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Vision

Attaining sustainable development goals through collaborative movement

Mission

Promoting socio-cultural, economic and environmental well-being for all

Philosophy

live simply live lively



HOLISTIC SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT NETWORK (HSDN) INTERNATIONAL

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Dr. Nasima Akter, Chair

Dr. Nasima Akter is an accomplished researcher and scholar in her own right, she worked in Dhaka for BRAC – the world’s largest non-governmental organization – prior to coming to Canada. She Formulated and introduced Medical Waste Management Rules for Bangladesh; assisted Government to develop different environmental policies. Nasima led and/or participated in project identification/preparation/ assessment in many developing countries of Asia, East Europe, USA and Canada. She is a Certified Canadian Environmental Professional (EP), the field of specializations are Research and Development, Waste Management, Site Assessment and Reclamation, and Education and Training. She holds PhD in Environmental Technology and Management and has 34 journal publications on her credit. She is the Executive Director of Bangladesh-Canadian Community Services in Toronto.

Expertise and interests: Climate disasters, out-migration due to environmental degradation, waste management, and community research on socio-cultural and economic issues of immigrants.



Mrs. Diane Dyson, Director

Mrs. Dyson is a social researcher, activist, and blogger interested in issues of neighbourhoods, schooling, and poverty.

She is currently Director of Strategic Research at WoodGreen Community Services, a large multiservice agency in east end Toronto. Prior to this, Diane worked at United Way of Greater Toronto, overseeing a portfolio of member agencies, and at Ryerson University.

Diane's community contributions include work with the Federation of Metro Tenants Association, where she was on its Executive, Social Planning Toronto, the Ralph Thornton Centre, the Toronto District School Board's Equity Policy Advisory Committee and Inner City Advisory Committee, the Centre for Urban Health Initiatives. She has also worked with Action for Neighbourhood Change to provide training on nonprofit board governance.

Expertise and Interests: Diane’s research interests include neighbourhoods, demographics, community services, social networks, education systems and poverty.



Mr. Mohammed Abdul Kader Hemu, Vice Chair

Mr. Kader Hemu is a passionate freelancer naturalist; studied in Adamjee Cantonment College and went to Jogonath University in Dhaka Bangladesh. He. Kader Hemu has been a great support to the new comers from south Asia and established a very reliable and authentic ethnic food store since 2000 which has been providing food choice freedom to the South Asians and thereby contributing in diversity, the beauty of multi-cultural Toronto.

Expertise and interests: Ethnic food, gardening, fishing and social work



Mr. Fakhruddin Ahmad, Secretary

Mr. Ahmad is a well-known social organizer in Danforth, Toronto and surroundings. He studied pharmacy in University of Dhaka, Bangladesh and worked in pharmaceuticals in Bangladesh, UAE and Canada. He established Medimost pharmacy in Danforth neighborhood to serve the local people door to door for Medicare. He is also the President of Association of Bangladeshi Pharmacists in Canada who are supporting the new pharmacists and their family in settling and career development in Canada. He is a committed social worker and passionate naturalist.

Expertise and interests: Medicare, gardening, fishing and social work.



Mr. Swapan K Sarker, Treasurer

Mr. Sarker is a CPA member in Canada. He graduated from University of Dhaka in Marketing and practiced Chartered Accountancy more than 10 years with Basu Banarjee Nath & Company. He is a dedicated executive of minority rights movement for Bangladeshi Hindu Society. His involvement with progressive democratic initiative in Canada, Udichi, Bangladeshi Hindu Minority Alliances has brought him closer to peoples' heart in the community.

Expertise and interests: Gardening, fishing, travelling, story- telling and social work



Mr. Siddhertha Saha, Director

Mr. Saha studied MBA in University of ADUST, Bangladesh and a qualified PCP, CPA Member (Canada). He has 10 years of development and financial sector experience in the area of HR Operations & Management; he worked at INGO headquarters, regional offices, country offices and field level in a variety of context. Saha managed \$350 million portfolios for Asia consisting of funds from USAID, EU, DFID, AusAID, Global Fund, ADB, GIZ, SDC, SIDA, UN agencies, Gates Foundation among others

Expertise and interests: policy formulation and system setups i.e. country strategic plan development.



