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Welcome to the 42<sup>nd</sup> edition of the "Mirpur Newsletter," catering to both our cherished seasoned readers and those new to the DSCSC community. This biannual publication stands as a testament to our commitment to showcase the remarkable activities that have unfolded within the DSCSC over the past six months. Serving as a bridge between current Mirpurians and esteemed alumni, this visual journey captures the essence of DSCSC's vibrant and multicultural environment.

In this edition, we present a visual chronicle of DSCSC events spanning from September 2023 to February 2024. It encapsulates the rich tapestry of academic and social happenings through succinct summaries and lively images, acting as a memoir of the diverse and vibrant activities that define DSCSC.

The culmination of the DSCSC 2023 was marked by a grand graduation ceremony on 29 November 2023 graced by the distinguished presence of the Honourable President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh. Later, the commencement of the DSCSC 2024 unfolded with a splendid ice-breaking ceremony on 28 January 2024.

Over the last six months, the college has diligently pursued various training exercises integral to the course curriculum. Renowned guest speakers with exceptional academic and professional backgrounds were invited to enrich the participants' perspectives. Our dedicated faculty and staff members are unwavering in their commitment to developing the next generation of military leaders.

Acknowledging the intensity of the DSCSC course, a range of social and cultural programmes were thoughtfully arranged to provide much-needed respite for the participants. These events also served as conduits for cross-cultural communication among local and international participants and their families. Recognizing the pivotal role military spouses play in our society, the DSCSC Ladies Club arranged various enrichment programmes to foster their inner strength and self-confidence.

Our heartfelt gratitude goes to the tireless efforts of the editorial board, who have relentlessly worked to ensure the success of this publication. To our esteemed readers, we express profound appreciation and extend our promises to continue working diligently to circulate the latest news and information about our beloved college. For more updates, please visit our website at [www.dscsc.mil.bd](http://www.dscsc.mil.bd).

Thank you for being an integral part of the DSCSC journey.

### DSCSC 2024

Total Participants-270

Bangladeshi Course Participants	-	213
Bangladesh Army	-	142
Bangladesh Navy	-	41
Bangladesh Air	-	27
Bangladesh Police	-	3

Overseas Course Participants - 57

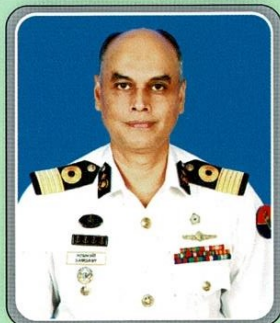
China, Germany, India, Indonesia, Jordan, Kenya, KSA, Kuwait, Liberia, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Nepal, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Palestine, Sierra Leone, South Africa, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, Tanzania, Türkiye, Uganda and Zambia.



## Change of Deputy Commandant

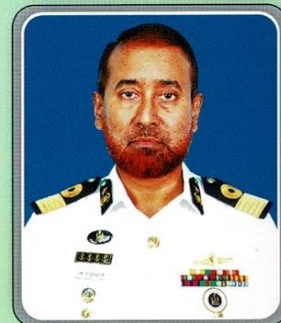
### OUTGOING DEPUTY COMMANDANT

**Cdre Jahangir Adil Samdany**, (TAS), NGP, ndc, psc has completed his last working day at DSCSC on 15 January 2024. He served as Deputy Commandant, DSCSC from 11 July 2023 to 15 January 2024 for a period of 7 months.



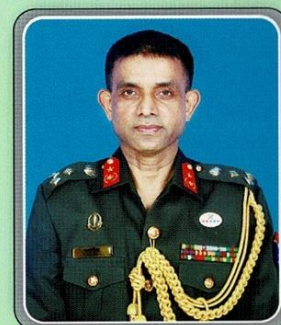
### NEW DEPUTY COMMANDANT

**Cdre A K M M Sherafullah**, (H), NGP, BCGMS, psc, BN has joined DSCSC as the Deputy Commandant on 15 January 2024.



## Joining of Chief Instructor

**Brig Gen Md Alimul Amin**, SUP, ndc, psc has joined as the 27<sup>th</sup> Chief Instructor of DSCSC on 03 November 2023.



