

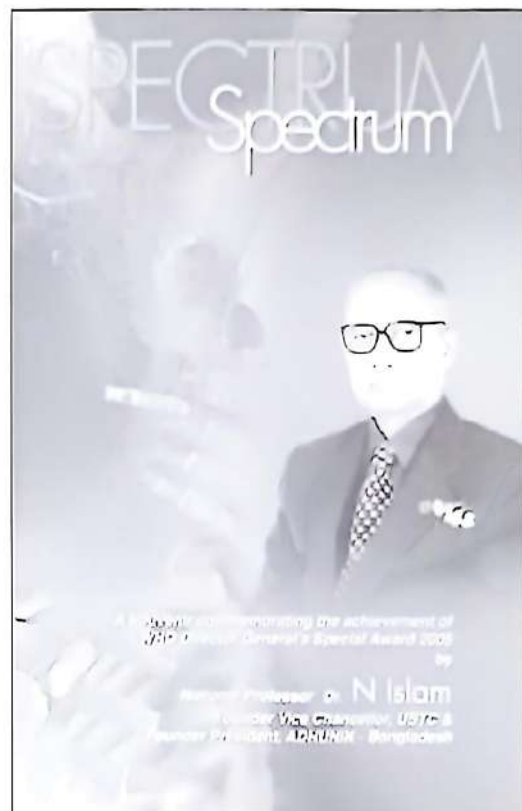
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*A Souvenir commemorating the achievement of
WHO Director General's Special Award 2005
by*

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Founder Vice Chancellor, USTC &
Founder President, ADHUNIK - Bangladesh*



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Humble Editorial

We bow down and are struck with awe, and unfathomable reverence to National Prof. (Dr.) N. Islam for his versatile genius, spontaneous creativity, people-oriented associability, his boundless love for humanity and human welfare. He has brought innumerable laurels for his motherland through brilliant web of achievements from the international arena. This publication is quite humble a venture to pay our homage to National Prof. (Dr.) N. Islam on this grand occasion though we are perfectly aware that this souvenir is not a suitable commemorative, rather, it is just a pigmy effort to contain an ocean at teapot.

We are quite proud and immensely elated at Dr. N Islam's being the most honored recipient of WHO Director General's Special Award-2005 for his well known initiative against tobacco and for tobacco control through vigorous anti tobacco campaign spreading though the nook and corner of the country leading to the growth of awareness against smoking even among common people and eventually the enactment of tobacco control legislation. we congratulate this great man from the inmost core of our heart.

Dr. N Islam has been showered upon national and international awards successively for his brilliant contribution to education, medical research, social service and dedication to humanitarian sectors, his unflinching devotion to own culture, dissemination of knowledge, unwavering patriotism and serious love for work with unsparing assiduity.

Dr. N Islam is the culmination of a patriotic and philanthropic ideal which may be emulated by us so that our children may attain even a modicum of such success in serving the nation.

Hats off to Dr. N Islam for his chequered achievements including this latest one and the founding of USTC, his luminously tangible contribution to the nation. May God offer him the best of everything that a human being may need and crave for. We apologise for not being able to print many valuable documents and information about Dr. N Islam's life and achievements for shortage of time and space. For the same reason we have failed to accommodate many other valuable messages and writings about this great celebrity. Moreover, most inadvertently errors and shipshods might have crept in the publication for which we have no other alternative than seeking apology.

We thank the contributors along with the respected colleagues and dear students for their unqualified co-operation in expediting this effort. Finally, we pray again to the Almighty for a wholesome, long and ever-creative life for this laudable, undaunting personality who has broadened and brightened the image of the country.

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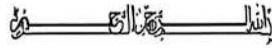
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I am delighted to know that the eminent physician and National Professor Dr. Nurul Islam has received the WHO DG's Special Award for his outstanding contribution in tobacco control.

Dr. Islam is the Founder & President of ADHUNIK (We Prevent Smoking), the first national anti-tobacco organization in the country. He has been working for a long time to create mass awareness against tobacco through various programmes. The Government is very sincere to control tobacco, which is considered as root-cause of many deadly diseases and health hazards. Accordingly the present BNP-led coalition government enacted Tobacco Control Act 2005 and is pursuing various tobacco control activities including promulgations for stopping the advertisement of tobacco in electronic media in the country.

I wish anti-tobacco movement in Bangladesh a great success.

M. Morshed Khan M.P

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim



Internationally famous medical scientist, a glorious personality of Chittagong and the country, National Professor Dr. N. Islam, a great man of numerous accomplishments has been awarded with WHO Director General Special Award-2005, in which I take immense pride and at the same time I congratulate him most cordially. Simultaneously I express my profound gratefulness to the most noble Almighty.

Dr. Islam's momentous contribution to health social service, his righteousness, perseverance, love for education and its expansion, his urge for building up an ideal society have already turned him into a legendary figure. Chittagong has been highlighted with education and honour on account of his humanitarian and courageous ventures. His vigorous anti-tobacco campaign which is the reflection of his love for humanity has been able to attract the attention of the world. Dr. Islam has brought Bangladesh to the limelight of the whole world and eventually he can be acclaimed as a universal personality.

In fine I pray to the Almighty National Professor Dr. Nurul Islam's long and uniformly active life in the days to come.

Professor Abdul Karim

Professor Emeritus &
Ex Vice Chancellor
University of Chittagong



Message

I am immensely delighted at the achievement of highly prestigious WHO D.G Award by National Professor Dr. N. Islam, an internationally reputed medical scientist and pioneer in medical education. He is fully committed to social service and cultivation of knowledge without any prejudice and parochialism.

I warmly congratulate Dr. Nurul Islam an ornament and pride for the country, and tender him my profound good will on this grand occasion of his felicitations. If persons of this dimension are born in greater number our whole nation will speedily proceed towards the goal of desired development.

National Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam's Professional brilliance, ideal service to the nation, extraordinary personality and human qualities are worthy of being followed by the younger generation.

In this context I would like to recall the memorable contribution that Dr. N. Islam has made to the expansion of higher education. USTC, which is the pioneering private University in Bangladesh, is the brilliant outcome of his untiring work and dedication despite all encumbering situations. At present this institution is bringing out quality professionals and skilled manpower for the development of this region and the people at large. This institution is destined to perpetuate Dr. Islam's memory as a momentous personality of our socio-educational history.

At Present Anti-Tobacco awareness has cropped up among the people in our country and there is a perceptible change in national policies, which results in tremendous welfare of the people. In the background of this present scenerio the man who played major role is National Professor Dr. Nurul Islam and international honour has been showered upon him. His contribution to the brightening of image of this nation shall remain as a source of perennial inspiration for us.

May the ideals of Dr. N. Islam get instilled into all of us.

Professor A. J. M. Nuruddin Chowdhury

Vice Chancellor
University of Chittagong



Message

It is a matter of great pride for the citizens of Bangladesh that Professor Nurul Islam has been one of two recipients this year of the WHO Director General's Special award for his important role in Tobacco control in Bangladesh and in the South-East Asia region.

The citation says, "Tobacco is the World's single biggest preventable cause of death, claiming 5 million lives a year globally of which 1.2 million deaths occurs in the countries of WHO's South East Asia region" The WHO hopes to curb the use of tobacco and prevent numerous heedless deaths through its Framework Convention and conscious citizens everywhere should help in any way they can, to implement this significant convention. Prof. Nurul Islam has been playing a leading part in establishing this convention.

Professor Nurul Islam has held a very distinguished career as a medical doctor and research scientist in medicine, with many national and international awards, including National Professorship of Bangladesh. One of his most important achievements is the establishment of the University of Science and Technology Chittagong (USTC). It is not easy to start a new institution in Bangladesh and less easy to make it function effectively. In spite of teething troubles and some problems USTC has been functioning and providing valuable training for numerous young people from home and abroad. I believe USTC has enormous potential and needs the support of the Government and the concerned civil society.

