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Graduation Ceremony- National Defence Course and Armed Forces War Course 2025

The Graduation Ceremony of the National Defence Course 2025 and the Armed Forces War Course 2025 was held on 03 December 2025. The Hon'ble Chief Adviser to the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, Professor Muhammad Yunus, graced the ceremony as the Chief Guest. The event was attended by the Advisers of the Interim Government, the Chiefs of the three Services, diplomats, senior government officials, and other distinguished guests. A total of 96 Course Members of the National Defence Course, including 29 International Course Members, and 56 Course Members of the Armed Forces War Course from the Bangladesh Army, Navy and Air Force, successfully completed their respective courses.



HIGHLIGHTS OF NDC

25 November 2025: Course Closing Ceremony of ND Course 2025 and AFWC 2025

25 November 2025: Graduation Dinner of ND Course 2025 and AFWC 2025 at Army Multipurpose Complex Banquet Hall, Dhaka Cantonment

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ND COURSE-2025

Guest Speakers

06 October 2025: Tafsir Matin Johansson, PhD, Principal Investigator for the Ocean Technology, World Maritime University

06 October 2025: Dr. Md. Shariful Islam, Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Dhaka

07 October 2025: Iqbal Abdullah Harun, Senior Secretary, Planning Division, Ministry of Planning

08 October 2025: Lieutenant General Abdul Hafiz, ndc, psc (Retired), Special Assistant to the Hon'ble Chief Adviser for Defence and National Solidarity Development

09 October 2025: Md. Khuda Baksh Chowdhury, Former IGP and Special Assistant to the Hon'ble Chief Adviser for Ministry of Home Affairs

19 October 2025: Admiral M Nazmul Hassan, OSP, NPP, ndc, ncc, psc, Chief of Naval Staff, Bangladesh Navy

21 October 2025: Lieutenant General Mohammad Shaheenul Haque, OSP, BSP, ndc, hdmc, psc, Commandant, NDC

26 October 2025: Major General Syed Sabbir Ahmed, ndc, afwc, psc, Commandant, Bangladesh Ordnance Factory

28 October 2025: Air Chief Marshal Hasan Mahmood Khan, BBP, OSP, GUP, nswc, psc, GD(P), Chief of Air Staff, Bangladesh Air Force

30 October 2025: Chowdhury Ashik Mahmud Bin Harun, Chairman, Bangladesh Investment Development Authority

05 November 2025: Major General Md Wahid Uz Zaman, SBP, BSP (Bar), ndc, aowc, psc, te (Retired)

05 November 2025: Ahmedul Kabir, Associate Professor, Institute of Information Technology, University of Dhaka

Visits

12-16 October 2025: Internal Study Tour-Chattoogram Area

22 October 2025: Electronic Media (Jamuna Television)

23 October 2025: Ministry of Planning

27 October 2025: Bangabhaban

Course Activities

02 - 04 November 2025: Defence of Dissertation

09-20 November 2025: Exercise Golden Bengal

AFWC-2025

Guest Speakers

15 October 2025: Major General A K M Muzahid Uddin, ndu, afwc, psc (Retired), Former Commandant, NDC

21 October 2025: Dr. Md Zillur Rahman, Professor, Department of Disaster Science and Climate Resilience, University of Dhaka

Course Activities

05 - 07 October 2025: Sea Exercise-Chattoogram Area

13 - 14 October 2025: Operational Leadership Package

National Events

21 November 2025: Celebration of Armed Forces Day

16 December 2025: Celebration of Victory Day

Social Events

13 November 2025: ND Course Night

18 November 2025: AFWC Night

27 November 2025: Garden Party

Ladies Club Activities

22 October 2025: One Dish Party

13 November 2025: Closing Cultural Evening

Games and Sports

31 October 2025: Friendly Cricket Match 2025

Distinguished Visitors to NDC

08 October 2025: Lieutenant General Tabassum Habib, Hilal-e-Imtiaz (Military), Director General Joint Staff, Joint Staff Headquarters, Pakistan

19 October 2025: Admiral M Nazmul Hassan, OSP, NPP, ndc, ncc, psc, Chief of Naval Staff, Bangladesh Navy

21 October 2025: His Excellency M. Mushfiqul Fazal (Ansarey), Ambassador of the People's Republic of Bangladesh to the United Mexican States

28 October 2025: Air Chief Marshal Hasan Mahmood Khan, BBP, OSP, GUP, nswc, psc, GD(P) Chief of Air Staff, Bangladesh Air Force

11 November 2025: Admiral Naveed Ashraf, NI, NI(M), T Bt, Chief of Naval Staff of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan

Graduation Ceremony





Course Closing Ceremony

The Course Closing Ceremony of the ND Course 2025 and AFWC 2025 took place on 25 November 2025, with the Commandant, National Defence College, presiding as the Chief Guest. During the ceremony, certificates of Master of Social Science in Security and Development were conferred upon the course participants, and awards were presented for outstanding Individual Research Work.



