





Earthquake and Architecture

IAB Lecture Series event titled 'Earthquake and Architecture' was arranged on 23rd April 2016 at 5.00pm on the eve of first anniversary of Nepal quake.

The speakers were Dr. Engr. Ali Akbar Mollick, Ar. Prajwal Hada [from Kathmandu on video] and Ar. Khondaker Hasibul Kabir.

Ali Akbar Mollick received Master and Doctor of Engineering degrees on Building Structures Subject to Seismic Force in 1987 and 1990 respectively from The University of Hiroshima, Japan. He is an Assistant Professor at Civil Engineering Department of Rajshahi Engineering College until 1983, worked as a Research Engineer at Technical Research Institute of Fujita Corporation, Japan from 1990 to 1999. Since then he is working as a structural engineering consultant for JICA, ADB, WB and MCC funded projects. Dr. Mollick writes especially on earthquake related topics in the Dhaka dailies to promote awareness and preparedness on earthquake to the people of Bangladesh.

Ar. Prajwal Hada is active in Architecture, interior design, Landscape, Conservation as well as in Teaching. His work includes several awards winning projects, including the Civil Mall in Nepal. He received Master degree in urban planning from Institute of Engineering, Nepal in 2011, and Bachelor in Architecture from BUET, Dhaka in 2001. After the earthquake of Nepal, he has made presentations nationally and internationally about his studies and findings on the earthquake. He is voluntarily working to reconstruct school buildings in Nepal. The Oldest School of Nepal is one of them, which is also important for architectural conservation.





Ar. Khondaker Hasibul Kabir, Assistant professor, Department of Architecture, BRAC University is an architect/community architect and landscape architect. He worked in Haiti after earthquake in 2010, supported by BRAC. Since the earthquake in May 2015 he has been involved in working in rural areas of Nepal supported by BRAC and in urban Kathmandu supported by Lumanti Support Group for Shelter and CAN (Community Architects Network). After receiving a Bachelor in Architecture from BUET, Dhaka in 2000 he worked in different disaster prone areas of Bangladesh for developing building-for-safety options. He qualified with Master of Architecture in Landscape from the University of Sheffield, UK in 2004.

A large audience, who included Dr. Jamilur Reza Chowdhury and Brig. Gen. Ali Ahmed, Director General of Fire Services & Civil Defence, attended the program.

The event was moderated by Ar. Farhana Sharmin Emu, Secretary Seminar, IAB, and powered by Asian Paints Ltd.

This was the first ever IAB Lecture Series event at IAB Centre.





PLACES OF ART

A Lecture by Ar. Peter Clegg

Ar. Peter Clegg, Partner, Fielden Clegg Bradley Studios made a presentation titled 'Places for Art' at IAB Lecture Series on 22nd June 2016 at IAB Centre.

Ar. Clegg is a Founding Partner at the respected UK architectural practice Fielden Clegg Bradley Studios and has been involved in architectural design, research and education.

FCBS has won more RIBA awards than any other practice. Winning the RIBA Stirling Prize in 2008 with their innovative housing scheme in Cambridge was a great affirmation of the firm's design approach. In 2014 they won the AJ100 Clients' Choice award, with the practice gaining twice as many client votes as the nearest rival. Most recently FCBC have won BD Sustainability Architect of the Year Award 2016 and RIBA South West award 2016.

The lecture was coordinated and conducted by Ar. Farhana Sharmin Emu, Secretary Seminar, IAB.

The event was powered by Asian Paints BD Ltd.





IAB organized Dialog Session on Interior Design & Implementation Issues

VisionD3 - IAB organized Dialog Session on Interior Design & Implementation issues was held on 4th June 2016 at 6.00pm at the IAB Centre.

The session was participated by architects across generations, who spoke on the various aspects of pursuing the ID practice. Views were exchanged on issues related to improving architects position in the sector.

The speakers included Ar. MahbubaHuq, Ar. Kazi Golam Nasir, Ar. Jalal Ahmed, Ar. Nurul Karim Dilu, Ar. Nurur Rahman Khan, Ar. Tanya Karim, Ar. ImtiazFarid Chowdhury, Ar. AlamgirJalil, Ar. FarhanaSharmin Emu, Ar. Bikash Saud Ansary, Ar. Sanjida Shams, Ar. Nazli Hossain, Ar. Firoz and Ar. Nusrat Shimla.

