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IUB library marks national library day with ai talk, student activities

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The Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) library observed National Library Day 2026 on 5 February 2026, highlighting the role of libraries in access to knowledge, research literacy and responsible information use through speeches, a featured talk, student activities and recognition segments.

The event included a special talk titled "From search to discovery: how AI transforms research" by Ashraful Islam, director of the Center for Computational and Data Sciences (CCDS) at IUB. The talk focused on the use of artificial intelligence in research and information discovery.

A pop quiz competition was also held, coordinated by Md Mubassir Ahsan, assistant director (library information technology). Three winners received certificates and book vouchers. The day's activities began with a rally in the Bashundhara Residential Area, followed by reflections from the competition winners, organisers said.

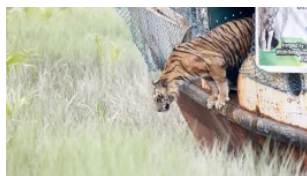
IUB Vice-Chancellor M Tamim said, "National Library Day raises awareness of libraries, and IUB has one of the most comprehensive library systems among private universities in Bangladesh. I encourage students to make full use of these resources."

IUB Pro Vice-Chancellor Daniel W Lund said libraries are "places where knowledge is freedom, the foundation of the future", reflecting on early experiences of using community libraries in Canada.

In his welcome address, IUB Librarian Md Shahajada Masud Anowarul Haque said National Library Day highlights that libraries are not merely places where books are stored, but spaces where ideas grow and curiosity is nurtured. He also said IUB is an official member of the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA).

The programme concluded with closing remarks by Deputy Librarian Khurshid Jahan, followed by a cake-cutting segment and lunch.

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TBS Report

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The University of Dhaka has postponed all internal examinations scheduled for tomorrow (13 July) due to adverse weather conditions.

The decision was announced in a press release issued by the Office of the Controller of Examinations tonight (12 July).

The university said revised schedules for the postponed examinations will be announced in due courses based on proposals from the respective departments and institutes.

However, examinations of affiliated and constituent colleges and institutes will be held as scheduled, the notice added.

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Students appear for the HSC examination. Photo: Rajib Dhar/TBS

The Higher Secondary Certificate (HSC) and equivalent examinations scheduled for July 13, 15 and 16 have been postponed under the Chattogram Education Board and the Bangladesh Madrasah Education Board and Bangladesh Technical Education Board in areas under its jurisdiction.

However, the examinations under all other general education boards, as well as the Madrasah and Technical Education Boards outside the Chattogram Board's jurisdiction, will be held as per scheduled.

The information was disclosed in a press release issued today by the Chairman of the Dhaka Secondary and Higher Secondary Education Board and President of the Inter-Education Board Coordination Committee, Professor Syed Akhtaruzzaman.

According to the release, HSC and equivalent examinations under the Dhaka, Rajshahi, Cumilla, Jashore, Sylhet, Barishal, Dinajpur and Mymensingh education boards, along with the Bangladesh Madrasah Education Board and the Bangladesh Technical Education Board, excluding districts under the Chattogram Education Board, will continue according to the previously announced schedule until further notice.

The release said that, as decided earlier, the HSC and equivalent examinations under the Chattogram Education Board, covering all districts under its jurisdiction, as well as Alim, HSC (BMT), HSC (Vocational) and Diploma in Commerce examinations conducted by the Bangladesh Madrasah Education Board and the Bangladesh Technical Education Board in those districts, will remain suspended on July 13, 15 and 16 respectively.

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