



DHAKA UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AUSTRALIA INC. (DUAAA)

A Social Network for DU Graduates

Get together of Dhaka University Alumni Association Australia (DUAAA) held on 8 May 2010 at Parramatta Town Hall

A get together of DUAAA was held on 8 May 2010 at Parramatta Town Hall with Mr. Raquibuddin Ahmed, Secretary General of Dhaka University Alumni Association Bangladesh (DUAA) as the guest of honour. The function was attended by a large number of veteran and recent graduates who obtained degrees from different departments, colleges and institutes of Dhaka University. Many of them are currently employed in Australia as university teachers, doctors, lawyers, accountants, IT specialists, scientists, financial planners, bankers, analysts and managers. The meeting was conducted by Mr. Anis Majumder, Secretary General of DUAAA.



The event started at 6.30 PM with a welcome note from Mr. Anis Majumder. Mr. Majumder gave a brief report on the DUAAA establishment process; achievements so far, present activities and future objectives. It was followed by short account of Mr. Raquibuddin Ahmed's achievements as Secretary General of DUAA. He revealed that in last seven years Mr. Ahmed was instrumental in raising the number of DUAA members from one thousand in 2004 to five thousand in 2010, building a 16,000 square feet alumni office floor at the university senate building. Mr. Majumder then presented a bunch of flower to Mr. Ahmed.



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The next item of the night was self introduction – all alumni enlightened the audience with his/her identity, degree(s) obtained from Dhaka University or elsewhere and past (if any in Bangladesh) and current (in Australia) professions. The most exciting part of the self introduction was the narration of different sweet memories of the university days by a number of alumni.

Mr. Raquibuddin Ahmed in his address gave a brief outline of DUAA's history since 1949 and activities including organization of grand reunion in 2010 and institution of about five hundred scholarships to university students. Mr. Ahmed thanked all the founding members of DUAAA in general and the Secretary General in particular for pioneering the establishment of the DUAAA.

Mr. Ahmed mentioning his experience as Secretary General of DUAAA for long seven years indicated that hard work and dedication are essential to make such an association successful. In this context he requested all alumni to keep this association out of community politics.

The first session of the night ended with vote of thanks by Mr. Mostafa Abdullah, president of DUAAA. Mr. Abdullah thanked Mr. Ahmed, all graduates for attending, all executive committee members and organisers (including Dr. Khairul Chowdhury, Kazi Mominul Haque, Mr. Anis Majumder, Mr. Kamrul Islam and Dr. Farouk Iqbal) and all DUAAA members for their hard work for successfully organizing the first public event of the association. He also gave special thanks to Purbani Catering and Indian Hut Restaurant (Pens Hurst, NSW) for sponsoring the dinner.

The second and the last session of the night was made up of dinner, networking and video documentary show on DUAA which was made on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the association.

The function ended at 8.30 PM.

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