Commandant, NDC, handed over the certificates of Master of Social Science in Security and Development to the participants of ND Course 2025 and AFWC 2025.



Brigadier General Mohammad Raisul Islam, afwc, psc was awarded Best Individual Research Project among the Bangladeshi Course Members of ND Course 2025



Colonel Tajudeen Ajibola Lamidi (Nigerian Army) was awarded Best Individual Research Project among the International Course Members of ND Course 2025



Lieutenant Colonel Md Wadud Ullah Chowdhury, psc, Infantry was awarded Best Individual Research Project among the Course Members of AFWC 2025



Commandant along with Faculty Members and Course Members of ND Course 2025



Commandant along with Faculty Members and Course Members of AFWC 2025

Graduation Dinner

The Graduation Dinner of the ND Course 2025 and AFWC 2025 was held on 25 November 2025 at the Army Multipurpose Complex Banquet Hall, Dhaka Cantonment. Commandant, National Defence College, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. The evening was marked by celebration and fellowship, commemorating the successful completion of the courses by the graduating course members, including allied participants from friendly nations.



Visit to Bangabhaban

Commandant, National Defence College, along with Faculty Members and Course Members of the ND Course 2025 and AFWC 2025, paid a courtesy call on His Excellency the President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh at Bangabhaban. The visit provided an opportunity to convey the College's respect and gratitude to the President and to reaffirm their commitment to national service and leadership development.



Commandant, NDC handing over College Memento to His Excellency President



His Excellency President handing over a Memento to Commandant, NDC



His Excellency President with the Commandant, Faculty Members and Course Members of ND Course 2025



His Excellency President with the Commandant, Faculty Members and Course Members of AFWC 2025

National Defence Course 2025

Guest Speakers



Tafsir Matin Johansson, PhD, Principal Investigator for the Ocean Technology, World Maritime University, delivered a lecture on the topic 'Maritime/ Sea Power: Developing Country's Perspective' on 06 October 2025



Dr. Md. Shariful Islam, Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Dhaka, delivered a lecture on the topic 'Understanding Strategic Security Environment (Global, Regional, and National)' on 06 October 2025



Iqbal Abdullah Harun, Senior Secretary, Planning Division, Ministry of Planning, delivered a lecture on the topic 'Functioning of Planning Commission and Implementation Monitoring and Evaluation Division (IMED)' on 07 October 2025



Lieutenant General Abdul Hafiz, ndc, psc (Retired), Special Assistant to the Hon'ble Chief Adviser for Defence and National Solidarity Development, delivered a lecture on the topic 'Importance of Military Diplomacy on the Contemporary World' on 08 October 2025



Md. Khuda Baksh Chowdhury, Former IGP and Special Assistant to the Hon'ble Chief Adviser for Ministry of Home Affairs, delivered a lecture on the topic 'Law and Order Situation, Dynamics of National Security' on 09 October 2025



Admiral M Nazmul Hassan, OSP, NPP, ndc, ncc, psc, Chief of Naval Staff, Bangladesh Navy, delivered a Keynote Speech on 19 October 2025



Lieutenant General Mohammad Shaheenul Haque, OSP, BSP, ndc, hdmc, psc, Commandant, NDC, delivered a lecture on the topic 'Land Power: Developing Country's Perspective' on 21 October 2025



Major General Syed Sabbir Ahmed, ndc, afwc, psc, Commandant, Bangladesh Ordnance Factory, delivered a lecture on the topic 'Sustainable Defence Industries: Bangladesh Perspective' on 26 October 2025



Air Chief Marshal Hasan Mahmood Khan, BBP, OSP, GUP, nswc, psc, GD(P), Chief of Air Staff, Bangladesh Air Force, delivered a Keynote Speech on 28 October 2025



Chowdhury Ashik Mahmud Bin Harun, Chairman, Bangladesh Investment Development Authority, delivered a lecture on the topic 'Economic Security as a Pillar of National Security: Investment Opportunities and Challenges for Bangladesh' on 30 October 2025



Major General Md Wahid Uz Zaman, SBP, BSP (Bar), ndc, aowc, psc, te (Retired), delivered a lecture on the topic 'Artificial Intelligence and National Security of Developing States: Opportunities, Risks and Responsibilities' on 05 November 2025



