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Editorial Note

Leading University (LU), as the 1st Private University in Sylhet, is providing quality education in a congenial academic environment where inspired intellect, high morals and social responsibilities are focused. During the critical pandemic situation of Covid 19, LU continued its academic activities in compliance with directions and guidelines of University Grants Commission of Bangladesh. It is our great pleasure that we published the last two volumes of LU Newsletter in this pandemic period, and could bring out the 18th Volume in January 2022.

**Inauguration of
'Bangabandhu Chattar' at Leading University**



"Bangabandhu Chattar" was inaugurated at Leading University on 30 October 2021 by Founder and Chairman Board of Trustees, Leading University, Dr. Syed Ragib Ali in the presence of Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dr. Qazi Azizul Mowla.

During the inauguration ceremony, Dr. Ragib Ali said, "Bangabandhu Chattar' is being built to make Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, the Father of the Nation, memorable." He further said, "Being inspired by the spirit of our great War of Liberation, Bangabandhu envisaged a Golden Bengal and the dream is gradually coming true under the leadership of his apt daughter Honourable Prime Minister, and the country is progressing with indomitable pace.

Professor Dr. Qazi Azizul Mowla said, "The main reason behind this chattar is to present Bangabandhu as the strong torchbearer before the next generation. The students of Leading University will remember him as the great hero in their way of life, and that is the spirit in the background.

"Banbandhu Chattar" comprises the main gate of the University, Bangabandhu Mural, guardroom, flag stand and the flower garden.

Afterwards the name-plates of the two buildings of Leading University were inaugurated. The administrative building was named as 'Rabeya Khatun Bhaban' and the academic building as 'Ragib Ali Bhaban'.

In the inauguration ceremony among others, members, Board of Trustees Syed Abdul Hye, Syed Abdul Hannan, Secretary, Board of Trustees Major (Retd.) Shaikul Haque Chowdhury, Registrar of the University, Major (Retd.) Md. Shah Alam, Proctor Md. Rashedul Islam, Architect Rajon Das, faculties and officers of the university were present.

"Smart Village Studies" Course Launching Programme at Leading University



Leading University, the first private university in Sylhet, has launched 'Smart Village Studies' Course for the first time in Bangladesh as part of the Digital Bangladesh mission. On this occasion on Sunday (6 November 2021) at 11:00 a.m. in Gally-1, Leading University "Smart Village Studies" Course Launching Programme was held.

Honourable Vice-Chancellor of Leading University, Professor Dr. Qazi Azizul Mowla presided over the programme and as the Chief Guest the Founder and Chairman of Board of Trustees, Dr. Syed Ragib Ali was also present. Among others the former Chief Architect of Government of Bangladesh A.S.M. Aminur Rahman, members from the Board of Trustees Syed Abdul Hye and Mrs. Sadika Jannth Choudhury were present.

Dr. Ragib Ali as the Chief Guest in his speech said that along with the developmental work of Bangladesh every village of the country needs to be transformed into smart villages, and it will have a massive impact on the overall development of the country. To achieve that objective the launching of smart village studies course is a time-suited endeavor. He assured that he would be always offering his generosity in education, research work and all types of development work of the university.

Honourable Vice-Chancellor Professor Dr. Qazi Azizul Mowla mentioned that "Smart Village Studies" course at Leading

University has been launched as a GED course and said that through this course, students will be able to bring about changes in the country through direct collaboration with the villagers. He further added that the "Smart Village Studies" course will create the opportunity for consistent development from the concept of 'smart settlement' by using digital technology with limited resource and infrastructural inconsistency. Keeping this view in mind, it is necessary for Digital Bangladesh to set different expertizes to develop village and cities and extend co-operation and collaboration between different disciplines.

Architect A.S.M. Aminur Rahman, former Chief Architect, Government of Bangladesh expressed in his speech that he felt impressed with the infrastructural development of Leading University and said that the launching of this "Smart Village Studies" course at Leading University will have significant contribution towards the development of villages, towns and eventually the country as a whole. Adding further, he said that this sort of study at university level will help the policy makers to implement the village development plan taken by the government.

Syed Abdul Hye said that while reading this course here at Ragibnagar, Leading University, students will be able to make their contribution towards society in respect of Sustainable Development Goals (SGD). Mrs. Sadika Jannth Choudhury said that prior to

imagining a smart country, it is necessary to think of building up smart villages.

