

May the next thirty years bring new horizons, deeper connections and an even greater legacy for generations to come.

With admiration and warmest regards,

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Editorial

DUAAIS AT 30: Our Journey, Our Pride - Three Decades of Togetherness brings together memories, messages, photographs, and reflections from across our community.

These pages honour our founders, celebrate the community we have built in Sweden, and reflect our enduring connection with the University of Dhaka and Bangladesh. Contributions from our members, families, and children also show how the DUAAIS journey continues across generations.

I sincerely thank every writer, contributor, member, well-wisher, sponsor, and volunteer who supported this publication. Special appreciation goes to my fellow Editorial Board members for their dedication and teamwork.
Although no publication can capture every moment of thirty years, we hope these pages preserve the friendships, memories, and sense of belonging that define DUAAIS.

May we remember our journey with gratitude, celebrate it with pride, and continue it with renewed togetherness.

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Abul Kalam Bhuiyan

Dhaka University Alumni Association in Sweden

Three Decades Woven Together by Fellowship, Service, Resilience and Collective Endeavour

It is with immense pride, profound gratitude and a deep sense of responsibility that I welcome you to this landmark commemorative edition celebrating thirty remarkable years of DUAAIS. Thirty years is not merely a chronological milestone. It represents an institutional inheritance a tapestry woven from the aspirations of our pioneers, the sacrifices of successive generations, the resilience of our membership and the countless relationships that have sustained our Association through changing times. This anniversary therefore invites us not merely to celebrate, but also to contemplate the meaning of our collective existence, the legacy we have inherited and the obligations we carry towards those who will follow us.

Over three decades, DUAAIS has evolved into considerably more than an organised association. It has become a repository of fellowship, a conduit for belonging and a meeting ground for generations. Its enduring significance lies not solely in its programmes or structures, but in its capacity to bring people together, cultivate mutual regard and preserve a sense of community across geographical and generational boundaries.

As we commemorate this milestone, our thoughts naturally turn to the architects of our foundation who possessed the foresight to establish this institution; to past Presidents and executives who provided stewardship at different moments in its history; and to every member whose contribution has, in some measure, enriched the fabric of DUAAIS.

Institutions endure because individuals are willing to invest their time, conviction and energy in something larger than themselves.

Leadership as Service

I have been especially privileged to experience this responsibility firsthand, having been elected President on four separate occasions. I regard this distinction not as a personal accolade, but as a profound expression of confidence from the membership.

Each mandate has reaffirmed for me a fundamental principle: leadership is an entrusted responsibility, not an entitlement.

To lead is to listen.
To represent is to remain accountable.
To serve is to place the collective interest above personal inclination.

These principles have guided my approach to stewardship and remain central to my understanding of what leadership within a voluntary association should mean.

More Than an Alumni Association

During my periods of stewardship, considerable emphasis has been placed on broadening the social and participatory character of DUAAIS. We have sought to ensure that membership is not confined to attendance at formal meetings, but is experienced through meaningful interaction, recreation, fellowship and shared endeavour.

The Sports Day has become one such avenue of engagement. What began as a recreational initiative has developed into an occasion where competitiveness is tempered by camaraderie and where different generations converge in an atmosphere of vitality and conviviality. Its value extends well beyond the sporting arena: it has fostered interaction among families, encouraged participation and generated memories that have become part of our institutional folklore.

Our Annual Dinner has similarly assumed an important place within the DUAAIS calendar. It is more than a ceremonial gathering; it is an occasion of conviviality, recognition and collective reflection. It provides a setting in which members, families, friends and well-wishers can congregate, celebrate accomplishments, acknowledge service and renew relationships. Such occasions reinforce the social architecture upon which a voluntary association ultimately depends.

We have also facilitated group excursions beyond Sweden, creating opportunities for members to discover unfamiliar places in one another's company. These journeys have provided an alternative dimension to our fellowship. Away from the routines of everyday life, members have shared experiences, conversations and moments of discovery that have strengthened interpersonal bonds and enriched our collective memory.

Our monthly Fika gatherings have offered another, perhaps quieter but equally consequential, form of engagement. In the informality of conversation over coffee, members have found space to exchange ideas, discuss aspirations, welcome newcomers and cultivate friendships. These gatherings remind us that community is often constructed not through grand occasions, but through the accumulation of ordinary moments of human connection.

Welcoming New Faces

For thirty years, DUAAIS has grown through the dedication of its members and the arrival of new faces, ideas and generations. Welcoming newcomers keeps our Association vibrant and forward-looking.

Every new member brings a unique perspective and contribution. Our responsibility is to ensure that everyone who joins feels welcomed, valued and encouraged to participate.

Giving the Next Generation a Voice

As we celebrate three decades of achievement, we must also look ahead. Young people are not simply the future of DUAAIS—they are part of its present. We must give them opportunities to lead, contribute ideas and take meaningful responsibility.

Our legacy will be measured not only by what we preserve, but by what we inspire the next generation to build.

Every Member Has a Voice

The strength of DUAAIS rests on the trust and participation of its members. Transparent governance, fair elections and meaningful participation are essential to maintaining that trust. Every member should feel that their voice matters and that leadership is chosen openly and democratically.

Our greatest strength is our collective commitment.

Preserving Our Story in a Digital Age

The launch of the new DUAAIS website marks an important step towards a more connected and accessible Association. It provides a platform to share our activities, achievements and history while creating a lasting digital record for future generations. Technology may change, but our commitment to community remains constant.

A Souvenir That Preserves Belonging

As DUAAIS celebrates its 30th Anniversary, this souvenir magazine is more than a collection of photographs and memories. It is a celebration of three decades of friendship, service, culture and community.

Every photograph captures a moment, every name represents a contribution, and every memory forms part of our shared journey.

May these pages preserve our past, celebrate our present and inspire the generations who will carry the DUAAIS story forward.

A Personal Word of Thanks

It would nevertheless be inappropriate to attribute these developments to one President or one administration. Every accomplishment reflected in these pages is the cumulative consequence of collective endeavour.