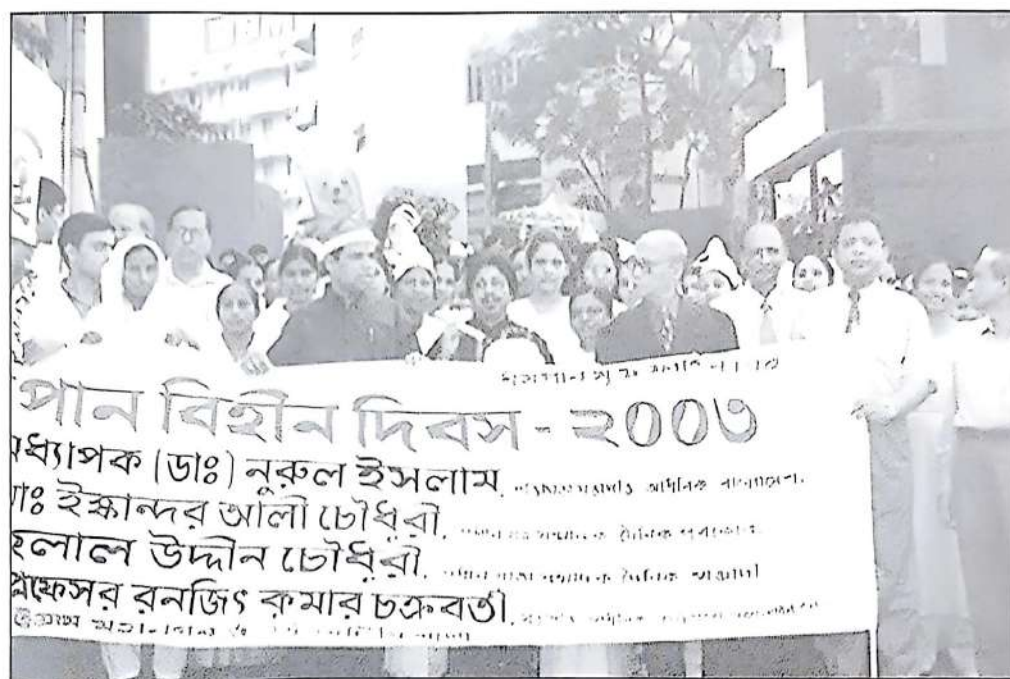
Prof. Nurul Islam has recently published an autobiographical book in which he describes, among other matters, the difficulties and problems he has faced in life and the manner he has attempted to solve them. Prof. Islam has done this frankly, poignantly and sensitively; there is a particularly moving description about his mother. I believe this book will be a guide and inspiration to the present and future generations.

I offer Prof. Nurul Islam my warmest congratulations for his award and wish him good health and a long life so that he can continue to serve the nation and the world.

Professor Jamal Nazrul Islam

UGC Professor

Anti Tobacco rally by ADHUNIK-Bangladesh



A SHORT LIFE STORY OF National Professor Dr. N. Islam

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Founder & Vice Chancellor, University of Science and Technology Chittagong (USTC)

Founder Managing Trustee, Anwara-Nur Welfare Trust

Founding Dean, Faculty of Postgraduate Medicine Education (DU).

Founder Councillor, Pakistan and Bangladesh College of Physicians & Surgeons

Founder President, Adhunik (National Anti-tobacco Organization)

Chairman, Bangladesh First National AIDS Committee

Member, Standing Recognition Committee, BMDC

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Regional Advisor, Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh

Member, New York Academy of Science

Vice Chairman, Hamdard Foundation Bangladesh

Member, Population Council, Govt. of Bangladesh

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International Advisor, Madinat ul-Hikmah-City of Education, Science, Karachi, Pakistan

Advisor Emeritus, Royal College of Physicians

Founder Fellow: College of the Physicians & Surgeons, Bangladesh, Pakistan.

IN THE INTERNATIONAL FIELD

1. Member, WHO Expert advisory panel on Health Manpower Development from 1976 to May 1992
2. Member, Expert Advisory panel on tobacco of Health May 92 till date
3. Member, International Advisory Editorial Board Tropical Doctor, Royal Society of Medicine, London. 1974-till date.
4. Founder President, Alliance for Prudent use of Antibiotics (APUA) Boston USA Bangladesh Chapter. 1987-till date.
5. National Chairman, INRUD (International Network of Rational Use of Drugs) , Boston 1987 till date.
6. Member, Programmer Co-ordinator Committee and Scientific Review Committee. International Center for Diarrhoeal Diseases Research, Bangladesh (ICDDR,B) 1975- till date.
7. International Advisor, Darul Hikmah, University of Science, Culture and Education, Karachi, Pakistan.

Dr. Islam has to his credit over 100 PUBLICATIONS IN INTERNATIONAL JOURNALS His interest in Medical Education and Drug Policy is reflected in the following publications.

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4. A new Method of finger for Examination Pharynx.
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3. 1964 Symposium on Medicine
4. 1974 Essentials of Medical and Treatment, First Edition.
5. 1977 Medical Diagnosis and Treatment, First Edition
6. 1978 Something About Health
7. 1978 History of IPGMR
8. 1980 Medical Diagnosis and Treatment, Second Edition
9. 1984 Prescription, First Edition
10. 1985 Prescription and Professionals
11. 1985 Prescription, Second Edition
12. 1986 Prescription West Bengal Edition
13. 1986 Essential Drugs for Village Practice, Second Edition
14. 1987 Medical Diagnosis and Treatment, Third Edition
15. 1990 Essential Drugs for Village Practice, Second Edition
16. 1991 Tobacco Smoking: Opinions - Questions - Answers.
17. 1991 In the Stream of Life
18. 1993 Some Thoughts
19. 1993 Some Thoughts in English.
20. 1997 Bangabandhu (In the eyes of his physician)
21. 1997 Bhashani
22. 1997 Essential Drugs for Village Practice, 4th Edition
23. 1998 Medical Diagnosis and Treatment, 4th Edition

AWARD AS AN EDUCATIONIST AND RESEARCHER

President's Gold Medal 1963

Sitara -e-Imtiaz (S.I.) 1970

Gold Medal by Chittagong Association for Meritorious Service 1982

Gold Medal - Bangla Academy of Science 1982

Gold Medal -Calcutta Medical College for M. N. De Oration on Prescriptions and Professionals 1985

Bangdhanu Academy Award 1986

Daymi Award for Religion and Social work 1986
 Fazlul Huq Memorial Award 1987
 Commemorative Medal of Honor, American Biographical Health 1990
 Dr. Shahidullah Smriti Gold Medal 1990
 M. A. Khan Memorial Gold Medal 1991
 Osika Eteraf, Darul Hikmah, Pakistan 1992
 Golden Grahak Sewa Award, Gujrat State India 1993
 Bhashani Memorial Gold Medal 1993
 Human Network Medal 1994
 Ibn Sina Medal 1995
 M. K. Gandhi Peace Award, by Gandhi Foundation, Oslo, Norway ñ1996
 D. Sc (Hon) Causa, The Open International University for Complimentary Medicines, Srilanka, 1998
 Dr. Bidhan Roy Gold Medal as 'Chikitsa Ratna' Govt of India -2003
 WHO Director General Special Award -2005.
 -Bangladesh National Personality Research Center for Medical and Education -2005
 -Gold Medal RCP (Edin) 1999
 -Social Service Award, Ministry of Social Welfare, GOB 2000
 - Enriching Communal Harmony & Human Rights - Kolkata University India 2004
 - Tobacco Free Society, Medicine & Social Welfare Award, Hussain Shahid Suhrawardi Ward 2003
 - Bangladesh Nutrition Society Award 2002
 - Director General Special Award, WHO 2005.

WHO HONOURS HEALTH SPECIALISTS FOR THEIR WORK IN TOBACCO CONTROL

New Delhi, 31 May 2005: Each year, on the occasion of World No Tobacco Day, a number of eminent people working in the field of tobacco control are given public recognition by the World Health Organization. This year, one of two special awards accorded by the WHO Director General is to an activist from the South-East Asia Region.

Tobacco is the world's single biggest preventable cause of death, claiming 5 million lives a year globally of which 1.2 million deaths occur in the countries of WHO's South-East Asia Region. The countries of the SEA Region are making progress in this area. Ten of the eleven Member States have signed the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) and 9 countries are already Party to the convention. Much more needs to be done to prevent the needless deaths and ill health which are the outcome of tobacco consumption, said Dr. Samlee Plianbanchang, Regional Director for WHO's South-East Asia Region. He added that although WHO's leadership with FCTC has brought tobacco legislation into force, health professionals, and civil society have a vital role to play, particularly in educating the youth, making them aware about the dangers of a lifestyle that promotes and glamorizes tobacco. Dr. Samlee added that it is heartening to see the excellent leadership provided by several health professionals and NGOs in the Region, and congratulated the award winners on their noteworthy contribution and success.

The Director General's special award goes to Professor Nurul Islam of Bangladesh, who is a renowned physician of his country. He founded the first anti-tobacco organization, called ADHUNIK (We prevent smoking) and raised awareness against smoking across the country. As a well-known physician and a well-respected person in the country, he counseled his patients to stop smoking and motivated his colleagues and other health professionals to follow his example in providing counsel to their patients to stop smoking. He and his organization also played an important role in creating awareness about WHO FCTC and in encouraging the Government of Bangladesh to sign and ratify the Convention. Earlier this year, he actively joined other anti-tobacco NGOs in the campaign for the enactment of the tobacco control legislation.

