REPORT

on

ISE SFEC 2018 Dhaka Congress

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International Society for Ethnopharmacology (ISE)
Society for Ethnopharmacology, India (SFE-India)
ISE SFEC 2018 Dhaka Congress on “Ethnopharmacology & Drug Development: Innovation meets Tradition”

The Department of Pharmacy, Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Dhaka has successfully organized the 18th International Congress of International Society for Ethnopharmacology (ISE) and the 5th International Congress of the Society for Ethnopharmacology (SFE), India (ISE-SFEC 2018) in association with Society for Ethnopharmacology, India during January 13-15, 2018. The theme of the congress was ‘Ethnopharmacology & Drug Development: Innovation meets Tradition’.

In view of this, the Department of Pharmacy, Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Dhaka first organized the ISE SFE National Conference 2017 on “Drug Discovery and Development from Natural Sources” at Nabab Nawab Ali Chowdhury Senate Bhaban, University of Dhaka on 21 May 2017, Sunday.

Prof. Dr. Nasreen Ahmad, Pro-Vice Chancellor (Academic) of DU was present as Chief Guest in the inauguration ceremony of the conference. Prof. Emeritus Dr. AK Azad Chowdhury, DU; Prof. Dr. SM Abdur Rahman, Dean, Faculty of Pharmacy, DU; Mr. Mosaddek Hossain, MD, UniMed & UniHealth Manufacturers Ltd and Vice-President of Pharmacy Council of Bangladesh; Mr. Abdul Muktadir, MD, Incepta Pharmaceuticals and Incepta vaccines Ltd; Mr. Rabbur Reza, COO, Beximco Pharmaceuticals Ltd; Mr. Mizanur Rahman, ED, Square Pharmaceuticals Ltd, Prof. Pulok K Mukherjee, Director, School of Natural Products, Jadavpur University, Kolkata and Secretary, SFE-India were present as Special Guests.
Prof. Dr. Md. Akhtaruzzaman, of the then Pro-Vice Chancellor (Administration) was present on the occasion as Chief Guest in the closing ceremony of the ISE SFE National Conference 2017. In the closing session Prof. Dr. Pulok K Mukherjee, Secretary, SFE-India; Mr. Birendra K Sarker, Vice-President, SFE-India; Mr. Indraneel Das, Vice-President, SFE-India; Prof. Dr. Abu Shara Shamshur Rouf, DU; Prof. Dr. Md. Selim Reza, DU; Dr. Samir Saha, President, AYUNS were present as the special guests.

Prof. Dr. Sitesh C Bachar, Chairman of Department of Pharmacy, DU and Organizing Secretary, ISE SFEC National Conference 2017 delivered the welcome address and closing remarks while Prof. Dr. Md. Abdur Rashid, Organizing Chairman, ISE SFEC National Conference 2017 presided over in both sessions of the conference.

Through this national Conference the ISE SFEC 2018 Dhaka Congress was first opened. The Congress was held at Nabab Nawab Ali Chowdhury Senate Building, University of Dhaka during 13-15 January 2018. It was focus on several crucial and contemporary issues on the scientific study based on of Ethnopharmacology and medicinal plants by the renowned scientists throughout the world. The scientists, educationists, students, regulatory bodies and manufacturers from 32 countries had attended. Moreover, about 150 Indian scientists, educationists, manufacturers and students were also participated in this big event. The total of 850+ delegates or participants attended this congress on traditional medicine including 650 from Bangladesh. That had provided an ideal platform for the participants to present their research work, interact, debate and disseminate of ideas amongst the distinguished professionals, eminent scientists, technologist and industrialist from different parts of the world. Through this congress our students, teachers, manufacturers and regulatory body have enriched their knowledge and expertise through exchanging their views and ideas with national and foreign participants. This acquired knowledge definitely will help us to produce quality traditional
medicines for the peoples of Bangladesh. You know that this definitely will fulfill the objectives of MoU signed between the Secretary, Ministry of AYUSH, GoI and Secretary, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MOH&FW), GoB mentioned in article -2.

Speakers from different parts of the world had given emphasis on herbs and plants as essential drugs in primary healthcare as it is derived from nature, which is very safe and useful for human body. They pointed out the feasibility of Traditional Medicines in Bangladesh mentioning the huge global markets as India and China is doing. The speakers both from home and abroad also emphasized on more evidence based scientific research activities with the medicinal plants of Bangladesh.

**Major Highlights of the Congress were-**

- Dissemination of knowledge on education and research for promotion of medicinal plant and ethnopharmacology
- Evidence based validation of traditional medicine
- Evaluation of safety, efficacy and quality of botanicals
- Ethnopharmacology in drug discovery and development- global perspectives
- Phytochemical, pharmacological, antimicrobial evaluation of medicinal plants
- Identification and documentation of medicinal plants and traditional resources
- Development of analytical techniques for quality control, and standardization of herbal medicine
- Bio-prospecting of natural products – an approach towards drug discovery
- Integrative approach in promotion and development of traditional medicine
- Development and evaluation of herbal formulation from medicinal plant through industry institute partnership
- IP rights, patents and regulatory affairs of medicinal and aromatic plants
- Conservation & propagation of rare, endangered & threatened medicinal plants

Architect Yeafesh Osman, Minister, Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of the Peoples’ Republic of Bangladesh was present as Chief Guest in the inauguration ceremony of the ISE SFEC 2018 Dhaka Congress. H.E. Mr. Harsh Vardhan Shringla, High Commissioner of India to Bangladesh and Prof. Emeritus Dr. AK Azad Chowdhury, were present as Special Guests. Shri Shekhar Dutt, Former Governor, Chattishgarh, and Former Defense Secretary, Government of India, Major General Md, Mostafizur Rahman, DG, Directorate General of Drug Administration and Prof. SM Abdur Rahman, Dean, Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Dhaka were present as Guest of Honor. Prof. Guillermo Hirschman, President, ISE (Chile), Prof. Marco Leonti, Secretary, ISE (Italy),
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Mr. Md. Habibur Rahman Khan, Additional Secretary, was present as Chief Guest in the closing session of the ISE SFEC 2018 Dhaka Congress on 15 January 2018 in place of Mr. Serajul Huq
Khan, Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of the peoples’ Republic of. In the closing session Prof. Guillermo Hirschman, President, ISE (Chile), Prof. Marco Leonti, Secretary, ISE (Italy), Dr. Pratim Banerji, President, SFE-India, Prof. Pulok K Mukherjee, Secretary, SFE-India were present as the special guests. The session was chaired by Prof. Md. Abdur Rashid, Chairman, Organizing Committee, ISE SFEC 2018. Prof. Sitesh C Bachar, Secretary, Organizing Committee, ISE SFEC 2018 put the closing remarks in the session and expressed his tanks to the sponsors those who supported financially in organizing such first time ever on international Congress on Traditional medicine.

The accommodation of all the foreign guests was in FARS Hotel and Resorts, Hotel 71, Hotel Razmoni Isha Khan, Dhaka Club and DU University Guest House. All participants were provided breakfast, tea, lunch and dinner during the period. Transportation was arranged for pick up and drop to the airport for the foreign guests. Local tour was also arranged for the foreigners on their demands. Finally the ISE SFEC 2018 Dhaka Congress on Traditional Medicine was organized in a successful manner with a support of all government and private institutions. The organizing committee is very much thankful to the sponsor, participants from national and international for their valuable presence for making this congress success.

Handing over the ISE Flag to Dresden, Germany the next organizing Country

Handing over the SFE-India Flag to Manipal, India the next organizing State of India

Dr. Sitesh C Bachar
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