Mrs. Rokhsana Reza, Director

Mrs. Rokhsana Reza is a public health professional with twenty years of experience in enhancing efficiency and effectiveness of public health development programs in Bangladesh. She studied in Chittagong Medical College, Bangladesh, Mahidol University, Thailand, Prince of Songkla University, Thailand, IBAIS University, Bangladesh, and Oxford College of Arts, Business and Technology, Toronto, Canada. In her progressive roles in NGOs and UN agencies, she demonstrated proficiency in increasing synergies among different components of programs, managing resources and bringing stakeholders together for national level programs. She is qualified in both qualitative and quantitative social research. Rokhsana coordinated the national HIV and AIDS Project (HAPP), Bangladesh as Project Officer in UNICEF as well as reviewed Bangladesh’s National Monitoring and Evaluation Plan for HIV and AIDS, 2011-2015 (Costed), and coordinated development of Bangladesh’s National Strategic Plan for HIV and AIDS, 2011-2015. She is involved in social work in Toronto and has been the Vice Chair of BCS, Board of Directors since 2016.

Expertise and interests: project management, monitoring and evaluation, strategic planning, quality improvement, capacity building and sustainable development.



Mr. Temitope Tunbi Onifade, Director

With law and policy degrees, Mr. Onifade is completing a doctorate as an International Doctoral Fellow and a Liu Scholar at the University of British Columbia (UBC). He was a John Ballem QC LLD Postgraduate Fellow in Energy Law at the University of Calgary, a law lecturer at Memorial University and a policy researcher with the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador. Temi has also practiced law. He co-founded a commercial firm (Lex Luminaire LLP in Nigeria), worked full-time at a general practice firm (GE Ezomo & Co in Nigeria) and worked part-time at a corporate social responsibility firm (Social Impact Firm in Canada). He interned with Nigeria's Court of Appeal and Federal High Court.

Temi's main area is law and policy as applicable to energy and environment. He recently co-founded the Liu Institute Network for Africa and serves as a member on the Faculty Council of UBC Law School, and an Advisory Board of an International Bar Association (IBA) committee. He has received 24 awards and honours. Recent entries are from UBC, IBA, Columbia University, University of Calgary, Memorial University and Oyo State Government.

Expertise and Interests: Qualitative Analysis, Environmental Impact Assessment, Sustainable Development, Governance, Risk Assessment, Environmental Law, Human Rights.

LETTER FROM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Message from the Chair

On behalf of the board of HSDN, I am very happy to welcome you all to the 2nd Annual General Meeting of our organization. HSDN has created an impactful contribution to the community since its inception through various activities like seminars and workshops on “World Environment Day”, “International Water Day”, International Mother Language Day”, “Good parenting”; rally on “Save Sundarban” and many more. HSDN also celebrates other remarkable days and organizes community events like BBQ event and cultural show.

Last two years HSDN has been working to motivate parents and kids to learn their mother language at “Bangla School”. We all know, to value our culture and heritage, to create respect and ownership for the roots/origin there is no alternative than learning the language. I thank our entire dedicated volunteer group for devoting their precious time to teach “Bangla” to our children. I also appreciate parents who are bringing their kids to learn Bangla, despite their busy life. My sincere thanks to the advisory board of Bangla school for their continuous support.

For knowledge generation and dissemination HSDN publishes a quarterly journal name "The Journal for Worldwide Holistic Sustainable Development (JWHSD). I take this opportunity to extend my sincere thanks to the editorial board and the contributors, authors of the journal.

HSDN’s mission is to promote socio-cultural, economic and environmental well-being for all through knowledge mobilization, collaboration, network building, and facilitation amongst like-minded organizations and individuals, from the grassroots to global level. Our name is our goal; to create a practical model for worldwide holistic sustainable development. In doing so, we are striving to reconcile economic growth with environmental interests and the protection of unique societal practices, cultures, and traditions.

This is a volunteer driven organization, I am thankful to all our volunteers for their help whenever needed. Also, without the dedication of our board members it wouldn’t be possible to come so long. My thanks to the board members. Our ED has been working tirelessly for this organization. Thank you so much for your hard work.

Our theme of the year is “Every Steps Count: Live Simply Live Lively”. So, let’s make a small step forward to save the world environment for ourselves and for our next generation.