The second special award has gone to Dr. Gines Gonzalez Garcia, Minister of Health, Argentina. Under Dr. Gonzalez's leadership, over the past two years, Argentina has strengthened the tobacco control infrastructure within the Ministry of Health. Dr. Gonzalez worked with the civil society to build support for tobacco control among the public and partnered with provincial and municipal politicians to promote smoke-free environments.

Source : www.whosea.org/tobacco

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আপনাদের মূল্যবান বক্তব্য আমাকে বহুকাল অতীতের দিকে টেনে নেয়। যে প্রতিষ্ঠানের কার্যকালের মাধ্যমে আজ আপনাদের নিকট অর্থাৎ বিশ্বস্বাস্থ্য সংস্থার নিকট সম্মানিত তার নাম 'আধুনিক' যার অর্থ 'আমরা ধূমপান নিবারণ করি'।

১৯৮৭ সালে এ প্রতিষ্ঠানের জন্ম। এ প্রতিষ্ঠানের নামকরণের পিছনে যাদের উৎসাহ এবং সহযোগিতা পেয়েছি তাঁরা হলেন- আমার শ্যালক চট্টগ্রাম বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের ভূতপূর্ব ভাইস চ্যান্সেলর এবং বর্তমানে নর্দান ইউনিভারসিটি-র ভাইস চ্যান্সেলর অধ্যাপক মোহাম্মদ আলী, তাঁর স্ত্রী অধ্যাপক খালেদা খানম, আমার মহধর্মিনী আনোয়ারা বেগম এবং বাল্যবন্ধুও পরবর্তীতে ভাইঝি জামাই অধ্যাপক ডা. আবদুল ওদুদ।

রাষ্ট্রীয় পর্যায়ে আমার কর্মকাণ্ডে যারা উৎসাহ যুগিয়েছে তাঁরা হলেন সাবেক রাষ্ট্রপতি লে: জেনারেল হুসাইন মুহাম্মদ এরশাদ। যার উদ্যোগে বঙ্গভবনকে ধূমপানমুক্ত করা হয় এবং অপর জন হলেন মাননীয় প্রধানমন্ত্রী বেগম খালেদা জিয়া। যিনি আমার কথায় মাত্র কয়েক ঘন্টার মধ্যে তাঁর সচিবালয়কে ধূমপান ঘোষণা করেন।

দেশে আধুনিকের ৭৮ টি শাখা বিস্তৃত। এই সকল প্রতিষ্ঠানের অগণিত স্বেচ্ছাসেবী আমার এ সফলতার পেছনে শক্তি যুগিয়েছে। আমি তাঁদের প্রতি গভীর শ্রদ্ধা এবং কৃতজ্ঞতা জানাই।

১৯৮৭ সাল হতে ২০০৫ সাল বিগত ১৮ বছর ধরে আধুনিকের সংগ্রাম অপ্রতিহত গতিতে এগিয়ে চলেছে। যাদের সাহায্য-সহযোগিতা, ত্যাগ এবং উৎসাহ আমার কর্মের পেছনে শক্তি যুগিয়েছে তাঁদের সংখ্যা হাজার হাজার হয়তো বা লাখের কাছাকাছি। তামাকবিরোধী কর্মকাণ্ডে অনেকে আমাকে অনুপ্রাণিত করেছে যাদের সম্মান বিশ্বজুড়ে। এদের কয়েকজন যেমন রয়েল কলেজ অব ফিজিসিয়ানস্ এর প্রাক্তন প্রেসিডেন্ট Sir John Crofton, David Simpson, Dr Hiroshi Nakajima, Dr Judith Mackay এবং বিশ্বস্বাস্থ্য সংস্থার প্রাক্তন সহপরিচালক Dr Gro Harlem Brundtland- এর নাম বিশেষভাবে উল্লেখযোগ্য। ধূমপানবিরোধী আন্দোলনে বিশেষ অবদানের জন্য এর আগে ১৯৯০ এবং ১৯৯২ সালেও আমাকে বিশ্বস্বাস্থ্য সংস্থার সম্মাননা দেয়া হয়।

FCTC Convention আমাকে আরো সুযোগ এনে দেয়। আমি মনে করি Dr Gro Harlem এ যাবৎকালের অন্যতম শক্তিশালী মহাপরিচালক। FCTC কনভেনশন তাঁরই অবদান। ধূমপানমুক্ত বিশ্ব গড়ার ক্ষেত্রে তাঁর অবদান অতুলনীয়।

প্রসংগত উল্লেখযোগ্য, লেখালেখির অভ্যাস আমার অনেক দিনের। দেশে বিদেশে বিভিন্ন পত্র-পত্রিকা

ও জার্নালে ধূমপান বিরোধী আমার প্রায় ৫০ উর্ধ্ব প্রবন্ধ প্রকাশ করার সুযোগ হয়েছে। এ সবগুলো সংগ্রহ করে বই আকারে প্রকাশ করার দায়িত্ব পালন করে, আধুনিকের নির্বাহী সচিব এম এ জব্বার এবং তামাক সংবাদ এর সম্পাদক এ আই ইসলাম। তাঁরা আমার সবগুলো প্রবন্ধ সম্বলিত "Tobacco Control in Bangladesh: The Man Behind" এ বইটি সংকলন করে আমাকে কত যে সাহায্য করেছে হয়তো বা তারা নিজেরাই বুঝতে পারেনি। এটা প্রশংসা লাভের জন্য নয় বরং আমার প্রতি তাদের ভক্তি, শ্রদ্ধা এবং আমার লেখার প্রতি তাদের অনুরাগ-এ পথ বেঁচে নিতে তাদেরকে উৎসাহ যুগিয়েছে। এ প্রকাশনা আমার ধূমপান বিরোধী আন্দোলনে একটি অমূল্য সম্পদ। ইহা একটি ঐতিহাসিক দলিল যা যুগ যুগ ধরে ঠিকে থাকবে। যার সাথে এ দুজনের নামও ঠিকে থাকবে। এ প্রকাশনা আমার বিশ্বস্বাস্থ্য সংস্থার সম্মাননা প্রাপ্তিতে কতটুকু সহায়ক হয়েছে তা আমি উপলব্ধি করতে পারি। তাদের অবদান অস্বীকার করলে সুবিচার করা হবে না। আমি বিনীতভাবে তাদের নাম আপনাদের সামনে তুলে ধরতে চাই। সৌভাগ্যক্রমে তারা দুজনেই এখানে উপস্থিত আছেন। করতালির মাধ্যমে আমি তাঁদের সম্মান জানাতে চাই।

আমার প্রতি সকলের আন্তরিকতা, শুভেচ্ছা এবং দোয়া আমাকে বিমুগ্ধ করেছে। কবির ভাষায়- “ভাব যেখানে গভীর, ভাষা সেখানে মুখ।” একই কারণে আমি আজ অসহায়।

আমি শুধু শ্রদ্ধা ভরে আপনাদের কৃতজ্ঞতা জানাই। দোয়া করুন আমাদের সংগ্রাম সফল হউক। সুন্দর এ পৃথিবী থেকে তামাক চির বিদায় নিক। আমরা সকলে তামাকমুক্ত পরিবেশে বসবাস করার সুযোগ পাই। আমার শেষ কথা-

আপনাদের ভালবাসা এত মহীয়ান
না জানি অন্য কিছু তাহার সমান
আমি তাই ধন্য আজি
অশেষ দোয়া চাই।
তামাকমুক্ত বিশ্বে যেন
সবাই স্থান পাই।

National Professor Dr Nurul Islam
On the occasion of reception for receiving WHO DG's Special Award 2005

Hon'ble Chief Guest Janab M Morshed Khan M.P.

Minister for Foreign Affairs

WHO Representative

Editor, The daily Samokal

Noted Scientist Jamal Nazrul Islam

Dear Rosy Kabir, ex-MP & Dear journalists of the dailies &

My friends

Assalamu alaikum,

I am moved by the comments of my colleagues. This takes me way back to 1987 when the organization named ADHUNIK meaning We Prevent Smoking was formed by me with some like minded people.

Persons who encouraged me in forming this organization are: former VC, Chittagong University and present VC, Northern University, his worthy wife Prof Khaleda Khanom, my wife Mrs Anwara Begum and my childhood friend and later on my son in law through marriage of my niece Prof Dr. Abdul Wadud. I gratefully remember all of them for their encouragement and guidance during the initial period.

