

NATIONAL budget for FY 2008-09 was presented on June 09, 2008 that identified mainly three major objectives - macroeconomic stability, accelerating GDP growth and poverty reduction along with eight priority areas. 'Development of Communication Network including ICT' has also been mentioned as one of the eight priority areas in the budget.

In the budget, duty on computer accessories has been reduced and tax holiday facility has been extended to ICT related activities like computer software development, data processing, data entry and call centres. Government has also provided an allocation of Tk.100 crore under Enterprise Equity Fund for ICT related projects. However, it is commonly felt that tax holiday needs to be extended to other IT enabled services as graphics, web based services, animation etc.

Government decision to introduce E-citizen services and Integrated Budgeting and Accounting System (iBAS) were thought to be good initiatives. It is further hoped that implementation of iBAS would help government to ensure better transparency, however the success of E-citizen will depend upon ensuring wide spread internet facility.

Allocation for ICT sector under ADP is Tk.1084 crore for different projects under the current budget. However, the status of implementation indicates very poor performance of various projects during July-December 2007. The appropriate use of the allocated fund is a crucial need for the development of the sector. The implementation issue will remain a key challenge to the government in the FY2008-09.

Gunijan goes to School Children

Gunijan programme organised three school events during the period from April to June, 2008. These events were held in Shila Roy Chowdhury High School, Jessore and Babrijhar Dimukhi High School, Nilfamari with collaboration of Pallitathya Kendro and the Children's Fair Kindergarten School, Jurain, Dhaka jointly with Shopnodut Khelaghor Ashor. The main objective of the *Gunijan* programme is to inspire young generation through knowledge about our *Gunijans* for creative pursuit and national building.

All students of the selected schools gathered at these events with an objective to learn and acquire knowledge about the '*Gunijans*' who serve the country for peace, humanity and social justice with their creativity and talent. The moderators displayed the *Gunijan* homepage, different sections of the website, profiles and photos of the *gunijans*. The CD 'Mohima Tobo Udvashito' turned out to be very popular and liked by the children. The moderators further read and spoke in detail about the profiles of eminent educationist Muhammad Zafar Iqbal, anti-colonial movement heroine Ila Mitra, language movement hero Abdul Matin, social movement path-breaker Anjela Gomez, poet Shamsur Rahman and such famous personalities. The students immensely enjoyed the various presentations as well as the bird songs from the collection of Ronald Haldar, one of our *Gunijans*.

The events were concluded with quiz competitions where children were asked questions from the biography of the *Gunijans*. The first three competitors with the consecutive highest numbers were awarded with the book 'Esho Computer Shikhi', an easy computer learning book, created by D.Net.

Teachers, guardians and other guests were present at the programmes and everybody enjoyed and benefited from the events.

It is to be mentioned that "*Gunijan*" is a voluntary programme of D.Net run by financial contributions from individuals and national citizens. If you would like to donate for running this programme, please visit our website www.gunijan.org.bd or send email to info@gunijan.org.bd or call: +88 02 913 14 24/ext. 146.



Emerging Research Partnership for a Multi-country Study

D.Net has joined an international research collaboration initiated by International Development Research Centre (IDRC) of Canada and Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. The planned multi-year research project is titled 'Investigating the Social and Economic Impact of Public Access to Information and Communication Technologies'. The project is managed by telecentre.org in partnership with the Center for Information & Society at the University of Washington Information School.

Over the last decade governments, international development agencies, foundations, and corporations have made significant investments to increase public access to information and communication technologies (ICT), particularly in the developing countries. As these investments continue to grow, questions are being raised about their social and economic impacts. Particularly: What are the observable social and economic impacts of public access to ICT? What is the magnitude of these benefits and how can we measure them? What is the relationship between costs and benefits of providing public access to ICT?

The project plans to answer these questions using longitudinal and comparative research approaches. It will examine the impact of a range of shared, public access to ICT models, such as libraries and telecentres, as well as other models and innovations that will emerge over the next five years. The research will examine both positive and negative impacts on the well-being of the population in areas of employment and income, education, civic engagement, democracy and governmental transparency, culture and language preservation, health and other factors that are identified as a priority.

