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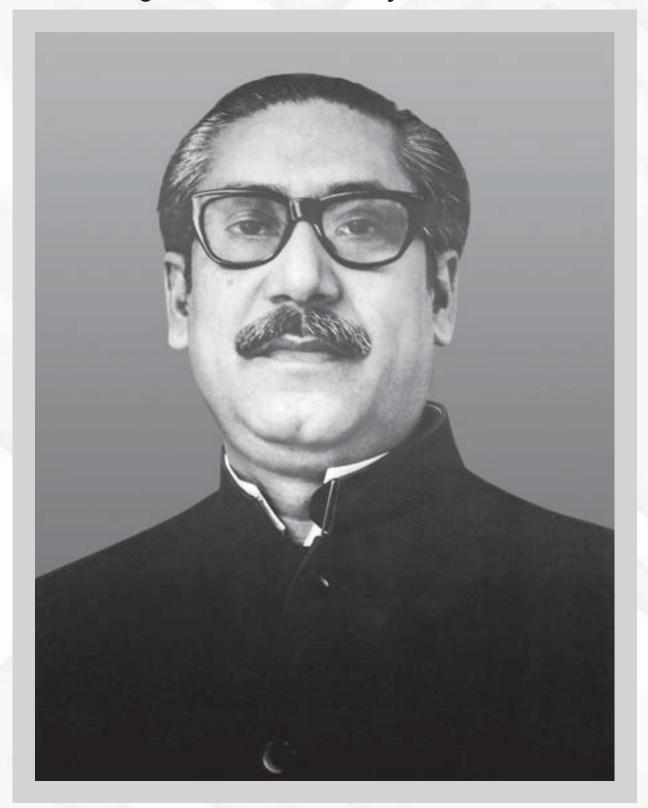
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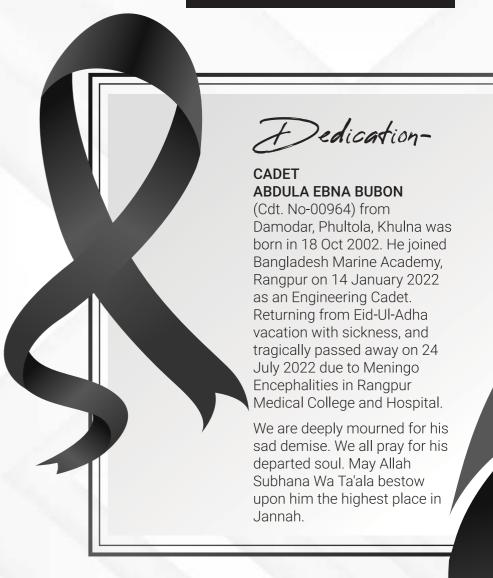
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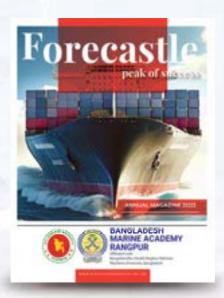




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I am pleased to announce the upcoming publication of the inaugural annual magazine 'Forecastle' in celebration of the Graduation Parade of the 2nd batch cadets of Bangladesh Marine Academy, Rangpur. On this auspicious occasion, I extend my warm congratulations to the graduating cadets and their proud families. I also express my heartfelt gratitude to the Commandant and dedicated faculties for their extraordinary commitment.

The Graduation Parade signifies not only the successful completion of a rigorous journey for the cadets but also serves as a beacon to the world, signalling their readiness to shoulder new responsibilities, confront complex challenges, and assume their roles as active contributors to the society. I am confident that the education and training imparted by the academy have equipped them with the knowledge and skills to make meaningful contributions to the maritime sector.

The present democratic government under the visionary leadership of the Honourable Prime Minister Deshratno H.E. Sheikh Hasina, the daughter of the father of the nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, has established four additional marine academies in Rangpur, Barishal, Pabna, and Sylhet, recognizing the growing global demand for marine officers on ocean-going vessels. The government remains committed to ensuring that the Bangladesh Marine Academy Rangpur is aligned with international standards and remains competitive in the international arena.

I firmly believe that our graduates will play a pivotal role in enhancing Bangladesh's global reputation in the maritime industry. I extend my best wishes for the continued success and growth of the Bangladesh Marine Academy, Rangpur.

May Allah bless us all.

Joy Bangla, Joy Bangabandhu Long live Bangladesh.