Dr. Ahmedul Kabir, Associate Professor, Institute of Information Technology, University of Dhaka, delivered a lecture on the topic 'Artificial Intelligence: Concepts, Applications and Global Trends' on 05 November 2025

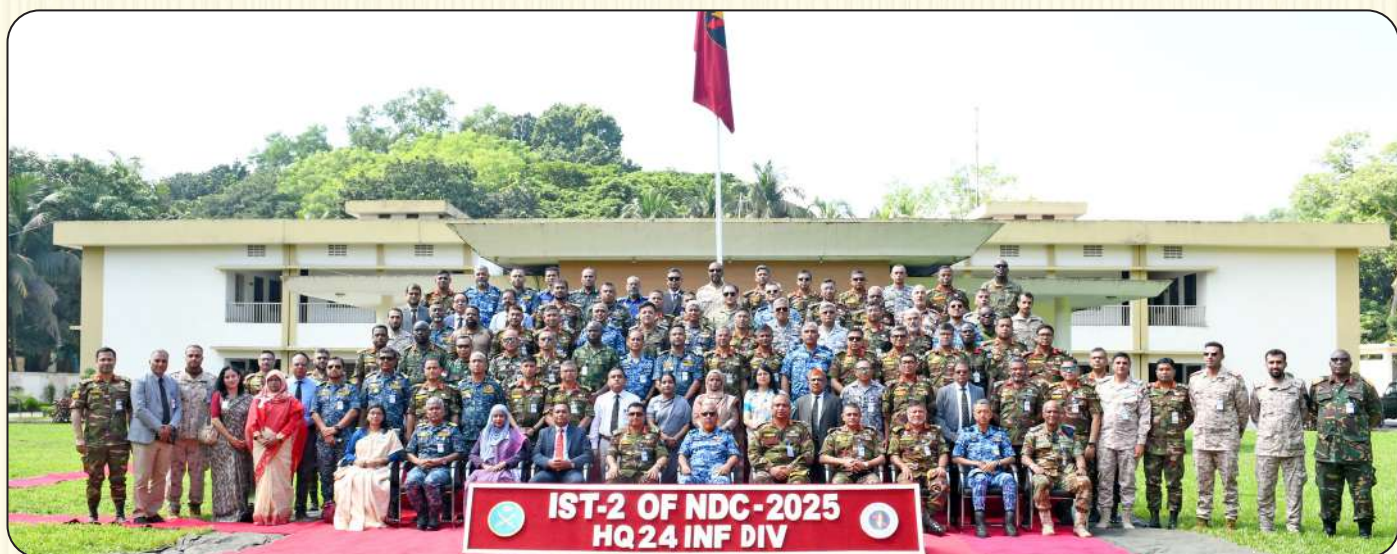
Institutional Visits



BNS Somudra Bijoy - 12 October 2025



BAF Base Zahurul Haque - 12 October 2025



Headquarters, 24 Infantry Division - 13 October 2025



Rajmonipara Army Camp, Rangamati - 14 October 2025



Office of the Refugee Relief and Repatriation Commissioner (RRRC) - 15 October 2025



Historical Rangkut Buddho Bihar - 15 October 2025



Headquarters, 10 Infantry Division - 16 October 2025



Electronic Media (Jamuna Television) - 22 October 2025



Ministry of Planning - 23 October 2025

Exercise Golden Bengal

Exercise Golden Bengal was conducted from 09 to 13 November 2025 at the National Defence College. The exercise aimed to enhance participants' strategic negotiation and decision-making skills in a simulated international scenario. Through active engagement and structured role-play, Course Members practised the dynamics of multilateral negotiation, diplomacy, and conflict resolution in complex geopolitical contexts. The exercise was guided by Dr. Syed Muntasir Mamun, Dr. Khondaker Golam Moazzem, Dr. Md. Robed Amin and Dr. Rizwan Khair.



Armed Forces War Course 2025

Guest Speakers



Major General A K M Muzahid Uddin, ndu, afwc, psc (Retired), Former Commandant, NDC, delivered a lecture on the topic 'Emotional Intelligence for Leadership Excellence' on 15 October 2025



Dr. Md Zillur Rahman, Professor, Department of Disaster Science and Climate Resilience, delivered a lecture on the topic "Bangladesh's Experience in Disaster Management: Success, Intricacies and Lessons for the Armed Forces" on 21 October 2025

Staff Ride-Sea Exercise

As part of course curriculum, Faculty Members, Staff Officers and Course Members of AFWC 2025 visited Chattogram Area and participated in a Sea Exercise from 05 to 07 October 2025.