Bangladesh has been selected as one of the pilot countries for designing the research. Other two pilot countries are Chile and Lithuania. During the first phase of the project, country research teams will take stock of all initiatives related to public access to ICTs and develop taxonomy of uses, activities and users surrounding the access points. A number of research methods will be tested during this phase. The first phase will start in June, 2008 and continue up to December, 2009. The second phase will start in January, 2009 and will continue up to February, 2012. Bangladesh country research team has been formed with participation of D.Net and BRAC-Research and Evaluation Division.

Workshop on Fundamentals of Corporate Social Responsibility

In order to create an understanding on the theoretical and practical ways to assess CSR activities in different organisations and help develop necessary action plan to strengthen and communicate these activities to all stakeholders - CSR Centre Trust organised a three-day workshop on Fundamentals of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) during May 16-18, 2008 at Nitol Bay Resort, Cox's Bazar.

Stakeholders usually expect that companies should be environmentally and socially responsible in conducting their businesses. In the business community, CSR is alternatively referred to as 'corporate citizenship,' which essentially means that a company should be a 'good neighbour' within its host community.

D.Net, as a part of its commitment to the CSR Centre as a member of the board of trustees of the centre designed the workshop. Dr. Ananya Raihan, Executive Director, D.Net; Dr. Sarwar Uddin Ahmed, Senior Research Fellow, D.Net and Dr. Syed Ferhat Anwar, Professor, IBA, University of Dhaka conducted



the workshop as the resource persons. Humayun Mostaque, Head of Operations, D.Net participated in the workshop as a participant whereas Rasna Hasan of Novartis delivered lecture as a resource person. Shahamin S. Zaman, CEO CSR Centre inaugurated and wrapped up the workshop and Jahangir Saadat, President, KEPZ distributed the certificates to the participants at the end of the successful completion of the workshop.

It is to be mentioned that D.Net also developed a toolkit for 'the CSR Assessment'.

Workshop held on Enhancement of the Livelihood Directory 'Jeeon-Thikana'

A workshop titled 'Collection of Information from Local Service Provider's for Directory Database (Jeeon-Thikana) Development' was conducted on April 13, 2008 at Maijdee, Noakhali. The workshop was organised by Digonter Dak, Noakhali and facilitated by Multimedia Content & Communication (MCC), D.Net under the project Abolombon-II. Sixteen participants from five Pallitathya Kendras (Chittagong, Comilla and Noakhali district) participated in the workshop. Multimedia Content & Communication (MCC), D.Net is presently conducting a survey across the country for development of a comprehensive directory database of various service providers across the country. Collected directory

information is available online in www.jeeon.com.bd.

Md. Mosharrof Hossain, Senior Programme Officer and Golam Sarwar, Assistant Director of D.Net participated in the workshop and presented the survey methodologies, challenges, reporting system, documentation and other technical issues of the database. Abu Naser Khan, Executive Director of Digonter Dak also attended the workshop. The workshop proved to be very useful for all the participants where everybody could share experiences and gather knowledge on information collection.



Brainstorming Session with Librarians of Universities

BORN (Bangladesh Online Research Network), one of the flagship programmes of D.Net, was recently identified as a focal point of Electronic Information for Library (www.eIFL.net) with an objective to build a national consortium of libraries and research institutions that facilitates the developing countries in accessing knowledge repositories useful for students, teachers and researchers at a cheaper rate.

A brainstorming session was organised under the programme at the BRAC University for the librarians of different universities and organisations in the country in order to disseminate the information of the resources available through eIFL and BORN. The main purpose of the brainstorming session was to inform the libraries about the services of bdresearch.org.bd and enlighten the audience about the role and services of Electronic Information for Library (eIFL) as well as on the scope of partnership between bdresearch.org.bd and the university based libraries in Bangladesh.