On behalf of IAB, Dr. Abu Sayeed M Ahmed, President, Ar. Mamnoon Murshed Chowdhury, Assistant General Secretary Ar. Ehsan Khan, Secretary Profession, and Ar. Shaila Joarder, Secretary Environment spoke.

Ar. Qazi M Arif, General Secretary, IAB coordinated and moderated the event.

The event was powered by Asian Paints [BD] Ltd.





CPD Course on Preparing Construction Documents

A day long CPD workshop titled "Preparing Construction Documents" took place on 30th April 2016 at IAB Centre. Eminent architect Mustapha Khalid Palash was present as the Instructor of the event.

The workshop focused on preparing of Construction Documents as the bridge between the architectural design and its physical implementation. Construction Contract Documents are the written documents that define the roles, responsibilities, and 'Work' under the construction Contract, and are legally-binding on the parties (Owner and Contractor).

Certificate was distributed among the participants at the end of the workshop in presence of IAB President Dr. Abu Sayeed M Ahmed and General Secretary Ar. Qazi M Arif were present

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





CPD Course on Dhaka Mohanagar Imarat Nirman Bidhimala 2008

Another CPD workshop titled " Dhaka Mohanagar Imarat Nirman Bidhimala 2008" were held on 3rd June 2016. The event was conducted by Ar.Dewan Shamsul Arif. Ar. Nowajish Mahbub, Treasurer, IAB participated in the discussion session.

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

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



Ar. Masum Ul Huq Wins ARCASIA TRAVEL PRIZE 2016 for Zone A

Ar. Masum Ul Huq (H 159) has won the ARCASIA TRAVEL PRIZE 2016 for Zone A. His research proposal was "In Search of Temporary Shelter for Urban Homeless People". Theme of his research is to find out space/scopes in urban area where any people can take rest, even stay at night without hampering hectic urban life. The country must not ignore/deprived its citizen from their basic needs and he tried to find out some easy solutions to improve these situations; by applying technical as well as practical design ideas, they could be treated at least as human being.

The target group was-homeless people, beggars, day labors and others who came to the city and became victims of greedy city life; those who need a temporary shelter to take rest even for sleeping at night.



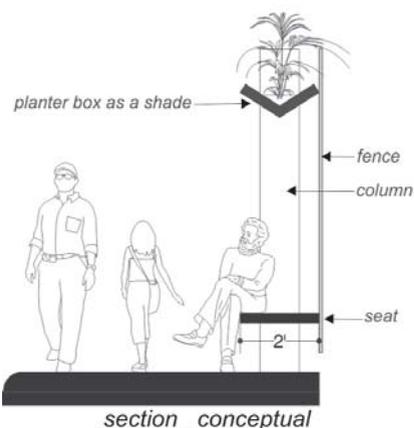
RESEARCH PROPOSAL

The Scope of Works :

1. Rethinking the boundary wall (road side) of public buildings/parks with the provision of some resting corners for everybody. Proposed an welcoming approach to all newcomers in this city.



present condition



proposed modification

2. The spaces under flyovers often seen left with no productive uses; the number of flyovers are increasing day by day so wastage of spaces are also increasing. We proposed park included human resting space under the flyovers, which could be a temporary shelter for those floating people and will make the city more human and environment friendly.



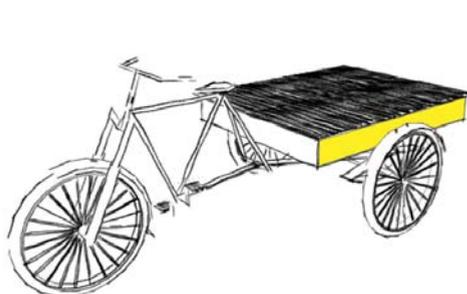
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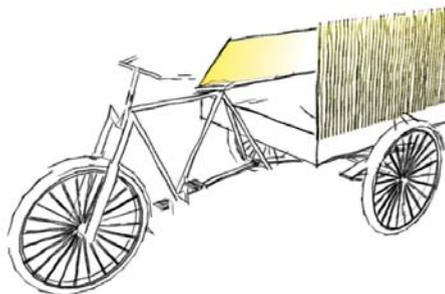
3. Rickshaw vans are widely used vehicles in Dhaka city for transporting goods; some minor modification in design can transform this van to a shelter. it can be used for carrying goods and at the same time it would be a comfortable shelter for the poor van drivers.



