



**Organizing Committee of 23<sup>rd</sup> Conference of  
Asian Federation on Intellectual Disabilities (AFID),  
November 18-24, 2017, Dhaka, Bangladesh**



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**Minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Organizing Committee for 23<sup>rd</sup> Conference of AFID**

1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Organizing Committee for 23<sup>rd</sup> Conference of Asian federation on Intellectual Disabilities (AFID) held on 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2016 at 11:30 am at SWID Auditorium. Mr. Mohammad Moslem, President of SWID Bangladesh presided over the meeting.

Members present:

1. Mr. Mohammad Moslem
2. Mr. Jowaherul Islam Mamun
3. Mr. Md. Hemayet Uddin Ahmed
4. Mr. Mahmudul Haque Taher
5. Mrs. Emelda Hossain
6. Mr. A.H.M Noman Khan
7. Mr. Shafiqul Islam
8. Khandaker Jahurul Alam,
9. Mr. Arifur Rahman
10. Mr. Md. Mahbubul Monir
11. Dr. Shamim Ferdous
12. Mr. Mohammad Shah Alam
13. Dr. Ajanta Rani Saha
14. Major(Ret.) Yead Ali Fakir
15. Ms. Momtaz Begum Bokul
16. Mr. Vashkar Bhattacharjee
17. Engr. Maksudur Rahman
18. Ms. Mohua Paul
19. Ms. Sabina Hossain
20. Ms. Md. Mosharraf Hossain Bhuyan
21. Brigadier General Md. Fakhrul Ahsan
22. Prof. A S M Atiqur Rahman
23. Ms. Md. Taufiqul Islam Chapol
24. Ms. Labannya Ahmed
25. Mr. Jobaidur Rahman Milon
26. Brigadier (Ret) Mostafa Kamal Laskar
27. Sree Sushanto Bhowmik
28. Dr. Rownak Hafij
29. Ms. Rasheda Jesmin Rozi
30. Dr. Basana Muhuri
31. Dr. Munshi Mohammad Reza Sekender



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32. Mr.Nasir Iqbal Jadu
  33. Ms. Bithika Dewan Jee
  34. Ms. Papiya Sultana
  35. Mr. Bazlur Rahman
  36. Alhaz Dr. Shahnewaj Chowdhury
  37. Ms. Kalpana Roy Bhowmik
  38. Major Nur Mohammad

The secretary of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Conference of AFID Ms. Emelda Hossain welcome all members and requested to Mr. Mohammed Moslem, the President of SWID Bangladesh and members of 23<sup>rd</sup> AFID Organizing Committee to preside over the meeting in absence of Ms. Dilara Mostafa, Chairperson of 23<sup>rd</sup> Conference OF AFID in the Meeting. She also informed that she could not be able to attend the meeting members due to the unavoidable circumstances.

Mr. Mohammed Moslem welcome and greetings to the members and requested to Mr. Jowaherul Islam Mamun, President of AFID to deliver his introductory speech on the meeting.

At first the president of AFID Mr. Jowaherul Islam Mamun welcome to all members and requested to pray to Almighty Allah for Mahmud Hossain who had died on 28-07-2016 by road accident and to pay honor to his departed soul in standing up with one minute silence. Then he started that Mr. Mahmood was a student with Intellectual Disabilities and after getting training he was employed by SWID as Teaching Attendant. He was an athlete of Special Olympic and participated many National and International events and awarded with Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals.

After this Ms. Emelda Hossain according to the agenda of the meeting with the permission of the president and expressed her greetings to all members of the Organizing Committee and working Team and presented the working paper in multi- media projector containing the following informations :

- i) Establishment of AFID (1973 in Manila, Philippines') and its Conference held in every two years as decided by the Executive Board of AFID.
- ii) SWID Organized 13<sup>th</sup> (ACMR) ACID in 1997 at Dhaka Sheraton Hotel inaugurated by Hon`ble Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina. It is also expected to inaugurate the 23<sup>rd</sup> ACID by the Hon`ble Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and Ms. Saima Wazed Hossain will present the `Keynote Paper`in the Inaugural Session. Both the request letters with invitation has already been sent.
- iii) Govt. permission for holding this Conference has been received.



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- iv) Proposed Themes of the Conference.
  - v) Selection of the ‘Venue’ of the Conference at International Convention City Bashundhara (ICCB) proposal by the president of AFID consultation with Mrs. Dilara Mostafa, chairperson of Organizing Committee.(01630-462765).
  - vi) Hoping to hold this Conference successfully through the close cooperation of all members of the Organizing Committee headed by Ms. Dilara Mostafa as the Chairperson, Advisory Committee headed by Hon`ble Deputy Speaker Mr. Fazle Rabbi Mia, MP, and the formation of Working Team and various sub Committees (1-15) of the Conference.

