



BIDS RESEARCH ALMANAC | 2017

6-7 December, 2017

La Vita Hall, Lakeshore Hotel, Gulshan-2

You are cordially invited to BIDS Research Almanac 2017, which is the annual dissemination event of the institute. This year we have a total of 22 research-based papers spread over two days and six sessions. The conference will be inaugurated by **Dr. Mashiur Rahman**, hon'ble Advisor to the Prime Minister on Economic Development. **Mr. M Syeduzzaman**, former Finance Minister, has consented to be the Guest of Honour and **Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin**, former Governor, Bangladesh Bank, will be the Special Guest.

The main aim of the conference is to provide a formal opportunity to undergo public scrutiny of our work and highlight new research ideas and findings as part of a continuous engagement with key stakeholders. This is expected to inform policy and also to shape the research agenda for BIDS and the broader research community. This concern will receive explicit attention in the closing plenary where the hon'ble Minister for Planning, **Mr. A H M Mustafa Kamal**, FCA, MP will be the Chief Guest. **Professor Rehman Sobhan** will chair this exciting session on the policy and research divide, with distinguished panelists drawn from the public and private sectors.



K A S Murshid
Director General

PROGRAMME

DAY 1 Wednesday ■ December 6, 2017

09:30 am- 10:00 am

Registration and Refreshment

10:00 am- 11:00 am

Inaugural Session

11:00 am- 11:15 am

Tea Break

11:15 am- 01:15 pm

Technical Session 1: Agriculture, External Price Shocks & Rural Well-being

Paper 1 : Intensive and Extensive Land Supply Response to Agricultural Crop
Zabid Iqbal

Paper 2 : Crop Diversification for Dietary Quality: Evidence from
Bangladeshi Farm Household
Mohammad Riaz Uddin

Paper 3 : Distributional Impact of Political Violence: Evidence from
Differential Impacts on Commodity Price
Mainul Haque

Paper 4 : An Evaluation of Rural Social Service Programme of the
Government of Bangladesh
Harunur Rashid Bhuyan

Session Chair: **Dr. Sajjad Zohir**, Executive Director, Economic Research Group

Discussants:

1. Dr. Salma Begum Rahman, North South University

2. Dr. Shubhasish Barua, University of Dhaka

01:15 pm- 02:15pm

Lunch

02:15 pm- 04:15 pm

Technical Session 2: Labour Market Issues

Paper 1 : Transitions between Informal and Formal Employment:
Results from a Worker Survey in Bangladesh
Minhaj Mahmud

Paper 2 : Labour Supply and its Changes during 2006 to 2016: Focus on
Gender and Regional Difference
Iqbal Hossain

Paper 3 : Assessment of Livelihoods, Skill and Employment Situation of
Indigenous and Tribal People in Bangladesh
Kazi Ali Toufique

Session Chair: **Dr. Rizwanul Islam**, Former Special Adviser,
Employment Sector, ILO, Geneva

Discussants:

1. Ms. Simeen Mahmud, BIGD, BRAC University

2. Dr. Sayema Haque Bidisha, University of Dhaka

04:15 pm- 04:30 pm

Tea Break

04:30 pm- 06:00 pm

Technical Session 3: Financial Markets & Financial Inclusion

Paper 1 : Stylized Facts of the Statistical Properties of Risk and Return of the Dhaka Stock Exchange: 1990-2015

Siban Shahana

Paper 2 : The Impact of Formal Banking Services on Poverty Reduction: Evidence from Sub-district Level Data of Bangladesh

Kazi Iqbal

Paper 3 : Mobile Phones, Household Welfare and Women's Empowerment: Evidence from Rural Off-grid Regions of Bangladesh

Monzur Hossain

Session Chair: Professor M A Baqui Khalily, Former Executive Director, Institute of Microfinance

Discussants:

1. Dr. Syed Abul Basher, East West University

2. Dr. Ahmed Tazmeen, North South University

DAY 2 Thursday ■ December 7, 2017

08:30 am- 09:00 am

Registration and Refreshment

09:00 am- 11:00 am

Technical Session 4: Climate Change, Natural Disaster and Environment

Paper 1 : Climatic Influence on Rice production: A Panel data Analysis

Mohammad Asaduzzaman

Paper 2 : The Household Response To Persistent Natural Disasters: Evidence From Bangladesh

Azreen Karim

Paper 3 : Indoor-Outdoor Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) levels: The Case of Dhaka Urban and Industrial Area

Mitali Parvin

Paper 4 : A Tale of Two Groups: Focusing on the Differential Vulnerability of "Climate-Induced" and "Non-Climate-Induced" Migrants in Dhaka City

Neelopal Adri

Session Chair: Dr. A K Enamul Haque, Professor, East West University

Discussants:

1. Dr. Syed Naimul Wadood, University of Dhaka

2. Dr. Sakib Bin Amin, North South University

11:00 am- 11:15 am

Tea Break

11:15 am- 12:45 pm

Technical Session 5: Entitlement, Welfare & Violence

Paper 1 : Adolescents' Exposure to Violence - An Exploratory Study
KA S Murshid

Paper 2 : An Inclusive Approach to Care of the Elderly in Bangladesh
Anwara Begum

Paper 3 : Cooptation of the Unorthodox Fakirs in Contemporary Bangladesh
Golam Nabi Mozumder

Session Chair: **Dr. Abbas Bhuiya**, Former Deputy Executive Director, icddr,b

Discussants:

1. Dr. Atonu Rabbani, University of Dhaka

2. Dr. Seuty Sabur, BRAC University

12:45 pm- 01:45pm

Lunch

01:45 pm- 03:45 pm

Technical Session 6: Exports, Firm Performance & Productivity Growth

Paper 1 : Economics of Export Processing Zones in Bangladesh
Mohammad Yunus

Paper 2 : New Avenues for Export Diversification: A Product Level Analysis of Selected Exporting Industries
Rizwana Islam

Paper 3 : Corporate Governance & Sustainability of Global Value Chains: Bangladesh Ready Made Garment Industry
Nazneen Ahmed

Paper 4 : Total Factor Productivity in Bangladesh: An Analysis Using Data from 1981-2015
Maruf Ahmed

Session Chair: **Professor Mustafizur Rahman**, Distinguished Fellow, Centre for Policy Dialogue

Discussants:

1. Dr. A K M Atiqur Rahman, North South University

2. Dr. Farzana Munshi, BRAC University

03:45 pm- 04:00 pm

Tea Break

04:00 pm- 6:00 pm

Closing Session: Bridging the Research-Policy Divide

6.00 pm

Vote of Thanks

Dr. Minhaj Mahmud

Inaugural Session

Time-10:00 am- 11:00 am

- Chair** : **Dr. K A S Murshid**, Director General, BIDS
- Chief Guest** : **Dr. Mashiur Rahman**, Economic Affairs Adviser to the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
- Guest of Honour** : **Mr. M Syeduzzaman**, Former Finance Minister, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
- Special Guest** : **Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin**, Former Governor, Bangladesh Bank

Closing Session

Time- 04:00 pm- 6:00 pm

- Chair** : **Professor Rehman Sobhan**
Chairman, Centre for Policy Dialogue
- Chief Guest** : **Mr. A H M Mustafa Kamal**, FCA, MP, Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Planning, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
- Distinguished Panelists:**
- 1. Dr. Shamsul Alam**, Member and Senior Secretary, GED, Planning Commission
 - 2. Dr. Sultan Hafeez Rahman**, Executive Director, BRAC Institute of Governance and Development
 - 3. Dr. Zahid Hussain**, Lead Economist, World Bank
 - 4. Mr. Abul Kasem Khan**, President, Dhaka Chamber of Commerce & Industries
 - 5. Dr. Bhagya Rani Banik**, Executive Chairman, Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council

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