## Induction into the Hall of Fame

The induction of Admiral M Nazmul Hassan, OSP, NPP, ndc, ncc, psc, Chief of Naval Staff, Bangladesh Navy into the Hall of Fame was held on 19 October 2023. The inductee had attended the Staff Course in 1997-98.



## Guest Speakers

Esteemed guest speakers, including renowned academicians, subject matter experts, senior military officers and professionals, generously imparted their wealth of knowledge and experience to the participants of DSCSC 2023. Their enlightening lectures were not only highly informative but also pertinent to the current context, contributing significantly to the knowledge enrichment of our future military leaders.



Address by **General S M Shafiuddin Ahmed**, SBP (BAR), OSP, ndu, psc, PhD, Chief of Army Staff, Bangladesh Army



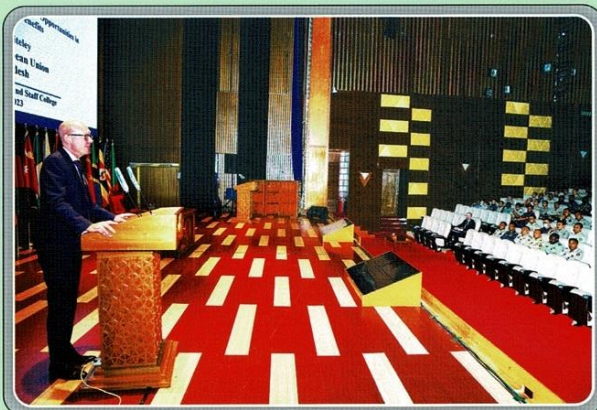
Address by **Admiral M Nazmul Hassan**, OSP, NPP, ndc, ncc, psc, Chief of Naval Staff, Bangladesh Navy



Address by **Air Chief Marshal Shaikh Abdul Hannan**, BBP, BUP, nswc, fawc, psc, Chief of Air Staff, Bangladesh Air Force



## Guest Speakers



**H. E. Charles Whiteley**, Ambassador of the European Union, Dhaka, Bangladesh delivering lecture on 'European Union Policy Towards Bangladesh: Opportunities in Partnership for Mutual Benefits'



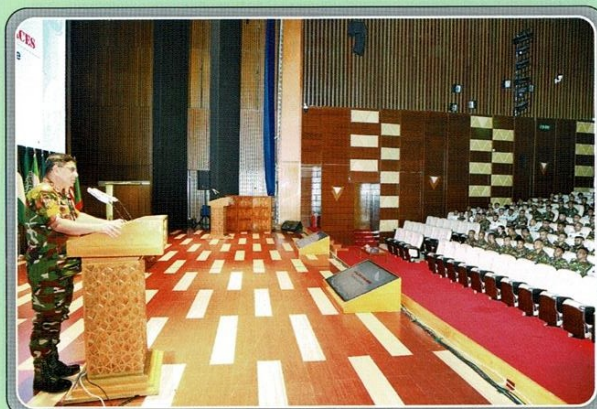
**Ms. Gwyn Lewis** UN Resident Coordinator in Bangladesh delivering lecture on 'The Importance of UN in Maintaining International Peace and Harmony: Challenges and Opportunities in a Rapidly Changing World'



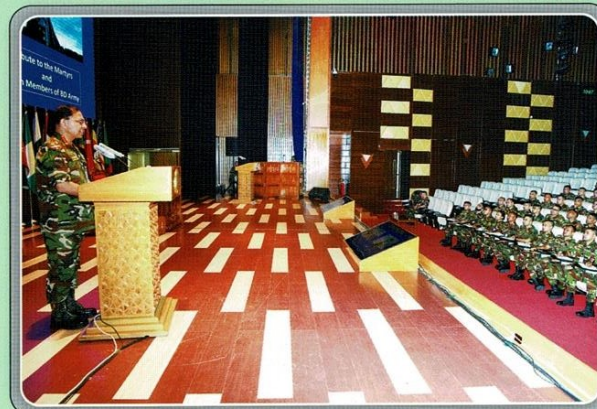
**Col John Warden**, USAF (ret'd), delivering online lecture on 'Campaign Planning of Operation Desert Storm 1991' through video conferencing