Thank you all.



Letter from Executive Director and Incorporator

HSDN International has completed its successful second year since incorporation though the organization initiated in 2014 in Grenfell Campus, Memorial University of Newfoundland. Although we are at preliminary stage, we are very much optimistic as we have reached our expectation for this year in terms of enriching our network, collaboration and creating attention of experts and communities.

The HSDN strongly believes that everyone has the power to improve lives by making changes at a grassroots level. The goal of the HSDN is to provide a platform to learn about the relationships between human action and environmental and social impacts. Here at the HSDN, we see our environments, economies and societies as indivisible parts of a whole. Every aspect of our world is both interrelated and interdependent. In order to improve the sustainability of our practices, we must think critically about our actions as individuals, communities, and societies. We believe that sustainability have a positive impact on the quality of every human life are not only beneficial, they are essential for the future existence of humanity as a whole. To supplement the sustainability movement, HSDN International is currently operating with the purposes of conceptual understanding and communicating through outreach activities as well as practices in real to create model of action.

Till date, the HSDN International published 7 issues of its peer reviewed ISSN registered journal that combined in three volumes and another volume is in undergoing process. We organized dozens of workshop and seminar individually and/or collaboratively in Canada and abroad that engaged academics, communities and youths. We have organized two (2) collaborative conferences on sustainability and are planning to host more frequently. Other than that, our blog featuring stories and news with views on sustainability since 2015.

The path of our organizational journey could not be easy without board members and volunteers hard work and commitment. The supports from the collaborative partners, socially responsible people and advisers also been very significant to our organizational progress. We believe our third-year journey will be a turning point for our organizational establishment as we are blessed to have very extraordinary members in our board that will strengthen our operations and enhance our achievements to our goals to a great extent.

Jannatul Islam, MAEP

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'J. Islam', on a light-colored background.

Executive Director and Incorporator

INTRODUCTION

The Holistic Sustainable Development Network (HSDN) International is a nonprofit organization that creates, coordinates, and disseminates research relating to sustainable development. Although we are based in Canada, we collaborate and work internationally, arrange conferences and seminars as well as publish research in our peer reviewed journals. Our aim is to disseminate relevant research and work experiences to the public and increase stakeholder participation in the practices and processes that impact sustainable development.. HSDN International was initiated in 2014 by the Environmental Policy Institute Graduate Candidates in Memorial University of Newfoundland pioneered by Jannatul Islam with a name -Worldwide Holistic Sustainable Development Cooperation (WWHSDC). Afterwards, Jannatul Islam moved to Toronto and continued the initiatives under current name and incorporated in Canada under the leadership of Dr. Nasima Akter. The HSDN is defined by the motto ‘Live simply, live lively’. It is a growing organization of academics dedicated to increasing access to high quality peer reviewed literature on sustainable development. The HSDN is truly an international undertaking with executive members from Canada, Bangladesh, United Kingdom, Nigeria and Jamaica.

HSDN Internationals’ Concepts are as follows:

Slogan: Live Simply, Live Lively

Vision: Attain sustainable development goals through collaborative movement

Mission: Promote socio-cultural, economic and environmental well-being for all through knowledge mobilization, collaboration, network building, and facilitation amongst like-minded organizations and individuals, from the grassroots to global level.

Values:

1. *Complementary regard for human and non-human (environmental) subjects*
2. *Engender inclusion and community with all HSDN stakeholders*

Goals:

Our main goals: *To create consensus of “Live Simply but Lively”* through collaborative movement

Objectives:

1. *To generate ideas through expanding linkages and research projects*
2. *Identifying the projects related to the organization’s goals*
3. *Accumulating efforts to make projects successful within jurisdictions*
4. *Communicating activities of the organization and giving feedback to stakeholders*
5. *Expanding network and cooperation worldwide to secure greater success in worldwide holistic sustainable development*
6. *Support for class neutral development of policies*

We are aiming to attain sustainable development goals through collaborative movement. We believe, “getting people to really see where holistic sustainable development can fit into their lives or policies is the first step to achieving a more sustainable world”.

We invite you to join us as a participant, a teacher, a student, and a voice in this movement toward holistic sustainable development. Are you up to the challenge?

