

Third International Conference on Bangladesh Environment ICBEN 2010

January 3-4

Osmani Memorial Auditorium and
Nabab Nawab Ali Chowdhury Senate Bhaban Complex, Dhaka University

Programme

January 3 (Sunday), 2009

Opening Session

Venue: Osmani Memorial Auditorium

Time: 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Chief Guest: Honourable Prime Minister, **Sheikh Hasina**

Special Guest: Honourable State Minister of environment and forests, **Hasan Mahmud**

Chair: **Muzaffer Ahmad**, President, BAPA

Guests take their seats

Arrival of the Chief Guest

National anthem

Welcome address by **Nazrul Islam**, Chairman, University Grants Commission, and
Chairman, Conference Organizing Committee (COC).

Address by **Nazrul Islam**, Global Coordinator, Bangladesh Environment Network
(BEN) and Vice President, BAPA

Address by **A.A.M.S. Arefin Siddique**, Vice Chancellor, Dhaka University

Address by the **Special Guest**

Address by the **Chief Guest**

Address by the **Chair** of the Session

Vote of thanks by **M. A. Matin**, General Secretary, BAPA and Member Secretary, COC

First Plenary Session

Venue: Osmani Memorial Auditorium

Time: 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Topic: **Climate Change, Copenhagen conference, and Future Tasks for Bangladesh**

Chair: **ASM Shahjahan**, Vice President, BAPA

Organizer: **Taqsem A. Khan**

Keynote speaker: Honourable State Minister of environment and forests, **Hasan Mahmud**

Commentators:

Saleemul Huq, International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED), UK

Atiq Rahman, Bangladesh Centre for Advanced Studies (BCAS)

Md. Asaduzzaman, Bangladesh Institute for Development Studies (BIDS)

Ainun Nishat, International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)

M. A. Matin, General Secretary, BAPA

Nazrul Islam, Global Coordinator, BEN and Vice President, BAPA

ICBEN 2010 Rally
Time: 12:30 pm -- 1:00 pm

Conference participants gather outside Osmani Memorial Auditorium and walk in a colourful procession to Dhaka University Senate Bhaban Complex (behind Dhaka University Registrar Building).

Lunch
Time: 1:00 – 2:00 pm
Venue: DU Senate Bhaban Complex

Concurrent Sessions [A]
Time: 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Session A1

Topic: Climate Change and Bangladesh Environment -- I

Time: 2:00-4:00 pm, January 3 (Sunday), 2009

Venue: Room 1, DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: Saleh Tanveer, Ohio State University

Co-Chair: Aminul Islam, UNDP, Dhaka

Organizer: Zahedur Rahman

Sarwat Chowdhury: Accessing Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) Projects for

Meeting the Challenges of Climate Change in Bangladesh

Ataur Rahman Belal, et al.: Corporate Environmental and Climate Change Disclosures: Empirical Evidence from Bangladesh

Abdul Qader: CCS (Geo-sequestration) As Part of GHG Reduction in Climate Change Mitigation – Consequence for Developing Countries Like Bangladesh

Md. Abdul Baten, Begum Samsun Nahar, Rehana Khatun, Md. Mozammel Hoq, Akira Miyata, Masayoshi Mano, and Keisuke Ono: Increasing Sink Strength To Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emission From Rice Fields To Minimize Global Warming

A. N. M. Nurul Haque: The Political Context Of Climate Change

Md. Sarwar Hossain: Youth Tape: An Approach to Pursuing the Solution to Climate Change

Session A2

Topic: Energy, Environment, and Policy

Time: 2:00-4:00 pm, January 3 (Sunday), 2009

Venue: Room 2, DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: Nurul Islam, Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET)

Co-Chair: Zakir Hossain, BAPA

Organizer: Sirajul Islam Mollah

First part of the session (1 hour)

Special presentation (30 minutes):

An Independent Assessment of Petrobangla Model Production Sharing Contract 2008 by the Energy Panel of the Bangladesh Environment Network (BEN). Presented by **Golam Kabir**, Philadelphia, USA

Discussion by designated discussants (20 minutes):

Hossain Mansur, Chairman, Petrobangla

Anu Muhammad, Jahangir Nagar University

General discussion (10 minutes)

Second part of the session (1 hour)

Presentations

Chad Dobson and Jakob K. Loukas: IFC Performance Standards and Policies Compared to World Bank Operational Policies: An Exception to All the Rules.

