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A student of Independent University, Bangladesh receives an award in a public speaking contest on the occasion of 102nd birth anniversary of Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and Independence Day in Dhaka on Tuesday. — Press release

Independent University, Bangladesh hosted a discussion titled 'Bangabandhu and The Independence of Bangladesh' on Tuesday marking the 102nd birth anniversary of Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and Independence Day, said a press release.

IUB's School of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences organised the event in collaboration with the office of the pro-vice chancellor.

In his keynote speech, former central bank governor and currently Bangabandhu chair professor at Dhaka University's Department of History Atiur Rahman highlighted the relevance of Sheikh Mujib's aesthetic leadership in today's Bangladesh.

'Standing in the ruins of a recently emancipated country, Bangabandhu dreamed of a golden Bangla. The future generations should take from his ideals to visualise the development of our country,' said Atiur, who is also an honorary professor at the Department of Development Studies at Dhaka University.

In his chief guest's speech, Bangladesh University Grants Commission member Muhammad Alamgir said, 'Citizens of Bangladesh are a unique nation. Their thirst for independence was never quenched. At the same time, this could not have been achieved without a leader like Bangabandhu, who had the vision for an independent country, with self-identity.'

IUB vice-chancellor Tanweer Hasan said, 'We organise such events so that our students can analyse and look at our independence from an academic point of view, without bias. We want our students to gain exposure from imminent individuals who were directly responsible for building this country from scratch.'

IUB Board of Trustees member A Quaiyum Khan and pro-vice-chancellor Niaz Ahmed Khan also spoke at the programme. Dean of IUB's SLASS Taiabur Rahman presided over the discussion.

The discussions followed a prize giving ceremony of a public speaking contest. The theme of the contest was 'Father of the Nation' in which several

IUB students participated. The event concluded with musical and dance performances by IUB students.

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