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### Capstone Course 2018-1

Capstone Course 2018-1 was held from 04 to 15 March 2018 at NDC. This year total 34 Fellows 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.



Commandant NDC along with Faculty Members, Staffs and Fellows of Capstone Course 2018-1 during the opening ceremony.

### **Highlights of NDC**

#### Capstone Course 2018-1

04 March 2018: Opening

Ceremony

06 March 2018: Visit to Armed

**Forces Division** 

**07 March 2018:** Visit to BAF Base Bangabandhu, Dhaka

Cantonment

**08 March 2018:** Visit Headquarters 24 Infantry Division and Bandarban Hill District Council

**09 March 2018:** Visit Headquarters 69 Infantry Brigade, Bandarban

**13 March 2018:** Seminar on "Reform of Education Sector of Bangladesh for Realization of Vison-2041"

**15 March 2018:** Closing and Certificate Awarding Ceremony

#### ND Course-2018

#### 21-23 January 2018:

Local Orientation Visit, Administration and Training Brief

**25 January 2018:** Opening Ceremony and Course Commences

12 February 2018: Visit to Armed Forces Division and Bijoyketon

**14 February 2018:** Visit to Army Headquarters and Ministry of Defence

15 February 2018: Meeting on selection of Individual Research Paper (IRP) Topic of ND Course 2018 and Nomination of Academic Advisers and Senior Directing Staffs

**19 February 2018:** Visit to Naval Headquarters and Air Headquarters

**27 February 2018:** Visit to Ansar and VDP Academy

**04 -08 March 2018:** Internal Study Tour (Rangpur, Sylhet, Barishal, Jessore and Khulna Area)

#### **AFWC-2018**

**11 February 2018:** Arrival of Course Members

**18 February 2018:** Opening Ceremony and Course Commences

27 February 2018: Meeting on selection of Individual Research Paper (IRP) Topic of AFWC 2018 and nomination of Academic Advisers and Directing Staffs

**14 March 2018:** Visit to Armed Forces Division, Army Headquarters and Bijoyketon

**28 March 2018:** Visit to Naval Headquarters

**29 March 2018:** Visit to Air Headquarters and BAF Base Bangabandhu

#### **Faculty Exchange Program**

#### 18-22 March 2018:

Governance of National Security and Defence conducted by UK Team

**25-29 March 2018:** Strategic Leadership Package (SLP) conducted by UK Team

#### **Social Events**

**10 January 2018:** 19th Raising Day of NDC

15 February 2018: Ice Breaking Ceremony (ND Course and AFWC-2018)

#### 22 February 2018:

Commandant's Reception (ND Course and AFWC-2018)

**29 March 2018:** Cultural Programme at Kurmitola Golf Club organized by Fellows of Capstone Course 2018-1.

**31 March 2018:** "NDC-Janik Commandant's Cup Golf Tournament-2018" at Kurmitola Golf Club

#### **National Events**

**17 March 2018:** Celebration of Birthday of Father of the Nation, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman

**22 March 2018:** Celebration of Developing Country Status from Least Development Country

**26 March 2018:** Celebration of Independence Day

#### **Ladies Clubs**

**13 February 2018:** Celebration of "Spring Festival"

**01 March 2018:** Opening Ceremony of NDC Ladies Club

#### Distinguished Visitors to NDC

**18 February 2018:** Major General Md Emdad-Ul Bari, ndc, psc, te, Vice Chancellor, Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP)

**25 February 2018:** Mr. Saber Hossain Chowdhury, MP

**26 February 2018:** Major General Md Abul Khair, ndc, Commandant, Military Institute of Science and Technology (MIST)

**27 February 2018:** Waresat Hossain Belal, MP

### **Guest Speakers-Capstone Course 2018-1**



Dr. Dipu Moni, Former Minister and Hon'ble Member of Parliament delivered a lecture on "Foreign Policy Vision for Bangladesh and Concept of Security" to the Fellows of Capstone Course 2018-1 on 11 March 2018.

Commandant NDC, Lt Gen Chowdhury Hasan Sarwardy, BB, SBP, BSP, ndc, psc, PhD delivered a lecture on "National Security and Defence Policy of Bangladesh" on 05 March 2018 to the Fellows of Capstone Course 2018-1. He also delivered lecture on "Civil Military Relations (CMR) in Democratic Environment with reference to Bangladesh" on 12 March 2018.



### **Internal Study Tour-Capstone Course 2018-1**

As part of course curricula Faculty Members, Staff Officers of NDC and Fellows of Capstone Course 2018-1 visited various Armed Forces installations during the course. The visit included Armed Forces Division, HQ 24 Infantry Division, Chittagong Naval Area, HQ 69 Infantry Brigade, BAF Base Bangabandhu and Bandarban Hill District Council.



Capstone Course at Armed Forces Division

### **Internal Study Tour-Capstone Course 2018-1**



Fellows of Capstone Course 2018-1 participating in an interactive session on "Progress of Implementation of Peace Treaty and Development of Chittagong Hill Tracts" during their visit at Bandarban Hill District Council.



Capstone Course at Headquarters 24 Infantry Division.