2018 AT A GLANCE

Stands in solidarity with Global Day of Action to save the Sundarbans



HSDN International for the second year in Toronto, stands in solidarity with the Global Day of Action to protect the Sundarbans and scrap the Rampal coal power plant because the Sundarban is a unique and sensitive biodiversity which is coastal mangrove forest known to be the world’s largest mangrove forest. UNESCO declared Sundarban as The World Heritage Site due to its importance for extremely rich biodiversity and beauty of nature. To preserve its outstanding universal value, now demands global public action for its survival. Although the Sundarban covers more than 60% of the total reserved forest of Bangladesh, contributes about 50% of total forest revenue. Compare to 200 years ago, the Sundarban area has decreased drastically from 16,700 km² to 4,143 km².



Nevertheless, National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) (India) and Bangladesh state owned Power Development Board (PDB) have started construction for 1320 MW Rampal coal-fired power plant which is near 20 kilometre of Sundarban area. However, Coal cannot be a solution for climate justice. In addition, the coal plant inviting a range of national and international vested interest groups to grab forest and set up hundreds of commercial projects in and around the Sundarbans. This has not only put the livelihood of at least 3.5 million people at risk, it has made the lives of around 40 million coastal people vulnerable to natural disasters as the Sundarbans have also been a huge natural safe guard against frequent cyclone, storm and

other natural disasters in the country. Bangladesh is one of the most vulnerable country facing climate change. Thus, our campaign will be continued.

BANGLA SCHOOL Children Summer Campaign and BBQ at Taylor Creek park!



Our big thank to everyone that came to the Bangla School Summer Campaign and BBQ at Taylor Creek park on June 30th of 2018. This time we received enormous response (262 Registered Participants) from the parents, children youth, adult and seniors and partners. The event was funded by City of Toronto's Neighborhood Development Program while executed by Holistic Sustainable Development Network (HSDN) International, partnering with Bangladeshi Canadian-community Services and supported by Bangladesh Association of Toronto, Ontario and Toronto Bangladeshi Parents Advisory Committee.

The event was designed with 12 different activities with lots of prizes and gifts. Participants included MPPs, Councilors, city representatives, community leaders who joined and stayed till the end of the program. To everyone that, in one way or another, lent a helping hand, thank you for making the BBQ and Bangla School Campaign a success!

Bangla School, Toronto Observed Independence Day of Bangladesh-2018



HSDN International is running a Bangla School and Social Wellness program based on Scarborough, Toronto in Canada with a special focus to Bengali community who are about 90,000 in number in the greater Toronto. The main activities of the program is to teach children

Bangla language and heritage in an entertaining and social environment along with celebrating and organizing related events and workshops. As part of the activities, the Bangla School, Toronto observed Independence Day of Bangladesh on 25 March 2018 at Oakridge Junior Public School to share the history and stories of sacrifices for the independence of Bangladesh. Bangladesh Association of Toronto, Ontario and TBPAC who has been contributing for community development for years, partnered for this event.

The event audiences were welcomed by Abdul Kader Hemu, Vice Chair of HSDN International and Chaired by Eng. Rezaur Rahman, Chair of Bangladesh Association of Toronto, Ontario while Fakhruddin Ahmed Masud, Secretary of HSDN International and Dr. Kabirul Molla, Secretary of both Bangladesh Association and TBPAC jointly moderated the event.

Besides the historical speech of freedom fighter Gourango Dey, media person Abdul Halim Miah, Akhlak Hossain, Mr. Yusof, Mr. Howlader, Mr. Salam, Sajjad Hossain, Swapan Sarker, Mr. Nuruzzaman, Siddhertha Saha, Shammy Akter, Raffia Mokbul, Taposh Paul, Azim Dewan, Mahbuba Khanom, Monsura Begum, Mrs. Rahman, Ms Dipica, Mr. Sohel has joined the workshop discussion on how to develop Bangla School program to engage people to get its benefits. Mr. Jannatul Islam, founder and Executive Director of HSDN International informed the audience how the Bangla School had been serving free of cost for more than a year based on voluntary contributions. Children from Bangla School presented Bangla poem recitation and song which touched and generated a feeling of visiting roots among the people attended the event said by Eng. Rezaur Rahman, the chair of the event.

