

LGRD Minister visits Intake Site of Gandharbpur Water Treatment Plant

Mr. Md. Tazul Islam, Minister for Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives visited 'Water Intake Site of Gandharbpur Water Treatment Plant' of Dhaka WASA. 30 September, Thursday, Bishnondi, Arahazar, N'Ganj.

During the visit, Member of Parliament Md. Nazrul Islam Babu, Managing Director & CEO of Dhaka WASA Engr. Taqsem A Khan, Ambassador of France, His Excellency, Mr. Jean Marin Schuh, Ambassador of Denmark Winnie Estrup Petersen, Ambassador of Germany Achim Troster, AFD Country Director in Bangladesh Mr. Benoit Chassatte Country Director of kfw Anirban Kundu and local administration were present.

Dhaka WASA signed Annual Performance Agreement (APA)



Dhaka WASA signed Annual Performance Agreement (APA) for the financial year 2021-2022 at Shitlakhaya Conference Room on 31 October, 2021.

H.E Ambassador of Turkey visits Dhaka WASA



H.E Ambassador of Turkey visited Dhaka WASA on 12 October, 2021 at Shitalakhya Hall WASA Bhaban. During his visit, the Ambassador assured Dhaka WASA to provide all sorts of support.

Dhaka WASA observes National Mourning Day

Employees of all walks of lives of Dhaka WASA have observed the National Mourning Day, the 15 August with due esteem. On this occasion, Dhaka WASA employees led by Managing Director Engr. Taqsem A Khan placed floral wreaths to the **Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman** at 32 Dhanmondi in the capital. Before that Dhaka WASA employees gathered Dhanmondi Playground of the capital at around 8.00 am and bringing out a procession reached Bangabandhu Memorial Museum to place floral wreaths to mark the Mourning Day.

Among others, Director (Development) Abul Kashem, Director (Technical) AKM Shahid Uddin, and other officials and employees participated in this occasion. Besides, the central leaders of Dhaka WASA Collective Bargaining Agent (CBA) were also present. Besides, a webinar was also held on 14 August to mark the National Mourning Day.

Webinar on Bangabandhu

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MD. TAZUL ISLAM, MP.
HON'BLE MINISTER, MINISTRY OF LGRD & C.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
JUSTICE MD. REZAUL HASAN,
HON'BLE JUDGE, HIGH COURT DIVISION

SPECIAL GUESTS
MR. HELAL UDDIN AHMED,
SENIOR SECRETARY, LGD
DR. ENGR. GHOLAM MOSTOFA,
CHAIRMAN, DHAKA WASA BOARD

GUESTS OF HONOR & DISCUSSANTS
H.E. PROF. SUDHARSHAN D.S. SENEVIRATNE,
HIGH COMMISSIONER, SRI LANKA TO BANGLADESH
H.E. DR. BANSHIDHAR MISHRA,
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ENGR. TAQSEM A KHAN,
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MODERATOR
MINHAJ CHOWDHURY,
CEO, DRINKWELL

Webinar on Bangabandhu

The webinar titled "Development Thoughts of Bangabandhu: Today's Reality of Bangladesh" was held marking the National Mourning Day where LGRD Minister Md Tazul Islam was present as Chief Guest, Md Helal Uddin Ahmed, Senior Secretary of Local Govt. Division (LGD) and Hon'ble Dhaka WASA Board Chairman Dr. Engr. Gholam Mostofa were present as Special Guests. Engr. Taqsem A Khan presided over the webinar where Justice MD. Rezaul Hasan made the key-note speech. Minhaj Chowdhury, CEO of Drinkwell moderated the programme.

H.E Prof. Sudharshan D. S. Senevirate, High Commissioner of Sri Lanka to Bangladesh, H.E. Dr. Banshidhar Mishra, Ambassador of Nepal to Bangladesh, Dr. Norio Saito, Director, Sauw of Asian Development Bank and Mr. Benoit Chassatte, Country Director of AFD were present on the occasion.

Dhaka WASA celebrates Victory Day



Employees of all walks of lives of Dhaka WASA have celebrated the **51st Victory Day** of the independent of Bangladesh with due favor and festivity. On this glorious occasion, the entire WASA Bhaban was decorated with colorful lighting.

Besides, like every year, a procession was brought out from Dhanmondi Playground of the capital at around 8.00am on 16 December, 2021. On Behalf of Dhaka WASA floral wreaths were placed to portrait of the **Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman** at 32 Dhanmondi in the capital. Officials and employees of Dhaka WASA participated in this auspicious occasion. Besides, central leaders of Dhaka WASA Collective Bargaining Agent (CBA) were also present.

