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The message of Principal

As a developing country, Bangladesh has achieved progress in education, at least in enrollment to institutions and taking degrees. The number of graduates is increasing promptly; however, the quality of learning, the sole aspect of the sustainable development goals (SDG), is not yet achieved. Rajshahi College, like other institutions in the country, is trying to ensure the quality of its graduates and facing the challenges of common hurdles- inadequate classroom space, lack of trained and skilled teachers, and insufficient technological assistance.

We are fortunate to be selected for the Integrated Development Goal and received some significant projects from the College Education Development Project (CEDP). Our classrooms, student rooms, laboratories, and libraries are renovated with modern tiles and furniture, decorated with smart-board and multi-media projectors, and reformed with round tables and revolving chairs to fit them for student-centered learning. Uninterrupted channel of internet connectivity through Wi-Fi is provided to the students. Simultaneously, CEDP helps to make computer training possible for all the students of this college by establishing a large-scale computer lab on our campus. The computer training conducted by Rajshahi College for the student is free of cost. CEDP arranges various kinds of training for the teachers and the non-teaching staff. These initiatives of the project change the college environment, and the students enjoy learning in a favorable setting of education.

I express my gratitude to the government and the project operating team for their great help in enhancing the learning quality of Rajshahi College. I am also thankful to the IGD sub-project team, for whose labor these works are the reality.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Md. Abdul Khaleque'.

Professor Md. Abdul Khaleque
Principal
Rajshahi College, Rajshahi

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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.0 Rajshahi College in Brief

1.1 Geographical Location

Rajshahi College coordinates the Latitude 24°21'52" North and the Longitude 88°35'41" East.

1.2 History and Academic Background

Rajshahi College, situated in the city of Rajshahi in the North-Western division of Bangladesh, is one of Bangladesh's oldest higher education institutions. It was established in 1873 with the financial assistance of local landlords and other eminent people like Raja Haralal Roy Bahadur and Haranatha Roy Chowdhury of Dubalhati (Naogaon), Raja Pramathanath Roy of Dighapatiyara (Natore), Raja Promod Rai and Basanta Rai; Rani Saratsundari & Hemantkumari of Puthia (Rajshahi); Kumar Sarabindu Roy Bahadur of Bolihar (Naogaon); Khan Bahadur Emad Uddin Ahmed, Mirza Mohammad Yousuf Ali (translator of Kimia-E-Sa'dat), Haji Lal Mohammad, Khan Bahadur Rashid Khan Chowdhury; Khan Bahadur Ershad Ali Khan Chowdhury and Barrister Ashraf Ali Khan Chowdhuri (Deputy Speaker of the Bengal Legislative Council). Natore family (Zemindar) also contributed to the college's progress by providing rent-free accommodation for the students (twenty students). After its establishment, the college became one of the famous education centers of undivided Bengal in British India. Students from various parts of British India, especially Bengal, Bihar, and Assam, came to get their education from this seminary. The college was the only institution offering Honours and Master's degrees in East Bengal before the establishment of Dhaka University in 1921. In that period, students from remote areas of undivided Bengal, Assam, Bihar, and Orissa came to study at this college. Rajshahi became renowned in undivided India only because of this college and ultimately fashioned itself as an education city.

The College originated from Baulia English School, a private institution founded in 1828 by the concerted efforts of some eminent citizens. The school was taken over by the provincial government of Bengal and was converted into the Government Zilla School in 1836. In 1873, it was upgraded to an Intermediate College by introducing F.A. courses into its curriculum. This college was affiliated with the University of Calcutta and accorded the first-grade rank by adopting B.A. courses in 1878, and this year, named after Rajshahi City. Masters in Arts and Bachelor of Law classes were added to the college curriculum in 1881 and 1883, respectively. For the lack of adequate information from contemporary sources, we cannot assert the exact figure of the student enrolled initially in these courses. Evidence shows that eight students earned their Masters of Arts, while sixty took Bachelor of Law degrees within a few years. However, the post-graduation in Arts and Law from this institution was

discontinued in 1909, failing to meet the requirements of Calcutta University's new regulations.

Rajshahi College is the third oldest institution in Bangladesh (established after Dhaka College and Chittagong College). It is the first institution in North Bengal engaged in providing higher education. In 1947, the Bengal province of British India was divided into two parts, the East and the West, and the former joined the newly created two countries, Pakistan and India, respectively. Accordingly, the institution was detached from Calcutta University and affiliated with the University of Dhaka. It shifted its affiliation to the newly established University of Rajshahi in 1953. In the early nineties of the late century, after the establishment of the National University, Rajshahi College was affiliated with National University. Rajshahi College is the third oldest institutional institution in Bangladesh (established after Dhaka College and Chittagong College). It is the first institution in North Bengal engaged in providing higher education. In 1947, the Bengal province of British India was divided into two parts, the East and the West, and the former joined the newly created two countries, Pakistan and India, respectively. Accordingly, the institution was detached from Calcutta University and affiliated with the University of Dhaka. It shifted its affiliation to the newly established University of Rajshahi in 1953. In the early nineties of the late century, after the establishment of the National University, Rajshahi College affiliated with the National University.

Although the college started its journey in the 1870s, the commerce program was not incorporated until 1952. The Courses in I Com, B Com (Pass), and B Com (Honors) were introduced here in 1952, 1954, and 1961 respectively. The institution re-introduced the Master's degree program in 1994. It closed down the higher secondary courses in 1996 and re-introduced it in 2010. As a government institution, the college runs by the guidelines of the Ministry of Education, and it is affiliated with the National University for its educational programs.

1.3 Principals of the College

The first principal of the college, Mr. Haragobinda Sen, the Headmaster of Rajshahi Zilla School, served the institution for five years (1873-1878). After the up-gradation of the college, F T Dowding joined the post in 1879. Besides, many eminent educators ornamented the chair. Professor Md. Abdul Khaleque, a renowned professor of Economics, is the running principal.

1.4 Buildings and Other Institutions on College Premises

The college had no building at the beginning of the college. The administrative building, the first building of the college, was constructed in 1884 by the effort of the leaders of the Rajshahi Association. The two-storied red-colored structure, situated at the heart of the town, was designed by a skilled British engineer, erected at taka 67,700.00, and styled itself as one of the iconic examples of British Indian colonial architecture.