Professor Dr. Bashir Ahmed Bhuyian, Dean, Faculty of Business Administration, gave the welcome speech in the programme. He made a presentation on "Smart Village Studies" course at the second part of the programme.

Among other speakers, Professor Dr. Md. Maimul Ahsan Khan, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences and Student Advisor of Leading University, said, "if we think of global village we have to make our villages smart. This endeavor taken by Leading University at Ragibnagar can be deemed as a role model which will contribute greatly in the development of villages in Bangladesh."

Dr. Nazmul Siddiki, who is working in collaboration with different universities of Bangladesh, having virtually connected in the programme from Ulster University talked on how smart village and cities will help 'Centre for Smart Village and Smart City'. He said that there is no other alternative to making our children attracted towards villages.

Dr. Md. Rezaul Karim, Dean of Faculty of Arts and Modern Language, Leading University, did the anchoring and gave the vote of thanks. Heads and teachers of different departments of Leading University were also present in the programme.



Leading University celebrated its 21th Founding Anniversary on 4th March 2021. Danobir Dr. Syed Ragib Ali, Founder and Chairman of Board of Trustees were present in the event.

Memorandum of Understanding Signed Between LU and GCFIL

Leading University (LU), Sylhet (Bangladesh) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Global Center for Innovation and Learning (GCFIL), based in Maryland (USA), a private entrepreneur working in over a hundred countries for the innovations and developments in education. Under the umbrella MoU between LU-GCFIL, the main task that is envisioned is: 1. Faculty Development in Pedagogy and Professional Development in LU, 2. Capacity building in Research and Innovation, 3. Fundraising Capacity with the assistance of GCFIL, 4. Establishing footprint in the Global

Research and Accreditation facilitated by GCFIL, 5. Exchange and Sharing of Resources to fulfil the above collaboration. GCFIL's service charge will be from the fund raised from the 3rd party. It may be noted that, even before operationalizing the MoU, GCFIL had offered a Masters Certificate course in Action Research to LU faculty on concessional rates, which is ongoing. GCFIL is also assisting LU in procuring a grant of USD 500,000.00 (BDT45,000,000/-) from the USA government for heritage development endeavors in Sylhet.

A memorandum of Understanding signed between UGC and Leading University



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A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed with the University Grants Commission (UGC) of Bangladesh and Leading University to allow industry and academia to collaborate in various collaborative ways on the initiative of the Mujib100 Industry-Academy Collaboration Forum.

The MoU was signed by Prof. Dr. Mohammad Sarwar Morshed and

Professor Dr. Bashir Ahmed Bhuiyan on behalf of UGC and Leading University respectively at Bangabandhu International Conference Center on December 10, 2021.

Honorable State Minister for ICT Junaid Ahmed Palak, MP was present at the signing ceremony. He emphasized on enhancing mutual cooperation between universities and corporates.

This MoU will provide the opportunities in internships between industry and academia, industrial problem solving projects, mutual involvement in existing or new research and development projects to prepare industry ready graduates. CRISP, LU and LU as a whole will be benefited by this MoU.

ICOMOS membership offered to Prof. Dr. Qazi Azizul Mowla

An expert in Architectural and Heritage conservation, the International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS),

Paris has offered Prof. Dr. Qazi Azizul Mowla, Vice-Chancellor, Leading University, Sylhet their membership".

Leading University- Bangladesh and NDLI-India signed MoU for Resource sharing



MoU signed between NDLI and Leading University

Leading University -Bangladesh and NDLI-India signed MoU for Resource sharing. Leading University, Sylhet (Bangladesh) represented by its Chief Librarian and National Digital Library of India "NDLI" represented by the Indian institute of Technology (IIT) Kharagpur (WB-India) signed an MoU for mutual cooperation in education sector including sharing resources available in the NDLI portal by the staff and students of LU by registering them as users of the NDLI portal and enabling them to use the portal effectively and integrate the digital knowledge resources of LU in the NDLI portal for wider dissemination, free of cost besides promoting general cooperation between LU and NDLI in the areas of mutual interest. Dr. Md. Rasedul Azim, Chief Librarian, LU signed the document in presence of Vice-Chancellor, Leading University, Prof. Dr. Qazi Azizul Mowla and Mohammad Alamgir Hossain, Public Relation Officer-LU. Prof. Dr. Bashir Ahmed Bhuiyan (Advisor, CRISP) and Dr. M. Rezaul Karim (Director, IQAC-LU) signed the documents as the witness. Dean, SRIC, IIT Kharagpur and Chief, International Outreach and Communications Officer (NDLI-India) were digitally present in the simple signing ceremony from NDLI-India side in the simple signing ceremony from NDLI-India side

