



Asian Federation on Intellectual Disabilities (AFID)

Organizing Committee of 23rd Asian Conference of AFID

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Minutes ' of the Midterm Executive Board Meeting of AFID

Minutes of the Midterm Executive Board Meeting of Asian Federation on Intellectual Disabilities (AFID) held from 24-27 September, 2016 at SWID Convention Centre. President of AFID Mr. Jowaherul Islam Mamun presided over the meetings.

Members Present:

1. Mr. Jowaherul Islam Mamun, President, AFID
2. Ms. Nandhini Wijayaratham, Immediate Past President
3. Mr. Sachida Nand Shrivastava, 1st Vice President
4. Prof. Takeshi Kaneko, Member at Large
5. Ms. Ji Young Moon, (AFID Secretariat, KAIDD)
6. Mr. Young Hwan Koh, (AFID Secretariat, KAIDD)
7. Prof. Li-Yu Hung, Member-at-Large
8. Prof. Tai-Hwa Emily Lu, Honorary Member
9. Ms. Sumathi Morgan (Consultant, Samadhan)
10. Mr. Rabindra K.C (Director, NAID)

On Invitation

1. Ms. Dilara Mostafa, Chairperson, Organizing Committee of 23rd Conference.
2. Ms. Emelda Hossain Dipa, Secretary, Conference Organizing Committee of AFID.
3. Dr. Ajanta Rani Saha, Member, Conference Organizing Committee of AFID (1st Jt. Secretary General, SWID).

The EBM held on 24.09.16 (1st day)

The AFID President started the meeting with warm welcome to all the members and the invitees present. President Mamun in his opening address stated that the decision to hold the 23rd Conference of AFID in Bangladesh hosted by SWID Bangladesh in 2017 was taken during 22nd Conference-2015 held in Colombo, Sri Lanka. He then shared about the activities of SWID Bangladesh for the cause of Intellectually Disabled since 1977 and getting AFID membership through its founder Dr. Sultana Sarawat Ara Zamam, Professor of the University of Dhaka. SWID is the pioneer and initiator of starting the activities for the betterment of persons with intellectual disabilities. SWID also working in strengthening of AFID on the same commitment to implement of activities for welfare and development of the Persons with Intellectual Disabilities in Bangladesh.



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He thanked all Board Members of AFID for visiting of the Bangabandhu Memorial Museum and pay floral tribute to the portrait of Father of the Nation, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.

Responding to a query from the committee on the issue of terrorism and security in Bangladesh, the President assured the foreign delegates that a strong security arrangement has been taken by the Dhaka Metropolitan police during the EBM and the Government of Bangladesh has assured them of their support for the conference as well. He informed that Dr. Won Kyung Kim, Secretary General of AFID; Ms. Chiyoko Numata of ARC; and Honorary Member, Father Rev. Brendan O'Connell could not attend the meeting due to unavoidable reasons and Honorary Member, Dr. Francis C. Chen (Singapore) could not attend due to sudden illness. We pray for his early recovery.

Mr. Young Hwan Koh conveyed the greetings from Dr. Won Kyung Kim, Secretary General of AFID and Ms. Chiyoko Numata of Asian Resource Centre (Japan) to all in the EBM and best wishes for the success of 23rd Conference of AFID- 2017 under the leadership of the President of AFID,

Mr. Jowaherul Islam Mamun hosted by SWID Bangladesh.

Agenda and decisions of the EBM:

Agenda 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 and 9: Annual Report, Annual Financial Statement, Presentation of the 1st announcement & call for Paper, Presentation & approval of the proposed organizing committee for the 23rd Conference of AFID-2017 and Finalization of the registration fee for the participation in the conference are discussed.

Mr. Young Hwan Koh presented the Annual Report with action plan and financial statement.

Prof. Li-Yu Hung, Member at large(Taiwan), Prof. Tai-Hwa Emily Lu, Honorary Member, (Taiwan), Ms. Ji Young Moon (Korea), Mrs. Nandhini Wijayaratanam, Immediate Past President (SriLanka), Mr. Sachida Nand Shrivastava, 1st Vice President (Nepal) took part in the discussion on the issue of the position of 3rd Vice president which is still vacant no authorized representation is received from Indonesia.