I therefore extend my sincere appreciation to successive executive committees, volunteers, members, families and supporters whose commitment has sustained the work of DUAAIS.

I would also like to express my sincere thanks to everyone who has contributed to making this 30th Anniversary souvenir possible. Your time, support, memories, photographs, stories and contributions have helped us create a publication that reflects the shared journey of DUAAIS.

A special word of appreciation goes to Qatar Airways, our valued partner, for their generous support and for providing enhanced offers and benefits to DUAAIS members. We are grateful for your partnership and your continued support for our community.

We also extend our warm thanks to Aerial Pixels, our Media Partner, for being part of this important milestone and for supporting DUAAIS through media coverage and documentation of our 30th Anniversary celebrations.

To all our partners, contributors, supporters and members, thank you for helping us preserve the memories of thirty years and celebrate the people who have made DUAAIS what it is today.

Let us therefore honour our inheritance by strengthening it, refine our institutions by remaining open to new ideas, and ensure that DUAAIS continues to be a place where fellowship flourishes, leadership is accountable, young people are empowered and every member feels a genuine sense of belonging.

And above all, let us ensure that when the next generation looks back at this chapter of DUAAIS, they can say:

“They did not simply inherit a legacy. They made it stronger.”

Happy 30th Anniversary, DUAAIS!

May the next chapter of our collective story be defined by wisdom in leadership, integrity in governance, generosity in fellowship and ambition for generations yet to come. With profound respect and warmest regards,



Abul Kalam Bhuiyan
President, DUAAIS

Message from the
General Secretary



Sheik Atiqul Alam

Dhaka University Alumni Association in Sweden

There are moments when we pause and realize that we are rselves. The 30th anniversary of the Dhaka University Alumni Association in Sweden (DUAAIS) is one such defining milestone. It allows us to look back with deep gratitude, celebrate the vibrant community what we have built together, and think with renewed energy about the brilliant future.

What began in 1996 through the vision of a small pioneering group of Dhaka University graduates has grown into a community connecting generations of alumni and their families in Sweden. As the current General Secretary of DUAAIS, I feel deeply honoured and humbled to serve an organization with such a profound legacy and meaningful history.

This milestone belongs to our founders, former leaders, executive committees, volunteers, members, families, and well-wishers. While some have led from the front, many have worked quietly behind the scenes. Every single contribution has helped DUAAIS to reach this moment, and I offer my sincere respect and heartfelt thanks to all of them.

For many of us, coming to Sweden from Bangladesh and establishing a new life has been a challenging journey. We have had to understand a different society, find our professional direction, build new networks, and create a sense of 'home' far from home. During such a journey, practical guidance, a familiar connection, or simply someone willing to listen can make a real difference.

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At the same time, our responsibility must remain connected to our roots. The University of Dhaka gave us an identity and a lifelong bond. As we strengthen DUAAIS in Sweden, we should also deepen our connection with the University and Bangladesh through meaningful initiatives in knowledge-sharing, mentorship, educational support, professional collaboration, and community service.

Here in Sweden, our members, their families, and especially our children must remain at the heart of our activities. DUAAIS has built a beautiful legacy through our cultural celebrations, family gatherings, sports days, excursions, and other community initiatives. We should continue these traditions while developing new activities that support professional growth, deeper family engagement, cultural connection, and stronger relationships across generations.

I especially hope that our children and younger members will see DUAAIS not only as an organization of their parents, but as a lively community where they also belong, contribute ideas, connect with their rich heritage, and gradually take responsibility for carrying the association forward into the future.

As General Secretary, I see my role not simply as managing activities, but as helping people stay connected and turning shared ideas into meaningful practical actions. I am fully committed to encourage open communication, wider participation, and close collaboration across our community.

No Executive Committee can build a strong and sustainable organization alone. DUAAIS truly move forward when members feel that the Association belongs to them and that their participation matters. I therefore extend a warm, heartfelt invitation to every single member senior and young, longstanding and newly joined, to take an active role in shaping our next chapter.

To our founders and former leaders, thank you for building and sustaining DUAAIS. To our members and families, thank you for giving it warmth, energy, and life into this community. And to our younger and future generations, we look forward with immense pride to seeing where your vision will take it next.

As we enter the next chapter of DUAAIS, let us remain deeply proud of where we came from, supportive of one another where we are today, and ambitious about what we can build together for tomorrow.

Happy 30th Anniversary, DUAAIS!
With sincere gratitude and warmest wishes,



Sheik Atiqul Alam
General Secretary, DUAAIS

Message from the Ambassador



H.E. Ms. Wahida Ahmed

Honourable Ambassador of Bangladesh to Sweden

I am pleased to learn that the Dhaka University Alumni Association in Sweden (DUAAIS) is celebrating its 30th Anniversary and bringing out a Souvenir Magazine to commemorate this significant milestone. Dhaka University is one of the first and foremost seats of higher learning in Bangladesh which is not merely an institution; it is a symbol of intellectual excellence, progressive values, and the spirit of Bangladesh. As a proud alumna of Dhaka University and member of DUAAIS, I feel honoured to convey my heartfelt greetings and congratulations to the DU Alumnus who are residing in Sweden and working in various capacities in the Swedish Government, political arena, academia, research, business, social services and culture.

As the Ambassador of Bangladesh to Sweden, I am delighted to know that over the past three decades DUAAIS has provided a valuable platform for professional networking, knowledge-sharing, and mentorship, while also creating opportunities for younger generations to remain connected with the language, culture, and traditions of Bangladesh. Such initiatives contribute significantly in strengthening people-to-people contacts and enhancing mutual understanding between Bangladesh and Sweden.

I would also like to pay special tribute to the vision, dedication, and voluntary efforts of the founding members and all those who have contributed to the establishment and success of the Association over the years. The commitment of the members has transformed DUAAIS into a vibrant and reputed organization that continues to inspire and unite Alumni.