M. A. I. Chowdhury, M. A. Hoque, D. Bhattacharjee and M.B. Haque: An Assessment of the Impact of Devastating Gas Explosion in Magurchara Gas Field on Surrounding Environment

Albelee A. Haque and Shamim A. Choudhury: Bangladesh and World Energy Revolution: Health Risks of Mercury, Arsenic and Other Hazardous Pollutants

Session A3

Topic: Water and environment - I

Time: 2:00-4:00 pm, January 3 (Sunday), 2009

Venue: **Room 3**, DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: **Feroze Ahmed**, Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET)

Co-Chair: **Emad Uddin**, Institute of Water Modeling

Organizer: **ABM Anisuzzaman**

F. Ferdoush, H. Katsumata, H. Nakao, S. Kaneco, T. Suzuki, K. Ohta and Y. Yobiko: Degradation Of Diazinon In Aqueous Solution By V(IV)/H₂O₂ System

M. M. Mortula: Use of Contract Based Decentralized Wastewater Management Systems for Bangladesh

Zaira Zaman Chowdhury, Sharifuddin Mohd. Zain and Rashid Atta Khan: Effect of Temperature on Bio-separation Process for Treatment of Waste Water

Zaira Zaman Chowdhury, Sharifuddin Mohd. Zain and Rashid Atta Khan: Role of Surfactant For Removal Of Heavy Metal From Waste Water

Zaira Zaman Chowdhury, Sharifuddin Mohd. Zain and Rashid Atta Khan: Removal of Lead from Waste Water by Activated Palm Oil Fuel Ash

K. Khalisanni, A. K. Rashid, and M. Z. Sharifuddin: Using Reversed-Flow Gas Chromatography to Estimate Rate Coefficients and Diffusion Coefficients for Evaporation of Pure Liquid

General Session AG1

Topic: Role of People's Representatives in Protection of Bangladesh Environment

Time: 2:00-4:00 pm, January 3 (Sunday), 2009

Venue: **Senate Hall**, DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: **Abdullah Abu Sayeed**, BAPA
Co-Chair: **M. M. Akash**, Dhaka University
Organizer: **Sharif Jamil**

Designated speakers:

Saber Hossain Chowdhury, MP, Chairperson of All Party Parliamentary Committee on Environment

Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir, Senior Joint Secretary, Bangladesh Nationalist Party.

Lt. General (retired) Harun ar Rashid, General Secretary, Sector Commanders' Forum

Rehman Sobhan, Centre for Policy Dialogue

Mahfuz Anam, Editor, the Daily Star

Mujahidul Islam Selim, General Secretary, Communist Party of Bangladesh

Shirin Akhtar, President, Kormojibi Nari Samity

Wajedul Islam Khan, General Secretary, Trade Union Committee (TUC), Bangladesh

Tea Break

Time: 4:00 – 4:30

Venue: DU Senate Bhaban Complex

Concurrent Sessions [B]

Time: 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Session B1

Topic: Climate Change and Bangladesh Environment II

Time: 4:30-6:30 pm, January 3 (Sunday), 2009

Venue: **Room 1**, DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: **Saleemul Huq**, International Institute for Environment and Development

Co-Chair: **Shamsul Alam**, Chittagong University of Engineering and Technology

Organizer: **Zahedur Rahman**

Presentations:

Eshrat Sharmeen Akand, Shazia Mohsin and Ainun Nishat: Monitoring of Impact of Climate Change on Biodiversity and Ecosystem

Zakir Hossain: Climate Change and Environment – A Human Rights Perspective

M. Eftekharul Alam: Impact of Sea Level Rise on Rice Production and Ecosystem of Bangladesh

Md. Sarwar Hossain and Kushal Roy: Rainfall Variability over the South Coast of Bangladesh

Kh. Azizul Hoque Moni, and Md. Sarwar Hossain: Responses of Environmental Changes in Wetlands: Focus on Climate change and *Chenchuri* Beel

Kh. Azizul Hoque Moni, Md. Sarwar Hossain: Cyclone In Relation To Climate Change: Strategy and Action Plan

