Capstone Course 2017-1





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COURSE CURRICULA

Capstone Course 2017-1 was held from 12 to 23 February 2017 at NDC. This year total 28 Fellows participated in the course. Capstone Course is designed to enhance knowledge, skill and networks related to multilateral security cooperation in Bangladesh among senior policy makers, security practitioners, judges, executives, civil society representatives, senior military officers, media personalities and other eminent personalities of the country. The intended objective of the course is to disseminate a common understanding of national security, stimulate strategic analysis and understanding of major security trends and challenges of the country taking into account both internal dynamics and external influences.



The Chief Guest, Mr. H T Imam, Adviser to the Hon'ble Prime Minister (Political Affairs) along with Commandant NDC, Faculty Members, Staffs and Fellows of Capstone Course 2017-1 during the opening ceremony.

Highlights of NDC

Capstone Course 2017-1

12 February 2017: Opening Ceremony

13 February 2017: Visit to AFD

15 February 2017: Visit to BAF Base Bangabandhu, Dhaka Cantonment

15-17 February 2017: Visit to Chittagong and Rangamati Hill District Council

23 February 2017: Closing and Certificate Awarding Ceremony

ND Course-2017

22 January 2017: Arrival of Course Members

22-25 January 2017:

Local Orientation Visit,
Administration and Training
Brief

26 January 2017: Opening Ceremony and Course Commences

12 February 2017: Visit to Ministry of Defence

20 February 2017: Visit to Naval Headquarters and Air Headquarters

05 -09 March 2017: Internal Study Tour (Rangpur, Sylhet, Barishal, Jessore and Khulna Area)

AFWC-2017

12 February 2017: Arrival of Course Members

19 February 2017: Opening Ceremony and Course Commences

13 March 2017: Visit to Armed Forces Division, Army Headquarters and Bijoyketon

22 March 2017: Visit to Naval Headquarters

Faculty Exchange Program

19-23 March 2017:

"Governance of National Security and Defence" package conducted by a Team from Cranfield University and UK Defence Academy.

27-30 March 2017: "Strategic Leadership Programme" package conducted by a Team from Cranfield University and UK Defence Academy.

27-30 March 2017: "Joint Operation Planning Course (JOPC)" conducted by a Team from Integrated Training Solutions (Global), UK.

Seminar

22 February 2017: Seminar on "Human Resource Development: Need for Education and Administration Sector Reform for Realization of Vision 2041"

National Events

17 March 2017: Celebration of Birthday of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman

26 March 2017: Celebration of Independence Day

Social Events

04 February 2017: NDC Annual Picnic

19 February 2017: Ice Breaking Ceremony (ND Course and AFWC-2017)

Ladies Clubs

24 January 2017: Pitha Utshob

14 February 2017: Celebration of Spring Festival

12 March 2017: Opening Ceremony of NDC Ladies Club

Distinguished Visitors to NDC

23 January 2017: Defence Attache, Egypt

05 February 2017: Delegation of Armed Forces War College, Nigeria

19 February 2017: Delegation from Nigerian Army

20 March 2017: Delegation of National Defence College, Oman

29 March 2017: Defence Attache, Nepal

30 March 2017: Ambassador of Mali

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Professor Dr. Syed Anwar Husain delivering a lecture on "Bengali Culture and its Role on National Security and Development of Bangladesh" to the Fellows of Capstone Course 2017-1 on 13 February 2017.

Commandant NDC, Lt Gen Chowdhury Hasan Sarwardy, BB, SBP, BSP, ndc, psc, PhD delivering a lecture on "Civil Military Relations and Role of Armed Forces in National Security and Development" on 14 February 2017 to the Fellows of Capstone Course 2017-1. He also delivered lecture on "Defence Policy of Bangladesh" on 19 February 2017.







As part of course curricula Faculty Members & Staff Officers of NDC and Fellows of Capstone Course 2017-1 visited various Armed Forces installations during the course. The visit included Armed Forces Division, HQ 24 Infantry Division, BAF Base Bangabandhu and Rangamati Hill District Council.

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A day long seminar on "Human Resource Development: Need for Education and Administrative Sector Reform for Realization of Vision 2041" was held at NDC on 22 February 2017. Adviser to the Hon'ble Prime Minister (International Affairs) Dr. Gowher Rizvi graced the occasion as the Chief Guest.

Professor Dr. Syed Monzoorul Islam and Former Secretary Md Nazrul Islam Khan presented keynote papers on "Human Resource Development: Need for Education Sector Reform Realization of Vision for 2041" and "Human Resource Development: Need Administrative Sector Reform for Realization of Vision 2041" respectively. The seminar was moderated by Air Vice Marshal M Sanaul Huq, GUP, ndc, psc, GD(P) a senior faculty member of NDC.



Adviser to the Hon'ble Prime Minister (International Affairs), Dr. Gowher Rizvi, delivering his concluding speech at the seminar on "Human Resource Development: Need for Education and Administrative Sector Reform for Realization of Vision 2041" on 22 February 2017.





