Health and Family Welfare Ministry has awarded Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) for its outstanding contribution in tobacco control activities. Health Minister Mohammad Nasim handed over the award to DAM Executive Director Dr M Ehsanur Rahman on 31st May 2015 on the occasion of World Tobacco Free Day.

World Tobacco Free Day was observed by Health Ministry. To mark the occasion, the ministry arranged rally, discussion meeting, stall exhibition. Health Minister Mohammad Nasim was the chief guest in the discussion meeting. Moreover Secretary General of Bangladesh Medical Association Professor Dr M Iqbal Arslan, National Professional Officer (NDC) of World Health Organization (WHO) Dr M Mustafa Zaman and Director General of Health Department Professor Deen Mohammad. Health Secretary Syed Monjurul Islam presided over the discussion meeting. Additional Secretary of the Ministry Roksana Kader delivered the welcome address. While delivering as chief guest, Health Minister said, awareness on tobacco should be introduced from family. He also said, we have to work for creating awareness on drug alongside smoking. He also inaugurated the health warning message with photo over tobacco wrappers.
Trade House donates Tk. 10 lacs to AMCGH

Trade House donated Tk. 10 lacs to construct International Standard 500-bed Ahsania Mission Cancer & General Hospital (AMCGH) at capital Uttara. Chief Executive of Trade House Mahfooz Hassan handed over the cheque to Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) President Kazi Rafiqul Alam at Dhanmondi Mission bhaban of the capital city on 24 June 2015. Public Relations Division (PRD) Director Kazi Ali Reza, Deputy Director of AMCGH Dr. S.M. Shaminul Moula were present at the time. This donation would be expended for the treatment of the poor cancer patients. While handing over the cheque the Chief Executive of Trade House said, the cancer treatment opportunity in Bangladesh is too limited. Most of the cancer patients have to go abroad for treatment.

If the AMCGH is launched completely International Standard treatment would be available in Bangladesh. He urged everybody to come-forward for the construction of this hospital. DAM President Kazi Rafiqul Alam said, if the corporate sector come-forward, it will be possible to launched the hospital widely. He also urged the well-off people to participate in such a dedicated work.

Garbage also causes disaster

About 70 lacs people reside at Dhaka South City Corporation (DSCC) area and 1800 to 2000 ton garbage are being removed every day from the 57 words of 5 zones under DSCC. If this garbage would not removed, Dhaka City would have to face a human created disaster. A large portion of those total garbage of this area is also remain unremoved. Drains, sewerage are being field with those wastage. This is why, water stagnancy following a little rain is now a common phenomena which is also a disaster for the dwellers or commuters.

Captain Rakibuddin PSC, BN- Chief Garbage Management Officer of DSCC told this while addressing as chief guest at a view exchanging meeting organized by ‘Disaster Preparedness and Mitigation : Build Safe and Resilient Communities’ project. The meeting was held at capital’s Dholpur Community Centre on 23 June 2015. Zonal officer of DSCC and deputy secretary Bijoy Krishna Debnath, DSCC supervisor engineer and additional chief garbage management officer, Abu Saleh Md. Moynuddin and Newly elected world councilor of word no-46 Md. Shahidullah Mino were present on the occasion. Assistant Director of Disaster Management Unit of Dhaka Ahsania Mission Md. Jahangir Alam facilities the program. The guests answered the question of the on present audience. Speakers also opined that an integrated effort shall have to be taken jointly to make public aware.

Dhaka South City Corporation can play a pioneer role in this regards. It is maintain-able that with the financial assistance of COFRA Foundation, Dhaka Ahsania Mission and Plan International Bangladesh jointly is implementing the project ‘Disaster Preparedness and Mitigation : Build Safe and Resilient Communities’ project.
Discussion meeting held marking ‘Int’l Cancer Survivors Day 2015’

Ahsania Mission Cancer & General Hospital (AMCGH) organized a discussion meeting at its compound, Uttara, Dhaka on 7 June 2015 on the occasion of celebrating ‘International Cancer Survivors Day 2015’. National Professor Doctor M.R Khan was present as chief guest while Chairman of DBL Group Abdul Wahed was present as special guest. Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) President Kazi Rafiqul Alam presided over the meeting and Cancer specialist Prof. Doctor Mahabub Alam spoke on cancer disease. Program Director of AMCGH Brig. General Doctor Syed Fazle Rahim (Rtd.) delivered the welcome address. Some cancer survivors expressed their feelings in the program.

Speakers informed that, more than 2 lacs cancer patients are now surviving in Bangladesh and other 2 lacs cancer patients are being added with this number. Quoting a figure of International Agency for Cancer Research, the speaker said, in 2005 the total death in cancer was 7.5 per cent and if this situation continues the figure may reach up to 22 per cent.

Speakers also added that ‘International Cancer Survivors Day 2015’ is being observed with a view to enhancing awareness about cancer at national level. Now there are 120 cancer specialists in our country which is very meager in comparison with necessity.

Workshop on process to prepare news

Public Relations Division (PRD) of Dhaka Ahsania Mission on 18 June 2015 organized a day-long workshop titling ‘Effecting News Writing and Media Relations’ at its Dhanmondi head quarter.

Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) President Kazi Rafiqul Alam addressed the inaugural session of the workshop as chief guest and Executive Director D. M. Ehsanur Rahman was present as special guest. While delivering the welcome speech PRD Director Kazi Ali Reza upheld the aims and purpose of the workshop. Executive Director said that Dhaka Ahsania Mission already prepared a strategy plan for 2015-2025 where visibility of the Mission has been emphasised. Through this workshop the participants will be able to enhance the visibility and branding in different media being an ambassador of the institution. He also added that all types of services of the mission will reach to the mass people through the participants of the workshop. You are the representatives of different institutions and projects. Kazi Rafiqul Alam said, everybody have to play a vital role from each stance.

