

Bioethics course of NIH, USA conducted by BBS through Video Conference



Prof Nazrul Islam, Chairman, UGC, at a Month Long Bioethics Course, June 2010



Bioethics PhD & Master holders from BBS



Selina Hossain, Bengali writer, at Human Rights training programme September, 2011



Human Rights & Boiethics Training Course of BBS for Undergraduate Students



International Bioethics Seminar at National Heart Foundation in 2018



Research Methodology Training Course of BBS



Ethics Review Committee of BBS



# Bangladesh Bioethics Society





Education Minister, Nurul Islam Nahid, MP UNESCO Ethics Workshop in March 2009





Malama Meleisa Director, UNESCO Dhaka At UNESCO Ethics Workshop 2009

Darryl Macer, Regional Advisor, UNESCO, Bangkok at 1<sup>st</sup> International Conf Conference 2010





Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique, VC, DU at 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference, March 2010 at a Month Long Bioethics course, August 2010



Prof Dr Syed Modasser Ali, Health Advisor at Seminar of Bioethics, May 2011

Benazir Ahmed BPM (Bar), Commissioner,



Obaidul Quader, Minister of Communication Road Safety Programme, June 2013



Hasanul Haq Inu, Minister of Information at Award Ceremony, June 2014

# **Over View**

Under auspices of Regional Unit for Social and Human Science in Asia and the Pacific (RUSHSAP), UNESCO, Bangkok and UNESCO Dhaka, Bangladesh Bioethics Society (BBS) was founded in 2009. Due to gradual development of science and technology, citizens of Bangladesh are stepping forward with many positive hopes and dreams. The country is rapidly turning from the agro-based rural society to urban society. Due to lack of proper education along with these developments, people are somewhat confused about what is wrong and what is right. Moreover, for the advancement of sciences and technology people are facing dilemma for ethical issues arising from medicine, biotechnology, environment and social life as a whole. In consideration of these, the country demands an urgent need for implementation of bioethics principles for social development. Therefore, BBS was established with the initiative of Prof. Shamima P Lasker and Dr Arif Hossain launched by HE Nurul Islam Nahid. Minister for Education and Primary & Mass Education. People Republic of Bangladesh to create awareness, promote knowledge and skills of bioethics in personal and social life, and encourage teaching and research in bioethics.

BBS is a non profit, non political, multi-disciplinary and voluntary organization. It is the first and only Society in bioethics in Bangladesh.

## Vision

Moral upbringing of citizens for sustainable development of Bangladesh.

# **Mission**

To bring community people to think rationally about the critical issues and balance the risks & benefits in their choices and decisions for peace, human rights, tolerance and democratic governance.

# Goals

Ethically enlightened citizen in all strata of society regardless to poorrich, cast and creed.

# **Objectives**

- 1. uphold the value of free, open and reasoned discussion of issues in bioethics;
- 2. disseminate the ideas and results of bioethics research through popular lectures, public awareness programme and publications;
- 3. teach bioethics in Bangladesh at all level;
- 4. promote and organize lectures, seminars, workshops and national & international conferences in bioethics;
- 5. establish network with regional and global organization of bioethics
- 6. facilitate the government policy in bioethics.

## Journal

Bangladesh Journal of Bioethics (BJB) is an official journal of Bangladesh Bioethics Society. Journal published quarterly. BJB promotes multi-cultural and multi-disciplinary study in the field of ethics in medicine, science, social science, law, education and policy studies.

Journal is indexed by NCBI, USA Bangljol of INASP, UK; DOAJ; Islamic

World Scientific Citation, ISC, Iran; Index Medicus for South-East Asia Region IMSEAR, WHO and Drij. It is regularly published by Hinary, Geneva Foundation for Medical Education and Research (WHO/OMS), Global ethics.net, Georgetown University Law Library, World Medical Journal Editors (WAME), UDL thesis & Bangljol

# Affiliations

- UNESCO Asia-Pacific School of Ethics
- Global Ethics Observatory (GEObs), Paris
- Bioethics Research Library at Georgetown University, a part of the Kennedy Institute of Ethics, USA.
- International Society of Bioethics (SIBI), Spain.
- Global ethics.net

# **Collaborators of BBS**

## Government of Bangladesh:

- University Grants Commission, Bangladesh
- National Commission for UNESCO (BNCU), Ministry of Education
- Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
- National Heart Foundation Hospital & Research Institute
- National Institute of Cardiovascular Disease (NICVD)
- Social Science Research Council, Ministry of Planning
- National Academy for Education Management (NAEM), Ministry of Education
- Department of Epidemiology, NIPSOM, Mohakhali, Dhaka
- Bangladesh Police (Highway Range)
- Bangladesh Road Transport Corporation (BRTC)
- Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics
- Press Institute of Bangladesh

## Foreign Organizations:

- UNESCO Dhaka
- Regional Unit of Social and Human Science in Asia and the pacific (RUSHSAP), UNESCO Bangkok, Thailand
- National Institute of Health (NIH), USA
- American University of Sovereign Nations (AUSN)

## **Activities**

- MOU with American University of the Sovereign Nations, USA to send Members of BBS for Master's of Bioethics & Global Public Health (MBGPH) and Master's of Public Health (MPH) with scholarship.
- Collaboration with NHI, USA for 3 months course on Ethical and Regulatory Aspects of Clinical Research.
- Short Course on Research with Human.
- Send Members regularly in different international conferences abroad from 2009 to develop human resource e.g. USA, Thailand, China,

Singapore, Iran. Nepal, Taiwan, Japan, Philippines, Turkey, India etc.

- Organize courses/seminars/workshops to familiarize the idea of bioethics & Research Methodology
- Encourage research on bioethics issues in Bangladesh since 2009.
- Youth Leadership Training Workshop for undergraduate Students to uphold Human Rights.
- Art/Picture Competition on Bioethics for undergraduate & Post graduate students.
- Involvement in government policy e.g. Education Policy.
- Road Safety Programme.
- Ethics Review Committee.

# Membership

### **Membership Benefits:**

- Leadership Opportunities: Hold position in Executive committee / Subcommittee of BBS.
- Voting right: Right to vote in BBS election.
- Be listed in and access online BBS Members directory.
- Networking: Access to attend bioethical meetings/ conferences/ seminars/workshops in county and abroad.
- Access to attend in research / training in bioethics.
- Access to attend Annual General Meeting
- Free Journal Subscription.
- Receive the Societies Newsletters and society's activities news.

#### **Membership Fees:**

Life Member: TK 5,000General Member: Tk 500 per yearStudent Member: Tk 300 per yearInternational Life Member: US\$ 100International General Member : US\$ 10

**Subscription option:** Membership fees are payable at any time in the year by cash to Treasurer of BBS or by TT at

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