8th volume of the Journal of Business, Society and Science of Leading University



The 8th volume of the Journal of Business, Society and Science of Leading University was unfolded on 25 September 2021 by the Founder

and Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Leading University, Dr. Syed Ragib Ali, and Vice Chancellor Professor Dr. Qazi Azizul Mowla

100th Birthday Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's & National Children Day



Leading University celebrated Father of the Nation Bangabandhu

Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's 100th Birth Anniversary and National Children's Day on 17th March 2021 by showing respect to the Mural of Bangabandhu. A Drawing Competition also was held where students from different schools and colleges participated.

LU Established Centre for Research, Innovative Studies and Planning (CRISP)

LU established CRISP for the advancement of the knowledge and enhancement of the institutional research in the dimensions of basic, applied and commercial research that will foster the research initiatives by the faculty members and students to support the achievement of sustainable development goals and innovations in the local, regional, national and international perspectives. Two components of the CRISP are: Institutional Quality Assurance (IQAC) Cell and Research and Publications (RPC) cell. IQAC will actively contribute for quality enhancement of the university through teaching, learning, organizing trainings and other quality upgradation creativities by keeping consistency with the global standard of higher education in the multidisciplinary area. RPC will facilitate conducting all kinds of

quality research and publication of the research findings through journals, research monographs and books which will disseminate the research findings for upholding socio-economic development. Through RPC, LU expedites industry-academia collaboration in different dimensions locally and globally to attain developmental goals and exploring the opportunities for excellence of research in the science, technology, business, social science, arts and culture.

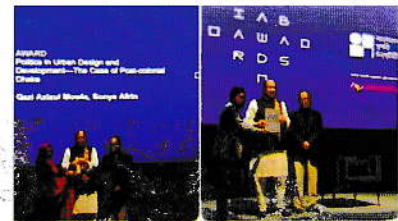
CRISP is headed by Professor Dr. Bashir Ahmed Bhuiyan as Advisor, Director and Additional Director of IQAC are Dr. Md. Rezaul Karim and Dr. Mohammad Shahansha Molla as well as Director and Assistant Director of RPC are Engr. Md. Aminul Haque and Ms. Laura Rocha.

IAB Award and Commendation

Prof. Dr. Qazi Azizul Mowla, Vice-Chancellor of Leading University (LU) was awarded IAB Research & Publication award 2020. This year's prestigious 'IAB Award' is awarded only in 'Research and Publication' category and the recipient is Prof. Dr. Mowla.

Ar. Rajon Das, Head, Dept. of Architecture, LU received the commendation in 'others' category for designing Sylhet Agriculture University Shaheed Minar.

Institute of Architects Bangladesh Award Cycle 2020 was held on 20 December 2021 with Ar. Yeafesh Osman, Honourable Minister of Science and Technology, Government of Bangladesh as the Chief Guest at the IAB Centre, Dhaka.



Receiving IAB Award and Commendation

Vaccination program of Covid-19 held at Leading University



Founder and Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Leading University, Dr. Syed Ragib Ali, and Vice Chancellor Professor Dr. Qazi Azizul Mowla visited Vaccination program of Covid-19 held at Leading University (16-18 October 2021). In this vaccination program around 1200 students were vaccinated pfizer covid 19 vaccine.

Workshop on Job Market Orientation and Career Preparation for the Graduates

Faculty of Business Administration (FBA) of LU organized a web conference on 9 June 2021 for recently passed graduates of the Department of Business Administration and Department of Tourism and Hospitality Management to provide career guidance to their graduates and acquaint them with the contemporary Job Market opportunities and challenges and determine strategies to promote them in the job market. In this conference Professor Dr. Md. Abu Taher, Honorable Member,