**Lt Gen Ataul Hakim Sarwar Hasan**, SBP, SGP, ndc, afwc, psc, PhD, CGS, Bangladesh Army delivering lecture on 'The Changing Characteristics of Warfare'

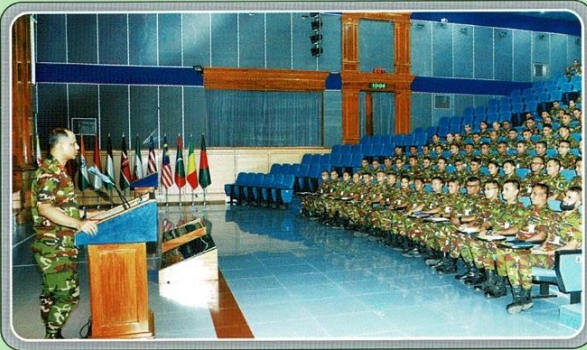


**Lt Gen Waker-Uz-Zaman**, SGP, psc, PSO, AFD delivering lecture on 'Bangladesh Armed Forces: Preparing for the Future'

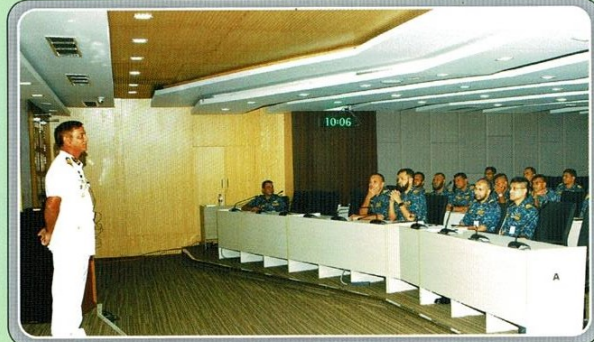


**Lt Gen Md Saiful Alam**, SBP, OSP, SUP, awc, psc, PhD, QMG, AHQ delivering lecture on 'Logistics Support System of Bangladesh Army'

## Guest Speakers



**Brig Gen Abu Mohammad Sarwar Farid**, ndc, afwc, psc, Deputy Military Secretary, AHQ delivering lecture on 'Career Planning, Posting and Promotion'



**Cdre A K M Afzal Hossain (C)**, OSP, ndc, afwc, psc, BN, Director of Naval Plans, NHQ delivering lecture on 'Function of Naval Headquarters, Manning, Staffing and Intricacies'



**Cdre Mohammad Moinul Hassan**, (ND), BSP, ncc, psc, BN, Naval Secretary, NHQ delivering lecture on 'Career Planning, Posting and Promotion'



**Rear Admiral Mohammad Khurshed Alam**, ndc, psc (ret'd), Secretary (Maritime Affairs Unit), Ministry of Foreign Affairs delivering lecture on 'Prospects of Blue Economy after Maritime Boundary Delimitation of BD'



**Air Cdre Md Mustafizur Rahman**, BSP, GUP, nswc, afwc, psc, Air Secretary, Air HQ delivering lecture on 'Career Planning, Posting and Promotion'



**Gp Capt Hasan Ashrafuzzaman**, afwc, psc, GD(P), Director Administrative Coordination, Air HQ delivering lecture on 'Rules and Regulations in the Service'

**Besides, following guest speakers from different professional backgrounds delivered lectures on various contemporary issues:**

- **Prof. Dr. Milan N. Vego**, Department of Joint Military Operations, US Naval War College
- **Brig Gen Md Asif Iqbal**, JAG, AHQ
- **Cdre Md. Helal Uddin**, (Edn), BCGMS, BN, Judge Advocate General, NHQ
- **Prof. Dr. Niaz Ahmed Khan**, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Independent University, Bangladesh and Professor (Grade-1) Department of Development Studies, Faculty of Social Science, University of Dhaka
- **Dr. Sayeedur Rahman**, Professor, Dept of English Language, Dhaka University.



## Training Visits

DSCSC 2023 participants engaged in transformative training visits to diverse locations, gaining practical insights and honing their skills. These experiences served as dynamic platforms for hands-on learning, fostering a comprehensive understanding of real-world scenarios essential for their roles as future military leaders.