I am confident that the members of DUAAIS will take initiatives worthy to enhancing the image of Bangladesh and foster new opportunities for business, academic, educational, socio-cultural cooperation and human resource development cooperation with Sweden and Bangladesh for the benefit of the people of Bangladesh. I also believe that DUAAIS will function as a vibrant knowledge-sharing platform, facilitating the exchange of ideas, policy insights, and professional linkages to support and inspire students of the University of Dhaka and beyond.

I wish DUAAIS continued success in all its future endeavours and hope that it will continue to flourish as a dynamic platform for friendship, cooperation, and solidarity among the Bangladeshi Diaspora in Sweden.

H.E. Ms. Wahida Ahmed
Honourable Ambassador of Bangladesh to Sweden, Finland and Norway

Message from the
Executive Member



Dr. Md. Shariful Islam Dulu

Dhaka University Alumni Association, Dhaka, Bangladesh

It is a matter of immense pleasure and pride to extend my heartfelt congratulations to the Dhaka University Alumni Association in Sweden (DUAAIS) on the celebration of its 30th Anniversary.

Thirty years is not merely a measure of time; it represents a remarkable journey of friendship, commitment, and collective endeavour. Over these three decades, DUAAIS has successfully created a home away from home for the alumni of the University of Dhaka living in Sweden. It has kept alive the memories, traditions, and spirit of our beloved university while building a strong and caring community across geographical boundaries.

The University of Dhaka has given us much more than academic knowledge. It has shaped our values, broadened our perspectives, and inspired us to serve society with integrity and purpose. As alumni, we carry a responsibility to pass this legacy on to future generations. I deeply appreciate the way DUAAIS has brought alumni together, encouraged fellowship, and maintained a meaningful connection between Sweden and our alma mater.

As a lifelong believer in learning, professional development, and mentoring, I hope DUAAIS will continue to create opportunities where experienced alumni can share their knowledge and experience with younger graduates. By connecting generations, professions, and cultures, the Association can further strengthen its contribution to its members, the University of Dhaka, Bangladesh, Sweden, and the wider global community.

On this memorable occasion, I pay tribute to the founders, former and present leaders, members, families, and well-wishers whose dedication has made this thirty-year journey possible. May DUAAIS enter its next chapter with renewed energy, greater unity, and an even stronger commitment to service and collaboration.

Congratulations to DUAAIS on 30 glorious years. May the bonds we share continue to grow stronger for generations to come.

With warmest greetings and best wishes,

Dr. Md. Shariful Islam Dulu
Executive Member, Dhaka University Alumni Association, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Message on the 30th Anniversary

from Nordic Forum of Bangladeshi Academicians and Researchers in Sweden (NF-BAR)

The Nordic Forum of Bangladeshi Academicians and Researchers in Sweden (NF-BAR) extends its warmest congratulations to the Dhaka University Alumni Association in Sweden (DUAAIS) on its 30th anniversary.

Over the past three decades, DUAAIS has created a welcoming community for Dhaka University graduates and their families in Sweden. Through cultural celebrations, social gatherings and activities for younger generations, it has helped members maintain friendships, share their heritage and build a sense of belonging far from Bangladesh.

An anniversary is also an opportunity to recognise the people behind this enduring work. NF-BAR congratulates the founers, past and present committee members, volunteers and members whose time and commitment have sustained the association. Their efforts have strengthened connections within the Bangladeshi community and helped celebrate its contributions to Swedish society.

NF-BAR wishes DUAAIS a memorable 30th anniversary and continued success in the years ahead. May the association remain a place where old friends reconnect, new friendships begin and future generations find inspiration in their shared heritage.

Founders' Tribute - Honouring Our

Founding Members

As DUAAIS celebrates three decades of fellowship, friendship, and shared heritage, we proudly honour the pioneers who laid the foundation of our association.

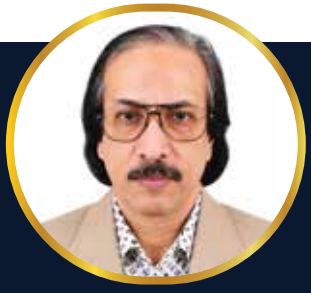
Our founding members brought together graduates of the University of Dhaka in Sweden with a shared desire to preserve the bonds, traditions, and memories of our beloved alma mater. Their dedication and initiative gave birth to a community that has continued to grow across generations.

With deepest respect and gratitude, we present our Founding Members and honour their lasting contribution to the DUAAIS family.

They began the journey; generations continue the legacy.



Anisur Rahman



Enamul M. Choudhury



Humayun Kabir



Mahmud Hasan



Murtaza Billah



Tareq Mahfuz, PhD

DUAAIS Presidents

An Overview Through the Years

DUAAIS presidents have advanced the organization through leadership that strengthens social, cultural, and professional bonds. Their guidance has expanded community impact, launching initiatives that preserve Bengali heritage and help members thrive in Sweden.

This section pays tribute to the individuals who have served as presidents of DUAAIS, honouring their commitment, leadership, and enduring place in the association's history.



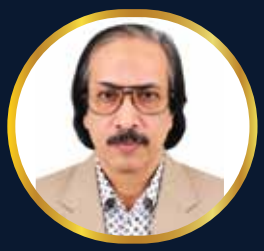
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Mohammad Forkan



Mosharraf Ali (Late)



Shabbir Choudhury



Tareq Mahfuz, PhD

In Memoriam

Remembering Those We Have Lost

Over our thirty-year journey, the DUAAIS family has sadly lost several cherished members. Though they are no longer with us, their memories, contributions, and friendships remain an enduring part of our shared history.

In this commemorative souvenir, we pause to remember and honour them with a brief tribute to their lives and their place in the DUAAIS family.

May their memories remain forever in our hearts, and may they rest in eternal peace.