Rajshahi College Administration Building

PN Hostel, the first students' asylum on the college campus, was established in 1894 by the Rajshahi Association. Roy Bahadur Kumudini Kanta Bandhopadhyay, a principal of the college (1897-1919, 1920-1924), took the initiative to improve the condition of this hostel. In 1902, another students' hostel (Hamanta Kumari Hostel) was erected with the financial aid of Hemanta Kumari, the Rani of Puthia. Besides these structures, the Fuller Hostel, Biology Building, Chemistry Building, Physics Building, and former Muslim Hostel are the important buildings of the colonial era. Whereas the Library cum Auditorium building and Arts building are comparatively new and were erected in the 1950s. While the Science building was constructed in the 1990s. In continuation, the teachers' dormitory and quarters, the Principal's residence, another science and arts building, and a separate building for the Department of English were erected.



Beershrestha Nur Mohammad Hostel (one of the Muslim Hostels)

The gallery building on the west bank of the pond was built in 1888. It was the main building of Rajshahi Madrasah, subsequently converted into the Gallery, constructed with the financial aid of Haji Muhammad Mohsin, an eminent charitable personality. The building was named after him and is known as the Haji Muhammad Mohsin Building. The Muslim Fuller Hostel, another iconic structure, was constructed in 1909.



Gallery building erected by the financial aid of Haji Muhammad Mohsin (former Madrasa building)



Fuller Building (former Muslim Fuller Hostel)

Principal's residence, a two-storied British model structure, was built on the bank of the Padma River. Many renowned academicians lived in this building. The present principal is also residing here. Two three-storied residential buildings were constructed for the teachers (to the east of the principal's residence).

In 1884, the Rajshahi Madrasah building was built on the college premises. The madrasah was shifted elsewhere in 1930, and the same year, the Fuller Hostel, was built in 1909 and was handed over to the college. The Basanta Kumar Agricultural Institution was established in 1936 under the Rajshahi College administration with the financial assistance of Basanta Kumar Roy of Dhigapathia. The institution was closed in 1952, and its building transferred to a hostel. In 1904, Moharani Hemanta Kumari Sanskrit College, a free Sanskrit learning institution, was established under the administration of Rajshahi College and subsequently merged therein.

1.5 Library and Laboratories

1.5.1 Library

Rajshahi College has the distinction of its Library containing both classics and recent editions of books, journals, and periodicals, and is acclaimed internationally as a reliable source of information available in print media.



Rajshahi College Central Library



Rare book section of Rajshahi College Library

1.5.2 Laboratories

There are eight well-equipped Laboratories for carrying out scientific experiments and research. These are belonging to the departments of Physics, Chemistry, Botany, Zoology, Psychology, Mathematics, Statistics and Geography & environment.



Chemistry laboratory

1.6 Publications and Informatics

The college publishes journals, magazines, and periodicals regularly. There are three peer-reviewed journals of the college, the Bangla Sahittiki (Bangla), the Journal of Social Science (Bi-lingual), and the Rajshahi College Journal (Bi-lingual). This institution, probably the only government College, dares to manage all the data digitally and consequently become the pioneer of this field. It sets its server station along with LAN and Broadband Leased Line connections.



Sheikh Russel ICT Lab

1.7 Student Enrollment

Rajshahi College started its journey on 1st April 1873 with six students and reached an admirable position by overcoming all uncertainty and obstacles within a few years. In 1878,

the number of enrolments crossed the century. Subsequently, the numbers increased rapidly. In 1900, 1910, and 1920, the number of students in this college was 200, 400 800 respectively. The trend continued, and the number reached the thousand in 1924. The students were solely from the Hindu community. There was only one Muslim student at the college in 1873, and five years later, the number remained the same, only one. However, the scenario changed gradually, and the figure rose to 156 and 215 in 1916 and 1924, respectively. Subsequently, the number of Muslim students increased in college. After 1947, eventually, it exceeded the Hindus.

By the 1930s, the number of students in this college reached about a thousand. Still, there was no scope for education for females. In 1931, the glorious year, in which the college started taking girl students. In 1970, the college had 1,840 students, of whom about 300 were girls. The college vastly expanded after the independence of Bangladesh, and in 1990, the number of students was 4,732, of whom 1,352 were girls. The enrolment increased to about 8,000 in 2000 and 25,000 in 2012. Now the number of students enrolled in Rajshahi College is 22,381 (without HSC students).

The college offers 23 honors and 21 Masters' courses with 229 teachers, of which 63 are female. The college has a rich library on the campus containing rare books, gazettes, encyclopedias, manuscripts, and ancient Puthis. The number of collections in this library is 3,71,603.

1.8 Role in Language Movement and Liberation War

Rajshahi College teachers and students had an immemorable contribution to the moment crucial for the political and social life of the nation. They participated in the Language Movement immediately after the killing of students in Dhaka on 21 February 1952. They built 'the first martyr monument' dedicated to the Language Movement. The present monument to the Language Movement was built in the afternoon on 23 February 1952.

The students of Rajshahi College had an active role in subsequent movements. They took part in the student movements of 1962 and 1969. Similarly, they had an active role in the Liberation War of 1971. Many students and teachers of this college joined and fought in the glorious event of the history of our country. Rajshahi College teachers and students had an immemorable contribution to the moment crucial for the political and social life of the nation. They participated in the Language Movement immediately after the killing of students in Dhaka on 21 February 1952. They built 'the first martyr monument' dedicated to the Language Movement. The present monument to the Language Movement was built in the afternoon on 23 February 1952.



The 'First Martyr Monument' in Rajshahi College Campus

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1.9 Notable Past Academics

Professor Sree Kumar Banerjee

Professor Suniti Kumar Bhattacharya

Dr. P. V. Shastri

Dr. Kudrat-E-Khuda

Humayun Kabir

Professor Abu Hena

Professor Souren Majumder

Professor Khemeshchandra Dey

Dr. Snehmoy Datta

Professor B. C. Kunda

Dr. Golam Muksud Hilali

Professor Kabir Choudhury

Dr. A. R. Mallik

Professor M. Shams Ul Haque

Dr. Abdullah Al Muti Sharfuddin

Dr. M. A. Bari

Dr. Kazi Abdul Mannan

Dr. Abu Hena Mustafa Kamal

1.10 Current Faculties

Presently the institution is being run by 22 Professors, 57 Associate Professors, 80 Assistant Professors, and 82 Lecturers. A list of present faculty is to be available in the link.