Capstone Course at BAF Base Bangabandhu.

#### **Seminar-Capstone Course 2018-1**

A day long seminar on "Reform of Education Sector of Bangladesh for Realization of Vison-2041" was held at NDC on 13 March 2018. Former Adviser to the Caretaker Government and Executive Director, CMPE, Rasheda K Chowdhury; Professor Emeritus, Dhaka University, Professor Dr. A K Azad Chowdhury; Former Secretary and Curator of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Memorial Museum, Md. Nazrul Islam Khan and Professor Dr. M Kaykobad, Department of Computer Science & Engineering, BUET presented keynote papers on different sub themes of the seminar. The seminar was moderated by Rear Admiral Muhammad Anwarul Islam, NGP, ndc, afwc, psc, a senior faculty member of NDC.

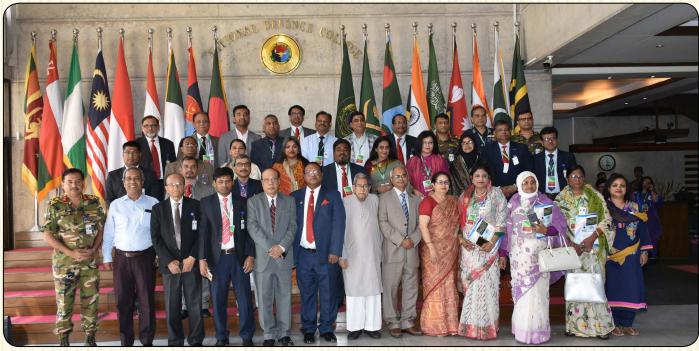




Opening Speech by Commandant NDC, Lt Gen Chowdhury Hasan Sarwardy, BB, SBP, BSP, ndc, psc, PhD.



Closing Remarks by Chief Guest Professor Dr. A T M Anisuzzaman, Professor Emeritus, University of Dhaka.



The Chief Guest along with Commandant NDC, Faculty Members, Keynote Speakers and Fellows of Capstone Course 2018-1 during the seminar on 13 March 2018 at NDC, Mirpur

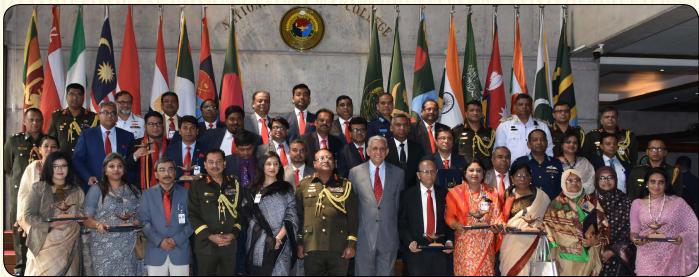
### **Closing Ceremony-Capstone Course 2018-1**



Adviser to the Hon'ble Prime Minister (International Affairs) Dr. Gowher Rizvi, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest of the Certificate Awarding Ceremony of Capstone Course 2018-1 and distributed certificates among the Capstone Fellows on 15 March 2018.

Adviser to the Hon'ble Prime Minister (International Affairs) Dr. Gowher Rizvi along with Commandant NDC and Fellows of Capstone Course 2018-1 knifing the cake in the closing ceremony of Capstone Course 2018-1.





The Chief Guest along with Commandant NDC, Faculty Members and Fellows of Capstone Course 2018-1 during the closing ceremony of Capstone Course 2018-1.

## National Defence Course 2018



National Defence Course-2018 commenced on 25 January 2018. The Course is comprised of 76 officers that includes 39 officers of Armed Forces, 15 officers from Civil Services and 22 officers from allied countries of the rank of Brigadier General/Colonel and equivalent. The 11 month long course is divided into four studies. Each study is of 10 to 12 weeks long, concentrating on key aspects of Bangladesh Socio Political, Economic and Development issues, Foreign Policies and International Relations and National Security issues.

### **Armed Forces War Course 2018**



Armed Forces War Course (AFWC)-2018 commenced on 18 February 2018. 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.

### **Academic Meeting**



Meeting on selection of Individual Research Paper (IRP) Topic of ND Course 2018 and Nomination of Academic Advisers and Senior Directing Staffs was held on 15 February 2018. Commandant, NDC chaired the meeting in presence of Faculty Members, Staff Officers and eminent Academicians of the country.



Commandant, NDC along with Faculty Members, Staff Officers and eminent Academicians of the country.



Meeting on selection of Individual Research Paper (IRP) Topic of AFWC 2018 and Nomination of Academic Advisers and Directing Staffs was held on 27 February 2018. Commandant, NDC along with Faculty Members, Staff Officers and eminent Academicians of the country after the meeting.

## **Visits and Lectures-ND Course 2018**



As part of orientation programme, Allied Course Members of ND Course 2018 visited Bangladesh National Museum on 23 January 2018.

Course Members of National Defence Course 2018 visited Ministry of Defence on 14 February 2018.



### **Internal Study Tour**

As part of course curricula Faculty Members, Staff Officers and Course Members of National Defence Course-2018 visited Barishal, Rangpur, Sylhet and Khulna area from 04 to 08 March 2018.