Then AFID’s President invited the members for discussion on the Proposed Themes of the Conference (Agenda-1). The following members were participated in the discussion for selection of the Theme of the Conference:

1. **Mr. Vashkar Bhattacharjee** said that the Theme should be selected in line with the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) and Neuro-Developmental Disabilities (NDD). We are to remember that the NDD Trust funds for Act-2013 and Disability Rights Protection Act-2013 have been passed in the National Parliament by the Government of Bangladesh and UN declared the ‘SDG’ for the betterment of human livelihood.
2. **A.H.M. Noman Khan** - proposed that the ‘Theme’ should be selected through SDG’s Vision and Mission including Neuro-Developmental Disabilities and Inclusive Society. He said 53 members can propose the Theme on their thoughts and ideas but we have to make a small size theme which will be facilitated to finalize the theme. The participants with their presentation and discussion can make valuable recommendations for the welfare and protection of equal rights of the PWD/NDD persons in Asia.
3. **Brg. Gen. (Retd.) Mostafa Kamal Laskar** said in question that what is Intellectual Disabilities/Mental Retardation, what is Autism and what is our goal and objectives-that should be reflected in the Theme of AFID Conference.
4. **Prof. Dr. A.S.M Atiqur Rahman** – said with support the comments of Mr.Noman Khan and proposed to include Neuro-Developmental Disabilities (NDD) towards life living condition of the aged persons; because, it is also time to think about them as they are becoming disabled in the ending of thier working life. Themes may be selected as recommendation by 3-5 members sub-committee.
5. **Dr. Shamim Ferdous-** proposed the Theme No. 2. “Participation with partnership in making society inclusive” including SDG in short.
6. **Kh. Johurul Alam-** proposed to prepare Theme through a Sub-Committee



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on disability issues with Govt. contribution and SDG towards the PWD and NDD that should be addressed in the conference properly.

7. **Dr. Rawnak Hafiz-** said about ‘Autism that once identified as ‘Mental Retardation’. Now It has changed in 1980 as the ‘Intellectual Disabilities is a status of Intellectual limitation and the person of this type or in a sub average level of Intellectual abilities. Autism is Spectrum of communication disorder which is completely difference. She supported the ‘Theme’:“Together can make difference” and “to achieve SDG” may be included in this Theme.
8. **Ms. Mohua Paul-** supported the Theme No. 4 “Let us make a barrier free inclusive society”.
9. **Dr. Munshi Md. Reza Sekender-** supported the Theme No. 7. As better: “Together can make difference” and the words “Inclusive Society” may be included.
10. **Mr. Md. Arifur Rahman-** said that the SDG and Govt. 7<sup>th</sup> 5-year plan towards the Persons with Disabilities, Neuro-Developmental Disabilities should be reflected in the Theme. He decided to send his proposed ‘Theme’ through SWID E-mail by 7.8.16 to discuss in the meeting of the Theme Selection Sub-Committee.
11. **Engr. Maksudur Rahman-** supported the Theme No. 7 “Together make difference” but the words in ‘achieving SDG’ may be included. He proposed another Theme “Ensuring accessibility and support” Theme No. 9. but the words ‘climate change’ may also be included.
12. **Dr. Shafiqul Islam (CRP)-** proposed to make a small group/Sub-Committee) to prepare ‘Theme’ in short (small size).
13. **Brg. Gen. Fakhru Ahsen (AHQ)-** proposed to include ‘SDG’ with Inclusive Education; but make a short/small ‘Theme’ through little group or Sub-Committee.
14. **Major Nur Mohammad (Proyash)-** proposed to make little/small size ‘Theme’ with a little topic. He supported Theme No. 9. “Ensuring accessibility with support to PWID”.
15. **Ms. Labonnya Ahmed-** proposed to select a ‘Theme’ with a little topic towards saved in journey of the Intellectually Challenged People with capacity building in achieving SDG through 3-5 members Sub-Committee.
16. **Ms. Sabina Hossain (SWAC)-** supported the same of Ms. Labonnya Ahmed including prospective of Inclusive Society and SDG.
17. **Mr. Ashiqur Rahman (Therap)-** proposed to make some slogans then select ‘Theme’ in short.
18. **Dr. Bashona Muhuri-** said that ‘Theme’ Selection Sub-Committee may think about 3 aspects: Inclusion, Accessibility- A Key to Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) in a short ‘Theme’.
19. **Ms. Taufika Ahmed (Sirajgonj Branch)-** said that the term ‘Intellectually Challenged’ or ‘Differently Abled’ is not recognized by UN. We shall addressed. So, the title of the ‘Theme’ may be selected by the Theme Selection Sub-Committee in considering this proposal.