At national level respected figures who gave me a lead and emboldened me to carry on the activities of this organization are persons like former President Hussain Muhammad Ershad who declared the Bangabhaban (Presidential Palace) tobacco free and the present Hon'ble Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia who made an epoch making decision by declaring the PM's Secretariat tobacco-free zone within a period of 03 hours at my request to the surprise of entire staff of her Secretariat.

I am proud to say that there are at present 78 branches of ADHUNIK spread all over the country forming strong network with large number of volunteers nearing million. They are obviously a mighty force giving me highest encouragement and inspiration and carrying the message of ADHUNIK to every corner of the country. I express of my great appreciation and deep gratitude to all those selfless and dedicated workers.

1987 to 2005 a long span of 18 years has its credit the story of unhindered progress and mighty fight against tobacco in Bangladesh. Numerically their number should not be less than 100 thousand.

People at International level of high repute have encouraged me from far away the country. They are formidable persons like Sir John Crofton, the former President, Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh, Dr. Hiroshi Nakajima, the former DG, WHO, Dr Judith Mackay of the Asian Consultancy on Tobacco Control and Dr Gro Harlem Brundtland, the immediate past DG of the WHO.

I am glad to announce that I was twice rewarded by the WHO in 1990 and again 1992.

FCTC convention has opened up an opportunity for me. This Convention has been organized by Dr Gro Harlem Brundtland whom I consider the mightiest force against Tobacco. Her contribution for Tobacco Free Initiative is a historical event -worthy of appreciation and record.

Coming to myself I have been a regular writer of articles on Tobacco depicting its hazards through print media with special emphasis on World No Tobacco Day which ADHUNIK

regularly observes every year. Obviously the publications were scattered numbering more than 50. Compilation of these articles in a volume entitled TOBACCO CONTROL IN BANGLADESH ñ THE MAN BEHIND by my two worthy assistants ñMr M A Jabbar, Executive Secretary of ADHUNIK and Mr A I Islam, Editor of Tobacco News deserve worth of commendation. The book truly reflects my anti ñtobacco activities and the role of ADHUNIK which in fact earned words of congratulations from the DG, WHO and other international bodies. I cannot adequately thank these two authors or reward them for their splendid work of compilation ñ a thoughtful decision. It is difficult to say how much the book has contributed to the projection of my work to WHO but certainly it has an impact. Besides, this shall continue to be a worthy document on anti-tobacco activities in Bangladesh through ADHUNIK. I wish to record my sincere appreciation for both of them.

Language fails where feeling is deep. I am in the same situation today that I am overwhelmed by your comments, wishes and admiration. I wish I could fully express my feelings. Nevertheless I can express my gratitude to all of you and pray for your blessings for the ultimate success in our battle against tobacco.

Let Tobacco disapper for good from this wonderful world. Let us all enjoy environment free from Tobacco.

My last few words I would like to express in short poetic way:

Your love and affection for me so deep
There is nothing that I know near to it ñ
I am therefore tempted with deep desire
To have a Tobacco ñfree world entire
May that be in sight in future near.

NATIONAL PROFESSOR DR. NURUL ISLAM: PORTRAIT OF A STRUGGLING PIONEER

Professor Moomtazuddin Chowdhury

President

USTC Guardian Forum

USTC, Chittagong

A humanitarian physician of Bangladesh, a multidimensional talented personality national Professor Dr. Nurul Islam who was honoured with education and Medicine 'Ratna' Award, is a man for our imitable instance and philosophy in all the spheres of his life. I am really overwhelmed with joy to learn that now our 'sir' has received the most prestigious WHO Director General Special Award in 2005.

An uncompromising man in the matter of principle, a perfect man in the standard of humanism Dr. Nurul Islam is one whom I regard most because he is very honest, God-fearing and righteous. I know that in his long career he has been confronted many times with most difficult situations. No fear or temptation could swerve him from his solid goals. I found him totally upright, humanitarian and very much dutiful and rigidly uncompromising and unfaltering in question of right modalities of work.

In consonance with his commitment to human service and welfare National Professor Dr. N. Islam set up the Bangabandhu Medical University (IPGMR) in Dhaka and founded USTC at Chittagong. A person who shows a great deal of balance between commitment and action, highly talented, grounded in truth and love for research Dr. N. Islam is wholeheartedly dedicated to the welfare and development of the people of Chittagong and all who live here.

By the by, I cannot resist the temptation of mentioning here an incident that took place just after the Independence of Bangladesh. I was then a resident student of Shahidullah Hall, University of Dhaka. In response to a message sent by him to me through one of his nephews named Dr. Sirjul Islam I, accompanied by a few friends of mine, called on him at night as much as he could not make time to meet people by day time for his tremendous pressure of work as the busiest physician of Bangladesh. It was at a period when our great 'sir' had been the president of Chittagong Association at Dhaka. He urged upon us to do some particular service to the people of Chittagong. He informed us of his having purchased some 7 kathas of land with a building at Topkhana Road for Chittagong Association but it was at that time under the possession of Mr. Shah Aziz. He directed us to remove the illegal occupation in the interest of the people of greater Chittagong. We assured him of our assistance whereupon we contacted Mr. Mr. Shah Aziz and within a week freed the land from unwanted occupation. On this plot of land the new building for Chittagong Association has been constructed. This Association is rendering a great service to the people of Chittagong residing at Dhaka. It is a burning example of our Sir's excellently unique social service.

Indeed when I consider that utilizing his energy and personal income this humane personality in the arena of education and medicine has not done anything for himself and own family but has been sacrificing himself to the service and welfare of the people I get a deep self satisfaction for being fortunate enough to work as the President of the USTC Guardian Forum.

At last I pray to Allah, the Almighty and the Beneficent, to give him a long span of healthy life. Amen.

PROFESSOR NURUL ISLAM: HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS ANTI-TOBACCO MOVEMENT IN BANGLADESH

M. A. Jabbar

Executive Secretary, ADHUNIK

Prof. Nurul Islam, IDA, D.Sc, FRCP, FRCPE, FAS, a National Professor of Bangladesh and the Founder Vice-Chancellor, University of Science & Technology Chittagong (USTC) is the architect and dreamer of a tobacco-free society in the country who first launched the anti-tobacco movement in the country. Prof. Islam has contributed most significantly towards the anti-tobacco movement in the country and he has established close link with many national and international organizations engaged in anti-tobacco movement.

In recognition of his contributions towards anti-tobacco movement he has received many awards from home and abroad. He is a recipient of the WHO Award twice in 1990 and again in 1992 for his contribution in anti-tobacco movement.

His contributions towards the anti-tobacco movement are furnished shortly as follows:

1. Establishment of ADHUNIK (We prevent Smoking)

Professor Nurul Islam established ADHUNIK in the year 1987 and since then he is working relentlessly as Founder-President, ADHUNIK for tobacco-free Bangladesh. ADHUNIK is registered with the Department of Social Welfare, Government of Bangladesh having registration No. Dha-02021 dated 23 March 1987. It has 78 branches all over the country.

2. Establishment of CAT ñ an important event

Coalition Against Tobacco (CAT) was established in 2000 by the initiative of Prof Islam of which he is the founding Chief Advisor. This is a milestone towards anti-tobacco movement in the country. CAT members include 13 registered organizations with the aims and objectives to fight against tobacco jointly under the banner of the ADHUNIK.

3. Tobacco News ñ a unique publication

This is a monthly publication of ADHUNIK and CAT jointly since July, 2001. Prof. Islam is the initiator and acting as the Chairman of the Editorial Board, Tobacco News. The copies are distributed among 78 branches of ADHUNIK, different health centers, clubs, organizations and individuals. Report from various readers indicates that public awareness is on the rise.

4. Voyage of Discovery

"The ship could not enter the Bangladesh territory and had to cancel their activities in the country through an injunction by the High Court. This was the first legal victory in the country against the tobacco giant. Prof Islam's contribution in this respect is praiseworthy. "The case was conducted by Barrister Omar Saadat.

5. USTC ñ A Smoke-free Campus

University of Science & Technology Chittagong (USTC) located in Foy's Lake, Chittagong and founded by Prof Islam is a tobacco-free campus.

6. WHO Concept of TFI/FCTC

Prof Islam is a true follower of the above concepts. His love and respect for the WHO concepts on tobacco are reflected through his various works viz: i. Press conference on WNTD them/FCTC, ii. Articles on WNTD theme, FCTC, TFI and other concepts of the WHO; iii. Congratulatory note to the Hon'ble DG, WHO; iv. Publicizing the WHO concepts of tobacco in various publications of ADHUNIK/CAT. All these contributed greatly in anti-tobacco movement in the country.