HSDN International Observed International Mother Language Day-2018

Bangla School, Toronto, run by HSDN International partnered with BCS to observe International Mother Language Day-2018 on 18th February 2018 in Oakridge Junior Public School’s Gymnasium at 110 Byng Avenue Toronto. The main theme of the event was, “My Language My Pride”.



200 attendees from the community leaderships, groups, academics and other social activists along with family members participated in the event. Besides speech, children & youth art, recitation, singing competition were conducted in the event. The youth performed a drama on the necessity of mother language.

Special Thanks to City Councilor, PMP and all our Bangla school Team Members and Parents who spent their valuable time to make this program successful.

Seminar on Good Parenting and Celebration of Victory Day of Bangladesh



HSDN International organized a seminar on good parenting to observe victory day of Bangladesh through its Taylor-Massey and Oakridge Community group funded by City of Toronto Microgrant program and partnered by Bangladeshi-Canadian Community Services (BCS). Besides Bangla School, Toronto and BCS after school children, about 40 children from the community participated in showcasing their art on Bangladeshi culture and heritage. More than 75 people attended including PMP Aurther Pott, Councilor Janet Davis and representations from other partners stakeholders. The event was held on 17 December in Mizan Complex Auditorium, Toronto where kids displayed their arts, performed recitation of poems and dances and got awarded.

Freedom fighter Mr. Sanayul Islam Khan delivered a speech based on his experiences of the war of independence of Bangladesh to enrich the knowledge of Canadian Bangladeshi children on Bangladesh’s history of independence and the sacrifices made to achieve that. . The event opened, and audience welcomed by Mr. Jannatul Islam, founder and Executive Director of HSDN International and chaired by HSDN International’s Chair and Executive Director of

BCS, Dr. Nasima Akter. The seminar was moderated by Mr. Towhid Noman who also conducted a questions and answers session.

In presence of community leaders, MPP, Councilor, Academics, youths, various interest groups and politicians, the audience protested the Rampal Project in Bangladesh, a coal-based energy plant which will have a potential drastic impact on UNESCO heritage and world largest mangrove forest Sundarban. The protest delivered the message that the coal based plant not only has the potential to destroy the ecology but also to negatively affect livelihood of millions of peoples in Bangladesh and neighborhood countries.

HSDN International Distributed Free Tree to the Community

HSDN International is working for holistic sustainability with the moto: live simply live lively. We jointly with BCS and Toronto Parks and Tree Foundation organized an event on Tree for Me on November 19, 2017 in Ghoroa Restaurant parking lot, Toronto where we distributed about 86 native trees to the residence of Toronto.



City of Toronto through Toronto Parks and Tree Foundation reaching out to the community groups to increase the number of trees by motivating private property owners to plant trees in their back yard. The idea is to increase tree coverage to 40% in city of Toronto which is now less than 29%. Without access to the individual who has a backyard, it is difficult to reach to the target of tree coverage. HSDN International is proud to be a part of this initiative as a mandate of pursuing sustainability through collaboration to live simply live lively.

We received huge responses which encouraged us to work with the community and local group. Thanks to all volunteers and participants. Though it’s not enough to mention names still special thanks to the Margo Mullin, Mirza, and the Bangla School family especially Mrs. Raffia and Mrs. Romana. We are looking forward to collaborating with individual(s) and organization(s) for the sustainable society.