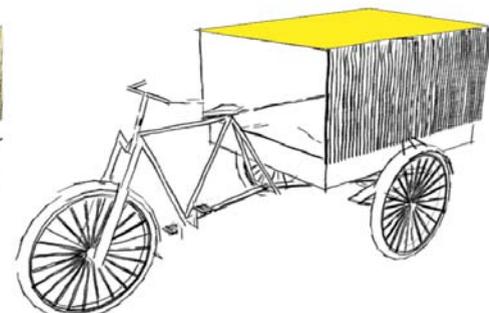
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a. add small storage area under the van's bed where the van puller can store necessary belongings.



b. operable upper bed of van can be use as a enclosure when necessary.



c. fully enclosed van upper cover make a room for van driver as a resting space at night even in bad environmental condition. roof and other enclosure can be any light weight materials.



DESCO Head Office Design Competition Cheques Handed Over to Shortlisted Architects

The six shortlisted architects/firms from the first stage of the Two Stage Design Competition of DESCO Head Office Design were handed over cheques on 29th May 2016 in an informal ceremony at the IAB Centre.

Submissions of Second Stage Competition were received on the same day. Brig. Gen. M Shahid Sarwer, Managing Director, DESCO and Dr. Abu Sayeed M Ahmed, President, IAB handed over the cheques jointly.

The six shortlisted architects/ firms for the second stage are:

- Ar. Selim Altaf Biplob (B-025) and Team
- Ar. Munirul Haque (H-011) and Team
- Ar. Faisal Ahmed (A-153) and Team
- Ar. Mahmudul Alam (A-161) and Team
- Ar. Md. Rafiq Azam (A-055) and Team
- Ar. Mahmudul Islam (I-056) and Team

High officials of DESCO attended the program. IAB Executive Council was represented by Ar. Qazi M Arif, General Secretary, Ar. Mamnoon Murshed Chowdhury, Asst. General Secretary and Ar. Masud Ur Rashid, Secretary, Publication & Publicity. Ar. Nazmul Huq Bulbul, Competition Director, was also present.





MoU Signed for Open Architectural Design Competition for Grameen Health Complex One project

Institute of Architects Bangladesh and Grameen Kalyan-Grameen Telecom Trust signed an MoU on 20th June 2016 at the IAB Centre for organizing an open architectural design competition for proposed Grameen Health Complex One project.

Mr. Imamus Sultan, Managing Director, Grameen Kalyan and Ar. Qazi M Arif, General Secretary, IAB signed on behalf of their respective organizations. Ms. Parveen Mahmud, Managing Director, Grameen Telecom Trust and Engr. Asharful Hasan, CEO, Grameen Telecom Trust and other officials of GrameenKalyan and Grameen Telecom Trust were present. Members of IAB Executive Council also attended the signing ceremony.

From IAB, Ar. Masud Ur Rashid has been appointed as the Competition Director.





DESCO Competition Jury Announces Winners of Second Stage

The winners of the Two Stage Open Architectural Design Competition for DESCO [Dhaka Electric Supply Authority] Head Office have been announced. The First, Second and Third placed winners from the six entries of second stage are -

First Prize

Synthesis-Roofliners Consortium

Ar. Selim Altaf Biplob, Ar. Sarawat Iqbal, Ar. Rajib Ahmed, Ar. Monon Bin Yunus, Ar. Anwar Sadat, Ar. Khudista Mehjabeen.

Second Prize

Ar. Munirul Haque, Ar. M Faysal Kabir, Ar. M Ershed Jaman Khan.

Third Prize

Ar. Faisal Ahmed, Ar. M Mamunur Rashid, Ar. Arif Mannan Rana, Ar. Ahsan Habib, Ar. Shah Noman Ansary

The two stage open architectural design competition for the design of DESCO head office building was organized by Institute of Architects Bangladesh and Dhaka Electric Supply Company Limited (DESCO). The project site is at plot no 49/A, Dhaka Mymensingh Road, Nikunja (North), Khilkhet, Dhaka. The competition was announced on 14 December 2016 and the submission due was on 12 March 2016. Sixty nine entries were submitted for the first stage of the competition. Out of them six were selected for the second stage.