Librarians from 50 different institutions were present in the programme and the session was moderated by Mahmud Hassan, Head, Institutional Capacity Building, D.Net. Badruddoza Haider Chowdhury, Coordinator of BORN gave a presentation on the resources available through BORN and eIFL.



During the brainstorming session, several recommendations were posed by the librarians such as free access of information from eIFL for at least three to six months which would in turn help them to identify the usefulness of the resources according to their specific needs, assistance provided by eIFL on creating repositories for the libraries, intellectual property issues related to the content of the resources and such. The brainstorming session was concluded successfully with a proposal of continuing it into a second phase by assessing the specific need of the librarians with the help of a survey and also an effective strategy in order to enrich the BORN portal through the assistance of all the library resources.

Project Update: Abolombon II

D.Net is currently implementing a second phase of the project 'Abolombon' supported by Manusher Jonno Foundation, which is about collaborating with grassroots institutions to build up public access information centres for meeting information and other livelihood related information demands. A brief on project activities during May-June, 2008 is presented below.

A total of 35,308 number of users received livelihood information (81 percent) and ancillary services (19 percent) from 13 Pallitathya Kendras during May 2007-June 2008. Per day there were 12.3 users on average per Pallitathya Kendra with a large percentage of 41% being women.

Five channels are usually used while delivering livelihood information from PKs. Jeeon-IKB (offline CD based Bangla Information and Knowledge Base) and audio-visual content were used to answer most of the 61 percent of the livelihood queries. Mobile phone based helpline were used to answer 15 percent of the livelihood queries. Another 14

percent users got information and consultation services from the issue based camps. Photography, desktop publishing, mobile phone call, weight and height measurement were the most popular amongst the ancillary services.

Under this project, an information fair was organised by the Pallitathya Kendra at Babrijhar, Nilphamari on May 24, 2008. Rural people got the opportunity to consult their livelihood problems directly with agriculture, health, law and education experts. About 150 people were directly benefited from the day long information fair.

Presentation of audio-visual content on education, land registration, agriculture pest management and biography of eminent citizens (gunijan) turned out to be the attractive sessions during the evening, with the participation of about 400 rural people. Md. Khorshed Alam, UNO of Sadar Nilphamari inaugurated the information fair while Khalilur Rahman, Chairman of Chapra Samarjani Union Parishad was present as the special guest; the

inaugural session was chaired by Omarullah, Advisor of Local Citizen Committee. It is also to be mentioned here that 13 Pallitathya Kendras (PK) are operating in the village level under this project with the funding support of Manusher Jonno Foundation.

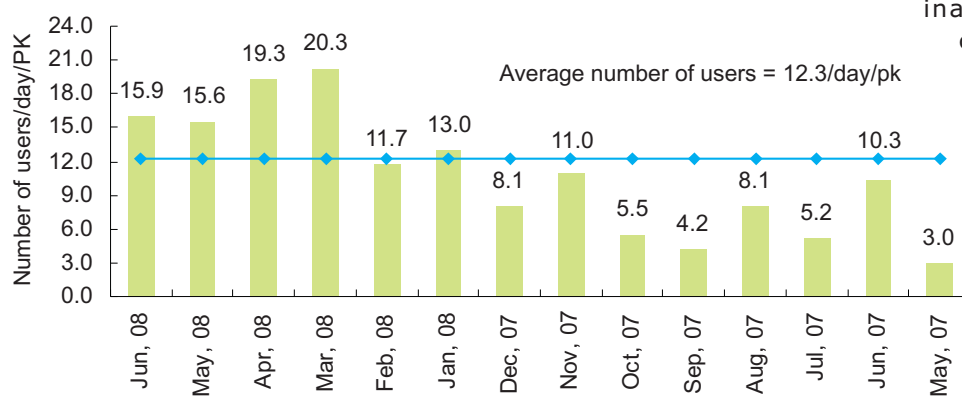


Figure: Daily average number of users in 13 PKs under Abolombon II project

A Case

Laxmi Rani Das, an inhabitant of West Charbata, Subornochar, Noakhali started suffering when her husband, Bidhan Chandra Das left her to migrate to India six years back. The already suffocating financial condition of her household started to worsen since then. Striving to improve her financial situation Rani Das decided to rear goats, with a hope that they would reproduce and there would be a significant improvement in her income.