Khalid Mahmud Chowdhury, MP



Senior Secretary
Ministry of Shipping
Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

I am delighted to learn that the inaugural of annual magazine 'Forecastle' is setting sail on the auspicious occasion of the Graduation Parade of the 2nd batch cadets of Bangladesh Marine Academy, Rangpur. On the eve of this occasion, I would like to extend my heartfelt congratulations to the graduating cadets, their proud parents and the Commandant and all the members for their unwavering dedication.

The sea has always played a vital role in our nation's history and continues to be a crucial part of our economy. Therefore, the Government has been actively focused on the development of the maritime sector. I hope this academy will continue to play a vital role in creating world class maritime leaders. The graduates, as maritime professionals, are not only a seafarer but also will act as an ambassador for Bangladesh.

We should be proud that the present Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh is very conscious of bringing revolutionary changes in training to meet and maintain international standards.

I wish every seafarer's success in meeting future challenges and hope this academy becomes a beacon of maritime excellence in the competitive global stage.

Md. Mostafa Kamal, Senior Secretary



Message



CommandantBangladesh Marine Academy
Rangpur

I am honored to announce the launch of our inaugural annual magazine, 'Forecastle,' during the Graduation Parade of the 2nd Batch Cadets of Bangladesh Marine Academy, Rangpur. This momentous occasion not only marks the academic achievements of our graduating cadets but also celebrates the spirit of dedication and excellence.

The Academy was inaugurated by the Honorable Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina on 6th May 2021 to provide training after HSC/A-Level for cadets. The curriculum aligns with the competence standards required by the IMO STCW Convention and follows the approved syllabus of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Maritime University and DG Shipping. Additionally, the academy offers a variety of approved IMO model courses to fulfill the graduation cadets' prerequisites for serving onboard. Our academy plays a pivotal role in shaping the maritime leaders of tomorrow.

As we flip through the pages of 'Forecastle, let us reflect on the journey of our cadets, the challenges they've overcome, and the knowledge they've gained. This magazine serves as a testament to their hard work and commitment.

I extend my heartfelt congratulations to the graduating cadets, their proud parents, and the entire academy community. I must acknowledge the outstanding efforts of the faculty and staff of this Academy.

I am confident that the photo gallery, articles, stories, and insights shared in 'Forecastle' will inspire and motivate our current and future cadets. Simultaneously, I invite discerning readers to consider any shortcomings or lapses in this inaugural magazine.

May 'Forecastle' be a source of pride for all of us, reflecting the achievements and aspirations of cadets. May this magazine be a symbol of our shared commitment for maritime excellence.

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Captain Md Shafiqul Islam Sarker, (G), psc, BN



Lt Cdr G M Moshiur Rahman, (Retd) Editor, Forecastle BMAR Annual Magazine 2023



Bangladesh Marine Academy, Rangpur has reached a momentous milestone as it proudly unveils the first-ever annual magazine, 'Forecastle' on the occasion of the Graduation Parade of the 2nd Batch Cadets. This publication showcases the institution's commitment to excellence, innovation, maritime education and a beacon for those who dream of a career at sea.

The name 'Forecastle' holds profound significance in the seafaring world. It was the place in a ship where stories were shared, experiences were exchanged, and knowledge was passed down through generations. By naming our magazine 'Forecastle,' we aim to carry forward this tradition – a tradition of unity, knowledge sharing, and the rich maritime legacy that is ingrained in our academy.

'Forecastle' is not just a collection of pages; it is a reflection of the journey of the cadets, the dedication of the faculty and the staff. It is a platform for the cadets and the faculties to express their stories, experiences, insights and expertise with the global audience. Additionally, in the captivating images that grace the pages of 'Forecastle,' you will witness the academy's vibrant activities. Every image reflects a deep commitment to maritime excellence, demonstrating the enthusiasm of cadets. 'Forecastle' does not only appeals to the seafaring community but also to the general public interested in the world of maritime education. We aim to awaken the dreams of those who yearn for a life at sea through the wisdom shared within these pages. Our academy beckons as a lighthouse for individuals who desire adventure, knowledge, and a rewarding career.

On behalf of the Editorial Board, I would like to thank our respected Commandant and the HODs for inspiring the launch of 'Forecastle.' I extend my heartfelt thanks to the dedicated editorial body and the passionate contributors who have poured their time, effort and knowledge into crafting 'Forecastle.' Without your commitment and enthusiasm, this endeavor would not have set sail.

We recognize that this is our inaugural effort and it may not be without imperfections. We request discerning readers to consider any lapse in this inaugural edition.