Nazneen Veena Ali
Left us in 2008



Mosharraf Ali
Left us in 2015



Sabrul Islam
Left us in 2020



Pulak Nandi
Left us in 2026



Ataul Gani
Left us in 2026

Executive Board

Together in Service, Together in Celebration

Memories We Make, Bonds We Keep

The Executive Board of the Dhaka University Alumni Association in Sweden (DUAAIS) is committed to strengthening the bond among the alumni of the University of Dhaka and fostering a vibrant, inclusive, and welcoming community in Sweden. Throughout the year, every member of the Executive Committee contributes their time, dedication, ideas and tiredless efforts to make DUAAIS activities meaningful, memorable and successful.

The Executive Board remains committed to fostering fellowship among alumni, strengthening the connection between generations, promoting our cultural heritage, and extending the spirit of the University of Dhaka within the Swedish community. Our work is guided by the values of friendship, inclusiveness, service, and collective participation. Throughout the year, all of our programmes and initiatives are firmly guided by our core values of friendship, inclusiveness, service, and collective participation.

Our annual calendar reflects the warmth, diversity, and spirit of our DU family. From the joyous **Eid Celebration**, dynamic **Sports Day,** lively **Summer Picnic** and refreshing **Summer Excursion** to the celebration of our rich Bengali heritage through **Pohela Boishak, Pitha Utshob,** each event provides a wonderful opportunity for alumni, families, and friends to come together, reconnect, unite and build life-long memories.

We are equally proud to welcome and support our new generations born in Sweden and Bangladeshi PhD researchers pursuing higher education in Sweden through our dedicated **Student Reception.** Additionally, the **Annual Dinner** provides a grand and special occasion to celebrate our achievements, cherish our friendships, and on the shared memories we have created together.

Behind every successful event lies the collective effort of our Executive Board members. Each member brings invaluable enthusiasm, fresh ideas, time, and commitment, working together as one unified team. Their willingness to contribute, support one another, and serve the alumni community is the foundation of DUAAIS's continued success. It is this shared spirit of service and teamwork that makes our programmes and activities possible.

We believe that DUAAIS is far more than an alumni association—it is a community connected by the shared values, cherished memories, and lifelong friendships created at the University of Dhaka. With the continued cooperation, active participation, and unwavering support of our alumni, we look forward to building an even stronger, more vibrant, and inclusive DUAAIS in the years ahead.

Together, we serve.
Together, we grow.
Together, we celebrate.
Together, we keep the spirit of Dhaka University alive in Sweden.

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ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় এবং স্যার সলিমুল্লাহ ও নবাব নওয়াব আলী চৌধুরী

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ইতিহাস পর্যালোচনা করলে দেখা যায় যখন কোন জাতি বা জনগোষ্ঠী ক্রান্তিকালে নিপতিত হয় তখন কিছু ক্ষণজন্মা মানুষ আবির্ভূত হয়ে তাদের উদ্ধার করেন এবং তাদেরকে সঠিক পথ নির্দেশনা করেন। ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় প্রতিষ্ঠার প্রধান উদ্যোক্তা খাজা স্যার সলিমুল্লাহ আমাদের জন্য তেমনি একজন দূরদর্শী ক্ষণজন্মা পথপ্রদর্শক বা পাইওনিয়ার। তার রহস্যজনক পরলোকগমনের পর তাঁর সহযোগী নবাব নওয়াব আলী চৌধুরী অগ্রণী ভূমিকা পালন করে মিশনটিকে এগিয়ে নিয়ে যান। ১৯২১ সালের ১লা জুলাই আনুষ্ঠানিকভাবে ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় প্রতিষ্ঠিত হয়। যা গত ১০৫ বছর ধরে সাবেক পূর্ববঙ্গ, পূর্ব পাকিস্তান এবং বর্তমান বাংলাদেশে শিক্ষাঙ্গনের সবচেয়ে গুরত্বপূর্ণ প্রতিষ্ঠান হিসেবে বিভিন্ন ক্ষেত্রে অসামান্য ভূমিকা পালন করে আসছে। যে বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়টি শত বর্ষ আগে মাত্র ৮৭৭ জন ছাত্র-ছাত্রী, ৬০ জন ফ্যাকাল্টি মেম্বার, ৩ টি ফ্যাকাল্টি, ৩ টি আবাসিক হল নিয়ে প্রতিষ্ঠিত হয় বর্তমানে এর শিক্ষার্থীর সংখ্যা ৩৭ হাজারের উপর, শিক্ষক-শিক্ষিকার সংখ্যা প্রায় ২০০। এখন ফ্যাকাল্টি রয়েছে ১৩টি, বিভাগ ৮৩টি, ইন্সটিটিউট ১৩টি এবং আবাসিক হল ২০টি।