In the General Assembly meeting held in Colombo SriLanka in 2015, it was decided that 3rd Vice President will be elected from Indonesia. Mr. Young of AFID Secretary has sent a letter to Indonesia to nominate the name and sent to AFID Secretary but till date the AFID secretariat did not receive any representation from Indonesia.



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After a long discussion it was decided that if Indonesia does not send the name to be included as 3rd vice-president of AFID Executive Board, the 3rd Vice President will be selected from other member countries of AFID and it should be done in the next Board Meeting and General Assembly.

Mr. Young Hwan Koh also stated that the AFID Secretariat (KAIDD) will financial support as 5000US\$ for arrangement of 23rd Conference of AFID. As agreed by the members, the following decisions are accepted in the meeting:

- i) The annual report and annual financial report is accepted with due acknowledgement to AFID Secretariat.
- ii) Mr. Young Hwan Koh also stated that the AFID Secretariat will give USD\$5000 as financial support for holding of 23rd Conference-2017 of AFID in Bangladesh.
- iii) The name 23rd 'ACID' Conference should be replaced as '23rd AFID conference'.
- iv) Organizing Committee for 23rd Conference of AFID is approved.
- v) A request letter will be sent to member organization in Indonesia from AFID Secretariat to forward the name of the person to represent the country for the position of 3rd Vice President of AFID Executive Board. But in case of failure, the Executive Board will select the same from other countries which will be confirmed in the meeting during General Assembly in 2017.

The president of AFID presented a draft of 1st Announcement and call for paper of 23rd AFID Conference- 2017 for suggestions and subsequent approval.

Ms. Sumathi Morgan (India) observed the wrong size of the 'Logo' of AFID and proposed to print original size and colour during print of the 2nd Announcement. During discussion on the 'Theme' of the Conference, the President presented 16 suggested themes for the conference. He informed the board that the daughter of the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Mrs. Saima Wazed Hossain, Chief Consultant in Autism affairs of United Nations, Mental Health Expert of WHO and Chairperson of National Advisory Committee on Autism in Bangladesh has kindly agreed to be the Key Note Speaker for the Conference. She strongly suggested the theme- "Acceptance, Accessibility, Inclusion-A key to SDG". President said the 'Millennium Development Goal (MDG)' is over by 2015 which was issue of PWD but not included 'Sustainable Development Goal (SDG)' with 17 targeted agenda as the importance of disabilities.

Ms. Sumathi Morgan from India expressed that it is a holistic theme Ms. Nandhini Wijayarathnam also appreciated this proposed theme. Then Ms. Sumathi Morgan suggested expansion of acronym for more clarity and requested the board to consider rephrasing the theme as



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“Acceptance, Accessibility, Inclusion-A key towards sustainable development”- and it was decided as the theme with consent of all members in the meeting.

After discussion the following decisions are accepted:

- i) Original size and colour of AFID logo should be followed during printing of the 2nd Announcement and call for paper of 23rd AFID Conference-2017.
- ii) Theme: “**Acceptance, Accessibility, Inclusion-A key towards sustainable development**”.
- iii) Registration Fee for different categories is decided as follows:

Proposed Registration Fee for 23rd AFID Delegates from Foreign Countries		
Category	Early Bird before June 30,2017 in US \$	After June 2017 in US\$
Nominees of AFID Member Countries	US\$250	US\$300
Other Delegates	US\$275	US\$325
Accompanying Person	US\$200	US\$250
Self-Advocates	US\$150	US\$200
Accompanying Person of self Advocates	US\$150	US\$200
Students	US\$100	US\$150
Proposed Registration Fee for 23rd AFID Delegates from Bangladeshi Delegates		
Category	Early Bird before June 30,2017	After June 2017
Delegates	BDT 4000	BDT 4500
Accompanying Person	BDT 3000	BDT 3500
Self Advocates	BDT 2000	BDT 2500
Accompanying Person of Self Advocates	BDT 1000	BDT 1500
Students	BDT 1000	BDT 1500



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The President thanked all members for their valuable contribution and taking part in the discussion, and concluded the meeting for 1st day and invited them to join the Welcome Reception Ceremony in the evening.