M. F. Hossain, W. Chen, Yu Zheng, J. Li, J. Wang, and G. Pavlic: Soil Carbon Stock Measurement and Distribution over Canada's North

Md. Moniruzzaman and Mohammad Abdul Quader: Adaptation To Climate Change In Southwestern Coastal Zone Of Bangladesh

Jose Bitor: Experiences on Windmills in Denmark

Session B2

Topic: Urbanization and Bangladesh Environment-- I

Time: 4:30-6:30 pm, January 3 (Sunday), 2009

Venue: Room 2, DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: Sarwar Jahan, Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET)

Co-Chair: Iqbal Habib, BAPA

Organizer: Sirajul Islam Mollah

Presentations

Asib Ahmed and Mohammad Abdul Quader: Noise Pollution In Municipal Cities of Bangladesh: A Case Study of Narayanganj

A.S.M.Saifullah and Md. Shafiur Rahman Khan: Institutional Strengthening And Policy Intervention in Improving Air Quality of Dhaka City: An Analysis

নাজনীন কবীর: শব্দ দূষণ – বর্তমান অবস্থা এবং করণীয়

মহিদুল হক খান (বাংলাদেশ পরিবেশ আন্দোলন, বাপা) ও মারুফ রহমান (ডার্লিউবিবি ট্রাস্ট) : ঢাকার যানজট সমস্যা সমাধানে বাস্তবমুখী ভাবনা।

Sirajul Islam Mollah: Noise Pollution and Its Impact on Health

কাম্বুল্লোসা মুন্না ও মারুফ রহমান: হাটের গুরুত্ব ও এর জন্য উপযোগী পরিবেশ সৃষ্টিতে করণীয়

মারুফ রহমান: পরিবেশ বান্ধব, প্রাণবন্ত ও বসবাসযোগ্য নগরের জন্য সাইকেল চলাচল উপযোগী পরিবেশ সৃষ্টিতে করণীয়।

Session B3

Topic: Water and Bangladesh Environment-- II

Time: 4:30-6:30 pm, January 3 (Sunday), 2009

Venue: **Room 3**, DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: **Kazi Saleh Ahmed**, Bangladesh Poribesh Andolon (BAPA)

Co-Chair: **Golam Kabir**, BEN

Organizer: **ABM Anisuzzaman**

Presentations

জিয়াউর রহমান গিটু: বিশুদ্ধ পানির উতস - নদ-নদী, খাল-বিল, ও জলাশয় রক্ষায় করণীয়

Abdullah Al-Muyeed and Md. Saiful Islam, M. H. Rahman, M. Zillur Rahman and A.E.M. Tanvir Hassan: Minimizing Water Demand in Coastal Bangladesh through Rainwater Harvesting

Ishita Rahman and M. Feroze Ahmed: Evaluation of the Performance of Saidabad Water Treatment Plant, Dhaka

M.A.I. Chowdhury, R. Alam, S. Nasrin and S. Afroze and A. Hossain: Water Quality Of Chatla Beel in Hakaluki Haor And Its Low Cost Treatment for Drinking Purpose

Md. Shamim Hayder Talukder, Shusmita Khan, S.M Shajedul Haque and Md. Z.I Mamun: Community Perspectives On Water And Sanitation Towards 'Disaster Risk Reduction' (DRR)

Azizur Molla: Water and Health in Developing Countries: An Ethno-scientific Analysis in Reference to Bangladesh

M. Shahidul Islam and Kamal Sen Gupta: Pollution Of The Kaptai Lake: A Geo-Environmental Study

General Session BG1

Topic: Environment, Forests, and Indigenous Peoples

Time: 4:30-6:30 pm, January 3 (Sunday), 2009

Venue: **Senate Hall**, DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: **Sultana Kamal**, BAPA

Co-Chair: **Badiul Alam Majumdar**, BAPA

Organizer: **Mohidul Hoque Khan**

Designated speakers:

Sharif Jamil, Bangladesh Poribesh Andolon (BAPA) and Adibashi Poribesh Rokkha Andolon (APRA)