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20. **Mjr. Md. Yad Ali Fakir** (Retd.)- said let us know how to take care of the persons with Intellectual Disabilities which will help to the delegates and Govt. representatives in the Conference. ‘Theme’ may be selected by the Sub-Committee.
21. **Mr. Mohammad Shah Alam**- supported the Theme No. 6. “Sailing the boat of Inclusion with the favourable empathy” but the words ‘stream of’ may be added after the word ‘favourable’ i.e. “Sailing of the boat of inclusion with the favourable stream of empathy.”
22. **Ms. Kalpona Roy Bhounik**- proposed to include word ‘Rehabilitation’ included in the ‘Theme’.
23. **Mr. Mahbubul Munir**- said that we can propose some Themes in short then the Theme Selection Sub-Committee can make a best ‘Theme’ of the Conference.
24. **Mr. Mahmudul Haque Taher**- said that we are working with Intellectually Disabled, AFID is also working on Intellectual Disabilities; so in this field we should say “ Intellectually Disabled.” A ‘Theme’ of the Conference should be made with 5-6 words including 2 aspects: ‘Climate’ and ‘Inclusive Education’ in achieving SDG. The matter may be discussed in the 23<sup>rd</sup> ACID.
25. **Mr. Zobaidur Rahman Milon**- proposed to include the persons with disabilities by natural climate and disaster.

After this discussion the President of AFID proposed to concluded the discussion with the recommendations as follows:(Agenda-1):

A. **Theme Selection Sub-Committee** is formed with the following members:

1. AHM Noman Khan (CDD)
2. Prof. Dr. ASM Atiqur Rahman (DU)
3. Dr. Shafiqul Islam (CRP)
4. Dr. Shamim Ferdous (BPF)
5. Dr. Rownak Hafiz (AWF)
6. Brg. Gen. Fakhurul Ahsan (AHQ)

B. A meeting of the theme Selection Sub-Committee will be held on 13.8.16 at 4:30 pm at SWID Head Office for selection of the ‘Theme’ of the 23<sup>rd</sup> ACID-2017.

C. All Members of the Organizing Committee are requested to send their proposed Themes as discussed in the meeting through SWID E-mail or AFID E-mail by 7.8.16.

D. Recommendations on Agenda-2:

1. 23<sup>rd</sup> Con. of AFID will be inaugurated by Hon’ble Prime Minister Shaikh Hasina as the chief guest. It will be confirmed through Govt. Procedure.



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2. The 'Keynote Paper' presented by the Chairperson of National Advisory Committee on Autism & Shuchona Foundation and WHO Consultant on Mental Health Ms. Saima Wazed Hossain. It will be confirmed through Dr. Mazharul Mannan, Secretary General of 'Suchona Foundation' on appointment with Ms. Saima Wazed Hossain.
  3. 'Venue' of the conference may be fixed at Radisson Hotel as more comfortable for the foreign delegates. It also be considered to select 'BICC' as Venue of the as secured place for Inaugural Session only then the other Scientific and Plenary Sessions may be arranged in the Radisson, BICC, Pan-Pacific Hotel Sonargaon, BIAM Foundation, Novotheatre discussed for consideration.
- E. Agenda-3. Formation of various Sub-Committees:
- The following Sub-Committees may be formed as necessary to organize this conference successfully:
1. Medical/Health Care Sub-Committee.
  2. Disability services.
  3. Programme Co-ordination Sub-Committee.
  4. Fund Raising & Financial Management Sub-Committee (not exceeding 7 members including Chairperson and Member-Secretary)
  5. Security Sub-Committee ( Proposed by Ms. Labonnaya Ahmed)
  6. Formation of Conference Coordination Committee comprising of 5-7 Members including all chairpersons and Member-Secretaries of the various Sub-Committees. It is to be sent to all Members of the Organizing Committee through E-mail.

The President ended the meeting with vote of thanks to each others and invited all members to take lunch due to no more agenda left for the discussion for the discussion in the meeting.

*Emelda Hossain Dipa*

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Secretary,

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Cultural Secretary, NEC, SWID Bangladesh.

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