নওয়াব সলিমুল্লাহ কিন্তু শুধু ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় প্রতিষ্ঠারই উদ্যোক্তা ছিলেন না। এই বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের শিক্ষার্থীরা গর্ব করতে পারেন এই ভেবে যে তিনি তৎকালীন অবহেলিত ও পশ্চাৎপদ পূর্ববঙ্গবাসীদের ন্যায্য অধিকার প্রতিষ্ঠা ও ভাগ্যন্নোয়নে বিরাট অবদান রেখে গেছেন। কেউ যদি বলেন, তৎকালীন পাকিস্তান এবং বর্তমান বাংলাদেশ প্রতিষ্ঠায়ও তার অবদান ছিল তাহলে অন্যায্য বলা হবে না। কেউ কি অস্বীকার করতে পারবেন যে মুসলিম লীগ পাকিস্তান প্রতিষ্ঠা করেছে? সেই মুসলিম লীগও প্রতিষ্ঠিত হয় ১৯০৬ সালে ঢাকায় নওয়াব সলিমুল্লাহর উদ্যোগে আয়োজিত সর্ব ভারতীয় মোহামেডান এডুকেশান কনফারেন্স থেকে। কনফারেন্সে সারা ভারত থেকে গুরুত্বপূর্ণ প্রায় সকল মুসলিম নেতৃবৃন্দ যোগদান করেন। এঁদের মধ্যে ছিলেন সৈয়দ আমীর আলী, মওলানা মোহাম্মদ আলী, নওয়াব ভিকার-উল-মুলক, আমীর-উল-মুলক, হাকিম আজমল খান, স্যার সৈয়দ নাবিউল্লাহ, স্যার মিয়া মোহাম্মদ শাফি প্রমুখ। বাংলার প্রায় কোন মুসলিম নেতাই বাদ ছিলেন না। নবাবদের শাহবাগের বাগান বাড়িতে এই সম্মেলনে দুই হাজার-এর বেশী প্রতিনিধি যোগদান করেন যার সমস্ত ব্যয় নির্বাহ করেন খাজা সলিমুল্লাহ। তখনকার হিসেবে এই মহাসম্মেলনে প্রায় ছয় লক্ষ রুপি খরচ হয়। সম্মেলনটি অনুষ্ঠিত ১৯০৬ সালের ২৭শে ডিসেম্বর থেকে ৩০ শে ডিসেম্বর পর্যন্ত। কনফারেন্সের শেষ দিনে ৩০শে ডিসেম্বর আগা খানের প্রস্তাবে মুসলিম লীগ গঠন করা হয়। স্বয়ং আগা খান এর প্রথম সভাপতি নির্বাচিত হন। নবাব সলিমুল্লাহ নির্বাচিত হন কেন্দ্রীয় মুসলিম লীগের সহ-সভাপতি এবং পরে গঠিত বেঙ্গল মুসলিম লীগের প্রথম সভাপতি। উল্লেখ্য, সম্মেলনের ব্যয় নির্বাহের জন্য তাকে অর্থ ধার করতে হয় যা তিনি পরে জমিদারির সম্পত্তি বিক্রি করে শোধ করেন। ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় এবং আহসান উল্লাহ ইঞ্জিনিয়ারিং কলেজ প্রতিষ্ঠা করতে গিয়ে ঢাকার গুরুত্বপূর্ণ এলাকায় বিপুল জমি দান করা ছাড়াও বিরাট অংকের নগদ অর্থ প্রদান করেন। উল্লেখ্য, তাঁদের প্রতিষ্ঠিত ইঞ্জিনিয়ারিং কলেজটিই পরে বাংলাদেশ ইউনিভার্সিটি অফ ইঞ্জিনিয়ারিং এন্ড টেকনোলোজি বা বুয়েট হিসেবে রূপান্তরিত হয়। মুসলিম লীগ, ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় এবং ইঞ্জিনিয়ারিং কলেজ প্রতিষ্ঠায় নওয়াব সলিমুল্লাহ প্রায় সাড়ে ছয় শত একর জমি দান করেন কিংবা বিক্রি করেন। বর্তমান বাজার দরে এই জমির দাম লক্ষ কোটি টাকা ছাড়িয়ে যাবে।

ভাবতে অবিশ্বাস্য মনে হয়, ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় প্রতিষ্ঠায় যে দানবীর মহামানুষটির অবদান সবচেয়ে বেশী এবং তৎকালীন পূর্ব বাংলার উন্নয়নে যার অসামান্য অবদান অনস্বীকার্য তাঁর স্মরণে ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় বা অন্য কোন জাতীয় প্রতিষ্ঠান বড় রকমের কোন সেমিনার, সিম্পজিয়ামের আয়োজন করে না। কখনো কখনো আলোচনা হলেও সেগুলো হয় দায়সারা গছের। এটা আমাদের জাতীয় চরিত্রের দীনতারই পরিচয় দেয়।

খাজা আবদুল গনির নাতী এবং খাজা আহসানুল্লাহর পুত্র সলিমুল্লাহর জন্ম ১৮৭১ সালের ৭ই জুন। বাংলাদেশে এই খাজা পরিবারের আগমন ঘটে কাশ্মীর থেকে যেখানে তাদের পূর্ব পুরুষরা শাসনকাজ পরিচালনায় সম্পৃক্ত ছিলেন। এই পরিবারের সদস্য খাজা আবদুল হাকিম ছিলেন মুঘল সম্রাট মুহাম্মদ শাহ আলমের সময় কাশ্মিরের গভর্নর । ১৭৩৯ সালে নাদির শাহ ভারত আক্রমণ করলে তিনি কাশ্মীর পরিত্যাগ করে তৎকালীন আসামের শ্রীহট্র বা সিলেটে এসে বসতি স্থাপন করেন। তারই উত্তরসূরি খাজা আবদুল গনি উনিশ শতকের প্রথম দিকে ঢাকায় এসে প্রথমে ব্যবসা এবং পরে "নওয়াবিতে" থিতু হন।

তাঁর জীবনাবসান ঘটে ১৯১৫ সালের ১৭ই এপ্রিল মাত্র ৪৪ বছর বয়সে। অভিযোগ আছে, কলকাতায় তাঁর রহস্যজনক মৃত্যু হয় বঙ্গভঙ্গ রদ করা নিয়ে কর্তৃপক্ষের সাথে তার বিরোধ থেকে। তাছাড়া ঢাকায় বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়টি কিভাবে প্রতিষ্ঠিত হবে তা নিয়েও তাদের সাথে তার মতভেদ দেখা দেয়। আলোচনার এক পর্যায়ে দু পক্ষের মধ্যে বচসা হয়। তার মৃত্যুর পর পরই যারা তার মুখাবয়ব দেখেছেন তারা সন্দেহ করেন, তাকে বিষ প্রয়োগে হত্যা করা হয়েছে। কলকাতা থেকে তার লাশবাহী কফিনটি আনা হয় কঠিন নিরাপত্তা বেষ্টনীর মধ্য দিয়ে। এমনকি ঢাকায় মৃতদেহটি সমাহিত করার সময় পরিবারের কাউকেও তার মুখ দেখতে দেয়া হয়নি। লাশ দাফনের পর ছয় মাস পর্যন্ত ব্রিটিশ সৈন্যরা দিনরাত চব্বিশ ঘণ্টা তার কবর পাহারা দিয়ে রেখেছে যাতে কেউ লাশ তুলে দেখতে না পারে। (সূত্র – ড. এ এন এম ওয়াহিদ, যুক্তরাষ্ট্রের টেনেসী ষ্টেট বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের অধ্যাপক)।