1.11 Notable Alumni

Khademul Bashar (Sector Commander, Liberation War '71)
Md. Golam Kabir
Sir Jodunath Sarkar (eminent historian)
Qazi Motahar Hossain (foremost novelist)
Romaprasad Chanda (historian)
Akshay Kumar Maitreya (famous historian and playwright)
Sree Radhika Mohon Moitrya
Promothnath Bishi (writer)
Rajanikanta Sen (famous poet)
Khan Bahadur Emaduddin Ahmad (politician)
Mirza Golam Hafiz (politician)
Dr. Kazi Abdul Mannan (educator)
Dr. Mazharul Islam (folklorist and writer)
Dr. Golam Moula (famous surgeon)
Justice Badrul Haider Choudhury
Justice Muhammad Habibur Rahman (chief advisor, caretaker government)
Dr. Md. Enamul Haque
Rittik Ghotok (eminent dramatist)
Shahid Anwar Pasha (novelist)
Dr. Ebne Golam Samad (educator, columnist, and writer)
Dr. Emaz Uddin Ahmad (political scientist)
Dr. M. A. Wazed Miah (famous nuclear scientist)
Nazma Jesmin Choudhury

1.12 Notes on Achievements

Rajshahi College is the best educational institution in Bangladesh. It stood first in college ranking (four times consecutively) in the country (at college-level ranking conducted by the Ministry of Education, Bangladesh). However, it placed itself in second position in 2023. In addition, the college stood first (four times consecutively) among the post-graduate colleges in Bangladesh affiliated with the National University.

The college is dedicated to improving and ensuring quality education. Students' performance in various examinations, of the University and Board, exhibits success and testifies to the quality of the institution.

Chapter 2

Institutional and Academic Overview of the College

2.1 Governance and Teaching Structure

There are a Principal, a Vice Principal, 20 Professors, 57 Associate Professors, 80 Assistant Professors, 83 Lecturers, and 8 Demonstrators posts in the teaching structure of the college. There are 55 office staff (including a post of Librarian) for running the office of the college smoothly. The department-wise lists (number of posts and working employees) of the teaching staff and office staff are given below.

Table 2.1: Department-wise Teaching Staff

Sl. No.	Name of the Department	Professor		Associate Professor		Assistant Professor		Lecturer		Demonstrator		Total	
		Post	Working	Post	Working	Post	Working	Post	Working	Post	Working	Post	Working
1	Bangla	1	1	3	3	3	4	4	4	0	0	11	12
2	English	1	1	3	7	4	5	4	0	0	0	12	13
3	Arabic & Islamic Studies	1	2	2	1	3	5	3	1	0	0	09	09
4	Urdu	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0		0	02	01
5	Sanskrit	0	0	1	1	1	1	2	2	0	0	04	04
6	History	1	3	3	3	4	3	4	2	0	0	12	11
7	Islamic History	1	2	3	4	4	3	4	1	0	0	12	10
8	Philosophy	1	1	2	3	4	6	4	1	0	0	11	11
9	Political Science	1	2	3	3	4	6	4	2	0	0	12	13
10	Sociology	1	1	3	2	4	4	4	1	0	0	12	08
11	Social Work	1	2	3	4	4	5	4	2	0	0	12	13
12	Economics	1	2	3	3	4	6	4	1	0	0	12	12
13	Physics	1	2	3	1	4	5	4	3	2	0	14	11
14	Chemistry	1	3	3	1	4	5	4	3	2	0	14	12
15	Mathematics	1	2	3	2	4	8	4	0	0	0	12	12
16	Botany	1	2	3	4	4	4	4	2	2	0	14	12
17	Zoology	1	3	3	3	4	4	4	3	2	0	14	13
18	Psychology	1	2	3	2	4	3	4	3	0	0	12	10
19	Statistics	1	1	2	1	4	5	4	2	0	0	11	09
20	Geography	1	1	2	2	4	5	4	2	0	0	11	10
21	Management	1	3	3	2	4	3	4	3	0	0	12	11

Sl. No.	Name of the Department	Professor		Associate Professor		Assistant Professor		Lecturer		Demonstrator		Total	
		Post	Working	Post	Working	Post	Working	Post	Working	Post	Working	Post	Working
22	Accounting	1	1	3	4	4	4	4	2	0	0	12	11
23	ICT	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	01	01
24	Marketing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25	Finance & Banking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	20	37	57	56	80	95	83	41	8	0	248	229

N.B. The number of working teachers does not correspond to the number of posts. Some departments have attached teachers, and some teachers are in-situ in the previous posts after getting promotions. Therefore, the number of posts and the working teachers are not the same in the table.

Table 2.2: Other Staff

Sl. No.	Name of the Post	No. of Posts	No. of Posted Employee	No. of Vacant Posts
1	Librarian	1	1	0
2	Assistant Librarian cum cataloger	1	1	0
3	Physical Teacher	1	0	1
4	Head Assistant	1	1	0
5	Accountant	1	1	0
6	Cashier	1	0	1
7	Account Assistant	2	2	0
8	Office Assistant cum Computer Operator/Typist	4	4	0
9	Mechanic cum Electrician	1	1	0
10	Store Keeper	1	1	0
11	Skill Bearer	4	0	4
12	Book Sorter	2	0	2
13	Cash Sarker	1	0	1
14	Office Assistant	24	22	2
15	Sweeper	2	1	1
	Total	47	35	12

2.2 List of Departments and others Academic Programs

There are 23 departments in this college. In the academic year 2022-23, a total no of 22368 students were admitted in Honours and Master's level (Honours 13666 and Masters 7492). Besides this, 1210 students were also admitted to Degree (Pass) courses and 1063 were admitted in the Master's Part 1. Department-wise enrollment of the students is given below:

Table 2.3: Number of Students Enrolled in Honors & Masters Courses

Sl. No.	Department	Honors	Masters Part-I	Masters Final Year	Total
1	Bangla	644	00	401	1045
2	English	587	00	289	876
3	Arabic	249	00	57	306
	& Islamic Studies	00	08	24	32
4	Urdu	00	00	00	0
5	Sanskrit	33	00	00	33
6	History	865	23	351	1239
7	Islamic History	824	43	429	1296
8	Philosophy	592	03	287	882
9	Political Science	825	256	556	1637
10	Sociology	821	216	472	1509
11	Social Work	680	59	340	1079
12	Economics	857	13	296	1166
13	Physics	477	11	150	638
14	Chemistry	417	26	181	624
15	Mathematics	569	19	300	888
16	Botany	517	51	302	870
17	Zoology	524	91	303	918
18	Psychology	762	34	256	1052
19	Statistics	302	00	110	412
20	Geography	626	65	301	992
21	Management	803	93	432	1328
22	Accounting	800	24	486	1310
23	ICT	00	0	0	0
24	Marketing	450	26	53	529
25	Finance & Banking	455	02	53	510
	Total	13,679	1,063	6,429	21,171