She started with only one goat initially; however the goat failed to reproduce effectively and as a result she failed to achieve the optimum earning. About a year ago Rani visited the East Charbata Union Parishad (UP) to seek relief. A Pallitathya Kendra is situated in the 1st floor of the UP building. Rani decided to visit the PK with others out of mere curiosity. The infomediaries in the PK briefed her about the services of PK. Rani stated her problem and asked for advice and suggestions for proper rearing of goats. The infomediary gave her tips and instructions from the offline content database 'Jeeon-IKB' and also forwarded the problem to an expert at D.Net's Helpdesk through mobile phone for better suggestions. Rani received adequate advice regarding rear, care, feeding and mating habits of goats. She followed these suggestions and her goat reproduced in stipulated time. Rani was extremely thankful to the Pallitathya Kendra and today she dreams to rear many goats and be financially independent!

D.Net and BTN Participate in a Roundtable on 'National ICT Roadmap'

American International University-Bangladesh (AIUB) hosted a roundtable discussion titled 'Roundtable on National ICT Roadmap' at its campus on June 21, 2008. The event was also supported by Bangladesh Computer Council (BCC), Gov3 Limited, Spinnovation, D.Net (Development Research Network) and Bangladesh Telecentre Network (BTN).

The prime objective of this roundtable was to gather opinion from the academicians about the national ICT roadmap and convey it to the government with the vision to achieve a sustainable national ICT policy. It is to be mentioned that D.Net is a partner of the consortium with Gov3 Ltd. from UK and Spinnovation Ltd. in order to develop 'ICT Roadmap of Bangladesh'. The host institution of the project is Bangladesh Computer Council.

Dr. Carmen Z Lamagna, Vice Chancellor, AIUB in her welcome note opined "We are delighted to host this roundtable discussion. I express my sincere gratitude to the chief guest, moderator and all discussants for their active participation in this roundtable event. I am confident that this roundtable will bring many vital issues in limelight that in practice will help the government to adopt a sustainable ICT policy".

Chief Guest of the roundtable, S.M. Wahid-uz-Zaman, Honorable Secretary of the Ministry of Science and Information & Communication Technology, the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh said, "Organising this roundtable is a worthwhile decision and I believe this gives a unique platform to the academic professionals to contribute in national ICT roadmap". He further added "The government has recognised that ICT has an enormous power to leverage socio-economic

activities. For this reason, a comprehensive ICT policy is invaluable to ensure ICT based development. In this regard, the industry and the academia can help government to adopt a pragmatic ICT policy."

Dr. Atiur Rahman, Professor, Development Studies, Dhaka University and Chairperson, Unnayan Shamannay moderated the entire roundtable session. According to him "Time has come to take more innovative approaches to implement ICT in each and every part of our national life. We must ensure global standard IT education and at the same time the government should come forward to digitalise its activities in order to ensure transparency and provide quality services to the citizens".

T.I.M. Nurul Kabir, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Spinnovation and Dr. Ananya Raihan, Executive Director, D.Net (Development Research Network) presented the keynote paper on behalf of Gov3 Limited. M.A. Kabir, Assistant Professor, Computer Science Department, AIUB also presented another keynote paper on the current ICT scenario of Bangladesh.



BORN Online Programme on National Budget

Bangladesh Online Research Network (BORN) organised a number of events surrounding the National Budget for the fiscal year 2008-09. On the afternoon of June 9th, the research team of D.Net started posting the main highlights of the budget and in the evening the team interviewed economists, professionals and citizens via telephone regarding the budget. The audio and text versions of these interviews were all posted online and the full text of the budget was also available on BORN's website at www.bdresearch.org.bd. The highlight of the budget analysis of Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD), the premier think tank in Bangladesh, was made available in both video and text formats the next day, on June 10, 2008.