7. Tobacco and Religion

Bangladesh being an Islamic country has unique opportunity of controlling tobacco through teaching and implementation of Islamic principles through Imams of mosques and religious leaders. Prof Islam has introduced the strategy in the country having impact on controlling tobacco in the country.

8. Increase of Tax

In his several articles Prof Islam emphasized the need for increase of tax on tobacco. To quote Professor Islam, "Tobacco taxation helps government to earn revenue and a boon for the poor". This is now a popular concept among the health scientists and the economic planners.

9. Enactment of Law

Enactment of law for prohibiting cultivation, manufacturing, import and consumption of tobacco and production of tobacco-based products is the demand of Prof Islam from the very beginning of the concept. It is a matter of pleasure that Tobacco Control Law will be enacted in Bangladesh soon for which ADHUNIK extends heart-felt thanks to all the members of the Parliament, particularly the Honible Health Minister for his bold step in the 56th World Health Assembly which unanimously adopted the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control.

10. Participation in all the international Conferences on Tobacco or Health

Prof Islam has participated in almost all the international conferences on tobacco or health and presented scientific papers there. He has humbly tried to project WHO concept on tobacco in the said conferences.

11. Anti-tobacco articles/publications

He has to his credit over 100 anti-tobacco articles published in different national dailies and in the international journals. The book entitled "Tobacco Control in Bangladesh : The Man Behind" is a compilation of anti-tobacco articles of Prof Islam which has received appreciation from World anti-tobacco leaders.

Contribution of Prof Nurul Islam, Founder-President, ADHUNIK over the years is reflected from the following:

- i. The President house and the Prime Minister's Secretariat are tobacco-free areas.
- ii. All conferences, meetings and cinema halls are tobacco-free.
- iii. Electronic media are free tobacco advertisements.
- iv. Domestic flights and air-conditioned transports and AC compartments of the railways are tobacco-free.
- v. Tax on tobacco has been increased.
- vi. Alternative farming has been introduced in many tobacco fields.
- vii. School textbooks contain articles on ill effects of tobacco.
- viii. Radio and Television arrange different programmes depicting harmful effects of tobacco.

In the international field ADHUNIK/Prof Islam has maintained close liason with the following:

The WHO-Regional office and headquarters through distribution of leaflets, posters, booklets and dissemination of other information relating to anti-tobacco movement.

WHO lauded the activities of Prof Islam/ADHUNIK.

American Cancer Society has appreciated the activities of ADHUNIK.

IATH, Globalink and Quit.

ADHUNIK's/Prof Islam's commitments and contributions to the continuation of tobacco-free programme are reflected through its/his various anti-tobacco activities including research and publications.



Feelings of Regards

It is most pleasant and heartening that we are able to publish a souvenir commemorating the Founder Vice-Chancellor & National Professor (Dr.) N. Islam's achievement of WHO Director General Special Award 2005 thus brightening up the image of the nation as he did quite a number of times in the past.

On this occasion I would take the opportunity of paying my cordial regards to this multi-faceted personality for his robust contribution to public health through vigorous anti-tobacco campaign leading to tobacco control and contra tobacco legislation thus rendering a great service to humanity.

National Prof. (Dr.) N. Islam's all out dedication to the cause of medical and general education as well is spectacular and highly appreciable while his setting up of USTC is a glorious memento of his profound love for education and unfaltering service to the nation. It is no exaggeration to say that National Prof. (Dr.) N. Islam is the proud adornment for our country as a whole.

It is not possible to recount all the accomplishments of this celebrity within such a short space. Still, I would emphatically mention his profound and untiring love for work without exhaustion, discipline, punctuality and but lost but not the last his unshakable faith in God.

In fine, I on behalf of the reception Committee, would pray to the Almighty for National Prof. (Dr.) N. Islam's actively prolonged life studded with creative activities, all-out welfare for his family and everything that is best in life.

Prof. Kazi Rafiqul Hoque

Chairman

National Prof. (Dr.) N. Islam Reception Committee
On his achievement of WHO Director General Award-2005

Goodwill Message

In our estimate internationally famous medical scientist National Professor Dr. Nurul Islam, Founder Vice-Chancellor of USTC, is a legendary figure who is fully committed to the diffusing of education and service to humanity and all his moves are directed to these mottos.

For initiation and conduct of powerful Anti-tobacco campaign leading to tobacco control legislation, establishment of educational and service-oriented organizations, formulation of National Medicine Policy the National Professor has been well known in this sub-continent for decades. Now this great celebrity has been honoured with the WHO Director General Awarded-2005, which is really an adorable and epoch-making incident. On this august occasion, I congratulate him heartily and tender regards on behalf of all the journalists of this region of the country.

National Professor Dr. N. Islam has always been a well-wisher of the journalists. He is the life-member of Chittagong Press Club. In the modern age information is a capital and being journalists we consider it to be our bounden duty to circulate this grand news widely through the length and breath of the country so that the youth are fully enthused to emulate this tremendous feat.

Finally, I pray to Allah for Dr. Nurul Islam's all out welfare and long life.

Md. Abu Sufian
President
Chittagong Press Club
Chittagong

Goodwill Message

The man of knowledge, the accomplished people and the promoters education remove the darkness of ignorance from their own countries and the world and thus they smoothen the advancement of civilization. They are the architects of human civilization. National Professor Dr. Nurul Islam, the world famous medical scientist, is a man of this standing.

I am very much glad at National Professor Dr. Nurul Islam's being honoured with WHO Director General Award. I congratulate him heartily because through this glorious achievement he has raised our nation to the lofty pedestal in the comity of nations with extraordinary honour. Not only these, the people of whole Asia have been honoured. We, the people of greater Chittagong are overwhelmed with joy at this unique credit. Dr. Nurul Islam is a life long untiring worker and leader of work, ornamented with an astounding talent. The founding of the USTC is the most gloriously enduring achievement of his life. Here are students of various countries, who study technical subjects and medicine to get people-oriented education and while they spread up in different parts of the world they are invariably augmenting the prestige of our country. Already USTC is an internationally distinguished educational institution.

National Professor Dr. Nurul Islam's piety, humanitarianism, patience, perseverance, dedication to knowledge are commendable and worthy of emulation.

pray humbly to the Allah, the Beneficent and the Merciful to accord this great son of the soil long, healthy and peaceful life.

S. M. Jamal Uddin

Chairman

Greater Chittagong

Development Committee, Chittagong



Goodwill Message

WHO Director General's Special Award 2005 for Anti Tobacco Campaign in favour of National Professor (Dr.) N. Islam is a pride & a matter of pomp not only to Prof. N. Islam but also for all the medical personnel of Bangladesh. The Award has strengthened the friendship between WHO & Bangladesh & anti smoking campaign will be more dynamic for the welfare of the people of the world.

Prof. N. Islam, my teacher in Dhaka Medical College & Hospital, was a man of knowledge, proved by his bedside teaching & lecture classes. His bedside clinical teaching to us was a practical approach towards diagnosis. His lecture was full of facts and figures, arguments and explanations, which converged with latest medical knowledge and journals.

His award stemmed from his organization ADHUNIK launched in 1987 which is really praise worthy as smoking is more dangerous than an atom bomb since smoking kills millions of human beings in the world during peace time as a slow poison without any blast or sound.

Prior to ADHUNIK he launched 'TB Association' in 1961, for eradication of TB as tuberculosis was a great killer in those days. It created bombshell against the Government as TB patients were not getting proper attention, since then TB clinics and TB hospitals (Mohakhali, Fouzderhat & others) emerged. Marshal law of Ayub Khan in Pakistan silenced all politicians, teachers, students and social works, but Prof. N. Islam opened his voice against the Marshal law Administrator of Dhaka Medical College & Hospital who was curbing the academic atmosphere. The Marshal law administrator was poking his nose into the activities of the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine of the Dhaka University Prof. N. Islam along with other professors blunted his nose.

His foundation of USTC is another miraculous achievement for expansion of education and health care to the patient of Bangladesh. Promotion from Associate Professor to Professor of Medicine of Prof. N. Islam through Public Service Commission was a legendary history during Marshal law in East Pakistan as Non-Bangali bureaucrats of Director General of Health tried their best to push their candidate, but Prof. N. Islam overcame all the obstacles by his own merits, qualifications, experiences, research and publications.