Visit to the Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh (CAAB)



Visit to BNS BANGABANDHU



Visit to Bangladesh Air Force Base ZAHURUL HAQ

Visit to the Rajmonipara Army Camp



## Best IRP Award

On 22 November 2023, a significant scholarly event unfolded as we convened to celebrate excellence at the Best IRP (Individual Research Paper) Award Ceremony. Each of the individuals received the prestigious Best IRP Awards for their exceptional achievements during the DSCSC 2023.



**Maj Md Al-Amin**, SUP, Inf received the Bir Sreshtho Mohiuddin Jahangir Award for the best IRP from Army Wg



**Cdr S M Arafath UI Islam Chowdhury**, (TAS), BN received the Bir Sreshtho Mohammad Ruhul Amin Award for the best IRP from Navy Wg



**Wg Cdr Abu Hanif Md. Tanim Shah**, BUP, GD(P) received the Bir Sreshtho Matiur Rahman Award for the best IRP from Air Wg



**Sqn Ldr Anobhav Walia**, Indian Air Force received the Bir Sreshtho Noor Mohammad Award for the best IRP from Overseas Course Participants

Besides, **Maj Mustaq Ahmed**, Inf received the 'Bir Sreshtho Mohammad Mustafa Award' for the second position, **Maj Md Faisal Amin**, Inf received the 'Bir Sreshtho Hamidur Rahman Award' for the third position and **Maj Redwan Abyaz**, Inf received the 'Bir Sreshtho Munshi Abdur Rouf Award' for the fourth position of Best IRP from Army Wg



## Symposium and Seminar

Dynamic symposiums and seminars provided a backdrop for intellectual exchange as expert speakers explored diverse topics. Participants engaged in thought-provoking discussions, embodying collaborative learning. An enriching convergence of ideas and insights fostered shared knowledge among faculty and attendees.



Symposium on 'Liberation War of Bangladesh-1971'



Seminar on 'Leadership'



Seminar on 'Military Leadership' by the UK Team



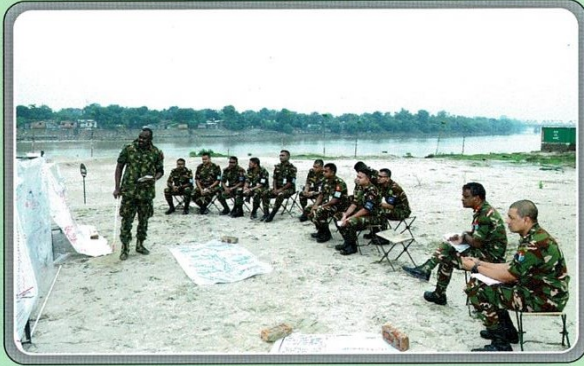
Symposium on 'Defence Budgeting'



Symposium on 'Maritime Strategy'

## Major Exercises

Seamless coordination and military synergy marked the joint exercise, where Army, Navy, and Air Wing course participants showcased collective strength. Participants also displayed exceptional proficiency, embodying the essence of individual excellence during the exercise.



Exercise SHOKTO PRACHIR



Exercise BHABISYAT



Exercise SHAMORIK BIBORTON



Exercise AGNI BEENA

## Graduation Dinner

The DSCSC 2023 Graduation Dinner was held in the DSCSC Officers' Mess on 24 November 2023. General S M Shafiuddin Ahmed, SBP (BAR), OSP, ndu, psc, PhD, Chief of Army Staff, Bangladesh Army, graced the occasion as the esteemed Chief Guest.





## Graduation Ceremony

Under the distinguished gaze of Honourable President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, Mohammed Shahabuddin, the Graduation Ceremony of DSCSC 2023 unfolded on 29 November 2023 at the majestic Sheikh Hasina Complex Auditorium. As the Chief Guest, the honourable President gave away certificates to the graduating officers.



Honourable President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh with the graduating officers of DSCSC 2023



## Overseas Study Tour

Overseas Study Tours for DSCSC Course participants unfolded as an enlightening journey across international landscapes. From immersive cultural experiences to academic insights, each destination became a classroom. Expeditions where the flags of learning flew high, weaving a tapestry of cross-cultural understanding and shared knowledge among faculty and course participants.