Table 2.4: Number of Student Enrolled in Degree Courses

Sl. No.	Department	No. of Student Enrolled
1	B. A.	391
2	B. S. S.	263
3	B. B. S	368
4	B. Sc.	188
Total		1,210

Table 2.5: Department-wise Teacher-Student Ratio

Serial No.	Department			No. of Student per Teacher
1	Bangla	1045	12	87
2	English	876	13	67
3	Arabic & Islamic Studies	338	09	38
4	Urdu	00	01	00
5	Sanskrit	33	04	8
6	History	1239	11	113
7	Islamic History	1296	10	130
8	Philosophy	882	11	80
9	Political Science	1637	13	126
10	Sociology	1509	08	188
11	Social Work	1079	13	83
12	Economics	1166	12	97
13	Physics	638	11	58
14	Chemistry	624	12	52
15	Mathematics	888	12	74
16	Botany	870	12	72
17	Zoology	918	13	71
18	Psychology	1052	10	105
19	Statistics	412	09	46
20	Geography	992	10	99
21	Management	1328	11	121
22	Accounting	1310	11	119
23	ICT	0	01	00
24	Marketing	529	00	00
25	Finance & Banking	510	00	00
Total		21,171	229	92

N.B. Beside the students of respective departments, the teachers deal with others who are enrolled in the Degree Pass courses.

2.3 Key Academic Statistics

The result of this college at different levels is satisfactory. In Degree (Pass Course) the pass rate is 52 %, in Honours 92 %, in Masters (Pre) 76 %, and in Masters (Final) 96 %. The overall pass rate is 79 %. The Male-Female Student Ratio of this College is 52:48 and the Teacher-Student Ratio is 1:97. The number of Male and Female Stipend and Scholarship Receiving Students is shown in the following tables.

Table 2.6: Number of Stipend Receiving HSC Students, 2023

Board Stipend (HSC)				
Group	Male	Female	Total	Remark
Science	107	162	269	
Arts	14	11	25	
Commerce	20	17	37	
Total	141	190	331	
Upabritti XI				
Science	3	6	9	
Arts	7	13	20	
Commerce	5	3	8	
Total	15	22	37	
Upabritti XII				
Science	2	7	9	
Arts	6	4	10	
Commerce	8	3	11	
Total	16	14	30	
Grand Total	172	226	398	

Table 2.7: Number of stipend Receiving Bachelor and Master's Students, 2023

Board stipend/Upabritti				
Group	Male	Female	Total	Remark
1 st Year Honours	40	42	82	
2 nd Year Honours	48	61	109	
3 rd Year Honours	22	27	49	
4 th Year Honours	25	37	62	
Master's Part 1	6	8	14	
Master's Final	2	3	5	
Degree Pass	64	84	148	
Total	207	262	469	

2.4 Infrastructure and Facility Profile of the College

There are about twenty-one thousand students studying in this college. The institution has the following Infrastructure and Facility Profile:

1) Number of Hostels

Student Dormitories: The number of dormitories is 11 of which 9 for male and 2 for female. Seats for residing in these dormitories are 1286 [Male: {Muslim Hostel 590 (Bachelor & Master's 458; HSC 132); Hindu Hostel 53}, and Female 643].

Teachers' Dormitories: There are two teachers' dormitories in the campus. Male and female teachers can avail these rental asylums. The dormitories allowed the family members of their residence.

2) Computer Lab

The College has three computer labs, well-furnished with desktop computers. Besides this, there are distinct labs in the departments, for example, Physics and Mathematics have their computer labs.

3) Science lab

There are eight science departments in Rajshahi College, and they have separate laboratories for practical of their scientific experiments. In this year, **CEDP provides scientific equipment and instruments to these laboratories, especially to the laboratories of Physics, Chemistry, Botany and Zoology that improve their facilities. In addition, the project refurbishes chemistry lab's floor with tiles.**



Chemistry Lab

4) Auditorium

The college has a central auditorium. It is a large convention hall well-furnished with a digital sound system and central air conditioning.



Rajshahi College Auditorium

5) Gymnasium: 01

a) **Library:** Central: 01 & Seminar: 23.



Rajshahi College Library

6) Common Room

There are two central common rooms for the students, one for males and another for females. Besides, there are 11 common rooms for the students in the hostels (8 in the boy's and 2 in the girl's hostels).

7) Teachers' Room

There is a central teacher's room, the staff council's room, in the administration building. Beside, twenty-three departments have their teachers' rooms for the teaching staff of respective departments.

8) Girls' Common Room: There is a common room for girls at the first floor of administrative building.

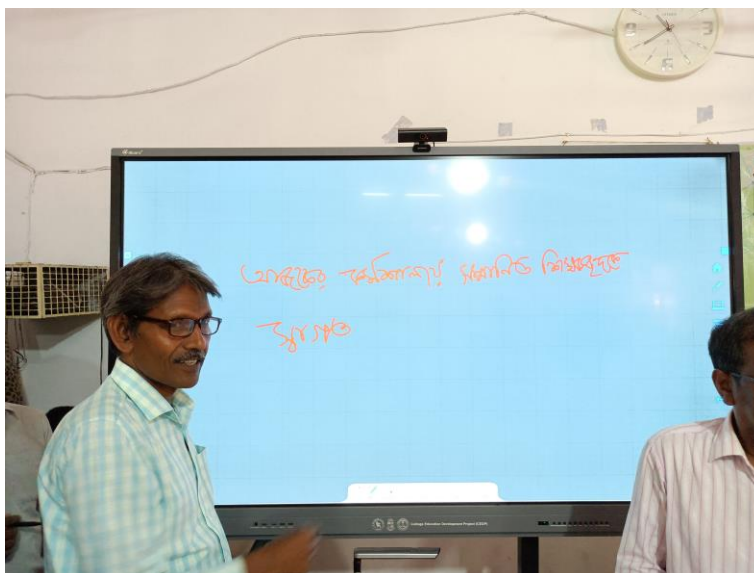
9) Toilet: In the college campus, there are 139 toilets in the campus, seventy-five for male, and sixty-four for the female.

10) Internet Access Facilities

All teachers and students avail Internet facilities through Wi-Fi and LAN connection. However, LAN is only limited to the selected persons who are engaged in the special works.

11) Digital Teaching Facilities in Classrooms

All the classrooms have digital facilities. The teachers are conducting classes using multimedia projectors and Smart Boards. All the classrooms have Wi-Fi facilities. However, LAN connections are limited. **It is to be mentioned that CEDP provides 87 multimedia projectors and 21 Smartboards. It enhances college's digital ability through networking connectivity and providing BdREN connection.**



Sessions are conducted by using smartboard



We have multimedia projectors in the classrooms

12) Availability of Wi-Fi/Hotspots

All the teachers, administrators, and students avail internet facility.