নওয়াব সলিমুল্লাহ ডেপুটি ম্যাজিস্ট্রেট হিসেবে কর্মজীবন শুরু করছিলেন। কিন্তু অল্পদিনের মধ্যেই তিনি নবাবী দেখাশোনা এবং সমাজসেবায় আত্মনিয়োগ করার জন্য সেই সম্ভাবনা পূর্ণ চাকুরি ছেড়ে দেন।

নওয়াব আলী চৌধুরী

নওয়াব সলিমুল্লাহর মৃত্যুর পর ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় প্রতিষ্ঠার অসমাপ্ত কাজটি সম্পন্ন করতে সবচেয়ে বড় ভূমিকা রাখেন ধনবাড়ির জমিদার বাড়ির সন্তান নবাব নওয়াব আলী চৌধুরী। বঙ্গভঙ্গ আন্দোলনের সময় থেকেই এই দুই সমাজসেবকের একসাথে যাত্রা শুরু। ১৯০৫ সালের ১৬ই অক্টোবর বাংলা ভাগের সময়ে তারা দুজনে মিলে ঢাকার নর্থব্রুক হলে একটি রাজনৈতিক সংগঠন প্রতিষ্ঠা করেন। ১৯১১ সালের ২৯শে আগস্ট পূর্ব বাংলা থেকে ল্যান্সলটের বিদায় এবং চার্লস বেইলির আগমন উপলক্ষ্যে আয়োজিত এক অনুষ্ঠানে নওয়াব সলিমুল্লাহ এবং নবাব নওয়াব আলী চৌধুরী ঢাকায় একটি বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় প্রতিষ্ঠার দাবী জানান। শিক্ষানুরাগী নওয়াব আলী চৌধুরী ছিলেন অবিভক্ত বাংলার দুজন প্রথম মুসলমান মন্ত্রীর একজন। অপরজন ছিলেন এ কে ফজলুল হক । এই পরিবারের একটি বর্ণাঢ্য ইতিহাস আছে। তার পুত্র সৈয়দ হাসান আলী চৌধুরীও তৎকালীন পূর্ব পাকিস্তানের মন্ত্রী ছিলেন। নওয়াব আলী চৌধুরীর দৌহিত্র মোহাম্মদ আলী (বগুড়া) ছিলেন পাকিস্তানের তৃতীয় প্রধানমন্ত্রী। সেই মন্ত্রিসভা মেধাবীদের মন্ত্রিসভা হিসেবে পরিচিত ছিল যেখানে হোসেন শহীদ সোহরওয়ার্দী সহ তৎকালীন পাকিস্তানের সবচেয়ে নামকরা রাজনীতিবিদদের সমাবেশ ঘটেছিল। স্যার সলিমুল্লাহর মতো তিনিও ডেপুটি ম্যাজিস্ট্রেট হিসেবে চাকুরি শুরু করেছিলেন এবং তিনিও জমিদারির সম্পত্তি বিক্রি করে বা বন্দক রেখে ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়কে আর্থিক সহায়তা করেন। তাঁর মৃত্যুর প্রায় পৌনে একশত বছর পর ২০০৩ সালে ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের সিনেট ভবনের নামকরণ করা হয় "সৈয়দ নওয়াব আলী চৌধুরী সিনেট ভবন।"

লর্ড হার্ডিঞ্জের অবদান

এটা সকলেই জানেন যে বঙ্গভঙ্গ রদ করার কিছুটা ক্ষতিপূরণ দেবার তাগিদ থেকেই ইংরেজরা ঢাকায় একটি বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় স্থাপনে রাজী হয় এবং এগিয়ে আসে। এ ব্যাপারে তৎকালীন ভারতের বড়লাট বা ভাইসরয় লর্ড হার্ডিঞ্জের অবদান অনস্বীকার্য। পূর্ববঙ্গে শিক্ষার প্রসারে স্যার সলিমুল্লাহ ইংরেজ কর্তৃপক্ষের কাছে ১৯১১ সালের ২০শে ডিসেম্বর একটি চিঠি লেখেন এবং এ ব্যাপারে আলোচনার জন্য একটি মুসলিম প্রতিনিধিদলকে নিয়ে লর্ড হার্ডিঞ্জের সাথে সাক্ষাৎ করার আর্জি জানান। ভাইসরয় হার্ডিঞ্জ এর দেড় মাস পরে ২০১২ সালের ৩১শে ডিসেম্বর ঢাকায় আসেন। সলিমুল্লাহর উদ্যোগে এবং সৈয়দ নওয়াব আলী চৌধুরীর নেতৃত্বে একটি প্রতিনিধিদল ভাইসরয়ের সঙ্গে সাক্ষাৎ করেন। এরই ধারাবাহিকতায় ১৯২১ সালের ১লা জুলাই ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় আনুষ্ঠানিকভাবে যাত্রা শুরু করে।

বিরোধিতা

তবে ঢাকায় বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় প্রতিষ্ঠায় বিরোধিতাও কম হয়নি। প্রখ্যাত ইতিহাসবিদ এবং ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের পরলোকগত ভাইস চ্যান্সেলর ড. রমেশ চন্দ্র মজুমদার (আর সি মজুমদার) "ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ঃ পুর্বকথা" শীর্ষক এক নিবন্ধে পরিস্কারভাবে বলেছেন," ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় স্থাপন যে হিন্দুরা ভাল চোখে দেখেননি, একথা পূর্বেই বলেছি। যদিও বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের বড় বড় পদে হিন্দু শিক্ষকেরাই অধিষ্ঠিত ছিলেন তথাপি কোর্টের (সিনেটকে তখন কোর্ট বলা হতো) হিন্দু সভ্যরা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়কে প্রীতির চোখে দেখেননি।"