DSCSC Team  
Visiting Austria

DSCSC Team  
Visiting Malaysia



DSCSC Team  
Visiting Kuwait

## Overseas Study Tour



DSCSC Team  
Visiting Sri Lanka

DSCSC Team  
Visiting Bahrain



DSCSC Team  
Visiting Thailand



Beside the above mentioned countries, DSCSC Teams also visited China, Cambodia, and Nepal



## Celebration of National/Independence Day



National Day Celebration of KSA

National/independence day of the following countries were also celebrated during the last six months



Germany



Nigeria



Malaysia



Nepal



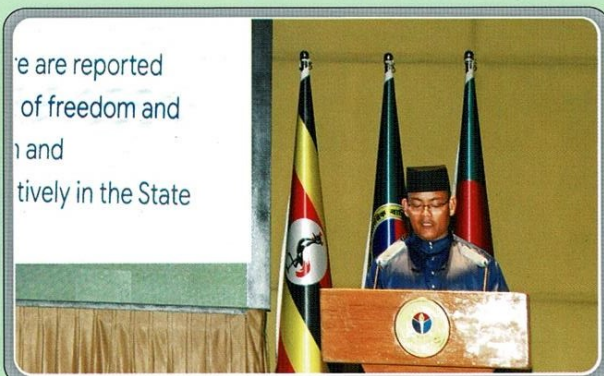
Mali



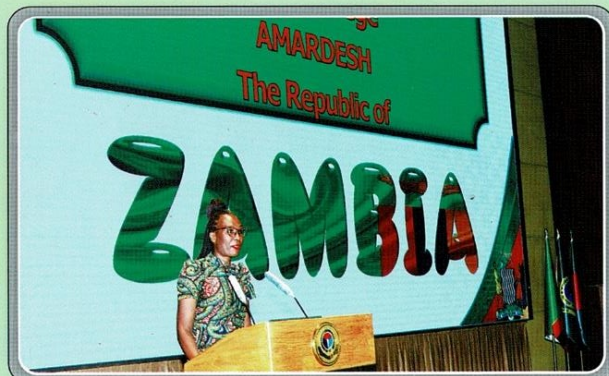
Uganda

## Amar Dosh Presentation Programme

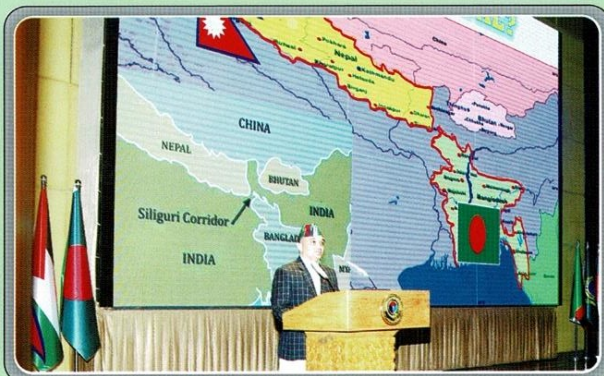
The 'Amar Dosh'—My Country Presentation Programme unites our DSCSC community through a captivating exploration of nations. Participants from Brunei, Germany, Jordan, Liberia, Nepal, Pakistan, Palestine, Sierra Leone, Sri Lanka, Turkiye, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia shared the richness of their cultures, fostering mutual understanding and strengthening friendships. This programme not only expands our global awareness but also weaves a colourful tapestry of connections within our international cohort.



Country Presentation by **Maj Nor Mohammad Saufic Nikmat Bin Ahmad**, Brunei Army represented his country



Country Presentation by **Lt Col M N Ngolo**, Zambian Army represented his country



Country Presentation by **Maj Bijesh K. C.**, Nepal Army represented his country



Country Presentation by **Maj Justus Akankwasa Magyembe**, Uganda Army represented his country

## Visit by the Foreign Delegation Team

Kuwait Delegation  
Team visited DSCSC on  
26 November 2023



## Distinguished Visitor



**Prof Bryan S. C. Watters**  
**OBE PhD SFHEA**, Prof of  
Defence Leadership, Head  
of Centre, Defence Academy  
of the UK visited DSCSC on  
12 February 2024

## Social Events

A medley of social events, including Gala Night, International Night, DSCSC Anniversary, and the Annual Picnic illuminated the campus with joy and camaraderie. Each occasion was a vibrant tapestry of cultural exchange and shared memories, uniting faculty and course participants in a spirit of festivity and community.