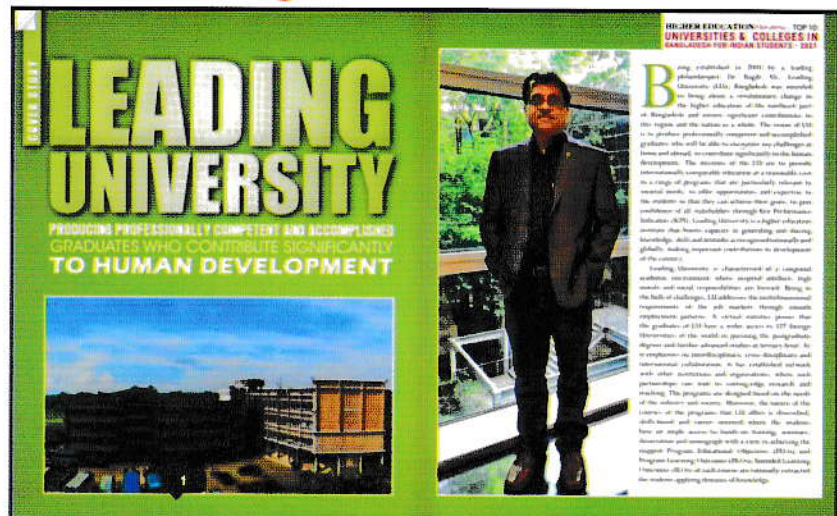
University Grants Commission (UGC) of Bangladesh was Chief Guest Chaired by Dr. Syed Danobir Ragib Ali, Guest of Honour Professor Dr. Qazi Azizul Mowla, Special Guests Banamali Bhowmick, Treasurer of LU and Syed Abdul Hye, Member, Board of Trustees, LU. In this conference Keynote papers were presented by Professor Dr. Md. Abu Taher of UGC, Abu Taher Md. Shoeb, President, Sylhet Chamber of Commerce and Industries and Md. Bulbul, former Managing Director of National Bank. The welcome speech was given by Professor Dr.

Bashir Ahmed Bhuiyan, Dean, Faculty of Business Administration and Advisor, Centre for Research, Innovative Studies and Planning (CRISP). In this seminar the speakers emphasized on developing the graduates with innovative and leadership skills, university-academia collaboration for excellence in education and research, providing quality education fitting the needs of the job market and technological adaptation with the services in banking, financial, non-financial, tourism and other growing sectors of job market.

LU short-listed by Higher Education Review Magazine

Leading University has been shortlisted by Higher Education Review Magazine as 10 Most Promising Universities and Colleges in Bangladesh for Indian Students in 2021.

Higher Education Review (HER) has been striving to meet the expectations of an Indian student's need for higher education by covering relevant topics in each issue. HER is keen to feature the Best colleges and Universities for Under Graduate (UG) and Post Graduate (PG) programs for 2021 where they published a list of the 10 Most Promising Universities and Colleges in Bangladesh for Indian Students in 2021, to assist millions of Indian admission aspirants to make the right choice. In this regards, HER has informed the Vice-Chancellor, LU that their editorial board has shortlisted



'Leading University, Sylhet' as among the "10 Most Promising Universities and Colleges in Bangladesh for Indian Students" based on the various parameters that include majors offered, the interest of Indian students, University

Leadership, the learning environment, research influence, affordability, financial aid, and scholarship, accommodations and other facilities. Leading University was honored by placing it in the coverage.



Vice Chancellor of Leading University Visited Prof. Dr. A. Chamanzar of Electrical & Computing Engineering, Carnegie Mellon University (CMU), Pennsylvania USA

Leading University Celebrated World Architecture Day

With the theme 'Clean Environment for a Healthy World' World Architecture Day was observed at Leading University. The program organized by the Department of Architecture on the occasion of Architecture Day on Monday (October 4, 2021) included Architectural Exhibition, Project Meeting, Discussion Meeting, Distribution of Crests and



Certificates among the best students of the year and Presentation of Architectural Papers..

Day Care Center at Leading University



Construction of Day Care Centre has been started at Leading University (LU) to support faculty members and officers of LU. With the continuous development of Leading University and aligned with the approved Master Plan. This Day Care Centre has been envisioned at Ragib Ali Bhavan (Ground floor), of the University. It is in response to a long felt demand of LU.

Three Minutes Thesis Competition



Three Minutes Thesis Competition organized by Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering and Leading University Electronics Club held on 23 November 2021 at LU. About 100 students from different public and private universities in Sylhet participated the event in 36 different groups.

Tech Storm-4



Leading University Computer Club has organized a three-day Tech Storm-4 on 28 November 2021. The Tech Storm-4 event featured ICT Quiz, Hackathon, Gaming Contest and Career Development Seminar..

