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AUSTRALIAN HIGH COMMISSION DHAKA

Australia Awards Fellowships for Bangladesh

Melbourne's Monash University yesterday hosted the launch of an Australia Awards Fellowship program for 25 public servants from Bangladesh.

Honourable State Minister for Public Administration Ms Ismat Ara Sadique and Adviser to Bangladesh's Honourable Prime Minister Dr Gowher Rizvi travelled to Melbourne for the event.

Over three weeks, the Bangladeshi participants will study Australian education and health systems, and visit public and private providers of health and education services.



Honourable State Minister for Public Administration Ms Ismat Ara Sadique (centre) and Adviser to Bangladesh's Honourable Prime Minister Dr Gowher Rizvi (right) with Monash University representatives

When they return to Bangladesh, the participants will apply their training to the delivery of health and education services in regional Bangladesh.

During the course launch, Dr Rizvi delivered the keynote address "Challenges for Good Governance in Developing Countries and the Role of Public Managers".

The Australia Awards are prestigious international scholarships and fellowships funded by the Australian Government offering the next generation of global leaders an opportunity to undertake study, research and professional development.

The Australian Government has granted 162 Australia Awards in Bangladesh for 2014, making Bangladesh one of the major beneficiaries of the program. The Australia Awards are part of Australia's development assistance to Bangladesh. Australia is a long-standing and committed development partner for Bangladesh.

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