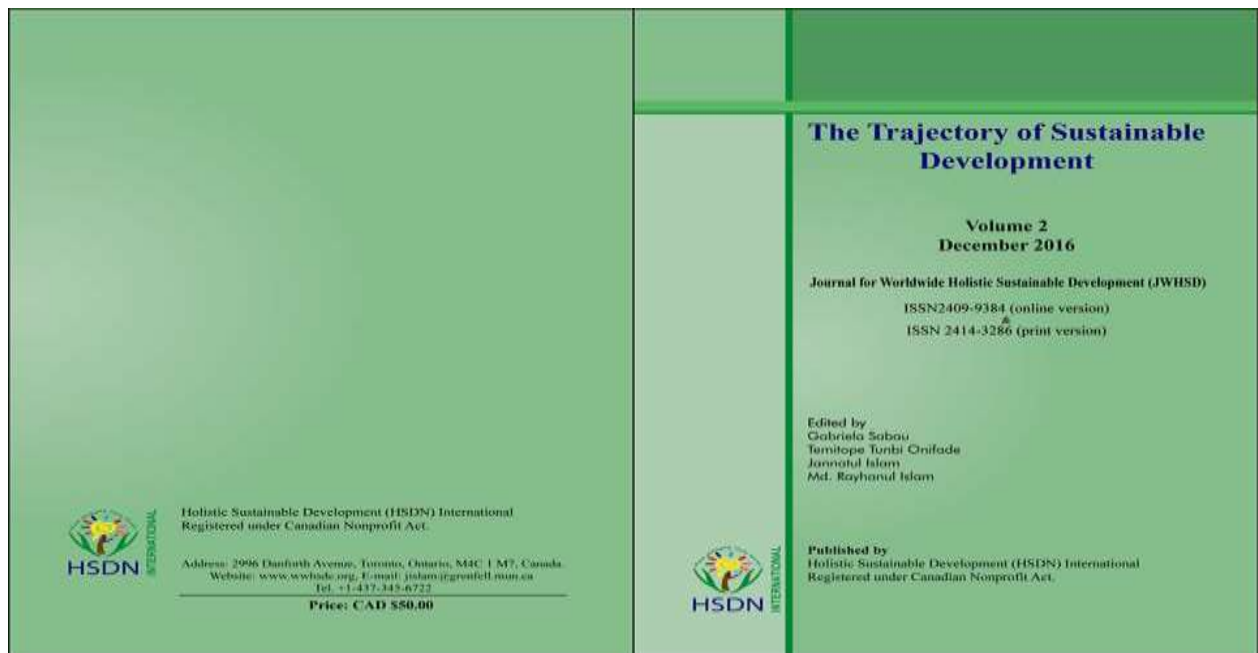
HSDN INTERNATIONAL’S INITIATIVES

Bangla School Toronto:

Linguistic and cultural diversity is the beauty of most of the cosmopolitan cities i.e. Toronto. Multi-culturalism represents universal values that strengthen the unity and cohesion of societies which is also acknowledged by post-2015 global development agenda Every language spoken in the world represents a special culture, history, melody and color, and to everyone the mother language is certainly one of the most precious treasures in our lives. It’s a duty and responsibility to preserve it and pass it down from generation to generation. Learning another language brings a lot of advantages in our life; opens a new window in our world view and makes us more aware, open-minded, and respectful to other cultures, lifestyles, customs and beliefs.

Toronto is a great place for multi-culturalism while language is the most important tools of culture. India Study channel (2017) claimed that the total number of languages in entire world is 6901 out of which, the number of 90 % of their speakers is less than one hundred thousand. Around 367 languages are such that are spoken by mere 50 people. 47 languages are such the speakers of which number less than 10. Keeping mother tongue especially in a foreign country does not happen spontaneously. Instead, it is an achievement that requires commitment and determination. In respect of the mother tongue, International Mother Language Day is being observed all over the world; the day initiated in Bangladesh, based on the sacrifice of Bengali people to uphold their rights to speak their mother tongue. Hence, Bangla School Toronto established in 2016 to keep the value of mother tongue up and facilitate Bengali language and cultural learning to Bengali people of greater Toronto assumed of 100,000 in number. Bangla School Toronto has been running as a symbol of mother language movement which is expected to contribute in greater linguistic and cultural diversity in Canada and all over the world.

Journal for Worldwide Holistic Sustainable Development (JWHSD)



The Journal for Worldwide Holistic Sustainable Development (JWHSD) features both online and printed versions with **ISSN 2409-9384** (online) and **ISSN 2414-3286** (print version) is a forum for discussing the findings of scholars, practitioners and students interested in sustainable development research. The journal focuses on the social science and interdisciplinary approaches to sustainable development. The goal of the journal is to be the world’s largest peer reviewed open access journal reporting issues of sustainable development and ongoing research for addressing its challenges. The journal hopes to be a platform for identifying key issues and solutions to sustainable development challenges from an integrated perspective. For author guidelines: see <http://www.hsdni.org/jwhsd/authors-guidelines/> .

We welcome submissions year-round.