A workshop on Income Tax

A workshop on Income Tax titled 'Procedures of Income Tax Assessment and Submission' was held on 22 November 2021. Teachers and officials of LU participated in the workshop. The workshop was organized by the Leading University Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC).

Champion Leading University Rover Scout Group at Divisional Level

Bangladesh Scouts, Rover Region - Leading University Rover Scout Group won the title of divisional champion in the debate competition organized on the occasion of Mujib100 on 16 October 2021. Md. Habibur Rahman was selected as the best speaker with the highest number in the competition. Note that on June 30, 2021, the team became the champion at the District level.

THM Viking Sports Tournament 2021



An inter-department sports tournament titled 'THM Viking Sports Tournament 2021' was inaugurated at Leading University play ground on 06 December 2021 by Founder and Chairman, Board of Trustees, LU Dr. Syed Ragib Ali.

Bangladesh Quiz Competition-2021



In the month of victory, 'Bangladesh Quiz Competition-2021 on the

Seminar on 'Globalization of Higher Education and University Achievements'



A seminar was held on 'Globalization of Higher Education and University Achievements' at LU.

LU students from different countries, including the United States of America, and Canada, participated in an online video conference at the seminar organized by the Department of Business Administration at Gallery 01 on 29 November 2021.

Hands-on Workshop on Industrial Automation using PLC & SCADA



Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering in collaboration with IEEE LU Student Branch and Electronic Club a two-day event such as 'Hands-on Workshop on Industrial Automation using PLC & SCADA' and on the second day (December 23, 2021) the third and fourth year students visited the "British Bangla Chemical Limited Power Plant".