I met my teacher in London 7 years after my departure from my homeland when he accompanied Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman for treatment. I found him more dynamic and far sighted in reactivation of medical service and teaching in newly created Bangladesh.

I wish him an excellent health and a long lease of ever active life.

Professor Md. Reazul Karim
Professor & Head of Department of Surgery
Dean, Faculty of Medicine, USTC.



Regards and congratulations

We, all the teachers, students, officers & staffs of ZIIBA, USTC, would like to convey our heartfelt felicitation to National Professor Dr. N. Islam, our Honorable Founder Vice - Chancellor, internationally reputed medical scientist & the visionary architect of USTC, on his greatest achievement of 'Director General's Award' of World Health Organization (WHO).

I firmly believe that this is a true recognition for his lifetime contributions towards the expansion of medical & general education, development of health care facilities, anti-tobacco movement, medicine policy formulation, humanity & the civilization.

May this pride & achievement further inspire him in his never-ending services to the people, country & the Almighty.

I pray to Allah for his long active life & sound health.

Professor Dr. Mohammed Solaiman

Dean & Project Director

Zia International Institute of Business Administration (ZIIBA)

University of Science & Technology Chittagong (USTC)



A Felicitation

I feel myself privileged to get an opportunity to write a few lines about National Professor Dr. Nurul Islam on the occasion of a reception given to him for getting WHO Director General's Special Award 2005 for Anti Tobacco Campaign. He is the Founder President of ADHUNIK (National Anti Tobacco Organization). It is very difficult to write in a short space about such a distinguished person who is eminent as a Physician, Medical Scientist and a successful Administrator of Medical Educational Institutions and finally as the Founder Vice Chancellor of the University of Science and Technology Chittagong.

National Professor Dr. N. Islam was born in Chittagong in 1928. He obtained MBBS degree from Calcutta Medical college in 1951 and MRCP from U.K in 1956. He obtained many other foreign degrees and awards from home and abroad details of which has been given in this book-let. It is not possible to mention all his academic and professional achievements within this short message. But in short he has his brilliant academic & professional career. Throughout his academic career he has been a scholar with rear distinction. I first met him as a patient when he was a young MRCP physician practicing some where near Mitford Medical College, Dhaka. I was sent to him by my elder brother who was his class friend in Calcutta Medical College. Then I met him in London when he was a prestigious Nuffield Fellow and I was a Post Graduate student of Nuclear Engineering at the Imperial College of Science and Technology, London.

After a long gap I met him during 2nd convocation of USTC in March 2002, where I was present as a guest. I joined here as a Professor and Dean Faculty of Science, Engineering and Technology in June, 2002. The Computer Science and Engineering Department is under this Faculty. Since I joined here I find him very much interested to develop this department. Due to his active interest this department has two computer laboratories with Broad Band Internet service and also there are several other laboratories such as Electrical & Electronic circuit lab, Electrical Drive & Instrumentation Lab, Logical Circuit lab, Microprocessor Lab, digital system lab etc.

Finally I congratulate him for getting extension as a Vice Chancellor of USTC for the 3rd term by the Honourable President of People's Republic of Bangladesh.

I wish him good health and long life.

Dr. M. Mahdiuz Zaman

Professor and Dean
Faculty of Science, Engineering and Technology
USTC



Humble Perceptions

The great men are the inexhaustible mines of jewels without incrustation while they dispel the bleakness and gathering gloom of ignorance from the brow of humanity. What is their achievement is the history of a nation; the commendation of their contribution is a glory for their brethren; they are like the wide expanse of the sky gemmed with stars; their mammoth ideals are the aroma and life blood for their people. National Professor Dr. Nurul Islam, the Founder Vice Chancellor of USTC, is a man of this category naturally distinguished with an astounding stamp, who lives not a burden to the earth but a veritable ornament of this planet, turning himself into a distinct beacon to the posterity and leading human civilization to a new horizon of glorious sunrise.

I, on behalf of my colleagues and the students of the Department of English Language and Literature, delightfully and wholeheartedly congratulate this great luminary of the country on his achievement of WHO Director General's Special Award-2005 which is a breakthrough for the people not only of Bangladesh but also the developing countries of the world as a whole. Dr. N. Islam's undaunting leadership in the arena of anti-tobacco campaign and groundwork for enactment of tobacco control legislation laudably speak volumes of his unalloyed humanitarianism and unfaltering dedication to its cause. I would fail in my duty and show total ungratefulness if I do not mention here the bold launching of the Department English Language and Literature by our most worthy National Professor and Founder Vice Chancellor, which bears a breathing testimony to his bright vision assisting the development of suitable manpower in the country at present and for the future adding a more comprehensive dimension to this illustrious seat of learning.

Dr. N. Islam's profound love for his parents, patriotism, adherence to punctuality, discipline, zeal for writing and discovering new vistas of knowledge, unwavering courage, unique diligence, dedication to the expansion of education, inborn knack for constructive work and service to people, deep love for poetry and literature, attachment to the constant cultivation of excellence, unconditional surrender to God, grateful love for those who love him most and are dutiful, his wide range of global association and far sight - all these, I presume, have attracted people with an inevitable magnetic charisma. I fervently pray to the Almighty, the Universal and the Absolute, to grant this legendary personality a long span of healthy and uniformly active life so that he can dedicate every breath of his life to the welfare of mankind and bring more feathers to his cap along with covetable plaudits for the country.

Professor Ranjit K. Chakraborty

Chairman

Department of English Language and Literature

Faculty of Social Science and Humanities

University of Science and Technology Chittagong



Regards and congratulations

Its an immense pleasure for me to know that Founder Vice Chancellor of USTC, National Professor (Dr) N.Islam has been specially awarded by Director General of World Health Organization (WHO) for his outstanding contribution to campaign against Tobacco. All the Teachers, Students, Officers and Staffs of the Department of Pharmacy, USTC feel proud of his great honour from Director General of World Health Organization (WHO). We pray to the Almighty for his long, peaceful and healthy life so that he can devote his merit to mankind.

Wishing him a very happy life.

Professor M. Mohi Uddin Chowdhury

Chairman

Department of Pharmacy

University of Science & Technology Chittagong (USTC)



Message of Profound Respect & Goodwill

It is really a matter of great pleasure and satisfaction for me to learn that most honourable National Professor Dr. Nurul Islam, Founder Vice-Chancellor, USTC, has been awarded the highly prestigious WHO Director General's Special Award 2005 in warm recognition of his effective and meritorious services in the field of humanitarianism through ADHUNIK, an organization for vigorous anti-tobacco campaign which is dedicated to the generating of anti-tobacco awareness leading to tobacco control legislation in the country.

National Professor Dr. N. Islam is the dreamer and founder of U.S.T.C which has become the nursery of higher education and international fraternity. He is the Founder of Bangabandhu Memorial Hospital with 250 beds rendering medical services to people at a nominal cost. This is a gigantic step in the private sector to reach quality medical services to the people of this region at large. I would appreciate and admire whole-heartedly all the people oriented activities that Dr. N. Islam has initiated quite selflessly.

I am amazed with respect and wonder to observe National Professor Dr. N. Islam's ceaseless and untiring activities, love for the people and uncompromising adherence to principle. Undoubtedly, he is an image to be followed by our present and future generations.

In fine, I pray to the Almighty, the Beneficent and the Merciful to grant this great personality, the pride of the country a long span of peaceful and happy life and everything that is best. Amin.

Col. (Rt.) Iskander Hussain
Director (Administration)
BBMH, USTC



Goodwill Message

This gives me immense pleasure to speak a few words on the occasion of publication of the - Souvenir commemorating 'WHO Director General's Award being given to the living legend, pride of Bangladesh National Professor (Dr.) Nurul Islam, the Founder Vice-Chancellor of USTC, and on his re-appointment as VC for the' Third term by his Excellency President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Professor Dr. Iajuuddin Ahmed. I believe, man makes age, nor age makes man - National Professor (Dr.) N. Islam has made age by establishing USTC, BBMH at Chittagong, Post-graduation Medicine & Research Centre at Dhaka and above all, his contribution in the field of Medical Science as a renowned Physician and outstanding teacher. Through his deeds he will be living in the heart of the people of Bangladesh and be ever remembered by the knowledge-seekers, true patriots, education and social reformers of the country. The future Generation, I am sure, will certainly follow his footprints to reach their goals. International recognition through WHO D.G's Award marks his achievements in the sector of medical Science and anti-tobacco movement in a poverty-stricken country like Bangladesh.

We are proud of and happy about his being rewarded the Award of WHO D.G. and his re-appointment as VC of USTC for the third term.