13) Motor Vehicle

Bus: The College has a bus, and that is the only vehicle of the college. Seven buses, however, run for the students' transportation. These all are rental.



Rental buses are being used for student transportation

Microbus: Rajshahi College has no micro-bus or other vehicle to serve the principal, or to meet the emergency.

15. Health care, mental health center, and Café

There is a health center in the campus. A physician (MBBS) gives primary treatment, and an assistant helps him. RC also provides mental health to the students by maintaining mental health center in the campus. A professional Psycho-social counselor gives service for the students. Beside these, there is a Café for students' refreshment.

Chapter 3

Highlighting the Year, 2022-2023

3. Key Achievements of the College

3.1 Academic Achievements

Examination results: About 98% participated in the final exam with pass rate 96%

- **Term Papers:** 98% participation in submitting the term papers
- **Tutorial Exam:** 98% participation in submitting the tutorial exam
- **Attendance:** 75% (in the Classes)
- **Classroom Performance:** Students Class performance is very satisfactory.

3.2 Technological Development & Security Concern

The surveillance system of all of the 23 departments and the library is improved by the use of CC Camera. All the class rooms are well furnished with multi-media projectors and Smart Boards. *It is already stated that CEDP provides 87 multi-media projectors and 21 smartboards to the college. It gives 9 projectors and 5 smartboards in 2023, and rest of them, are given in the previous years.*

The project helps to extend the ICT lab facility of the college by adding third lab in the campus with 65 computers. However, it was commenced in the previous years. The College provides in-house ICT training for the teachers in these lab. A continuous and free of cost ICT training for all students is being conducted by the ICT lab. Now the teachers and students are used to using technology. *In addition, CEDP provided computer for the teachers (Laptop & Desktop; 38 of them in the 2023) that helps them to maintain technological activities.*

3.3 Non-cognitive factors

Self-Efficacy: Students believe in his/her own ability to succeed in a particular situation which is called self-efficacy has been developed a lot through counseling to face the challenges in technology-oriented education system.

Motivation: Constant motivation is going on to actively take part in the process of learning as motivation involves biological, emotional, social and cognitive forces, teachers are constantly engaged in initiating and encouraging those faculties.

Self-Control: Students are constantly encouraged by the teachers to develop the ability of controlling themselves and regulate their emotions, thoughts and behavior in the face of temptations and impulses as it is an executive function, it is necessary for achieving specific

goals. A psychological counseling team along with a professional psychologist gives counseling to improve the mental health and to reduce the trauma.

3.4 Key Achievements of the Departments

19 out of 23 departments of the college individually arranged national & international seminars and webinars focusing on academic issues and development under the present government.

3.5 Highlights of Student Activities of the Year

3.5.1 Academic

a) Classroom Performance

Classroom performance is the key of learning and the unique example of student response system. It allows the students to take part actively in the process of learning. Still our students are less inquisitive, but we have been trying to encourage them to ask questions which are the most important factor of inquisitiveness. And students are gradually responding to this system. We have succeeded a lot in doing so.

b) Sitting for examinations (formative and summative)

Sitting for examination is the conventional feedback of learning system. Though it is directly related to the academic recognition, students are very keen to attend all kinds of feedback on examination performance. Here the participation of the learners is almost 100%.

3.5.2 Co-curricular Activities

a) Sports: The College arranges annual sports in December 2022. Students from all the departments of the college participated in various events. Inter-department football and cricket were the special activities of the institution held in September 2023 and December 2023 respectively. AHM Khairuzzaman Liton, Honorable Mayor, Rajshahi City Corporation and the Presidium Member of Bangladesh Awami League was present in the closing ceremony of annual sports.



Inter-Department Football Competition, 12th December, 2023

b) Cultural Activities: The College observes a cultural week. Students meet together in various cultural competitions.



Basanta Baran, 2023



Barsha Baran, 2023



Rajshahi College observes Sharaswati Puja

c) **Social Activities:** The Red Crescent Society and the *Bandhon* (a blood donating organization) arranged blood donations camp in the previous years. They also distributed warm clothes and blankets among the poor people in the last winter. Rover Scouts, Rangers and BNCC unit also play roles to keep the campus clean once a month, take part disciplinary activities and march-past during the celebration of the national days. Our students are involved in some social awareness programs like health, human rights, enfranchisement and eve teasing issues arranged by the clubs active in the college campus.



Blood donation and blood group determining Campaign, 2023

3.6 Key Achievements and Highlights of the Year of Institutional Development Grants (IDG)

To enhance the quality of learning in Rajshahi College, 22 packages had been adopted by the CEDP. These are as follows:

Sl. No.	Package Name	Fiscal Year	Procurement Process	Remark
1.	G-1 (Procurement of Furniture & Fixture for IDG Office & Internet Corner)	2019-2020	RFQ	
2.	G-2 (Supply and Installation of Laptop & Desktop Computer, Photocopier, Printer and Scanner for IDG Sub-project Office and Internet Corner)	2019-2020	RFQ	
3.	G-3 (Supply Installation and related services for Desktop and Laptop Computer for Rajshahi College)	2020-2021	OTM	Central
4.	G-5 (Supply and Installation of Desktop Computer, IPS/Inverter and Webcam for Internet Corner at central library)	2020-2021	RFQ	

5.	G-4 (Supply and Setting up of Furniture & Fixtures for the ICT Laboratory, Classroom and Laboratory, Classroom, and Library for Rajshahi College)	2020-2021	OTM	
6.	G-6 (Supply, Installation and related services for Multimedia projector and Smart Board for Classroom for Rajshahi College)	2020-2021	OTM	
7.	W-1 (Renovation & Refurbishment of Classroom, Lab, Library, Common Room & Wash Room for Rajshahi College)	2020-2021	OTM	
8.	W-2 (Renovation & Refurbishment of Classroom, Lab, Library, Common room & Wash Room for Rajshahi College)	2021-2022	OTM	
9.	G-11 (Supply Lab Equipments & Instruments for Science Departments of Rajshahi College)	2022-2023	OTM	
10.	G-7 (Supply and Installation of Laptop & Desktop for CEDP Office & Departments for Rajshahi College, Rajshahi)	2022-2023	OTM	
11.	G-8 (Supply of Books & Journals for the central library of Rajshahi College)	2022-2023	OTM	
12.	G-9 (Supply and Settings of Air Conditioner for Rajshahi College, Rajshahi)	2021-2022	RFQ	
13.	G-10 (Supply of Digital Smart Board for Classrooms & Related Services for Rajshahi College, Rajshahi)	2021-2022	OTM	Central
14.	G-12 (MIS Software)	2023-2024	RFQ	
15.	G-13 (Establishment of Internet Connectivity in College campus)	2023-2024	OTM	Central
16.	G-14 (Establishment of Campus Networking for College)	2022-2023	OTM	
17.	G-15 {Rajshahi College Journal (Central Journal)}	2023-2024	RFQ	
18.	G-16 (Supply of Book Shelf for Central Library & Seminar Library of Departments of Rajshahi College.)	2023-2024	RFQ	
19.	G-17 (Establishment of Extension Campus Networking for Rajshahi)	2023-2024	RFQ	

