

Zoo and Veterinary Education in Bangladesh

Dhaka Zoo celebrates Global Tiger Day 2010

Dhaka Zoological Gardens, Bangladesh celebrated "Global Tiger Day 2010" at its zoo premises on 31 July 2010 from 11am-2.30pm. One hundred and ten (110) participants attended this programme and they are animal keepers and other officials of Dhaka Zoo, higher officials from livestock department and media persons. It started with Global Tiger Day rally presided over by Md. Asraf Ali, Director General, Department of Livestock Services, Dhaka, Bangladesh at the Curator's office. Then the other programmes were held at the zoo museum. At first, sharing and exchanging views and experiences on why Global Tiger Day is important was held.

Following this, there was a session on "A success stories of Royal Bengal Tiger rearing at Dhaka Zoo in captivity" was conducted. Md. Abdus Samad, animal caretaker of carnivores section facilitated this session. Immediately after this, Dr. Md. Shakif-Ul- Azam, Scientific Officer gave a PPT presentation on "Theme of Global Tiger Day-What to Do?". Dr. A. B.M Shahid Ullah, Curator (In charge) facilitated a session on Dhaka Zoo's Present & Future Plan for to Save Wildlife. The programme was ended with the closing speech by MD. Asraf Ali, Director General.

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Children participated in the rally posing with tiger t-shirts



Animal Nutrition Officer, Dhaka Zoo sharing his experience on tigers



Animal keepers and other zoo staff attending the programme



Director General, former DG, Department of Livestock Services and others in the 'Tiger Rally'

Sylhet, Bangladesh Veterinary Medicine Student's One Year Internship Schedule

We are the students of Sylhet Agricultural University and we completed our 4 years academic course on DVM (Doctor of Veterinary Medicine). Now our 1 year internship programme is going on. In our internship programme we are working in different places such as:

1. Central Veterinary Hospital, Dhaka; 2. Central Disease Investigation Laboratory, Dhaka; 3. Bangladesh Livestock Research Institute, Savar, Dhaka;

4. The International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research, Bangladesh (ICDDR,B) Mohakhali, Dhaka; 5. Livestock Research Institute, Mohakhali, Dhaka; 6. Dhaka Zoological Gardens; 7. Slaughter House, Dhaka; 8. Central Veterinary Hospital, Sylhet; 9. Sylhet Government Dairy Development Farm; 10. Sylhet Govt. Poultry Development Farm; 11. Sylhet Govt. Goat Development Farm; 12. Central Govt. Dairy Farm, Savar, Dhaka; 13. Artificial Insemination Centre, Savar, Dhaka; 14. District Veterinary Hospital, etc.

Besides these, we are taking part in several vaccination programmes in different zones of Sylhet. We also visited Alipore Zoo in Kolkata, India. We get lots of information from these successive tours. Above all these visits we like the zoos very much because we like the wild animals. We are interested to visit other zoos to get more information about zoo animals. So this is our internship schedule for one year.

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International Diploma in Botanic Garden Education 2010 14th March - 15th April 2011, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, UK

Botanic Gardens Conservation International (BGCI) and the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew offers a five-week course in botanic garden education. The course will run from 14th March - 15th April 2011. There are a limited number of scholarships available. Priority will be given to applicants from Commonwealth Countries.

As concern grows for the detrimental effects that human activity is having on the environment, the need for botanic gardens to become more involved in education has never been so critical. To run environmental education programmes and to work towards the implementation of Target 14 of the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation (GSPC), Botanic Gardens Conservation International and Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew (RBG Kew) have developed an international diploma course in education for botanic garden staff. The aim of the course is to equip participants with the necessary education skills and strategies to communicate effectively to their varied audiences. The emphasis of the course is on interactive learning and the application of skills to the participants' working context.

For more information on the course leaflet, to download the Application and the Scholarship Application Form visit: <http://www.bgci.org/education/diplomacourseoutline/>
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