I pray to Allah the Almighty for his long life, peace and sound health at the same time, wish the Journey Of USTC be smooth and undisturbed in the days to come.
May Allah bless us all.

Allah Hafez

Md. Rashidul Islam
Director (Academic Affairs)
USTC



Congratulation

I feel much pleasure that USTC has arranged this Reception Ceremony for the man behind tobacco control in Bangladesh for his achieving the WHO Director General's Special Award. National Professor (Dr.) Nurul Islam is the pioneer of anti-tobacco movement in the country. He is the Founder President of ADHUNIK. He is the initiator of CAT (Coalition Against Tobacco). He is the initiator of Tobacco News, a monthly publication of ADHUNIK and CAT. He wrote numerous anti-tobacco articles which had been published in national papers and international journals. He participated in almost all the international conferences on tobacco and presented papers.

His awareness-generating activities during long years against ill-effects of tobacco pushed him to the pinnacle of glory both in national and international arena. He had been awarded WHO Commemorative Certificate and Gold Medal twice in the past (1990 and 1992).

Now, last but not the least, the stature of this great man has been determined by the very name of his achievement -WHO Director General's Special Award- for which we all are proud of him and we boast of him.

I pray to God to allow him more time to add more to the cause of health and education.

Principal (Rtd.) Farid Uddin Ahmed

Registrar
USTC

Heart Felicitation

To

National Professor Dr. N. Islam, Founder Vice Chancellor, USTC and an internationally reputed medical scientist on his being the glorious recipient of WHO Director General Award 2005 for his dedicated and ceaselessly vigorous Anti tobacco campaign and contribution to tobacco control.

O, Lofty Personality!

To day on this auspicious occasion we, the teachers, doctors, students, officers and members of staff of all the categories of this widely reputed first and the biggest private University of Bangladesh, have earnestly assembled here to congratulate you on your receiving WHO Director General Award 2005, which in the latest addition to your long catalogue of national and international recognitions. We are really proud, highly fortunate & gratified to be able to accord you warm obeisance, greetings and felicitations from the inmost core of our heart though we know that all our efforts are not enough for your super excellent achievement.

O, ' Great Patron of Humanitarianism'

We wholeheartedly tender our eulogy and gratefulness for being able to serve and study in this illustrious seat of learning of which you are the unforgettable founder father. During your chequered career you set up many institutions and offered leadership to a lot of public welfare activities including the establishment of the organization styled as ADHUNIK and carrying on invigorated campaign against tobacco through the length and breadth of the country for more than two decades through rallies, anti tobacco publications motivating social, religious and political leaders to generate strong awareness about the fatal effect of active and passive smoking thus selflessly serving the cause of humanity. These activities have converted you into a spirited and ameliorated ideal to be followed by us and the younger generation at large. The World Health Organization, UNO has made a worthy choice and in honoring your grandself with WHO Director General's Award on World No Tobacco Day they have honoured the teeming millions of Bangladesh, nay, finally they have honoured themselves because they could not have made a better choice. But however, World Health Organization actually deserves our gratitude for their keen ability for identifying the actually deserving recipient.

O, Most Worthy Son of the Soil !

While conferring the World No Tobacco Day Award World Health Organization has unalloyedly extolled your multifarious efforts for addressing the tobacco hazard in this region of the globe in most highly memorable words of commendation in the 'citation' reflecting WHO Director General's unmixed acclamation for your sturdy tobacco free initiative that has brought laurels from the world community and brightened the image of our country in the comity of nations.

O Great Patron of Education savant of learning and hater of all divisions:

As the founder of the Institute of Post Graduate Medicine and Research you proved your patience and profound love for education and social service by confronting all adverse circumstances even from the high quarters and ultimately with an undaunting courage and high principles you could baffle and foil all conspiracies and now as the founder Vice Chancellor of University of Science and Technology Chittagong you are still carrying on pioneering services in the arena of medical education and general education attracting students from different corners of the globe irrespective of caste, colour, religion and nationalities, who have been co-existing here in fraternal bond and tolerance and thus converting this campus into a lovely platform for creative human endeavour under your mighty leadership.

O Celebrated teacher, Medical scientist and patriot!

You have been adored unceasingly by the people of all strata for your bright image as an altruistic physician, a medical scientist, an ideal and successful teacher, and a leading guardian of civilization. Your profound scholarship and reputation in the sphere of medicine, education and untiring social service have crossed the national boundary and touched the foreign shores. You are indeed , sir, a legendary figure who immensely inspiring all of us to follow the radiant Path of Knowledge with a patriotic zeal for cultivating excellence acceleratngly for being more and more useful to the nation. Your patriotism has urged you to work for no less than 18 hours a day and to teach us the lesson of patriotic services which have made you the focal point of national and global compliments and unambiguous recognition.

O Man of our Heart!

We greatly admire you for your unwavering courage, piety and unqualified dependability on God, unfathomable love for mother, profound respect for father, unfailing punctuality, admirable attachment to discipline, heart penetrating love for students, people-oriented attitude and an inner current of tenderness and affection inside your apparently tough surface. Whoever has come in close contact with your magnanimous self will easily perceive the underlying truth in the core of this statement.

Only a profusion of applause is not sufficient for your emulating performances. We fervently pray to the Almighty, the Merciful and the Beneficent, to give a long lease of ever active life, indomitable inner strength and an unwaning creativity so that you can render further ceaseless services to the nation and the people by warding off all obstacles that may lie on the way. Amen.

Students, Teachers, Doctors, Officers & Staff Members of USTC

বাংলাদেশে ধূমপান বিরোধী আন্দোলনে বিশ্বস্বাস্থ্য সংস্থা কর্তৃক ধূমপান নিয়ন্ত্রন এবং স্বাস্থ্য ক্ষেত্রে উল্লেখযোগ্য অবদানের স্বীকৃতিস্বরূপ ডাইরেক্টর জেনারেল'স বিশেষ পদকে ভূষিত হওয়ায় ইউএসটিসির প্রতিষ্ঠাতা উপাচার্য, আন্তর্জাতিক খ্যাতিসম্পন্ন চিকিৎসা বিজ্ঞানী, দেশের গর্ব ও বরেন্য ব্যক্তিত্ব জাতীয় অধ্যাপক ডা: নুরুল ইসলামকে প্রাণঢালা অভিনন্দন

হে দেশের সমুজ্জ্বল সম্পদ

আজ এক পরম নন্দিত স্মরণীয় শুভলগ্নে আপনার এ বহুল পরিচিত ও দেশ বিদেশে খ্যাত বাংলাদেশের সর্বপ্রথম এবং সর্ববৃহৎ বেসরকারী বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের সকল শিক্ষক, চিকিৎসক, ছাত্রছাত্রী, সর্বস্তরের কর্মকর্তা ও কর্মচারী আজ সবাই আপনাকে বিশ্বস্বাস্থ্য সংস্থা কর্তৃক ডাইরেক্টর জেনারেল'স বিশেষ সম্মানে ভূষিত হওয়ায় আন্তরিক, উষ্ণ অভিনন্দন জানাবার জন্য সমবেত হয়েছি এবং সাথে সাথে নিজেদের সবিশেষ গৌরবান্বিত ও কৃতার্থ মনে করছি। আপনি আমাদের এই প্রাণঢালা অভিনন্দন গ্রহন করে আমাদের ধন্যাতিধন্য করুন।

হে মহান সমাজসেবী ও মানবপ্রেমী

সব সময় সমাজসম্পৃক্ত থেকে দেশের মানুষের সেবার জন্য ও আন্তর্জাতিক কল্যাণের নিমিত্তে আপনি কাজ করে গেছেন। আমরা জানি কর্মই আপনার ধর্ম। মানবকল্যাণে একাত্মচিত্ত হয়ে ধূমপান বিরোধী সংগঠন 'আধুনিক' এর প্রতিষ্ঠা করেছিলেন। 'ধূমপানে বিষপান' এই শ্লোগান, র্যালি, সেমিনার, ধূমপান বিরোধী প্রকাশনা, সামাজিক ও ধর্মীয় নেতা এবং রাজনৈতিক নেতৃবৃন্দসহ দেশের সর্বস্তরের মানুষের সাথে যোগাযোগের মাধ্যমে দেশে ধূমপান বিরোধী এক জোরালো সচেতনতা সৃষ্টি করতে সক্ষম হয়েছেন, যার ফলে মানুষ ধূমপানের কুফল সম্পর্কে আগের চাইতে অনেক সচেতন এবং সরকারও এ বিষয়ে আইন প্রণয়ন করতে উদ্বুদ্ধ। বিশ্বস্বাস্থ্য সংস্থা আপনার এই অবদানকে অকুণ্ঠ স্বীকৃতি দিয়েছে। আপনি বিশ্বস্বাস্থ্য সংস্থার ডাইরেক্টর জেনারেল'স বিশেষ পদক ২০০৫ এ ভূষিত হয়েছেন, যা আমাদের দেশ ও জাতির জন্য নিরঙ্কুশ গৌরব বয়ে এনেছে।