Begum Matia Chowdhury, Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Agriculture graced the occasion as Chief Guest of the Certificate Awarding ceremony of Capstone Course 2017-1 and distributed certificates among the Capstone Fellows on 23 February 2017.

Commandant NDC, is handing over a memento to Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Agriculture, Begum Matia Chowdhury during the knifing of cake in the closing ceremony of Capstone Course 2017-1





National Defence Course-2017commenced on 26 January 2017. The Course is comprised of 80 officers that includes 39 officers of armed forces, 14 officers from civil services and 27 officers from allied countries of the rank of Brigadier General/Colonel and equivalent. The 11 month long course is divided into four studies. Each study is of 10 to 12 weeks long, concentrating on key aspects of Bangladesh Socio Political, Economic and Development issues, Foreign Policies and International Relations and National Security issues.



Armed Forces War Course (AFWC)-2017 commenced on 19 February 2017. The course is comprised of 35 officers of the rank of Lieutenant Colonel of Bangladesh Army and equivalent of Bangladesh Navy and Air Force. AFWC is a joint services course which focuses on operational level planning and conduct of war.



Selection of Individual Research Paper (IRP) and Nomination of Academic Advisers and Senior Directing Staffs was held on 13 March 2017. Commandant, NDC chaired the meeting in presence of Faculty Members, Staff Officers and eminent Academicians of the country.

Course Members of National Defence Course 2017 visited Ministry of Defence on 12 February 2017. Secretary (Incharge) Md Akhtar Hossain Bhuiyan addressed the Course Members. The visit provided an in - depth understanding of the most significant features as well as opportunity of first hand experience of the concerned ministry.





As a part of orientation programme Allied Course Members of ND Course 2017 visited Bangladesh National Museum on 24 January 2017.

Internal Study Tour

As part of course curricula Faculty Members, Staff Officers and Course Members of National Defence Course-2017 visited Jessore and Khulna area from 05 to 09 March 2017.





Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Water Resources, Barrister Anisul Islam Mahmud, MP, delivered a lecture on "Challenges of Water Resources Management in Bangladesh" to the Course Members of ND Course-2017 on 01 March 2017.

Admiral Nizamuddin Ahmed, OSP, BCGM, ndc, psc, Chief of Naval Staff delivered a lecture on "Challenges and Vision-Bangladesh Navy" to the Armed Forces War Course-2017 on 21 March 2017.





Lieutenant General Md Mahfuzur Rahman, rcds, ndc, afwc, psc, PhD, Principal Staff Officer, Armed Forces Division delivered a lecture on "Global, regional and national security environment" to the Armed Forces War Course-2017 on 06 March 2017

Lieutenant General A K Sahni, UYSM, SM, VSM (Retd), Indian Army, delivered an oppurtunity lecture on Cyber Security to the National Defence Course 2017 on 26 February 2017.





Commander Christopher Paul Ayres (Retd), delivered lecture on "Joint Operation Planning" as part of Joint Operation Planning Course (JOPC) package 2017 to the Armed Forces War Course 2017 on 27 March 2017.

SOCIAL AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

18th Raising Day of NDC was celebrated on 10th January 2017. A day long Programme was organized to mark this occasion.



Commandant, NDC along with Faculty Members and Staff Officers knifing the Raising Day Cake on 10 January 2017.



The 98th birth anniversary of the Father of the Nation, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman was observed with due respect and honour on 17 March 2017 at NDC.



Celebration of Independence Day of Bangladesh on 26 March 2017.

Ice Breaking





An ice breaking ceremony was organized on 19 February 2017 jointly by the Course Members of ND Course 2017 and AFWC 2017 to mark the motion of the year long courses.

NDC Ladies Club



NDC Ladies Club Organized Pitha Utshob on 24 January 2017.



NDC Ladies Club organized "Spring Festival" to mark the colourful season of spring on 14 February 2017.

Seminar at India



Commandant, NDC along with eminent participants and keynote speakers of "19th Asian Security Conference 2017" at Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (IDSA), New Delhi.

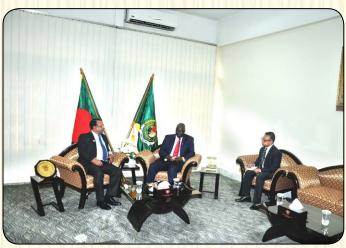
Commandant, NDC presented a Keynote Paper on "Combating Terrorism: Evolving an Asian Response" during the 19^{th} Asian Security Conference 2017 organized by Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (IDSA) , New Delhi on 06-08 March 2017.



DISTINGUISHED VISITORS



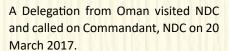
A Delegation from Nigerian Army visited NDC on 19 February 2017. The delegation discussed on various bilateral issues related to conduct of training and education on defence, security, strategy and development studies.



Ambassador of Mali visited NDC and called on Commandant, NDC on 30 March 2017.



Delegation from Nigerian War College visited NDC and called on Commandant, NDC on 05 February 2017





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