

SECRETARY GENERAL'S REPORT

Dear Technology Leaders,

Assalamu Alaikum and a very good Afternoon.

On behalf of the President and members of the Executive Committee, I would like to take the opportunity to extend hearty welcome to all honorable members of the forum present to this gathering of the 6th Annual General Meeting for the year 2018-2019. I want to express my sincere thanks and gratitude for your confidence and trust in us for steering the forum towards progress and prosperity. It is immense pleasure for me to present the Annual Secretary Report of the forum along with the Audited Accounts for the year 2018-2019 to you. The Secretary report briefly projects a comprehensive note of our activities and achievements in last one year.

Dear Member,

As you know, **CTO Forum Bangladesh** was officially listed on 23rd October 2012 under the provision of section 28 of the Companies Act 1994 with registrar of Joint stock Companies & Firm, Bangladesh under the leadership of Forums President **Mr. Tapan Kanti Sarkar** and members of its Executive Committee. The journey of the CTO Forum Bangladesh started s 7 years back before getting officially registered on 23rd October 2012, with the following Aims and objects as per MOA-clause III

The CTO Forum Bangladesh is a forum of present and past Chief Technology Officers / Chief Information Officers / Heads of Technology / Heads of IT / IT Managers or equivalent position of any ICT user organization in Bangladesh. It is formed with a view to become the trusted partner of policy makers, regulators and stakeholders.

The Forum is established as an association not for profit association organized and operated not for pecuniary, but exclusive for purpose within the meaning of section 28 of the Act. The money / assets given to it by its members and the money or assets collected in different other ways will remain vested in the Forum and for the purpose thereof.

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As part of our regular activities, we organized a number of seminars / workshops covering diverse topics where local and foreign IT experts exchanged their views with technology leaders and industry masses.

The following programs and events were organized in this financial year 2018-2019:

1. **5th AGM** was held at Dhanmondi Club Ltd, Metro Shopping Mall (Level-6), House # 01, Road # 12 (New), Dhanmondi, Dhaka, on 23rd March, 2019 where 30 members were present.
2. **Seminar on “Global Trends in Banking and Financial Services”** was held at Dhanmondi Club Ltd, Metro Shopping Mall (Level-6), House # 01, Road # 12 (New), Dhanmondi, Dhaka, on 23rd March, 2019, where Mr. Susanta Kumar Saha, Director General, NIPORT, had kindly consented to grace the occasion as Chief Guest and Mr. Parthapratim Deb, Executive Director, BCC, Mr. Md. Nazrul Islam Khan, Curator, Bangabandhu Memorial Museum were

present as Special Guest in the occasion.

3. **Legend of ICT-2019** Award giving Ceremony was held at Dhanmondi Club Ltd, Metro Shopping Mall (Level-6), House # 01, Road # 12 (New), Dhanmondi, Dhaka, on 23rd March, 2019. We are very pleased to inform you that few of our Fellow members were promoted to MD, DMD and key executive positions. Following Members were Awarded:

1. Mr. Kazi Alamgir, Managing Director, Rajshahi Krishi Unnayan Bank
2. Mr. Abul Hossain, Managing Director , Karmasangsthan Bank
3. Mr. Debdulal Roy , Executive Director, Bangladesh Bank
4. Mr. Kanon Kumar Roy, Member (Tax Policy), NBR, Bangladesh
5. Mr. Taher Ahmed Chowdhury, Deputy Managing Director, Islami Bank Bangladesh Ltd.
6. Mr. Md. Monitur Rahman , Deputy Managing Director, IFIC Bank Ltd.
7. Mr. Md. Abdullah Al Mamoon , Deputy Managing Director, United Commercial Bank Ltd.

4. **Event with UIPATH** : Semonar on “ **Enterprise Summit 2019**” was held at Samson H. Chowdhury Center(2nd Floor), Dhaka Club Ltd., Dhaka, on 20th July, 2019. On this event Mr. Tapan Kanti Sarkar, Founder President, CTO Forum Bangladesh delivered welcome speech & Mr. Anshuman Rai, Sr. Sales Director, UiPath presented demanding key note speech on “Robotic Process Automation (RPA)”.