হে স্বনামধন্য চিকিৎসক ও শিক্ষক

এ দেশের মানুষের কাছে একজন অতি আকাংখিত ও শ্রদ্ধেয় সুচিকিৎসকরূপে আপনি ব্যাপক পরিচিত, প্রশংসিত ও সম্মানিত। ছাত্র-ছাত্রীদের কাছে আপনি একজন আদর্শবান ও সফল শিক্ষক। চিকিৎসা ও শিক্ষার ক্ষেত্রে আপনার যশ ও পাণ্ডিত্য স্বদেশের সীমা অতিক্রম করে সারা বিশ্বে পরিব্যাপ্ত হয়েছে। আপনি একজন কিংবদন্তী মহাপুরুষ। আপনি অশেষ সৌভাগ্যবান ও সমস্ত ভেদাভেদবুদ্ধির উর্দ্ধেস্থিত এক মহান অনুকরণীয় ব্যক্তিত্ব। আপনি মাতৃভূমিকে করেছেন উৎফুল্ল ও গর্বিত।

হে মহান কর্মবীর

আপনি আপনার কর্মময় জীবনে অনেক প্রতিষ্ঠান স্থাপন, পরিচালনা ও বহুবিধ জনহিতকর কাজে সুযোগ্য নেতৃত্ব দিয়ে এক স্বর্ণাঢ্য ইতিহাস ও আদর্শ সৃষ্টি করেছেন। কাংখিত যোগ্যতার নিরিখে

মহামান্য রাষ্ট্রপতি আবারও ৪ (চার) বৎসরের জন্য এই বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের উপাচার্যরূপে আপনাকে নিয়োগ দান করেছেন। এজন্যও আপনাকে জানাই প্রাণঢালা অকৃত্রিম অভিনন্দন। চিকিৎসা ক্ষেত্রে পোস্ট গ্রেজুয়েট শিক্ষা প্রতিষ্ঠান, বর্তমানে বঙ্গবন্ধু শেখ মুজিব মেডিকেল বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় এবং বিজ্ঞান ও প্রযুক্তি বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় চট্টগ্রাম (ইউএসটিসি) আপনার অক্ষয় কীর্তির স্বাক্ষর বহন করে চারিদিকে অনিবার্য জ্ঞানের আলো ছড়িয়ে দিচ্ছে। এখানে আপনার শিক্ষানুরাগ ও কর্মানুরাগ হাতে হাত মিলিয়ে কাজ করেছে। পৃথিবীর যেখানেই গেছেন আপনার কৃতিত্ব এবং মানকল্যাণে প্রসারিত অবদান স্বদেশের মুখ উজ্জ্বল করেছে।

আপনার অতুলনীয় মাতৃভক্তি, পিতৃভক্তি, ধর্মানুরাগ, খোদার উপর নিঃশর্ত নির্ভরতা, নিয়মানুবর্তিতা ও সময়ানুগতিতার প্রতি গভীর নিষ্ঠা ও অনুরাগ অদম্য সৃজনশীলতা আমাদের মুগ্ধ করেছে। আপনার সংস্পর্শে গেলে আপনার ভেতরকার কোমল মানুষটিকে আরো অন্তর দিয়ে অনুভব করা যায়।

পরিশেষে মহান আল্লাতায়ালার নিকট আমাদের কামনা, তিনি আপনাকে দীর্ঘজীবী, নিরাময় ও উত্তরোত্তর কর্মবহুল জীবন দান করুন।

আমিন, এয়া রাব্বুল আলামীন।

নিবেদক-

শ্রদ্ধাবানত ও আপনার একান্ত গুণমুগ্ধ

শিক্ষক, চিকিৎসক, ছাত্র-ছাত্রী, কর্মকর্তা ও কর্মচারীবৃন্দ
ইউএসটিসি

ধূমপানে বিষপান

... জাতীয় অধ্যাপক ডা. নুরুল ইসলাম

ওগো ধূমপান-
আজ তুমি এনে দিলে
বিরল সম্মান ।
সু-বিচারে তুমি নও
তবু মহীয়ান
লক্ষ-কোটি জীবনের
করে অবসান ।

ধূমপানে বিষপান
জানে সর্বজন
এই বিষ পান করিলে
নিশ্চিত মরণ ।
মানবসমাজ তাই ক্ষুদ্র
এই বিষপানে
সকলে শান্তি চায়
এর অবসানে ।

আজকের এই শুভ দিনে
এ শুভেচ্ছা রয়
তামাক মুক্ত বিশ্ব যেন
বিপদ মুক্ত হয় ।
আয় ছেলেরা আয় মেয়েরা
আমরা সবাই ভাই ।
তামাক মুক্ত বিশ্ব যেন
আমরা দেখতে পাই ।

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দৈনিক জনতা

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হু মহাপরিচালকের বিশেষ পদক পেলেন ডাঃ নূরুল ইসলাম

স্বাস্থ্য প্রতিষ্ঠানের হু ধূমপান বিরোধী আন্দোলনে গুরুত্বপূর্ণ অবদান রাখার জন্য এ বছর জাতির অধ্যাপক ও ধূমপান বিরোধী সংগঠন আধুনিকের প্রতিষ্ঠাতা সভাপতি ডাঃ নূরুল ইসলাম বিশ্ব স্বাস্থ্য সংস্থা হু মহাপরিচালকের বিশেষ পদক পেলেন।
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১৯৮৭ সালে দেশের প্রথম ধূমপান বিরোধী সংগঠন আধুনিক (আমরা ধূমপান নিষেধ করি) প্রতিষ্ঠা করেন ডাঃ ইসলাম। সে থেকে ধূমপান বিরোধী আন্দোলনে দেশে ও বিদেশে তিনি গুরুত্বপূর্ণ ভূমিকা রাখেন। বাংলাদেশে তামাক বিরোধী আন্দোলনের তিনি বিভিন্ন সময়ে সরাসরতে ধূমপান নিয়ন্ত্রণ আইন প্রণয়নের রঙেও দাবি জানিয়ে আসছিলেন। সম্প্রতি দেশে ধূমপান নিয়ন্ত্রণ আইন প্রণীত হয়েছে।

উল্লেখ্য, মহাপরিচালকের বিশেষ পদক প্রাপ্তির অপরজন হলেন আফ্রিকার স্বাস্থ্যমন্ত্রী ড. গিলেস বনজাঙ্গেন প্যারিসে।

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Prof Nurul Islam gets WHO award

Each year, on the occasion of World No Tobacco Day a number of eminent people working in the field of tobacco control are given public recognition by the World Health Organisation. This year, one of two special awards accorded by the WHO Director-General is to an activist from the South-East Asia Region, says a press release on Saturday. The Director General's special award goes to Professor Nurul Islam of Bangladesh who is a renowned physician of his country. He founded the first anti-tobacco organisation, called ADHUNIK (Awareness Development and Health Uniting Nations).

দৈনিক ইত্তেফাক

সোমবার, ২৩ জ্যৈষ্ঠ ১৪১২

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চিকিৎসক বাংলাদেশের জাতীয় অধ্যাপক ও তামাক বিরোধী সংগঠন আধুনিক-এর প্রতিষ্ঠাতা সভাপতি ডাঃ নূরুল ইসলাম এবং আর্জেন্টিনার স্বাস্থ্যমন্ত্রী ডাঃ গিনেস গার্সিগ্লাকে সর্বোচ্চ সম্মানে ভূষিত করা হয়েছে। এই সম্মাননা পুরস্কার প্রদানকালে ডাঃ নূরুল ইসলামের ভূমিকা সম্পর্কে কথা হয়— তিনি এবং তার প্রতিষ্ঠান বিশ্ব স্বাস্থ্য সংস্থার একসিটিসি কমিউনেশনের জন্য উল্লেখযোগ্য ভূমিকা রাখেন। —প্রেস বিজ্ঞপ্তি



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The second special award has gone to Dr Gines Gonzalez Garcia, Minister of Health, Argentina. Under Dr Gonzalez's leadership, Argentina has strengthened its tobacco control in the Ministry of

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