Course Members of ND Course 2018 at Tamabil Land Customs Station.



Course Members of ND Course 2018 during a briefing session at DC Office, Jashore.

## **Guest Speakers**



Hon'ble Speaker of National Parliament Dr. Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury, MP, delivered a lecture on "Bangladesh and its Constitution" to the Course Members of ND Course-2018 on 13 February 2018.

Professor Rehman Sobhan delivered a lecture on "Democracy and Nature of Politics in Bangladesh" to the Course Members of ND Course-2018 on 11 February 2018.





Visit to Armed Forces Division on 14 March 2018

## **Guest Speakers**



Dr. Mozammel Haque Khan, Senior Secretary, Ministry of Public Administration delivered a lecture on "Function of Government Organisations and Governance in Bangladesh" to the Course Members of Armed Forces War Course-2018 on 27 February 2018.



Professor Dr. Rashed Uz Zaman delivered a lecture on "Schools of Military Thinking and Relevance in Modern Day" to the Course Members of Armed Forces War Course-2018 on 25 February 2018.



A training package on "Strategic Leadership Programme" conducted by Dr. Bryan Walters and Col Yuri Griffith (Cranfield University, UK) on 25 March to 29 March 2018.

19th Raising Day of NDC was celebrated on 10th January 2018. A day long Programme was organized to mark this occasion.



Commandant, NDC along with Faculty Members and Staff Officers knifing the Raising Day Cake on 10 January 2018.

### **Celebration of National Events**







- 1 The 99th birth anniversary of the Father of the Nation, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman was observed with due respect and honour on 17 March 2018 at NDC.
- 2 Celebration of Independence Day of Bangladesh on 26 March 2018.
- 3 Celebration of Developing Country Status from Least Developed Country by NDC on 22 March 2018.

#### **Farewell**



Commandant, NDC delivered the farewell speech in honour of Air Vice Marshal M Sanaul Huq, Brigadier General Hasan Md Shamsuddin, Brigadier General Sajjad Hossain, Brigadier General A S M Ridwanur Rahman, Group Captain Md Mustafizur Rahman on 21 January 2018.

### **Ice Breaking Ceremony**





An ice breaking ceremony was organized on 15 February 2018 jointly by the Course Members of ND Course 2018 and AFWC 2018 to mark the motion of the year long courses.

### **Social Evening-Capstone Course**



Fellows of Capstone Course 2018-1 organized a Cultural Programme on 29 March 2018 at Kurmitola Golf Club.

#### **Golf Tournament**



The "NDC-Janik Commandant's Cup Golf Tournament-2018" was held in Kurmitola Golf Club on 31 March 2018. Mr. Abdullah Al Islam Jakob, Hon'ble Deputy Minister, Ministry of Environment & Forest and Commandant, NDC Lieutenant General Chowdhury Hasan Sarwardy, BB, SBP, BSP, ndc, psc, PhD inaugurated the tournament. The Tournament was organized by NDC and sponsored by Janik International.

### **NDC Ladies Club**



Opening Ceremony of NDC Ladies Club on 01 March 2018.



Begum Farzana Nigar, President of the NDC Ladies Club welcoming Commandant NDC during "Spring Festival" on 13 February 2018.



NDC Ladies Club organized "Spring Festival" to mark the colourful season of spring on 13 February 2018.

## Distinguished Visitors at NDC



Mr Saber Hossain Chowdhury, MP called on Commandant, NDC on 25 February 2018.



Waresat Hossain Belal, MP called on Commandant, NDC on 27 February 2018.



Major General Md Abul Khair, ndc, Commandant, Military Institute of Science and Technology (MIST) called on Commandant, NDC on 26 February 2018.

Major General Md Emdad-Ul Bari, ndc, psc, te, Vice Chancellor, Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) called on Commandant, NDC on 18 February 2018.





# NDC family mourn at the sad demise of Additional Secretary Shahid Hasan, ndc (Inna Lillahe Wa Inna Ilaihe Rajeun)



Additional Secretary Shahid Hasan, ndc Senior Directing Staff (Civil)

Additional Secretary Shahid Hasan, ndc was born in 01 January, 1962. He obtained his Bachelor and Master of Social Science in Economics from Dhaka University. He joined the Bangladesh Civil Service (Secretariat Cadre) on 21 January 1986 and worked as Assistant Secretary in the Ministry of Communications. Later he joined the BCS (Taxation Cadre) on 15 February 1988 and worked in the NBR for long eighteen years in different capacities. In 2006, he joined as Deputy Secretary to the Government and worked Ministry of Commerce, Ministry of Science & ICT, Ministry of Defence. He attended NDC in 2015. He joined NDC as Senior Directing Staff (Civil) on 13 July 2016 and worked at NDC till he expired on 11 March 2018. Shahid Hasan was married. He left his wife, a son and a daughter.



While receiving Hon'ble Speaker during her visit to NDC as Guest Speaker.



During Overseas Study Tour at Oman.



In a syndicate discussion session of ND Course.



While visiting Jashore with ND Course.

### **National Defence College**