D.Net has been organising this kind of web-based programmes on the budget since the year 2004.



Regional Workshops under CLICK

Regional Workshop at Gaibandha

Gono Unanyan Kendra (GUK) and Pallitathya of D.Net jointly organised a regional workshop titled 'Telecentre: Bridging Opportunities' at the Zila Parishad Auditorium, Gaibandha on 16 June 2008, under the project, CLICK. The event was supported by Microsoft Unlimited Potential, associated by D.Net, BTN and CLP.



Abu Mohammad Yousuf, Deputy Commissioner, Gaibandha was the Chief Guest in the inaugural session while M Abdus Salam, Chief Executive of Gono Unanyan Kendra (GUK) chaired the session during the workshop. Mollah Nazrul Islam, Police Super, Gaibandha and Feroz Mahmud, Country Manager of Microsoft Bangladesh were present as the special guests. Project Manager of Intel World Ahead Program, Akter Uddin Ahamed; Dr. Ananya Raihan, Executive Director of D.Net as well as the Secretary General of Bangladesh Telecentre Network (BTN); and Mahmud Hasan, the Chief Operating Officer, Bangladesh Telecentre Network (BTN) were present as the honorable guests during the workshop. Around 140 participants from different NGOs, GOs, civil society and telecentre practitioners, academicians, students and youths partook in the day long workshop.

The main objective of the workshop was to create a know how and awareness among the people and potential organisations about the concept and future of telecentres in Bangladeshi context; to link the trainees under the CLICK project for the job market as well as share the telecentre concepts with potential local organisations who can either recruit these trained human resources in their ICT projects or replicate this telecentre model elsewhere. The workshop also focused to build a strong network between the CLICK centres and other telecentre practitioners.

Regional Workshop at Khulna

Dhoritry Samaj Kallyan Songha, WARP, Hunger Free World, Samsuddin-Nahar Trust and Pallitathya jointly organised a regional workshop titled 'Telecentre: Bridging Opportunities' at Hotel Royal International Auditorium in Khulna on June 02, 2008. Eunusur Rahman, Khulna Divisional Commissioner, graced the programme as the chief guest. According to him



"Information is a power that empowers people to build a true knowledge based society. But in developing countries like Bangladesh poverty is a big challenge. In this regard, we should come forward to utilise ICT to eradicate poverty". He further added that "Technology can change the fortune of the rural people if we can properly mobilise the right technology for them."

Dr. Ananya Raihan, Secretary General, BTN stated that "ICT has enormous power to minimise the digital divide and at the same time help rural people to change their living standard."

Bivash Chandra Biswas, Chairman, Dhoritry Samaj Kallyan Songha chaired the inaugural session whereas the key note paper was presented by Forhad Uddin, Deputy Director, D.Net.

This regional workshop was supported by Microsoft Unlimited Potential. The workshop was organised in association with D.Net (Development Research Network), CLP and Bangladesh Telecentre Network (BTN).

Regional Workshop at Barisal

D.Net (Development Research Network) has successfully completed another regional workshop under Microsoft Unlimited Potential, supported by the project, Community for Learning Information, Communication and Knowledge (CLICK). The regional workshop was held on 26 May, 2008 in Barisal at the Ladies Club auditorium.

The workshop was organised by Pallitathya of D.Net and the local organisation YES Bangladesh; co-organised by Computer Literacy Programme (CLP) in association with D.Net and Bangladesh Telecentre Network (BTN). The objective of the workshop was to link the trainees under the CLICK project for the job market as well as share the telecentre concepts with potential local organisations who can either recruit these trained human resources in their ICT projects or replicate this telecentre model elsewhere.