	College)			
20.	G-18 (Supply the Scientific Equipment for Science Lab of Rajshahi College)	2023-2024	RFQ	
21.	G-19 (Supply and installation of multimedia projector for classroom of Rajshahi College)	2023-2024	RFQ	
22.	G-20 (Supply of the Books for Seminar Library of Rajshahi College)	2023-2024	RFQ	

CEDP approves 22 packages for the college; 2 of them are works, while the rest 20 are for goods; 11 of them are OTM initiated through e-GP system, and the rest 11 are RFQ. The IDG Management Team successfully signed all of the 22 contracts and out of them 20 packages is fully completed and 2 packages (G-19, G-20) are carried over to the FY 2023-24.

With the implementation of the packages, all of the 23 departments, labs of the Science departments, the central library and ICT labs of the college have been modernized. The project (CEDP) renovates classrooms of the departments of Chemistry, Zoology, Psychology, Geography, Sociology, Mathematics, Statistics, Botany, History and English with modern tiles and paints. The department seminar rooms of Chemistry and Botany are also included in the renovation. ICT labs and seminar rooms of three departments (Bangla, Sociology and Chemistry) have been renovated. The project supplies 32 multimedia projectors and 21 Smart Boards that enhance the teaching-learning environment. On the other hand, CEDP increase the capacity of the college ICT lab by adding 65 desktops. The environment of the lab has also been improved by the project for giving new air conditioners. It provides the scope of reading in an air conditioned environment for the students of Botany and Chemistry by adding Air Conditioners to their seminar libraries. Furthermore, the project improves the lab condition of the science departments and the office rooms for the teachers (of Botany).

Chapter 4

Teacher Development

4.1 Overview of Teaching Force of the College

Both Male and Female Teachers are teaching in the college. A total number of 39 teachers have Ph.D. Degrees. In the college, there are 244 posts in the college, and at present 229 teachers are posted therein. Besides, there are two posts of the Librarian and Assistant Librarian, and both of them are filled up. However, 16 teaching posts are still vacant. The following table gives an overview of the college's teaching force:

Table 4.1: Working Teachers by subject, Gender and Educational Qualification

Working Teachers					
Sl. No.	Department	Total	Male	Female	No. of PhD Holders
1	Bangla	12	07	05	02
2	English	13	09	04	01
3	Arabic & Islamic Studies	09	09	00	02
4	Urdu	01	01	00	00
5	Sanskrit	04	03	01	00
6	History	11	10	01	02
7	Islamic History	10	8	02	03
8	Philosophy	11	09	02	01
9	Political Science	13	09	04	01
10	Sociology	08	04	04	01
11	Social Work	13	11	02	02
12	Economics	12	09	03	02
13	Physics	11	09	02	01
14	Chemistry	12	10	02	01
15	Mathematics	12	07	05	02
16	Botany	12	03	09	04
17	Zoology	13	08	05	05
18	Psychology	10	07	03	01
19	Statistics	09	06	03	02
20	Geography	10	08	02	03

Working Teachers					
21	Management	11	08	03	03
22	Accounting	11	06	05	00
23	ICT	01	01	00	00
24	Marketing	00	00	00	00
25	Finance & Banking	00	00	00	00
	Total	229	162	67	39

Table 4.2: Number of Post at a Glance

Name of the Post	Created Post	Working	Vacant Post
Principal	01	01	00
Vice Principal	01	00	01
Professor	20	37	00
Associate Professor	57	56	05
Assistant Professor	80	95	03
Lecturer	83	41	13
Librarian	01	01	00
Demonstrator	08	00	08
Physical Teacher	01	00	01
Assistant Librarian	01	01	00
Total	253	232	31

N.B. There are some attached and in-situ teachers. Therefore, number of vacant posts does not co-relate the number of post and the number posted therein.

4.2 Teacher Professional Development Programs

- a) **Office Management Procurement Training for teachers:** IGD sub-project of the College (CEDP) arranges office management and procurement training for the teachers. 59 teachers attended the training that improved their ability of using technology.



Teachers' In-House Training on Office management and Procedure

b) ICT Training for Staff: To enhance the quality of the digital office **IGD sub-project of the College (CEDP)** provided ICT training for the staff, and 60 office staff attended therein. Obviously there is an immense impact on their service in the college.



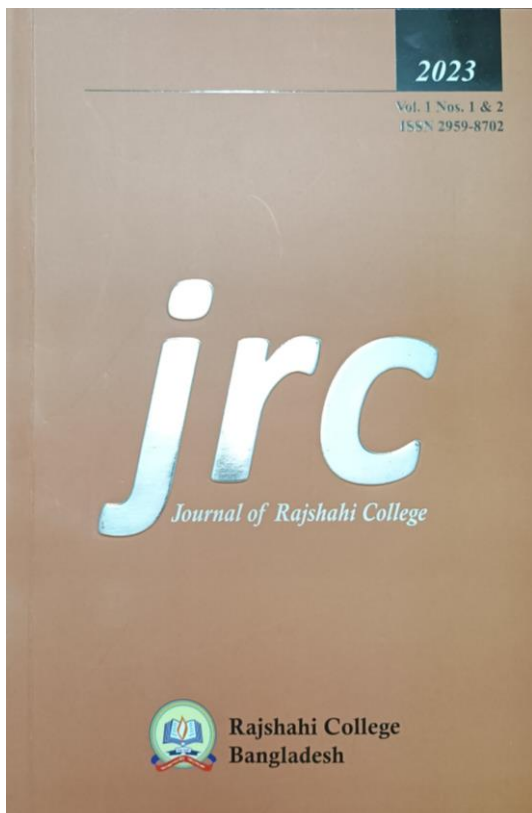
In-House Training on Basic ICT for the Staff

ICT Training for teachers (In-house): In the last fiscal year, a series of in-house trainings on ICT were conducted by the college ICT lab to enhance technological competence of the teachers and students. 90 teachers participated in the training course. On the other hand, about two thousand students took ICT training.