Hilaluddin Khan Arefin, Department of Anthropology, Dhaka University

Sanjeeb Drong, Bangladesh Adibashi Forum

Flora Babli Talang, *Koboraj Antopunji Unnayan Shangstha*

Roki Chakma, Bangladesh Red Crescent, Rangamati

Sara Hossain, Advocate, Bangladesh Supreme Court

A.T.M. Nasimuzzaman, Habiganj Gas Field, Petrobangla

Cultural Program

Time: 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Venue: **DU Senate Bhaban Complex**

January 4 (Monday), 2009

Concurrent Sessions [C]

Time: 9:00 - 11:00 am

Session C1

Topic: Solid waste and Environment

Time: 9:00 am - 11:00 am, January 4 (Monday), 2009

Venue: **Room 1**, DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: **Abdul Matin Patwary**, University of Asia and Pacific

Co-Chair: **K. M. Nurul Huda**, BAPA

Organizer: **Zahedur Rahman**

Presentations:

Sudipti Biswas: Industrial Waste Management In The Informal Industries Of Dhaka

A. Al-Muyeed, A. M. Shadullah , M. H. Rahman and Bari M. E.: Examination Of Household Composting Technologies For Suburban Areas Of Bangladesh

S. M. Shamimur Rahman, Md. Delwar Hossain and Tariq Bin Yousuf: A Study on Solid Waste Management of Barisal City Corporation

S. M. Shamimur Rahman, Shahriar Shams and Md. Shayeb Shahariar: Formulation of Waste Management Policy Integrating Climate Change In Bangladesh

Session C2

Topic: Sustainable Agriculture and Environment

Time: 9:00 am - 11:00 am, January 4 (Monday), 2009

Venue: Room 2, DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: Nitish Chandra Debnath, Chittagong Veterinary and Animal Science University

Co-Chair: Anwar Hossain, American International University of Bangladesh

Organizer: Sirajul Islam Mollah

Nepal C. Dey, Asim K. Sajjan, Muhammed A. Bhuiyan, M. Aminul Islam and Y. Ibaraki: Environmental Assessment Of Drought In The Northwest Region Of Bangladesh

আমিনুল ইসলাম সূজন: তামাক চাষে পরিবেশের উপর নেতিবাচক প্রভাব ও প্রতিকার

M A Momin, S H Molla, K.M.Khalequzzaman, M R Alam and M A Ali and G N M Ilias: Agriculture, Environment, Food Safety In Bangladesh And Some Recent Development

Shahidul Islam, Abu Wali Ragib Hasan, Mazharul Aziz: Climate Change Impact on Bangladesh Agriculture

Session C3

Topic: Other Environmental Concerns

Time: 9:00 am - 11:00 am, January 4 (Monday), 2009

Venue: Room 3, DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: Syeda Rezwana Hasan, BELA

Co-Chair: Sarwat Chowdhury, BEN
Organizer: ABM Anisuzzaman

Presentations:

Md. Shamim Hayder Talukder, Shusmita Khan, Dina Farhana, S.M Shajedul Haque, Golam Rabbani, Kuntal K Saha And Salina Amin: Post Disaster Food Security And Nutritional Status Among Under Five Children In Barguna District Of Bangladesh

Syeda Israt Najia, Hasan Mohammad Titu: Role of GO's and NGO's in Urban Poverty Alleviation: A Case Study of Faridpur Town

Mohammad Ekramol Islam, Ms. Afia Akter And Md. Zakatullah Ziku: Environmental Impact On Tourism: Bangladesh Perspective

Nepal C. Dey, Seiji Hayakawa, Yasuomi Ibaraki, Reiji Kimura and Makio Kamichika: Relationship between Soil Surface Conditions and Spectral Reflectance

Nilufar Jahan: An Unknown Fortune Linking Women to the Global Jute Market

Md. Salequzzaman: Sustainability of South-West Coastal Livelihood in Bangladesh

Session C4

Topic: Forests and Biodiversity-I

Time: 9:00 am - 11:00 am, January 4 (Monday), 2009

Venue: Room 4, DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: Bazlul Hoque Khondoker, BAPA

Co-Chair: Shahidul Islam, BAPA

Organizer: Feroz Ahmed

Presentations:

Abdullah Harun Chowdhury: Environmental Threats on Algal Diversity of St. Martin's Island of Bangladesh