DWASA holds 106 foreign, local and in-house training courses

A total of 106 courses both home and abroad were conducted during 1 July 2021 to 31 December 2022. Of them eight foreign, twenty one local and seventy seven in-house training courses were facilitated to the officials and staff of Dhaka WASA. The foreign courses attended by 22 officers from Dhaka WASA included Masters of Engineering (Civil and Environmental Engineering) at The University of Western Ontario, Canada, Masters of Engineering (Environmental Systems Engineering) at The University of Regina, Canada, MSc. in Civil Engineering at The University of Texas, Arlington, USA, Financing Water Investments for Water Professionals at IHE, Delft, Netherlands, MSc (Eng) Water, Sanitation and Health Engineering at The University of LEEDS, UK, MBA on Human Resource Management in UAE, PhD at The University of Texas, Arlington, USA, Water Distribution modeling: GIS Applications at IHE Delft, Netherlands (Online).

The local training courses were Concept and Practice of Integrated Water Resources Management at The Center for Environmental and Geographic Information Services (CEGIS), Conduct and Discipline Course at Regional Public Administration Training Centre (RPATC), Financial Management (2 courses) at RPATC, Office Management and ICT, RPATC, Practical Adaptive Delta Management (ADM) (2 courses) at BUET, Project Appraisal, EIA and Formulation of DPP (2 courses) at National Academy for Planning and Development (NAPD), Project Planning and Management (PPM) (3 courses) at NAPD (Online), Septic Tank and Sewer line Cleaning and Management at Department of Public Health Engineering (DPHE), ToT on Annual Performance Agreement at Bangladesh Institute of Management, Training Workshop on Service Process Simplification at a2i, Winning Bids for City-Wide Inclusive Sanitation: Principles and Application at ITN-BUET (Online), Workshop on National Integrity Strategy (NIS) (2 courses) at RPATC, Workshop on Perspective Plan at RPATC, Workshop on Right to Information at RPATC, Workshop on Women and Children Right at RPATC. Numbers of participants for the local training courses were 78.

The rest of the in-house training programs were Anticorruption and Integrity (6 courses), APA Evaluation and Implementation, Capacity Building training for Lab Technician/Lab Assistant, Chlorination and Chlorine Testing in Field Level, DMA Caretaker Approach (3 courses), DMA Commissioning (2 courses), Facilitation and Advisory Skills (2 courses), Gender Mainstreaming, Income Tax and VAT, Introduction to NRW and DMA Management (3 courses), Leadership

Development for the 21st Century, MIS Data Analysis and NRW Calculation Office Management, Organizational Management Training Trajectory for Dhaka WASA Management Staff (4 courses), Preparation of Self Assessed Income Tax Returns (3 courses), Revenue Billing, Collection and Customer Care (5 courses), Service Process Simplification (2 courses), Staff Development Course (2 courses), Stress Management, Technique of Revenue Target Fixation and Individual Target Distribution to Revenue Personnel of Dhaka WASA (5 courses), Training on Benchmarking (2 courses), Training on Digital Topographical Survey of the Land of DWASA, Training on DWASA Short Code 16162, Training on Payroll Software, Training on SCADA (3 courses), Training on Sustainable DMA Management Tools, Trajectory for Dhaka WASA Management Staff (3 courses), Utility Management Software (10 courses), Water Loss Management in the Distribution System (3 courses), Water Quality Monitoring and Pump Operation (4 courses), Water Quality Testing. 1345 officers and staffs of DWASA participated in in-house training programs.

Obituary

A total of three employees of Dhaka WASA passed way in the last six months starting from July 1 to December 31, 2021. Apprentice Pump Operator (APO) Benjir Ahmmed of MODS Zone-07 died on 17 November, 2021, A.P.L.M Mr. Kamal Hossain of Meter Division died on 12 December, 2021 and APO Habib Uddin Mollah of MODS Zone-06 died on 16 December, 2021.

Meanwhile, nine other employees of Dhaka WASA died in the period between January 1 and June 30 of 2021. Of them, APO Md Mofizul Islam of MODS Zone-1 died on 7 March, Office Assistant cum Data-entry Operator Romena Aktar of the Office of Additional Chief Engineer on 26 March, Security Guard Md Shamsuddin of Narayanganj MODS on 31 March, APO Md Shariful Islam of MODS Zone-7 on 12 April, APO Md Abdus Samad of MODS Zone-8 on 6 April, Pump Operator (PO) Md Shafiul Alam of MODS Zone-10 on 31 May, PO Aminul Haq Shapon of MODS Zone-2 13 June, A.P.L.M Md. Shahab Ali of MODS Zone-4 on 23 June and APO Mohammad Mamun Hossain of MODS Zone-3 died on 19 June, 2021.