খ্যাতনামা আইনজীবী ডঃ রাসবিহারী ঘোষের নেতৃত্বে কিছু বিশিষ্ট ব্যক্তি আনুষ্ঠানিকভাবে ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় প্রতিষ্ঠার বিরোধিতা করে প্রতিবাদলিপি পাঠান। কেউ কেউ যুক্তি দেখান যে পূর্ববঙ্গে মুলত চাষাভুষাদের বাস। এখানে বিশ্ববিদ্যলয় স্থাপনের কোন যুক্তি বা চাহিদা নাই। এটি প্রতিষ্ঠার আগেই অনেকে একে "মক্কা, ফক্কা" বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় বলে বিদ্রুপ করতে থাকেন।

রবীন্দ্রনাথ ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় প্রতিষ্ঠার বিরোধিতা করেছিলেন কিনা সেই বিতর্কটা আমি এখানে এড়িয়ে গেলাম।

এমনকি কলিকাতা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের ভাইস চ্যান্সেলর আশুতোষ মুখার্জি প্রথম দিকে ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় প্রতিষ্ঠার বিরোধী ছিলেন। পরে কলিকাতা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের জন্য ইংরেজ সরকারের কাছ থেকে ৪ টি অধ্যাপকের পদ আদায় করে বিরোধিতা ত্যাগ করেন। এই অঞ্চলে ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ই প্রথম আবাসিক বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় হিসেবে প্রতিষ্ঠিত হয়। আশুতোষ মুখার্জি এর প্রশংশা করে তাঁর বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের কয়েকজন শিক্ষককে ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ে শিক্ষকতা করার জন্য ছেড়ে দিতে সম্মত হন। এঁদের মধ্যে ছিলেন ডঃ আর সি মজুমদার, সত্যেন বসু, নলিনী বসু, ডঃ মুহম্মদ শহীদুল্লাহ, হরিদাস ভট্টাচার্য প্রমুখ।

ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের প্রথম ভাইস চ্যান্সেলর নিযুক্ত হন ইউনিভার্সিটি অফ লন্ডনের খ্যাতনামা একাডেমিক রেজিস্ট্রার ফিলিপ জোসেফ হার্টগ। রেজিসট্রার হন বেঙ্গল সিভিল সার্ভিসের নাজিরুদ্দিন আহমেদ এবং অবৈতনিক ট্রেজারর হিসেবে দায়িত্ব গ্রহণ করেন ইন্ডিয়ান সিভিল সার্ভিসের জে এইচ লিন্ডস্টে।

একসময় প্রাচ্যের অক্সফোর্ড নামে খ্যাত ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের সুনাম মাঝখানে অনেকটাই পড়ে যায়। বিশ্বে বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় র‍্যাঙ্কিং -এ ১০০০-এর মধ্যেও এর স্থান ছিল না। কিন্তু গত কয়েক বছরে গবেষণার দিকে অগ্রাধিকার দেয়ায় এবং পাঠদান কর্মসূচী ততটা ব্যাহত না হওয়ায় র‍্যাঙ্কিং অনেকটা উপরে উঠেছে। কিউ এস ওয়ার্ল্ড ইউনিভার্সিটি র‍্যাঙ্কিং -এ গত বছর ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের অবস্থান ছিল ৫৮৪ তম । এশিয়ায় এর অবস্থান ছিল ১৪৬তম। উল্লেখ করা যেতে পারে যে ১৮৫৭ সালে প্রতিষ্ঠিত কলিকাতা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের অবস্থান গত বছর ছিল বিশ্বে ৭৭১ এবং এশিয়ায় ১৮৭। তবে এতে আমাদের আত্মশ্লাঘাবোধ করার অবকাশ নেই। কারণ, গোটা ভারতে কলিকাতা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের অবস্থান মাত্র ২৮ নম্বরে যেখানে বাংলাদেশে ঢাকার অবস্থান প্রথম।

তথ্য সুত্রঃ ড. আর সি মজুমদার, জাতীয় অধ্যাপক ড. সুফিয়া আহমেদ, কিউ এস ওয়ার্ল্ড ইউনিভার্সিটি র‍্যাঙ্কিং, ঢাকা এবং কলিকাতা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের হোমপেজ।

Thirty Years of DUAAIS:

A Journey of Belonging, Friendship and Shared Dreams



Sultan Ahmed Emon, PhD

Thirty years ago, six Dhaka University graduates in Sweden shared a vision—to create a platform where Dhaka University alumni could remain connected to one another, to their cultural heritage, to their values, and to their roots. That vision became the Dhaka University Alumni Association in Sweden (DUAAIS).

As we celebrate the 30th anniversary of DUAAIS, I would like to begin by expressing my deepest respect and gratitude to our six founding members. Their vision, dedication, and commitment laid the foundation for an organization that has brought together generations of Dhaka University graduates and their families in Sweden.

My own journey with DUAAIS began at a very special time in my life. After completing our PhDs in Sweden, my wife and I were invited to a reception organized by DUAAIS. We still remember the feeling of being surrounded by so many warm and generous people who shared a connection to the University of Dhaka and Bangladesh. It felt as though we had discovered a little piece of the Dhaka University campus in Sweden.

Since then, DUAAIS has become much more than an alumni association to me. It has been a place where I have built lasting friendships, met people from different generations, learned from respected seniors, and exchanged ideas with younger members. Over the past eight years, I have had the privilege of serving as Secretary for two terms and now as Vice President. These roles have given me not only responsibilities, but also the opportunity to serve a community that I genuinely care about.

The true strength of DUAAIS, in my view, lies in its members, their families, and their children. It is found in the friendships formed at our events, in families meeting and becoming connected, in celebrating our cultural traditions together, in welcoming new graduates, and in supporting one another through different stages of life.

Over these three decades, many people have contributed to building DUAAIS. Past presidents, secretaries, committee members, members, volunteers, and their families have all played their part. Some have led, some have organized, some have worked quietly behind the scenes, and others have simply participated and helped keep the spirit of togetherness alive. Every contribution, large or small, has been part of the DUAAIS story.