Rahman Mohammad Arifur: Environmental And Socio-Cultural Impact Of BMDA Project On Indigenous Community People: A Case Study

Md. Nazibor Rahman and Md. Ashrafuzzaman Pramanik: Infrastructure Development And It's Impact On Forestry Resources In Bangladesh

M. A. Aziz, Adam C. D. Barlow, Christina J. Greenwood and Md. Anwarul Islam:

Prioritising Threats To Improve Conservation Strategy For Tigers In The Bangladesh Sundarbans

Md. Abdur Rashid, Kashed Ali Sarker and M. Zaman And Md. Nurul Alom: Hydro Biological Study On The Chalan Beel Of Bangladesh: Physico-Chemical Characteristics.

A. Hossain and R. Karim: Community Participation In Co-Management Of Protected Areas In Bangladesh

Guest Speaker: Dijen Sharma, Author and Environmentalist

General Session CG1

Topic: Rivers and Wetlands: Confronting Disaster

Time: 9:00 – 11:00 pm, January 4 (Monday), 2009

Venue: Senate Hall, DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: Nazrul Islam, Global Coordinator, BEN and Vice-President, BAPA

Co-Chair: Afsar Ali, Jessore

Organizer: Iqbal Habib

Designated speakers:

Gopal Chintan, HIMSAR, Nepal

M. A. Matin, General Secretary, BAPA, Coordinator, JNRA

A. S. M. Mizanur Rahman, Coordinator, Chalan Beel Andolon

Azizul Hoque Moni, Coordinator, JNRA, Jessore

Abdus Zohir, Coordinator, Khoai Bachao Andolon

Abdul Matin, President, Dhaka Nagorik

Mihir Biswas, Buriganga Bachao Andolon

Session CG2

Topic: Role of Social, Cultural, and Sports Movements in Protection of Environment

Time: 9:00 am - 11:00 am, January 4 (Monday), 2009

Venue: Room 5 (Alumnae Lounge), DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: M. Hamid, BAPA, CEO, RTV and cultural activist

Co-Chair: Kamrul Khan, BEN

Organizer: Sharif Jamil

Presentations:

Tarana Halim, MP and Cultural activist

Gazi Ashraful Islam Lipu, Former Captain, Bangladesh National Cricket Team

Quamrunnahar Dana, Sports activist

Tanvir Mokammel, Film Director

Mamunur Rashid, Theatre movement

Selim Mahmud, *Shilpakala* Academy

Shahjahan Mridha, Science Movement (*Anushandithsu Chakra*)

Selina Hossain, Novelist and organizer, *Dhaka Unnayan Committee*

Tea Break

Time: 11:00 – 11:30 am

Venue: DU Senate Bhaban Complex

Concurrent Sessions [D]

Time: 11:30 am – 1:30 pm

Session D1

Topic: Climate Change and Bangladesh Environment III

Time: 11:30 am - 1:30 pm, January 4 (Monday), 2009

Venue: Room 1, DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: Atiq Rahman, Bangladesh Centre for Advanced Studies (BCAS)

Co-Chair: Nilufar Jahan, BEN

Organizer: Zahedur Rahman

Presentations:

Md. Tajuddin Sikder: Impact Of Climate Change On Agriculture: An Investigation Of Vulnerability and Adaptation Of The Coastal Area Of Bangladesh.

M. Zakir Hossain Khan: Climate Change Equity, Integrity And Governance Risks: Policy Options for Bangladesh

Khondoker Mokaddem Hossain and Mahbuba Nasreen: The Impacts of Climate Change on the Coastal Belt in Bangladesh: The Risks and Challenges Experienced by People

Kushal Roy and Umme Tania Sultana: Climate Change Disasters And Rural Poverty: Case Of Coastal Bangladesh

Farida Chowdhury Khan: Changes in the Climate and the Economy: Challenges for the survival of the Munda Community in South Western Bangladesh

Ahmad Neaz, M. Aminul Islam Akanda, Sohrab Rahman Khan: The Laws of Nature and Human Actions on the Ecology and Economy of Bangladesh

Angela Bernbe: Sharing Experiences on CC mitigation in Africa.