Blog: Unleash a world of unimaginable intellectual possibilities!



In addition to peer reviewed information, HSDN has expanded into the blogosphere with its monthly contributions starting from April 2015. For those interested in becoming involved with HSDN, blog submissions are routinely being accepted for review. In the interest of quality and uniformity, blog submissions are to be cited in a recognized format, with a focus on one or more of the goals or objectives of HSDN and should contain no more than one thousand words. Please forward submissions to wwhsdc.blog@gmail.com.

The world is careening with technology improving by leaps and bounds, each new advancement leading to a myriad of unforeseen consequences. At the same time, the world is shrinking, with borders blurred by international treaties, international economic agreements and the juggernauts often referred to as multinational corporations, wielding more power and having more money than many sovereign states.

With all this craziness going on around us, it is easy to feel small and out of control. It is easy to feel like we cannot have a say in the affairs around us, to get intimidated by all the large-scale happenings and to have our opinions and ideas trapped inside us.

Today we bring you good news.

The Holistic Sustainable Development Network (HSDN) is presenting you with a platform to present your views and opinions to the world, through its blog. You can share your insights and read the views and opinions of people from around the world, educating yourself and others in the process. It will give you the opportunity you always wanted – to influence the world around you and not merely be a passive observer.

Conference, workshop, and seminars

Symposiums and conferences are a key component of HSDN’s mandate. To disseminate academia and practitioners’ expertise and combining the theory and practice, HSDN International committed to organize conference, workshop and seminars and create study materials for sustainability practitioners. HSDN’s executives have attended and presented in dozens of conferences and workshops that fit within the sustainable theme. This initiative has heralded in conference presentations in Canada, Philiphines and Bangladesh, with plans for future conferences across the globe.

HSDN planned to organize collaborative conferences as frequent as possible on sustainability besides its own workshops and seminars. Till date, dozens of workshops and seminars have been organized and two collaborative conferences on sustainability were also hosted on 13 November 2015 and on on 26-27 October 2016 in Grenfell Campus, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada.

We are looking forward to organizing more and more outreach event as conference, workshop and seminar and compile learning materials from the conceptual experts and practitioners’ knowledges gathered from those outreach event.

Youth Initiative for Sustainability

Recently, we are working with youth who are the future of the world. Holistic sustainability can’t be achieved without the younger generation’s involvement. To do so, we have developing youth leadership through our Bangla School Toronto program and through different event. We are educating them about a sustainable world- how would it look like to be addressing the problem around us and affecting our social and environmental life and values.

Sustainability Review Magazine: *Learn Locally Spread Globally*

To address problems in sustainability and to promote sustainable practices, our regular sustainability review magazineis underway. We aim the magazine to present the exemplary actions, stories and views that will communicate with practitioners and facilitate actions against any untenable. Our moto for the magazine is: *Learn Locally Spread Globally*. We will accumulate examples and experience from anywhere and present it for use of greater benefit of the society.

ON-GOING PROJECTS

Since we are in initial stage of our growth, most of the initiatives we have taken i.e. Bangla School Toronto, Blog, Conference/workshop/seminar, and journal are our on-going projects.

UPCOMING EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

DATE

Seminar on Good Parenting and Celebration of Bangladeshi Victory Day	16 th December 2018
8 th Issue, Fourth Volume of JWHSD	15 th January 2019
Seminar on Learning Mother Tongue in Overseas And Celebration of International Mother Day	24 th February 2019
Observe International Day of Forests And Celebration of Bangladesh Independence Day	24 th March 2019
Workshop on Multicultural Diversity in Canada and Observe World Environmental Day	23 rd June 2019
3 rd Collaborative Conference on Sustainability	TBA
Bangla School Children Summer Campaign and BBQ	TBA
Workshop on Youth Initiative for Better Society and Celebration of International Youth Day	10 th August 2019
Workshop on Mental Health is a Key of Peaceful Society	13 th October 2019

REGULAR SCHEDULED EVENT

Besides our Journal for Worldwide Holistic Sustainable Development (JWHSD), our weekly Sunday Bangla School program will be running all year round. Bangla School Toronto’s facilities is free of charge. We teach Bangla language and provide homework support, art and music.

OFFICE MEMBERS

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