Operational Leadership Studies

A training package on 'Operational Leadership Studies' was conducted from 13 to 14 October 2025 by distinguished experts from UK, Simon David Gray and Nicholas Paul Short.



National Events

Celebration of Armed Forces Day



Celebration of Victory Day



Service Legacies

Rank Conferment



Brigadier General Md Mostafizur Rahman, ndc, hdmc, afwc, psc, PhD was adorned with the rank of Major General on 14 December 2025



Lieutenant Colonel G M Shamsuzzaman, afwc, psc, Infantry was adorned with the rank of Colonel on 28 December 2025



Lieutenant Raihanul Kabir, (S), BN was adorned with the rank of Lieutenant Commander on 01 December 2025

Farewell



Brigadier General (Now Major General) Md Mostafizur Rahman, ndc, hdmc, afwc, psc, PhD, Chief Instructor, Armed Forces War Course Wing received a farewell memento from Commandant, NDC on 11 December 2025, marking the commencement of his "Leave Preparatory to Retirement"



Brigadier General Sufi Mohammad Moinuddin, SUP, afwc, psc, Directing Staff (Army) received a farewell memento from Commandant, NDC on 11 December 2025



Brigadier General Omar Bin Masud, afwc, psc, G+, Directing Staff (Army) received a farewell memento from Commandant, NDC on 11 December 2025



Brigadier General Md Mahmudur Rahman Minhaz, SUP, afwc, psc, Directing Staff (Army) received a farewell memento from Commandant, NDC on 11 December 2025



Colonel Muhammad Nurul Amin, BSP, afwc, psc, Director (Research and Academic) received a farewell memento from Commandant, NDC on 24 December 2025



Lieutenant Colonel Hasan Mohammad Tanvir Imtiaz, Infantry, General Staff Officer-1 (Administration) received a farewell memento from Commandant, NDC on 24 December 2025, marking the commencement of his "Leave Preparatory to Retirement"



Major Md Nurul Kamal, Engineers, General Staff Officer-2 (Accounts) received a farewell memento from Commandant, NDC on 24 December 2025



Senior Assistant Secretary Nushrat Ara Khanam, Research Coordinator received a farewell memento from Director (Research and Academic) on 07 December 2025

Ladies' Club Activities

One Dish Party

On 22 October 2025, the Ladies' Club organised a One-Dish Party, followed by a cultural evening, in a spirit of warmth, fellowship, and shared tradition. Esteemed ladies from the NDC community, along with course participants from home and abroad, came together to present a rich variety of traditional and international cuisine. The event beautifully reflected the diversity of cultures, the strength of tradition, and the shared commitment that binds the NDC family in friendship and harmony.



Closing Cultural Evening

The NDC Ladies' Club organised a Closing Cultural Evening to mark the conclusion of the course tenure at the National Defence College and to bid farewell to the distinguished ladies of the course participants. The programme, held on 13 November 2025, celebrated togetherness, cultural expression, and shared memories, while conveying appreciation for their valued time at the National Defence College and extending warm wishes for the future.



Social Events

ND Course Night

As the course drew to a close, the Course Members came together for a gala cultural evening, celebrating a year of learning, friendship, and shared experiences. Joined by their spouses and children, they filled the night with music, poetry, and joyful performances that reflected creativity, camaraderie, and cherished memories of their journey at the National Defence College. The National Defence Course Night, held on 11 November 2025, was further enriched by the vibrant participation of International Course Members and their families, adding a distinctive charm and global spirit to the occasion.



AFWC Night

The Armed Forces War Course Night was a vibrant celebration of unity, excellence, and shared pride, thoughtfully organised by the Course Members and their families. Marked by colour, elegance, and artistic quality, the evening unfolded through a rich tapestry of performances that reflected discipline, creativity, and deep camaraderie. Held on 18 November 2025, the programme stood as a graceful expression of fellowship and the collective spirit nurtured throughout the course.



Garden Party

The NDC Garden Party, held on 27 November 2025 at the premises of the Commandant's residence, marked the conclusion of the course in a dignified and cordial setting. The ceremonial occasion brought together the Commandant, Faculty Members, Staff Officers, and Course Participants, along with their spouses, providing an opportunity to meet, greet, and celebrate fellowship in an atmosphere of warmth and mutual respect.



Sports

Friendly Cricket Match 2025 between ND Course 2025 and AFWC 2025 took place on 31 October 2025.



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