Mr. N M Zeaul Alam, Secretary, Information and Communication Technology Division was attended as Chief Guest and Mrs. Hosne Ara Begum ndc, Managing Director (Secretary), Bangladesh Hi-Tech Park Authority, Mr. Parthapratim Deb, Executive Director, Bangladesh Computer Council (BCC), Mr. Susanta Kumar Saha, Director General, National Institute of Population Research and Training (NIPORT), Mr. Md. Mohsinul Alam, Director General, Department of Telecommunications (DOT), Mr. Md. Rezaul Karim ndc, Project Director, LICT were present as Special Guest in the occasion.

5. “**Technology Senate Bangla**” Seminar on ““Enabling The Indo-Bangladesh Digital Confluence” was held at The Oberoi Grand, Kolkata, on 25th & 26th September 2019, Where more than 80 IT Leaders participated from CTO Forum Bangladesh, various C-level officials, high-ranking officials of government and non-government organizations, high level leaders in the field of information technology.

Dr. Amit Mitra, Hon. Minsiter of IT & Finance, West Bengal was attended as Chief Guest and Mr. Tapan Kanti Sarkar, President, CTO Forum Bangladesh was attended as Special Guest. In opening and closing Seminar. Many participants took part in many Technical Seminar.

6. **“CTO Tech summit 2020”** 7th CTO Tech summit was held at Samson H. Chowdhury Center (1st and 2nd Floor), Dhaka Club Ltd., Dhaka, on 18th January, 2020.

In the opening ceremony Dr. Mashiur Rahman (Adviser to the Prime Minister, Economic Affairs) was chief guest and H.E. Smt. Riva Ganguly Das, High Commissioner of India to Bangladesh, Mr. N M Ziaul Alam (Sr. Secretary, ICTD), Dr. Shahjahan Mahmood, Chairman, (BCSCL) attended as special guest.

In the Closing ceremony Mr. Salman F Rahman MP, Adviser to Honorable Prime Minister was chief guest and Mr. Zunaid Ahmed Palak (Honorable State Minister, ICTD), Mr. Swapan Bhattacharjee, MP, Honorable State Minister, Ministry of Local Government, Mrs. Hosne Ara Begum ndc, MD (Secretary), Bangladesh Hi-Tech Park Authority were special guest.

Total 400 Participant attended the day long summit, A long with foreign speaker. A remarkable number of foreign guest were attended.

The following seminar were held in the CTO Tech summit 2020

1. “The next wave of Cyber Solutions; Challenges and Opportunities” Keynote speaker: Mr. Vishak Raman, Director, Security Business, Cisco India & SAARC.
2. “Transforming Cyber Security” Keynote speaker: Mr. Anil Bhasin, Managing Director, Palo Alto Networks India.
3. “What Bangladesh should focus more in a Digital Era” Keynote speaker: Mr. Kshitij Mishra, Sales Engineering Lead–India & SAARC AVAYA.
4. “Disruptive Innovation; Opportunities with emerging technologies” Keynote speaker: Mr. Sadananda Sahoo, Security Evangelist, Radwaree.
5. “Securing Your Digital Transformation: Overcoming the biggest Challenge Successfully” Keynote speaker: Mr. Navin Mehra, Regional Director, Fortinet.
6. “Digital Transformation within the Modern workplace” Keynote speaker: Mr. Glenn Woolaghan, Director, Apac Customer Success, Microsoft.
7. “Digital Transformation; Moving towards a Cashless Society” Keynote speaker: Mr. Shahzada Redwan, CTO, SSL Wireless.
8. “Challenges of Creating a Safe Cyber Space” Keynote speaker: Mr. Kanchan Mallick, Regional Head of Trend Micro for Eastern India, Nepal, Bhutan and Bangladesh.
9. “Cyber challenge in the wake of fourth industrial revolution” Keynote speaker: Mr. Nitin Dubey, Pre-sales Manager, Kaspersky.

10. “Emerging Network and Security Trends” Keynote speaker: Ashwin Mittal, Business Head - North & East at Array Networks.



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