As we look forward to the next 30 years, one of my greatest hopes is to see more young Dhaka University graduates become actively involved in DUAAIS. They are the future of

our organization. I hope they will bring new ideas, energy, and creativity while preserving the values and traditions established by our founders.

Perhaps, 30 years from now, a new generation will look back at today's DUAAIS with the same gratitude with which we remember our founders today.

When I think about my eight years with DUAAIS, I think about friendships, inspiration, shared memories, and, above all, the sense of belonging.

The University of Dhaka gave us a connection that we carry throughout our lives. DUAAIS has given many of us a place to keep that connection alive in Sweden.

On this special occasion, I would like to thank our six founders, all past and present leaders, committee members, volunteers, members, and their families, for everything they have contributed to DUAAIS.

As we celebrate 30 years of DUAAIS, I feel truly privileged to be part of its continuing story.
The first 30 years belong to those who built and nurtured DUAAIS.

The next 30 years belong to the generations who will carry its legacy forward.

May DUAAIS continue to unite Dhaka University graduates, celebrate our culture and achievements, strengthen friendships across generations, and remain a little piece of Dhaka University campus in Sweden for many years to come.

Happy 30th Anniversary, DUAAIS!

With gratitude to our founders.
With appreciation for our present.
And with hope for our future.

The Alumni Organisation, DUAAIS



Jamal Mohammad Nuruzzaman

One can't forget certain times in life. Every minute and moment that passed in life comes back constantly. I had a dream of studying at the country's biggest and best university in the capital. Dhaka University in Bangladesh. I've applied to honours courses in Management, Mymensingh AM College and Accounting in Dhaka University, and have been admitted after taking the admission exams. I decided to have a purpose in life and wanted to study accounting. I packed a pair of ABBA-style pants I bought at Stations Road flea market and went on the Dhaka night train. I kept my funds in my underwear because of the fear and risk of robbers in Gafforgaong area. On August 15, 1975, the train didn't go forward in Dhaka, so I had to return home from Gazipur on the same train. There was a military coup, and many well-known politicians and their families were killed in Dhaka. A curfew was imposed. All educational institutions were also closed.

After demands from Nawab Sir Khwaja Salim Ullah Bahadur and others, Viceroy Lord Hardinge proposed on February 2, 1912, that a new university should be established in this part of Bengal. Many prominent people opposed the then government's plan to establish Dhaka University. Lawyer Dr. Rash Behari Ghosh told the Viceroy that establishing a separate university in Dacca would promote 'an internal division of Bengal. They also argued that 'the Muslims of East Bengal were largely peasants and they would in no way benefit from the founding of a new university.' Asutosh Mukherjee, vice-chancellor of Calcutta University, also opposed its creation. According to Major General M. A. Matin, Rabindranath Tagore participated in the Gorer Math rally opposing the university's formation. But the validity of his claim is still debated. The University of Dacca was founded in 1921 as the first university in East Bengal (source: Wikipedia)

After registering as a resident student, I was admitted at Hajee Mohammed Mohsin Hall which provost was Dr. M A Wadud. I started studying a five-year program at the commerce faculty in September 1975, when M. A. Matin was the vice chancellor and Dr. M. Habibullah was the accounting department's chairman. My university life was very hard-working and exciting for the educations with part-time works, private tutoring for school youth, relatives also have helped me with advices, foods, and supports when we had to evacuate halls during various political unrests and chaos.

On a cold and icy day in December 1984, my friend T Rahman and I landed at the airport in Arlanda. We came as guest students at Uppsala University. We had to pass the national test in Swedish before we could start at the university, but now students can study in English and can

work all year while we had a work permit only in the summers during study breaks.

After education in computer, I applied for many qualified jobs in Umeå and didn't get anything. We had to move to Stockholm when I got a job at IBM in Kista. Life went on with family, colleagues, and friends. We academics missed campus buddies for leisure togetherness and enjoyment. One summer day in 1996, some academics from Dhaka University who were living in Stockholm got together in Sollentuna, Mahmud Hasan's home to form an alumni association. Murtaza Billah, who floated the idea of Ex-students association of DU here, took the initiative and contacted DU academics in Stockholm. Among them were Messrs Murtaza Billah with his wife, Anisur Rahman, Enamul Majid Choudhury, Humayun Kabir, Mahmud Hasan, Dr. Tareq Mahfuz, and others who were living here in Sweden to support activities aimed at preserving the members' connections related to their origins as former students of Dhaka University in Bangladesh, and to establish good relationships among the members and their families, i.e., work towards friendly interaction among the members. Some called up former DU students and invited them to a meeting to form the first board of the Dhaka University Ex-students Association in Sweden, whose organization name was later changed and shortened to DUAAIS, and the full name is now well-known in the academic world.

The association has carried out its activities with various attractive and significant events, namely summer picnic, excursions tours outside the region and country, Bangladeshi cultural events, Eid reunion, family sports for members and member's children, Pitha festival, reception of students and PhD students of DU, giving scholarships to the poor at DU, sending aid through the embassy during natural disasters in Bangladesh. DUAAIS had various project works, namely integration into Swedish society for adults and children with the City of Stockholm and Save the Children to understand kids in the Swedish society and children's rights, life according to the Convention on the Rights of the Child. In various integration conferences have given lectures our members and relatives from DU. But the City of Stockholm's policy was that association membership had to be open to everyone, not just for a group of DU students, and integrations project didn't meet their requirements, so cooperation with the city wasn't established.

DUAAIS days are passing excellently with the young as well senior members. The time almost three decades have passed! Like other Bangladeshi organisations, DUAAIS has had misunderstandings and conflicts over governance and various decisions, but the members' wisdom and experience helped to win and maintain cohesion in the organisation, which has gained a sustainable strength and understanding of each other. Just like the senior and young members, the DUAAIS continues, and it has a very good reputation worldwide. It can celebrate its thirty years anniversary and jubilee in this year 2026. Good luck!