Additional Deputy Commissioner (education and

development) of Barisal, A.N. Ahmed Ali presided as the chief guest while Dr. Ananya Raihan, the Secretary General of Bangladesh Telecentre Network; T.I.M Nurul Kabir, Treasurer of Bangladesh Telecentre Network; Md. Moniruzzaman, Deputy Director, Information Department of Barisal; Forhad Uddin, Deputy Director of D.Net were present as the special guests. The programme was chaired by Professor Samsunnahar Shali, Chairperson, Executive Committee of YES Bangladesh.

The chief guest opined that "ICT is a power, dominating the world and for this reason we should utilise the power of ICT to expedite the development process of our country and use ICT for poverty alleviation in Bangladesh." The key note paper was presented by Forhad Uddin, Deputy Director of D.Net.

Dr. Ananya Raihan said "BTN is committed to influence telecentre activities in Bangladesh and for this reason it is going to take several realistic steps that will help its members to move forward with their activities". Dr. Raihan also stated that the main objective of this workshop was to introduce the concept of telecentres, its necessity and how the practitioners in Barisal division can help to achieve mission 2011. The other speakers in this workshop were Ali Ahmed Tahakik, partner relations officer, GPCIC and Md. Abdullah Al Mamun, Centre Manager, YES Bangladesh Pallitathya Kendro.

Regional Workshop at Noakhali

A regional workshop titled 'Telecentre: Bridging Opportunities' was successfully completed in Noakhali on May 22, 2008. The objective of this workshop was to link the trainees under the CLICK

project for the job market as well as share the telecentre concepts with potential local organisations who can either recruit these trained human resources in their ICT projects or replicate this telecentre model elsewhere.

The workshop was supported by Microsoft and organised by D.Net's Pallitathya and the local organisations Digonter Dak and Gandhi Ashram Trust. The workshop was organised in association with D.Net, Bangladesh Telecentre Network (BTN) and Computer Literacy Program (CLP). Around 200 participants from different NGOs, GOs, civil society as well as telecentre practitioners, academicians, students, youths participated in the day long workshop.

Deputy commissioner of Noakhali, Abdul Hoque was present as the chief guest while the secretary of Gandhi Asram Trust, Jharna Dhara Choudhury chaired the session. Mahmud Hasan, Chief Operating Officer, BTN presented the Mission 2011 of BTN and Md. Forhad Uddin, Deputy Director, D.Net presented the key note paper in the programme.



New CLCs by D.Net

Three Computer Literacy Centres (CLCs) have been inaugurated on April 19, 2008 at Padua A.C.M. High School, Adhunagar High School and Chunati High School under Lohagara Upazila in Chittagong district sponsored by Bank Asia Ltd.

D.Net is implementing 'Computer Literacy Program' (CLP) masterminded by Volunteers Association for Bangladesh, New Jersey Chapter (VAB-NJ)- to facilitate access to ICT knowledge for the rural disadvantaged people, particularly youths, with the prime objective to make ICT work for them. Under this initiative, Bank Asia Ltd. extended hands of cooperation to establish 13 CLCs in different regions of Bangladesh under Corporate Social Responsibilities (CSR) programme.

In the opening ceremony Al-hazz Safique Uddin, Director of Bank Asia Ltd. was present as the chief guest. The programme was chaired by Syed Anisul

Huq, President and Managing Director of Bank Asia Ltd.

Md. Irfanuddin Ahmed, Deputy Managing Director of Bank Asia Ltd.; Dr. Toufic Ahmad Chowdhury, Chairperson of D.Net; Nurul Alam, Deputy General Manager of Bangladesh Bank and S.M. Khorshed Alam, Zonal Head of Bank Asia Ltd. were present as the special guests. Ajoy Kumar Bose, Head, Institutional Affairs and Abul Kalam Azad, Programme Officer, D.Net; Kawsar Uddin, Senior Reporter, The Daily Sangbad; Mohiuddin Ahmed, Manager, Bank Asia Ltd., Lohagara Branch and a large number of local elite persons, teachers and students were also present in the joyful occasion.

D.Net has a plan to establish 1000 CLCs by 2010 and we solicit financial and in-kind support from individuals and corporates to achieve this target. For more information please contact info@dnet.org.bd or Ajoy Kumar Bose at +88 02 912 14 24 / ext. 152.

