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# Capstone Course 2016

# COURSE CURRICULA

Capstone Course 2016 was held from 28 February 2016 to 10 March 2016 at NDC. This year total 34 Fellows had participated in the course. Capstone Course is designed to enhance knowledge, skill and networks related to multilateral security cooperation in Bangladesh among senior policy makers, security practitioners, judges, executives, civil society representatives, senior military officers, media personalities and other eminent personalities of the country. The intended objective of the course is to disseminate a common understanding of national security, stimulate strategic analysis and understanding of major security trends and challenges of the country taking into account both internal dynamics and external influences.





Barrister Rokanuddin Mahmud had delivered a lecture on "Bangladesh and its Constitution" to the Fellows of Capstone Course 2016 on 28 February 2016.

Commandant NDC Lt Gen Chowdhury Hasan Sarwardy, BB, SBP, ndc, psc had delivered a lecture on "Civil Military Relations" on 01 March 2016. He had also delivered lectures on "Defence Policy of Bangladesh" and "Inculcating Professionalism for National Development" on 03 March 2016 & 06 March 2016 respectively.





As part of course curricula Faculty & Staff of NDC and Fellows of Capstone Course 2016 had visited various Military and Para-Military installations during the course. The visit included 9 Infantry Divisional Area, Naval Forward Base Saint Martin Islands, BAF Base Bangabandhu and Ansar Academy.



Her Excellency Alison Blake, British High Commissioner to Bangladesh had hosted dinner in her residence in honour of Commandant, Faculty & Staff of NDC, Fellows of Capstone Course 2016 and Course Members of ND Course 2016 on 07 March 2016.

Adviser to the Hon'ble Prime Minister (International Affairs) Dr. Gowher Rizvi had graced the occassion as chief guest of the certificate awarding ceremony of Capstone Course 2016 and distributed certificates among the Capstone Fellows on 10 March 2016.





Hon'ble Speaker, Bangladesh Parliament Dr. Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury, MP had graced the occasion as chief guest on 10 March 2016 in the social evening, organized by Capstone Course 2016. Armed Forces War Course (AFWC) had commenced on 22 February 2016. The course is comprised of 35 officers of the rank of Lieutenant Colonel of Bangladesh Army and equivalent of Bangladesh Navy and Air Force. AFWC is a joint services course which focuses on operational level planning and conduct of war.



National Defence Course had commenced on 31 January 2016. The Course is comprised of 78 officers that includes 39 armed forces, 13 civil services and 26 allied officers of the rank of Brigadier General/Colonel and equivalent. The 11 month long course is divided into four studies. Each study is 10 to 12 weeks long, concentrating on related key aspects from Bangladesh to global issues and to international relations.



#### **IRP Selection Meeting**



Meeting on selection of Individual Research Papers and Nomination of Academic Advisers and Senior Directing Staff was held on 16 February 2016. Commandant, NDC had chaired the meeting where Faculty of ND Course and eminent Academicians from different Universities were present.



Course Members of National Defence Course 2016 had visited Ministry of Defence on 25 February 2016. Senior Secretary Kazi Habibul Awal had addressed the course Members. The visit provided an in - depth understanding of the most significant features as well as opportunity of firsthand experience of the concerned ministry. Air Chief Marshal Arup Raha, PVSM, AVSM, VM, ADC, The Chief of Air Staff of Indian Air Force, had visited NDC and called on Commandant, NDC on 25 February 2016.





Lt Gen Md Mahfuzur Rahman, rcds, ndc, afwc, psc, PhD had visited NDC on 09 February 2016. This was his first visit to NDC after taking over the responsibility of Principal Staff Officer, Prime Minister's Office, Armed Forces Division.



A two members delegation team lead by Lt Col Michael C. Rembold, Defence & Army Attache of USA Called on Commandant, NDC on 25 January 2016. They had discussed various bilateral issues related to conduct of training and education on defence, security, strategy and development studies

## SOCIAL AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

17<sup>th</sup> Raising Day of NDC was celebrated on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2016. A day long Programme had been organized to mark this occasion.





Commandant, NDC along with Faculty and Staff had sliced the Raising Day Cake on 10 January 2016

Raising Day Cultural Programme on 10 January 2016





Commandant, NDC had delivered a farewell speech in honour of Brig Gen Anisuzzaman Bhuiyan, ndc, psc, College Secretary on 28 January 2016 Commandant, NDC had distributed warm clothes among the civilian employees of NDC on 07 January 2016.





An ice breaking programme had been organized on 17 February 2016 jointly by the Course Members of ND Course 2016 and AFWC 2016.



NDC Ladies Club Organized Valentine's Day programme on 14 February 2016



NDC Ladies Club Organized Pitha Utshob on 25 January 2016



Opening Ceremony of Ladies Club 2016 held on 23 February 2016

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