Session D2

Topic: Urbanization and Bangladesh Environment II

Time: 11:30 am - 1:30 pm, January 4 (Monday), 2009

Venue: **Room 2**, DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: **Mustafizur Rahman**, Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD)

Co-Chair: **Ishrat Islam**, BUET

Organizer: **Sirajul Islam Mollah**

Presentations:

Md. Manjur Morshed and A.S.M.Saifullah: Socio-Economic And Environmental Impacts Of Real Estates' Apartment Housing In Dhaka City: A Case Study

K M Rezaul Karim and Tusar Kanti Roy: Environment Of The Parks In Metropolitan Area: A Case Of Khulna City

Md. Rezaul Karim and AKM Khairuzzaman: Road Traffic Environment In Bangladesh: Diagnosis Of Challenges And Remedies

Salma A. Shafi: Planning Needs For Balanced Living In Dhaka

Session D3

Topic: Water and Bangladesh Environment III

Time: 11:30 am - 1:30 pm, January 4 (Monday), 2009

Venue: **Room 3**, DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: **Ainun Nishat**, IUCN

Co-Chair: **J. K. Baral**, BAPA

Organizer: **ABM Anisuzzaman**

Presentations:

Ruwaida Bari and Md. Delwar Hossain: Phytoremediation Of Banani Lake Water Using Water Hyacinth

A. Hossain and M. T.H. Easher: Deterioration Of Water Quality Of Mokosh Beel And Associated Socio-Economic Impacts

Session D4

Topic: Forest and Biodiversity II

Time: 11:30 am - 1:30 pm, January 4 (Monday), 2009

Venue: **Room 4**, DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: **Kazi Modina**, University of Liberal Arts

Co-Chair: **Md. Ekramul Wadud**, BAPA

Organizer: **Feroz Ahmed**

Presentations:

Iffat Ara: Invasive Alien Fish Species (Iafs): Threat On Freshwater Aquatic Ecosystem And Bio-Diversity In Bangladesh

M. R. Rahman, M. N. Islam and M. S. Rahman: Biodiversity Of Beel Koshba Of Naogaon District, Bangladesh

Fahmida Sultana, Sawpan Kumar Sarker and Md. Abu Sayed Arfin Khan: Tree Diversity In Sacred Places: Implication For Conservation Through Spiritual Beliefs

Md. Abdur Rashid: Coastal Afforestation Is One Of The Approach For Amelioration Of Environment.

Abdul Awal Biswas: Destruction of Hill: Impact on Environment and our Responsibilities

General Session DG1

Topic: Ten Years of BAPA

Time: 11:30 am – 1:30 pm, January 4 (Monday), 2009

Venue: **Senate Hall**, DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: **Nazrul Islam**, Vice President, BAPA and Chairman, UGC

Organizer: **M. A. Matin**, General Secretary, BAPA

Designated speakers:

AMA Muhith, Honorable Minister of Finance, and Founding President of BAPA

Rehman Sobhan, Chairman, Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD)

Jamilur Reza Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor, BRAC University and Ex-President, BAPA

Abul Barkat, Economist, Dhaka University

Mofidul Hoque, *Shahitya Prakash*

Nirmalendu Goon, Poet

A. R. Khan, President Bangladesh Astronomical Association

Mubassher Hossain, Institute of Architects, Bangladesh

Kamrul Ahsan Khan, BEN

Nazrul Islam, Global Coordinator, BEN and Vice President, BAPA

Session DG2

Topic: Climate Change, Environmental Issues, and Health Problems

Time: 11:30 am - 1:30 pm, January 4 (Monday), 2009

Venue: Room 5 (Alumni Hall), DU Senate Bhaban complex

Chair: **Rashid-e-Mahbub**, National Health Rights Movement

Co-Chair: **S. K. Roy**, BAPA

Organizer: **Nitia Kanti Das**

Presentations:

Sardar Arif Uddin: Climate Change: A Contemporary Issue in Bangladesh – Public Health Perspective

Shankha Barun Roy, Stakeholders' Opinion on Health Policy by HRMNC

Lunch
Time: 1:30 – 2:30 pm
Venue: DU Senate Bhaban Complex

Plenary General Session

Topic: Dhaka Declaration on Bangladesh Environment, 2010

Time: 2:30 – 4:30 pm

Venue: DU Senate Hall Room

Chair: Wahiduddin Mahmud, Dhaka University, Vice President, BAPA

Organizer: M. A. Matin, BAPA

Feroze Ahmed: Presentation of recommendations from Expert Sessions

Sharif Jamil: Presentation of recommendations from General Sessions

Nazrul Islam: Presentation of the Dhaka Declaration on Bangladesh Environment, 2010