Visit of International Research Team

International Development Research Centre (IDRC) is conducting a research on 'Impact of Public Access to ICT (IPAI)' in Bangladesh, Chile and Lithuania. D.Net and BRAC are jointly involved with the task in Bangladesh. The research mainly focuses on identifying the magnitude as well as the observable social and economic impacts of public access to ICT.

A three member foreign research team has been constituted for undertaking the responsibilities of the research and finalising the modalities of the upcoming work. The team consists of : Christopher T. Coward, Head, ICT and Development, Center for Information & Society, University of Washington; Franciscus Tulus, Senior Programme Officer, Telecentre.org, International Development Research Centre (IDRC) and Professor François Marie Bar, Annenberg School for Communication, University of

Southern California. These members visited Bangladesh from June 04 to 07, 2008.

On June 05, 2008 the Executive Director of D.Net and other researchers from D.Net and BRAC accompanied the foreign research team to visit the various remote areas of our country like DEN, GUK, CIC, ILC, CRC etc. in order to give them the real essence of the work involved and ascertain the merit of their proposal. A workshop was also arranged the following day at the BRAC research meeting room to discuss in detail about the workings of the research. On June 07, 2008 the foreign research team visited D.Net premises and observed various activities of the organisation and exchanged views and experiences with the D.Net research team as well as with the other staff members.

Biennial General Meeting

The Biennial General Meeting (BGM) of D.Net was held on June 21, 2008 in its conference room. Dr. Toufic Ahmad Choudhury, Chairperson of D.Net and Professor of Bangladesh Institute of Bank Management (BIBM) chaired the meeting. Welcoming all the members, Dr. Choudhury opined that D.Net had managed to establish a high-quality reputation in the field of research, particularly in ICT4D issues, both at home and abroad.

Prof. Mustafizur Rahman, Executive Director of CPD; Ms. Selina Hossen, the eminent literatuer of our country; Rafiqul Islam Rowly, former President of BASIS and CEO, CSL Software; A.K.M. Fahim Mashroor, CEO, bdjobs.com; Dr. Sarwar Uddin Ahmed, Treasurer, D.Net; Dr. Shah Md. Ahsan Habib, Programme and Research Head, D.Net; Anir Chowdhury, e-Gov advisor, UNDP; Mahmud Hasan, COO of BTN; Ajoy Kumar Bose, Head, Institutional Affairs, D.Net and M. Azmat Khan, Director, MF Corporation Ltd. also partook in this important meeting.

Dr. Ananya Raihan, Executive Director and Member Secretary of the governing body, D.Net presented the Annual Reports for FY 2006-2007 and FY 2007-2008. Dr. Sarwar Uddin Ahmed presented the financial report for FY 2006-2007, FY 2007-2008 and the budget for FY 2008-2009 in the meeting. A new

governing body was elected in the meeting for FY 2008-2010. The following persons were elected for the FY 2008-10: Dr. Toufic Ahmad Choudhury as the Chairperson; Selina Hossen, Prof. Mustafizur Rahman, Rafiqul Islam Rowly, A.K.M. Fahim Mashroor, Dr. Shah Md. Ahsan Habib and Anir Chowdhury, as the members; Dr. Sarwar Uddin Ahmed as the treasurer and Dr. Ananya Raihan as the member secretary.

The meeting reviewed critically D.Net's involvement in various research and action programmes and provided critical guideline for further consolidation of reputation of the institution. After the meeting the newly elected governing body met with the employees of the D.Net.



D.Net

Development Research Network

Editor: Dr. Shah Md. Ahsan Habib
Executive Editor: Syeda Shamin Mortada
Graphics Design: Khayrul Hasan Sumon

www.bdresearch.org.bd



www.abolombon.org



www.teletathya.com



www.jeebika.com.bd



www.jeeon.com.bd



www.gunijan.org.bd



www.pallitathya.org.bd

www.rights.org.bd