The first session of EBM ended with vote of thanks followed by lunch.

Welcome Reception Ceremony

The Organizing Committee arranged a Welcome Reception Ceremony in the evening of 1st day meeting (24.09.16) in honour of the Board Members of AFID. Hon'ble MP Kazi Rozi and AKM Ahsanul Hoque Chowdhury, Mr. Kabir Bin Anwar, Director General (Admin), Prime Minister's Office, Mr. Sushanta Kumar Pramanik, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Social Welfare, Government of Bangladesh, Bri. Gen. (Retd.) Mostafa Kamal Lashkar, District Governor of Rotary SAM Showket Hossain, Mj. Gen. (Retd) Shafiqul Islam, Exec. Director, CRP, Media Partner Mr. Tasik Ahmed, Sr. Vice- President of ATN Bangla, President of SWID Mohammad Moslem, National Consultant (ICT) of Prime Minister's Office Mr. Vashkar Bhattacharjee, Principal of Wills Little Flower Mr. Abul Hossain, Chairperson of Org. Committee Ms. Dilara Mostafa delivered their speech on solidarity, involvement with SWID and cooperation to hold the Conference and make it success. The Secretary of the Organizing Committee, Ms. Emelda Hossain Dipa organized the programmes. The Executive Board Members received the Gifts of compliment from SWID by the Organizing Committee in the function and the members shared few words of appreciation of the hospitality of SWID and wishes for a successful Conference.

Mr. Hemayet Uddin Ahmed, 1st Vice-President, Dr. Ajanta Rani Saha, 1st Jt. Secretary General, Dr. Munshi Md. Reza Sekander 2nd Jt. Secretary General, Mr. Mahmudul Hoque Taher, Finance Secretary, Mr. Zobaidur Rahman Milon, Org. Secretary, Ms. Kalpana Roy Bhowmik, Sports Secretary, Mr. Sadhon Bose, Publicity & Publication Secretary, Mr. Maksud Sikder, Welfare & Rehab. Secretary and NEC Members Mr. M A Baten, Mr. Sushanta Bhowmik, Ms. Rashida Begum, and Mr. Abdur Razzak were present during the function.

A beautiful cultural show was presented by SWID's Artists (students) and Nritto Guru Alpana Nayak and her cultural team from New Delhi, India



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The EBM held on 25.09.16 (2nd day)

The Board Members visited the 'Birth Place' of SWID at Wills Little Flower School and College, Kakrail, Dhaka, SWID Special School, SWID Ramna Special School and SWID Laboratory Model School and spent time with students in Assembly and visited their classes.

Then the meeting started at 12:30 pm. Mr. Faisal Iqbal, Mr. Prottoy Iqbal, Ms. Malisha and Mr. Ashiqur Rahman (Representatives from 'Therap'- ICT), Dhaka, Dr. Ajanta Rani Saha and Mr. Zobaidur Rahman Milon (Organizing Secretary) of SWID were present on invitation. The representatives from THERAP expressed their commitment to provide partnership with SWID and full ICT services during the Conference. At this time, President informed that Therap already committed to provide 10,000 US\$ as financial support to AFID Conference.

The Agenda- 1. Presentation and confirmation of the proceedings of the last Board Meeting (EBM) and General Assembly- 2015 held in Colombo, Sri Lanka, Agenda- 5. Selection of the Venue of the 23rd Conference of AFID and Agenda- 8. Discussion on the programmes scheduled for 23rd Conference of AFID were discussed in the meeting.

Mr. Young Hwan Koh presented the proceedings (Agenda- 1) of the last EBM of 22nd AFID-2015 on behalf of Secretary General of AFID and Mrs. Nandhini Wijayaratham presented the proceedings of the last General Assembly (during 22nd Conference of AFID- 2015 in Colombo, Sri Lanka) as requested by the President of AFID.

Then the President thanked Mr. Young Hwan Koh and Ms. Nandhini Wijayaratham for their nice presentations and the reports are accepted with the consent of all members in the meeting.