Discussion and adoption of the Declaration

Guest Speaker: **Atiur Rahman**, Governor, Bangladesh Bank

Tea Break
Time: 4:30 – 5:00 pm
Venue: DU Senate Bhaban Complex

Concluding Session
Venue: Osmani Memorial Auditorium
Time: 6:00 – 7:15 pm

Chief Guest: Leader of the Opposition, **Begum Khaleda Zia**

Special Guest: Golam Rabbani,

Chair: Muzaffer Ahmad, President, BAPA

Guests take their seats

Arrival of the Chief Guest

National anthem

Concluding address by **Nazrul Islam**, Vice President, BAPA and Global Coordinator.
Bangladesh Environment Network (BEN).

Address by **Hafiz G. A. Siddiqi**, Vice Chancellor, North South University

Address by the **Special Guest**

Prize Distribution

Address by the **Chief Guest**

Address by the **Chair** of the Session

Vote of thanks by **M. A. Matin**, General Secretary, BAPA and Member Secretary, COC

Other Items of the Conference

Boat trip on January 5 (Tuesday):

There will be a boat trip in the *Dhaleshwari River* for **international, including non-resident Bangladeshi** participants of the conference.

Courtsey: **Tanvir Mokammel**, noted Film Director and Environmentalist

Organizer: **Shahjahan Mridha Benu** (Mobile phone: 01711533090 and 01919533090)

Willing participants are requested to contact **Shahjahan Mridha Benu** (Mobile phone: 01711533090 and 01919533090) by 6 pm January 3 (Sunday), to express their intention to join the boat trip

Participants will gather at DU Senate Bhaban Complex by 10:00 am on January 5 (Tuesday), 2009 to take the bus to the *Dhaleshwari* Second Bridge wherefrom the boat will start.

***Poribesh Mela* (Environmental exhibition)**

An exhibition is held at Dhaka University Mall during the conference, illustrating cases of environmental degradation and instances of efforts to protect environment. About twenty environment related organizations are participating in exhibition.

Children's Art Competition

An art competition for children held on January 1, 2010 at **Kendriyo Shaheed Minar**, Dhaka at 10 am. Following are the three age groups and corresponding themes for the competition:

Age group (4 to 8) (*Surma*). Theme: Nature and environment

Age group (9 to 12) (*Brahmaputra*). Theme: Rivers and environment

Age group (13 to 16) (*Padma*). Theme: Threatened environment

Judges are **Abul Barq Alvi, Abdul Mannan, Zahid Mustafa**

The competition will be inaugurated by the eminent artist **Hashem Khan**

The prizes will be distributed at the Concluding Session of the conference.

Film show

Several environment-related films will be shown at various points during the conference. Among these are *Shusuk, nodi, abong amra* (*Shusuk, our river, and the mankind*) and *Oi Jamuna*.

Bike rally

As a preparatory event leading to ICBEN, a bike rally was held on December 26 as a symbolic event to emphasize the importance of bike as a mode of transportation suitable or Bangladesh on environmental and other grounds. It was organized jointly by BAPA, BEN, and WBB, and was coordinated by Kamrul Khan and Maruf Rahman. The rally was participated by a significant number of bicyclists from different organizations. The colorful rally drew significant attention of the people and was covered well by the press and media.

Ramna Park Cleaning Campaign

As a preparatory event leading to ICBEN 2010, a campaign was held on December 31 to clean up *Ramna* Park of Dhaka city. It was organized by BAPA and Federation of Walkers' Association, *Ramna*. A group of 23 teachers and students from Copenhagen, Denmark, took part in this campaign.

Campaign for Protection of St. Martin Island

As a preparatory event leading to ICBEN 2010 a press conference was held on December 27, 2010 at Dhaka Reporters' Unity. An appeal was made not to destroy the environment and ecology of the lone coral island of Bangladesh in the name of tourism and as venue to watch the solar eclipse that will occur on January 15, 2010.