EVENTS in PICTURES



14th Finance Committee meeting of LU



The Academic Council meeting of LU



The Syndicate meeting of LU



Celebration of Victory Day 2021



Shahid Buddijibi Dibash



CE Annual Sports Event 2021

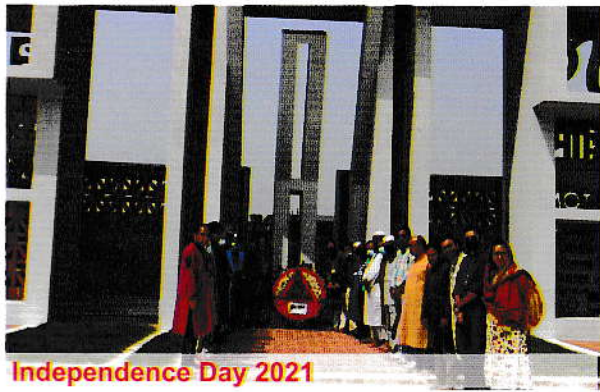


National Library Day 2021



Orientation Program of Fall 2021

EVENTS in PICTURES



Independence Day 2021



International Mother Language Day,2021



LU Board of Trustees meeting



56th Birthday of Sheikh Russell



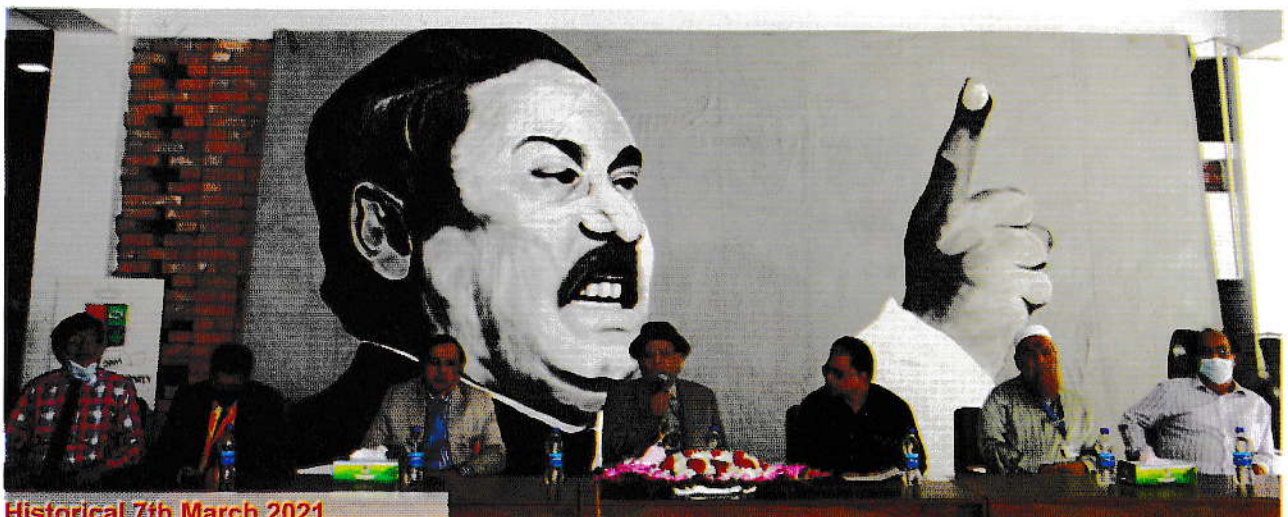
National Mourning Day,2021



World Environment Day 2021



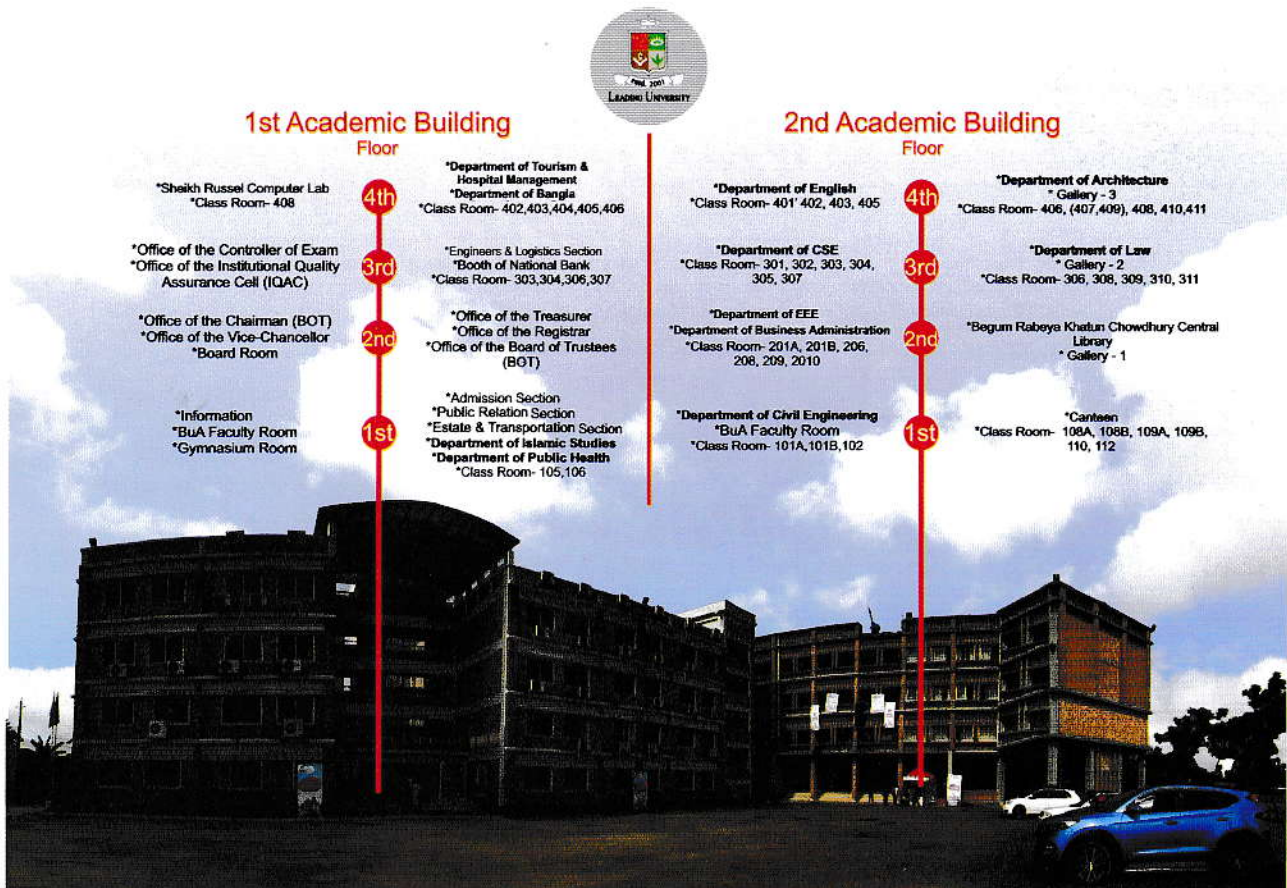
The prize giving ceremony
organized by Department of English