The President put before the board the details of 3 Venues: International Convention City Bashundhara, Hotel Radisson and Bangabandhu International Conference Centre (BICC)

Ms. Emily proposed to select Radisson as near of the HSIA/Dhaka Airport wherein the all kinds of facilities i.e accommodation, food, dress change everything are available. It was decided that the venue will be decided after Board's visit to the venues.



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After discussion the following decisions taken in the meeting (2nd day/ 25.09.16):

- i) The proceeding of the last Board Meeting is approved with the consent of all Members in the meeting.
- i) The proceedings of the last General Assembly accepted
- ii) The Venue of the Conference will be confirmed after visiting of the Board Members of AFID.
- iii) The Programmes scheduled (Agenda- 8) for 23rd Conference of AFID as published in the 1st Announcement was accepted.

Then the meeting was followed by lunch.

Cultural events continued in the performed by SWID Artists and ALPANA Group. At the last event, the Special Education Teacher of SWID Mr. Sohel Rana performed a modern dance in which the Board Members Mrs. Nandhini, Mrs_Ji Young Moon, Mr. Young Hwan Koh, , Mrs. Li-Yu Hung, Prof. Tai-Hwa Emily Lu, Mrs. Sumathi Morgan, Prof. Takeshi Kaneko join to dance in sharing their pleasure and happiness.

All Executive Board Members individually appreciated the whole initiative and efforts of the host organization **SWID Bangladesh** and they committed to provide their sincere cooperation for the success of the 23rdConference of AFID -2017 in Bangladesh.

Ms. Alpana Nayak also appreciated and thanked Mr. Jowaherul Islam Mamun, President of AFID for inviting her to perform cultural events in the EBM every evening along with and the Special child Artists of SWID Bangladesh. She wished success for the ensuing AFID The President ended the programme with thanks to all participants.

The EBM held on 26.09.16 (3rd day)

The meeting held at 3:30 pm after visiting the proposed Venues of the Conference. All Board Members, Chairperson and Secretary of the Organizing Committee, SWID President, NEC Members and Ms. Alpana Nayak, President of A.L.P.A.N.A. Society, India were present. The President welcomed all Members and the representatives of SWID in the meeting and requested to take part in the discussion.



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All members expressed their individual opinion on visit to the Venue (Agenda- 5) of the Conference during discussion. They proposed to select ‘International Convention City Bashundhara (ICCB)’ as the Venue of the Conference and Hotel Radisson Blu, Hotel La Meridian and Hotel Regency may be considered as accommodation for the delegation which will be very close to the Conference Venue.

After discussion the following decisions are accepted in the meeting:

- i) The Venue of the Conference “International Convention City Bashundhara” is confirmed.
- ii) Proceedings of the EBM will be distributed to all members through E-mail and internet.
- iii) Any agenda (Agenda-10) if necessary will be discussed in the General Assembly during Conference.

The meeting ended with vote thanks.

Jowaherul Islam Mamun

President, AFID&

Secretary General, SWID Bangladesh



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Attachment 1. (Programme)



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Time/Date	18 November	19 November	20 November	21 November	22 November	23 November	24 November	
9.00-10.30HRS	Registration & Pre-conference Workshop	Opening Ceremony	Country Report	Plenary session	Field Visit	Plenary session	Panel Discussion	
10.30-11.00HRS		TEA/Coffee with snacks BREAK						
11.00-13.00HRS		Plenary Session	Country Report	Self -advocacy Program			General Assembly	Closing Ceremony
13.00-14.00HRS		LUNCH BREAK						
14.00-15.30HRS		Concurrent Session	Country Report	Concurrent Session			Concurrent Session	Free Time/ Departure
15.30-16.00HRS		TEA BREAK						
16.00-17.30HRS		Summary of Plenary & Concurrent Session	Summary of Country Reports	Summary Of Concurrent session		Free Time	Summary of Plenary & Concurrent Session	
17.30-18.30.00 HRS		Board Meeting		Free Time		Free Time	Board Meeting	
18.30-20.30HRS	Welcome reception	FREE TIME	Cultural Evening		Friendship night & Dinner	Farewell Dinner & Cultural Function		