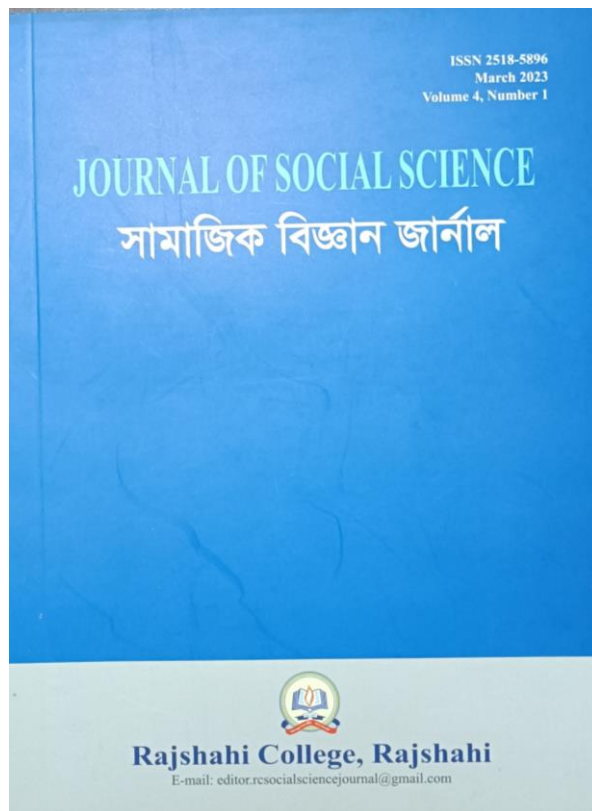
Departmental Seminars: 8 departments arranged seminars using virtual platform, while 11 conducted it physically. The scholars from abroad participated in these seminars and enriched our intelligentsia. Students participated and enjoyed the discourse.

4.1.1 Highlights of Teacher Development Activities of the Year

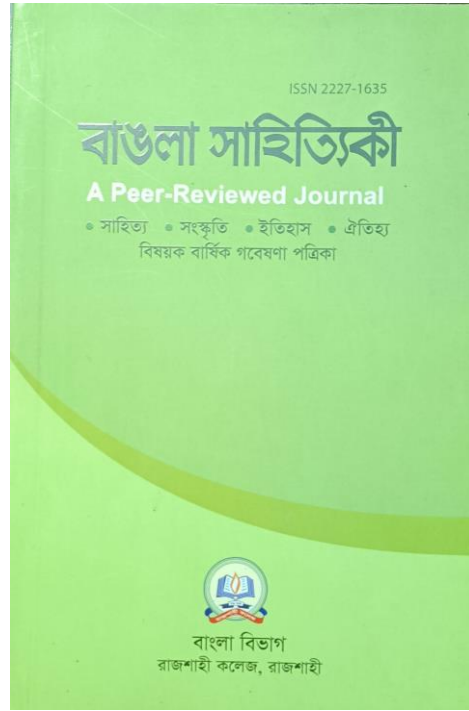
Writings in international research journal: 07 teachers contributed research articles to the international research journal published by the college authority and universities and teaching institution of other counties. Rajshahi College publishes three international journals. These are: 1) *Journal of Rajshahi College* (ISSN: 2959-8702) *Journal of Social Science* (ISSN: 2518-5896), 3), and *Bangla Sahittiki* (ISSN: 2227-1635). All the journals are published in the year 2023 (*Journal of Rajshahi College*, Vol. 1, Nos. 1&2; *Journal of Social Science*, Vol. 4, No. 1; *Bangla Sahittiki* Vol. 7).



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Online Classes & International Webinars: During the COVID-19 period teachers showed their expertise in conducting online classes and participating in international webinars. They even arranged the webinar, and the international scholars participated therein.

Chapter 5

Budget and Finance

5.1 Summary of Annual Budget and Expenditures

Descriptions of total allocation & expenditure of the fiscal year 2021-22 are given below:

Table 5.1: Allocation & expenditure of the College, 2021-22

Financial Code	Salary & Allowances	Allocation	Expenditure
31	Rewards of Staffs		
3111101	Basic Salary of the officers	1140800.00	111536807.00
3111201	Basic Salary of the staffs	3684000.00	3264564.00
3111302	Travel Allowance	62000.00	55781.00
3111306	Education Allowance	1477000.00	1072757.00
3111310	Housing Rent Allowance	54135000.00	46810847.00
3111311	Medical Allowance	3546000.00	3431518.00
3111312	Telephone Allowance	480000.00	439298.00
3111314	Tiffin Allowance	41000.00	37200.00
3111316	Washing Allowance	15000.00	11100.00
3111325	Festival Allowance	25610000.00	18716120.00
3111328	Rest and Recreation Allowance	3898000.00	3197560.00
3111335	Bangla New Year Allowance	2561000.00	1940722.00
3111338	Other Allowance	00	00
Total	--	96649800.00	190514274.00

32**Use of Goods & Services (Administrative Expenditures)**

3211113	Electricity	3500000.00	1544825.00
3211117	Internet/Telex/Fax	400000.00	398400.00
3211119	Postal	10000.00	10000.00
3211120	Telephone	25000.00	8278.00
3211127	Books and Magazines	300000.00	299807.00
3243101	Internal Travel Allowance (Travel & Transfer)	00	00
3255101	Computer Accessories (Printing & Stationaries)	140000.00	139750.00
3255105	Other Stationaries (Printing & Stationaries)	120000.00	119987.00
3256102	Chemicals	430000.00	429608.00
3256103	Usable Articles	180000.00	179975.00
3256106	Dress (Materials)	120000.00	56900.00
3256107	Sports Items	170000.00	169994.00
3257301	Festivals	90000.00	89875.00
3258103	Computer (Repairing and Maintenance)	120000.00	119900.00
	Total	5605000.00	3567299.00

38**Other Expenditures**

3821101	Land Development Tax	200000.00	125650.00
3221103	Urban Tax	4000000.00	4000000.00
Total	--	4200000.00	4125650.00

41**Financial Assets (Capital Expenditures)**

4112306	Laboratory Equipment's	630000.00	629576.00
4112312	Education and Educational Materials	230000.00	229996.00
Total	--	860000.00	859572.00