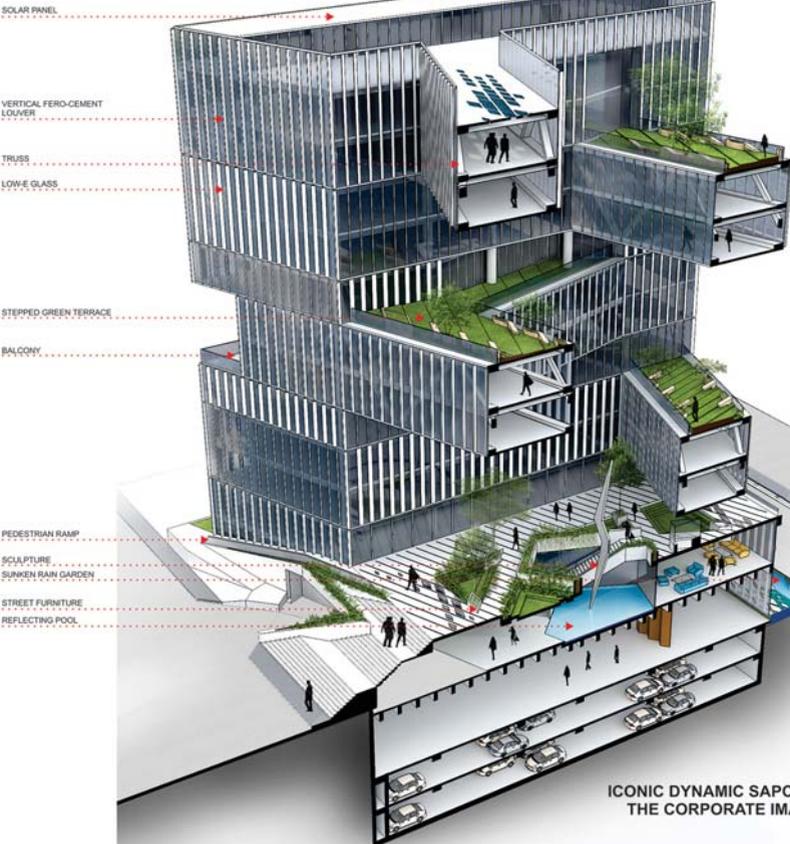
The five members jury panel consisted of Ar. Nahas Ahmed Khalil, Ar. A B M Mahbubul Malik, Ar. Mohammad Foyez Ullah, Mr. Md. Abdullah Al Masud Chowdhury and Engr. Md. Rabiul Hasnat.

Ar. Md. Nazmul Haq was the Competition Director and Ar. Masud Ur Rashid acted as the Deputy Director of the competition.





COMPETITION



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IAB Fellow & Vice Chancellor of BUET Prof. Khaleda Ekram Passes Away

IAB Fellow and Vice Chancellor of BUET Prof. Khaleda Ekram has breathed her last at 2.05am (BD time) on 24th May 2016 at Bangkok Hospital following a battle against Cancer. IAB mourns her untimely death and this irreparable loss of the nation.

Prof. Khaleda Ekram was born on August 6, 1950, in Dhaka, to Ekram Hussain and Qamrunnessa Hussain. She received her Bachelor of Architecture degree from Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology in 1974. She pursued higher education in urban planning and design in the United States, where she earned her graduate degree (MURP) from University of Hawaii in 1980. In 1992, she completed post-graduate courses in Architecture and Development at Lund University in Sweden.

Prof. Ekram began her career in 1974 as a junior architect at Bastukalabid Limited in Dhaka. She also worked for Parikalpak Sangstha Limited, for a brief period in 1975. In the same year, she began her four decade-long teaching career with the Department of Architecture of BUET.

After graduating from the University of Hawaii in Urban and Regional Planning, she worked as Assistant Architect Planner at Honolulu-based Micheal T. Suzuki & Associates, from December 1980 to May 1981. She also worked at East West Center and contributed in community service projects in Honolulu. Upon coming back to Bangladesh, she resumed her role as an Assistant Professor in BUET and became Associate Professor in 1986 and Professor in 1995. She went on to become the Head of the Department in 1997 and the Dean of the Faculty, Faculty of Architecture and Planning in 1999. On September 11, 2014, she was appointed as the first female Vice-Chancellor of BUET. She held the position since September 2014 until her death.