Gala Night of DSCSC 2023 on 27 November 2023 at the Sheikh Hasina Complex Auditorium



## Social Events



Celebration of 46<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of DSCSC



International Night organised by Overseas Course Participants on 19 October 2023



DSCSC Annual Picnic-2024

## Social Events



Visit to the National Martyrs Memorial, Savar by Overseas Course Participants with Family

## Games and Sports

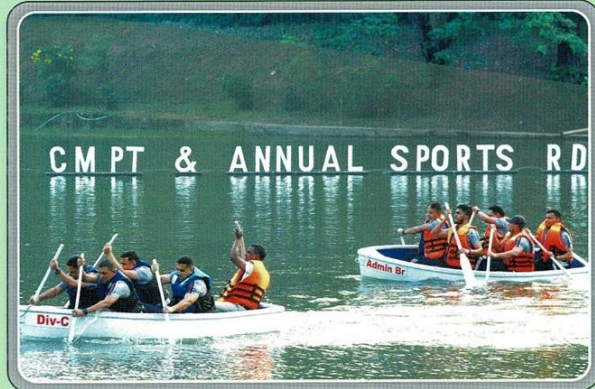


HASH held on 15 February 2024

Amidst the rigorous DSCSC routine, the Annual Sports Round-up and 'HASH' provided a rejuvenating break for course participants and their families. These spirited events fostered physical and mental well-being, promoting a healthy balance despite their busy schedules.



Final Match of Basketball Competition



Boat Race in the Water Sports Competition



## Activities of Torch International School



Torch International School students commemorate Sheikh Raseel Day through participation in drawing and quiz competitions



Annual Sports 2023 held on 23 October 2023

## Ladies Club Activities

The DSCSC Ladies Club arranged a series of enrichment programmes, including cultural events and empowerment initiatives for the lady wives. A number of experts and renowned personalities conduct the enrichment sessions through discussion and counseling.



Enrichment Programme on 'Dining Etiquettes and Table Manners'



Enrichment Programme on 'Organisational Customs, Traditions, Etiquette, Manners Vis-A-Vis Development of Military Wives'



Cultural Programme organized by Ladies Club Members of Army Wg (Div-C)



Reception of Ladies Club Members of DSCSC 2024

## Food Festival

The DSCSC Ladies Club orchestrated a delectable Food Festival on 21 October 2023 at the Sports Complex, creating a vibrant culinary tapestry for the DSCSC 2023. The festive gathering brought together faculty members, permanent staffs, course participants, civil sponsors, and esteemed DA/MA from various countries along with their families. Attendees enjoyed a delightful delicious dishes of both local and friendly overseas countries.



## Golden Evening

A dazzling "Golden Evening" held on 15 October 2023 at the Sheikh Hasina Complex Auditorium, featuring captivating performances by the talented ladies of DSCSC 2023. Commandant, DSCSC graced the occasion as the Chief Guest.



## Certificate Award Ceremony



Certificate Award Ceremony of DSCSC Ladies Club was held on 26 October 2023. President, DSCSC Ladies Club presented certificates of achievement to the lady wives who had successfully completed various enrichment programmes.



## Flag Raising Ceremony

A colourful Flag Raising Ceremony for DSCSC 2024 was held in front of the Sheikh Hasina Complex on 28 January 2024. A total of 26 flags of the participating countries were hoisted by the country representatives. With the enthusiastic participation of faculty members and course participants, this ceremonial event marked the commencement of a spirited and multicultural academic expedition.



## Ice Breaking Ceremony

A momentous Ice Breaking Ceremony for the course participants of DSCSC 2024 was held on 28 January 2024. All officers of DSCSC including all newly joined native and overseas course participants along with their family members attended the ceremony. This ceremonious event not only marked the initiation of the course but also symbolised the unity and shared aspirations of the diverse participants as they embarked on this collective journey at DSCSC.



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