5.2 Summary of Annual Revenues

The students give tuition and admission fees in the fiscal year 2022-23. The following table exhibits statistics:

Table 5.2: Fees Collected from Degree pass and Honors students, 2015-2016 to 2019-2020

Year	Session	No. of Students (Tuition & Admission Fees)	Total	Full/Half free and stipend rewarded	Grand Total
Honours 1 st year	2022-23	4123×329/-	1356467.00		1356467.00
Honours 2 nd year	2021-22	1713×329/-	892577.00		892577.00
Honours 3 rd year	2020-21	2735×329/-	899815.00		899815.00
Honours 4 th year	2019-20	2191×329/-	720839.00		720839.00
Degree 1 st year	2022-23	466×329/-	153314.00		153314.00
Degree 2 nd year	2021-22	301×329/-	99029.00		99029.00
Degree 3 rd year	2020-21	154×329/-	50666.00		50666.00
Honors 1 st year Re-admission	2017-18	00	00		00
Total	--	11683	4172707.00		4172707.00

Table 5.3: Fees Collected from Preliminary pass and Masters Students, 2017-2018 & 2018-2019

Year	Session	No. of Students (Tuition & Admission Fees)	Total	Full/Half free and stipend rewarded	Grand Total
Masters Part-I	2021-22	1063×329/-	349727.00		
Masters Final Year	2020-21	6422×394/-	2530268.00		
Masters Final Year Readmission	2020-21	00	00		
Total	--	7485	2879995.00		

Table 5.4: Fees Collected from HSC Students, 2017-2018 & 2018-2019

Class	Session	No. of Students (Tuition & Admission Fees)	Total (taka)	Full/Half free and stipend rewarded	Grand Total
Class-XI Admission	2022-23	473×264/-	124872.00		124872.00
Class-XII Admission	2021-22	330×24/-	7920.00		7920.00
”	”	121×264/-	31944.00		31944.00
Total		924	164736.00		164736.00

Chapter 6

Summary and Conclusion

The annual report, 2023, a comprehensive exploration of Rajshahi College, affords a rich tapestry of insights into the institution's governance, academic landscape, achievements, faculty development, and financial contours. This culmination serves as an academic reflection, amalgamating the diverse threads woven throughout the narrative to present a holistic perspective on Rajshahi College.

After a brief statement of the college's establishment in chapter 1 of the report, Chapter 2 meticulously outlines the governance and teaching structure of the college, delineating the hierarchical positions and staffing distribution. A quantitative breakdown of teaching and office staff provides a snapshot of the Institution's scale and underscores the intricate balance maintained for effective academic administration. This chapter serves as the foundational framework upon which the subsequent academic and financial aspects of the college.

The academic overview presented in Chapter 3 accentuates the achievements of the academic year 2022-2023. Beyond the statistical enumeration of enrollments and pass rates, the chapter delves into the qualitative dimensions of student performance and departmental accomplishments. The analysis of non-cognitive factors, technological integration, and infrastructure development portrays RC as an evolving educational entity attuned to contemporary needs. The emphasis on student activities, co-curricular engagement, and societal contributions underscores the institution's commitment to holistic education.

Chapter 4 provides a nuanced exploration of teacher development programs, offering insights into the composition and professional growth of the faculty. It underscores college's commitment to academic excellence through initiatives to skill enhancement of service providers. RC trains up the teachers on office management and the staffs on ICT. In addition, RC provides computers (laptops & desktops), and tries continuous professional development that recognizes the pivotal role of its educators in shaping the learning environment.

The financial narrative in Chapter 5 unveils the fiscal architecture governing Rajshahi College. The transparent exposition of budgetary allocations, expenditures, and revenue streams reflects a sound fiscal management ethos. The meticulous categorization of financial assets and expenditures provides stakeholders with a lucid understanding of the economic underpinnings supporting the college's academic endeavors.

In synthesis, Rajshahi College emerges as an educational crucible where governance, academia, and finance converge to foster an environment of scholastic eminence. The institution's commitment to academic diversity, technological integration, faculty development, and fiscal prudence positions it as a formidable bastion of learning. As the college traverses its odyssey, these foundational pillars not only uphold its current stature but also fortify its resilience and adaptability in the ever-evolving landscape of higher education.

The exploration of Rajshahi College across the report unravels a narrative that extends beyond statistics and financial figures. It reveals an institution pulsating with intellectual vibrancy, pedagogical fortitude, and a commitment to societal engagement. As Rajshahi College charts its course into the future, the chapters presented here lay the groundwork for an ongoing saga of academics.

Looking ahead, Rajshahi College stands at the precipice of continued growth and evolution. In 2023, it achieved clear progress in every sphere- in governance, academic and intellectual improvements, enhancement of the quality of education, improvement of teachers and staff skills, and preserving the campus environment. The delineated achievements and initiatives serve as stepping stones for future aspirations. Academic excellence, technological innovation, and financial sustainability remain paramount. As a dynamic entity, RC should leverage its accomplishments as catalysts for future advancements, ensuring its enduring legacy as a beacon of intellectual prowess and educational leadership.

Photo Gallery



Workshop on Smartboard Using, 9th May, 2023



Workshop on Smartboard Using, 9th May, 2023



Workshop on Writing Research Proposal, 30th May, 2023



International Environment Day, 5th June, 2023



RC gives 'Shuddhachar Prizes' on 19th June, 2023



Addl. Secretary (Education Ministry) and PD, CEDP Visit RC on 24th June, 2023



RC observes Bangamata's Birthday on 08th August, 2023



National Mourning Day Rally, 15th August, 2023



RC publishes poster on National Mourning Day, 2023



Honorable Secretary of the Ministry of Education visits RC on 1st September, 2023



RC observes International Literacy Day on 10th September, 2023



RC organizes Youth Leadership Seminar on 30th September, 2023



Symposium of RC Career Club on 4th October, 2023



Rally on International Teacher's Day, 5th October, 2023



Rajshahi College observes Jail Killing Day on 3rd November, 2023



Social School's Program, 12th November, 2023



Awareness Raising Campaign on Online Crimes, 22nd November, 2023



Workshop on Post Self-Assessment Improvement Plan, 26th November, 2023



Workshop on Post Self-Assessment Improvement Plan, 26th November, 2023



Inter-Department Debate Competition, 4th & 5th December, 2023



Seminar on Digital Marketing, 5th December, 2023



Begum Rokeya Day, 9th December, 2023



RC observes Shaheed Buddhijibi Dibos on 14th December, 2023



RCs Rally on Victory Day, 16th December, 2023



ICT training Certificate (students) awarding ceremony, 2023