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IAB Paid Homage to Deceased IAB Fellow and Vice Chancellor of BUET Prof. Khaleda Ekram

IAB Fellow and Vice Chancellor of Bangladesh University of Engineering & Technology, Prof. Khaleda Ekram was laid to rest at Bonani graveyard on 25th May 2016 evening. Her namaz-e-janaza was held at BUET Central Mosque after Asr prayers.

Earlier in the afternoon, Prof. Khaleda Ekram's students, colleagues, friends and admirers turned out in hundreds to pay respect at Faculty of Architecture of BUET premises. Hon'ble Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina was represented by her Military Secretary, who placed wreath on her behalf.

Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid, accompanied by Education Secretary, paid his respect. Ar. Yeafesh Osman, Hon'ble Minister of Science & Technology, and past Vice Chancellors of BUET paid their tributes.

IAB President Dr. Abu Sayeed M Ahmed and members of the Executive Council placed floral wreath and paid respect to late Ar. Khaleda Ekram. Scores of other organizations such as BUET Alumni, ARCAAB etc. also paid homage to the deceased.





A Condolence Meeting and Doa in Memory of Late Prof. Khaleda Ekram Organized Jointly by DoA BUET & IAB

A Condolence Meeting and Doa in memory of late Prof. Khaleda Ekram was organized jointly by Department of Architecture BUET and Institute of Architects Bangladesh (IAB) at the BUET Auditorium on 28th May 2016 at 5pm.

The program was attended by a large number of colleagues, friends, family members and admirers of the late Vice Chancellor of BUET and IAB Fellow.

The following persons spoke on various aspects of Prof. Khaleda Ekram's life - Prof. Farida Nilufar, Head DoA, Prof. Zebun N Ahmed, Acting Vice Chancellor BUET, Prof. Maqsd Helali, Dean Mechanical Faculty, Ar. Shafiuddin Ahmed and Ar. Abdul Mohaimen - Prof. KhaledaEkram's batchmates, Ar. Abu Sayeed M Ahmed, President IAB, Ar. Sutapa Das, Ar. Shah Alam Zahiruddin, Prof. Shamsul Wares and Ar. Tasneem Tariq Nimmi. Ms. Mashida Rashid, second daughter of Prof. KhaledaEkram spoke on behalf of her family.

Maulana Mohammad Fattah led the doa seeking eternal peace of the late Vice Chancellor of BUET and IAB Fellow.

Ar. Mahmudul Anwar Riyaad and Ar. Farhana Sharmin conducted the program.



IAB CENTRE ACTIVITIES

After the shifting of IAB office from Dhanmondi to IAB Centre Agargaon completed, activities have begun at IAB Centre.

Executive Council Meeting

The Executive Council of IAB held its first ever meeting at its new premise - the IAB Centre on 17th April 2016. With this meeting, IAB has formally started its operations at the new address Plot 11 Block E Road 7, Sher-E-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka.



Meeting of the Membership Automation Sub Committee

On 7th April 2016, a meeting of the Membership Automation Sub Committee was held - the first ever meeting at the new IAB premise.





Interviews and examination for Associate Membership

Interviews and examination for Associate Membership and Membership of IAB are being held regularly in the new office premises.





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

After the inauguration of IAB Centre, architects of Bangladesh have obtained their own address and already regular activities have been receiving more scopes to place. Our own premise already has made our activities more vibrant.

The sixth issue of IAB Newsletter of the 21st EC covers some regular activities of IAB. Beside organizing two CPD workshop, two events of Lecture Series as regular activities, Vision D3 dialogue session was introduced as a new venture of IAB. The final results of DESCO head office design competition have been announced and an MoU has been signed for another competition with Grameen Telecom Trust and Grameen Kalyan to design a health complex.

Within this period, we lost our fellow and first architect Vice Chancellor of BUET Prof. Khaleida Ekram which is a great loss for us. IAB deeply mourns for this demise.

I would acknowledge the support and cooperation received from the members of Editorial Board, my colleagues in the EC and the whole newsletter team who work behind to publish the newsletter.

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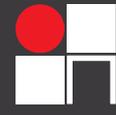
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