The Senior journalist of the Daily Star Sahnoor Wahid gave a detail concept on ethics and ideal of presenting news. He said, financial transaction in terms of publishing news is unethical. Real picture shall have to be published. If the news paper authority thinks that the news is appropriate to publish then it would be publishable. He emphasized
DHAKA AHSAANIA MISSION (DAM) has been awarded best prize for its outstanding contribution in drug treatment and rehabilitation activities. The award was handed over by the State Minister for Home Affairs Asaduzzaman Khan Kamal MP to Deputy Director of DAM and Head of AMIC Iqbal Masud at a ceremony held at Osmani Memorial Auditorium on 26 June in connection with the observance of International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking. The program was attended by Chairman of Parliamentary Standing committee on Home Ministry Tipu Munshi, MP, Senior Secretary of the Ministry Dr. Md. Mozammel Haque Khan and Director General of Narcotics Control Department Bazlur Rahman.

DAM receives best award

Drug treatment & rehabilitation centers form Network

Drug treatment & rehabilitation centers in Bangladesh formed a Network titled ‘Sanjog’. A meeting was held in this regard at Dhaka Ahsania Mission Head Office Dhanmondi, recently. A total of 32 drug treatment & rehabilitation center heads were present in the meeting and a thirteen-member Executive Committee was formed for next 2 years. They are Dr. Peter Haldar (Bangladesh Youth First Concern-Dhaka)– President, D A Nasir (PHERA-Dhaka)– Vice President, Farvez Ahmed (ARK-Chittagong) – Vice President, Iqbal Masud (Dhaka Ahsania Mission) – General Secretary, Md. Mostafizur Rahman (Holy Care-Barishal) – Joint Secretary, Imanul Islam Rony (Sober Life-Dhaka) -Treasurer, Shamem (Ashroy-Dhaka)-Organizing Secretary and Mostafizur Rahman (IRA-Bogra)-Publicity & Publication Secretary. Members of the committee are Tarun Kanti Gayen (CREA-Dhaka), Abul Bashar Poltu (APOSH-Rajshahi), Afroza Aktar M onzu (K M SS-Khulna), D i达尔 Alam Rashed (Nongor- Cox’s Bazar), Mahbub-A Khuda (Relation- Jamalpur).

New outlet of Nagordola in Banani

Renowned singer Kumar Biswajit has inaugurated the seventh outlet of Nagordola at capital’s Banani area recently. Dancer Warda Rehab was present as special guest on the occasion. Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) President Kazi Rafiqul Alam, advisor AAM Zakaria and other officials of the institution were present. Moreover, journalists from different print and electronic media were present on the occasion. Guests were spellbound by the inaugural program, Fashion Show, clothes exhibition and cultural programs.

With the theme of ‘Live with Cultural Identity’ Nagordola started its journey, with the pace of time, Nagordola always adds new dimension through its artworks, designs and presentation.

Cattle vaccination program for the cattle held

Mitali Community Resource Centre of DAM Foundation of Economic Development (DFED) organised a cattle vaccination program at Alipur Union under Raipur upazila of Narasingdi district on 8 June 2015. Upazila Livestock department gave necessary the technical assistance. One hundred fifteen milch cows, heifer, bull calf and 115 goats were vaccinated. Agriculturist and the senior principal officer of DFED Niamul Kabir inaugurated the program. It is mentionable that DFED declared the months of May and June as the month of services through its various Community Resource Centres (CRC) and as part of celebrating of this the community. Area Manager of Narasingdi-2 Dulal Chandra Deb Nath, Branch Manager Manik Mia, AKM Shafiqul Karim were present at that time. Veterinary field assistant of Raipur Upazila Livestock Officer Md Joynal Abedin, Md Rafiqullah, Md Abdur Rahim were also present at the program.
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Seminar on ‘Architecture for Green Living’

Artist and Architect Rafiq Azam, works from natures’ inspiration with fusion of tradition. He was the key speaker in the seminar titled “Architecture for Green Living” held on 11th of June, 2015 at Prof. M.H. Khan Auditorium, Ahsanullah University of Science and Technology.

The Architect shared his concepts, philosophies and design process with the audience who were mostly students from different architecture schools of Dhaka. As Chief Guest and Special Guest Prof. M.H. Khan, Founder Vice Chancellor AUST and Prof. Dr. A.M.M. Shafiuallah, Vice Chancellor, AUST were present. The Seminar was Chaired by Prof. Dr M.A Muktadir, Head Department of Architecture, AUST.

The seminar became more vibrant when the architect started to describe his inspirations through Lalon’s Stories, Rumi’s poetries and Jagadish Chandra Basha’s discovery. He represented his feelings through the presentation of his architectural works, sketches and water-color paintings. Ar. Rafiq Azam also answered different questions of the listeners regarding the duties, liabilities, responsibilities, limitations and affordability of the architects.

The program was concluded by handing over a set of books written by Professors from Architecture Department, AUST to the Speaker Ar. Rafiq Azam by Prof. Dr M. A. Muktadir, Chair of the session. The lively seminar was arranged by the Convener Ar. Shehzad Zahir and Members: Ar. Naimul Aziz, Ar. Zishan F. Chowdhury and Ar. Jayedi Aman of ‘Seminar & Workshop Arranging Committee’, Department of Architecture and was sponsored by Shah Cement.
Some photographs of media workshop