Historical 7th March 2021



Gateway to Leading University Academic Campus

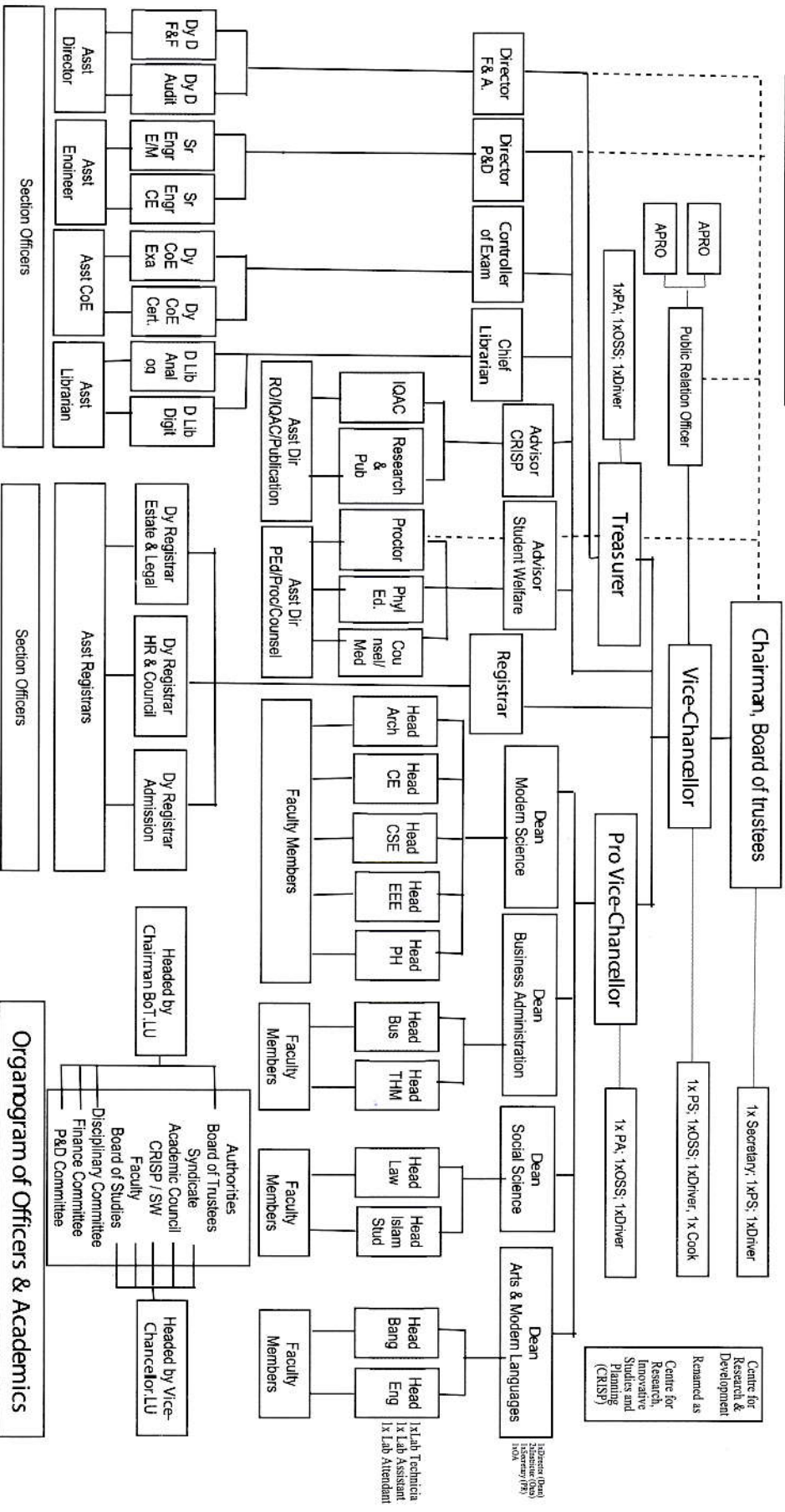


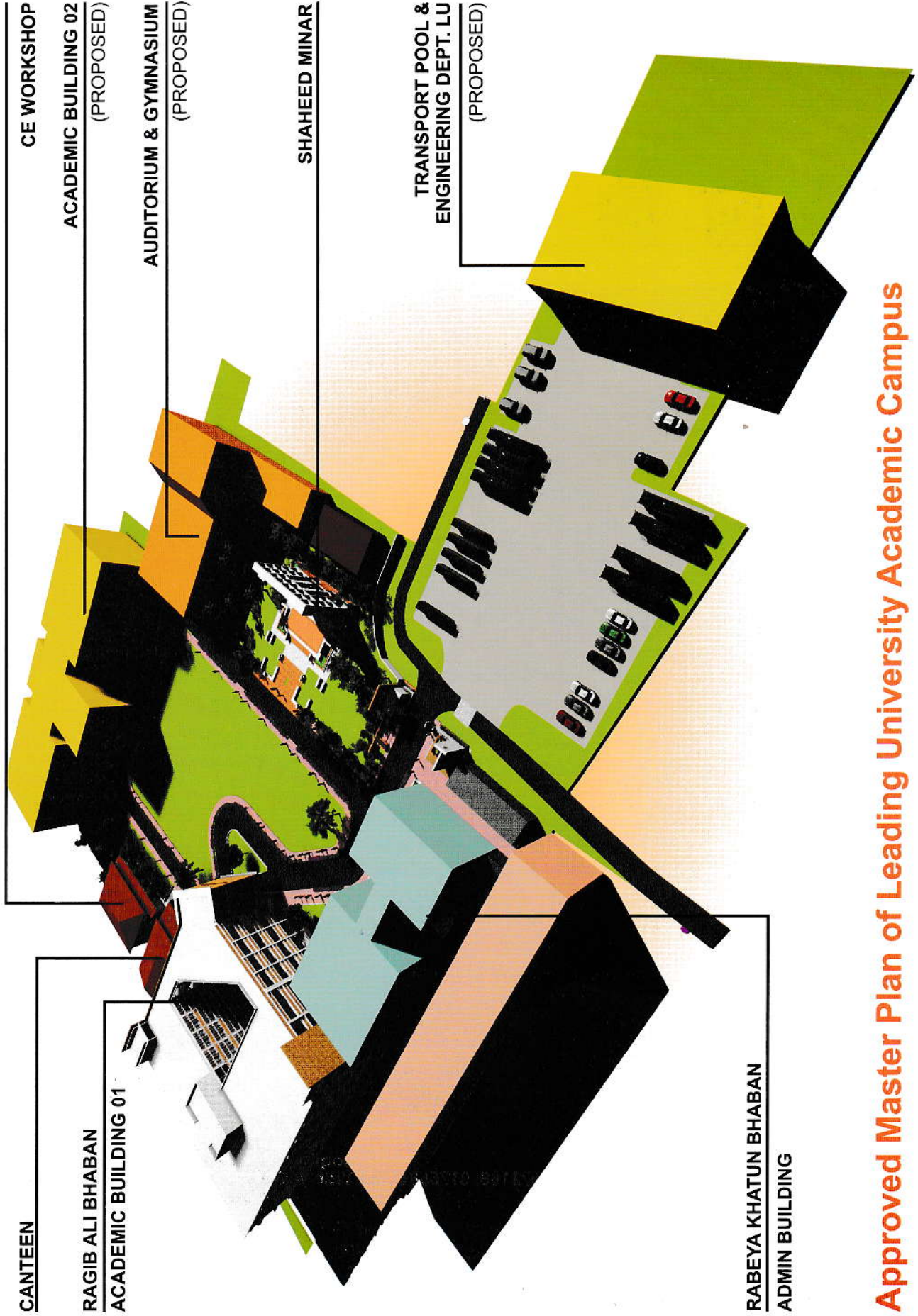


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Organizational Chart of Leading University

Founder, LU: Danbir Dr. Syed Ragib Ali





CANTEEN

RAGIB ALI BHABAN
ACADEMIC BUILDING 01

CE WORKSHOP

ACADEMIC BUILDING 02
(PROPOSED)

AUDITORIUM & GYMNASIUM
(PROPOSED)

SHAHEED MINAR

RABEYA KHATUN BHABAN
ADMIN BUILDING

TRANSPORT POOL &
ENGINEERING DEPT. LU
(PROPOSED)

Approved Master Plan of Leading University Academic Campus



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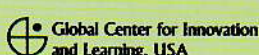
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