In closing, 'Forecastle' is a celebration of the maritime world, a tribute to our maritime legacy and an invitation to join us on a voyage of discovery, learning and growth. We invite you to explore the pages of 'Forecastle' and be part of the journey with the Bangladesh Marine Academy, Rangpur.

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COMMANDANT ON DESK

Captain Md Shafiqul Islam Sarker, (G), psc, BN

Commandant

Bangladesh Marine Academy, Rangpur.

Captain Md Shafiqul Islam Sarker, (G), psc, BN, a 1990 HSC batch of BAF Shaheen School & College, Tejgoan, Dhaka, joined on 01 July 1991 in Bangladesh Navy. He received naval training from the Royal Malaysian Navy. Captain Shafiq performed command, staff and instructional duties onboard naval Ships and Establishments in various capacities. He also commanded Bangladesh Coast Guard Ship MANSOOR ALI beside other ships of various classes. He was a Nautical Instructor in the Marine Academy, Chattogram. He completed four batch sailors passing out consecutively as the Officer-In-Charge of New Entry Training School of Bangladesh Navy. Besides, he discharged his duties as Deputy Drafting Commander of the Naval Head Quarter, Chief Staff Officer of the Commander Khulna Naval Area Fleet Gunnery Officer (FGC) of the Commander BN Fleet. He completed Staff Course from Mirpur and Deputy President Course from Inter Services Selection Board vis-à-vis other professional courses.

In personal Life, Captain Shafiq is married and father of two sons and a daughter. He prefers to read magazine, newspaper, books and play tennis during leisure time.



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BANGLADESH MARINE ACADEMY, RANGPUR (BMAR) THE ALMA MATER OF THE MARINERS

Bangladesh's maritime heritage dates back to ancient times, with its people naturally inclined toward seafaring. Renowned for its skilled maritime community, the country boasts a rich shipbuilding legacy, expertise in ship breaking, a robust maritime workforce, and claims to fame such as the largest bay, delta, river networks, mangrove forests, and the world's longest sea beach.

The first Bangladesh Marine Academy in Chattogram was rebuilt and refurbished under the leadership of the nation's founding father, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman after liberation war. It was formally re-established in July 1973. Recognizing the growing demand in the global shipping industry and the abundance of

untapped intellectual youth, the honourable Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina inaugurated four new Marine Academies namely Rangpur, Barishal, Pabna, and Sylhet on 6 May 2021.

BMAR commenced its journey with its inaugural batch of 50 marine cadets in 2021, completing pre-sea training under the guidance of the Chattogram Marine Academy. Presently, the academy is training its 2nd and 3rd batches, consisting of 34 Nautical and 31 Engineering cadets in the Passing-Out Batch, with 23 Nautical and 23 Engineering cadets in the Junior Batch.

The current government aims to leverage the potential of the blue economy to propel Bangla-

desh from a middle-income nation, as envisioned in 'Vision 2021,' to a developed country by 'Vision 2041,' emphasizing sustainable utilization of marine resources and fostering the maritime sector. Establishing four marine academies is a strategic step to meet future demands and sustain the continuous development of maritime manpower. Mariners not only significantly contribute to the economy but also serve as representatives for projecting our national identity, culture, and heritage to the global community.

While Bangladesh is inherently a seafaring nation, the maritime profession has traditionally been dominated by coastal communities. The establishment of these new academies is dignified to revolutionize this tradition, inspiring newer generations to engage in this esteemed and promising profession.

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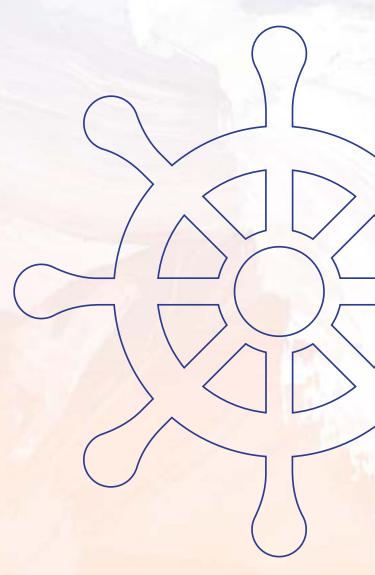
Developing World-Class Maritime Leaders.

VISION

Emerging as a leading maritime education, training and research facilitator in the shipping world through continuous training, innovation and endeavours.

QUALITY POLICY

- Continual improvement of the course Curriculum in line with stakeholder needs expectations and emerging technology, continual professional development of all facilities and staff by encouraging them to produce higher studies and research and providing opportunities to participate in training course, seminars, conference, etc.
- Building Positive attitudes and harmony among the faculty staffs and cadets so that knowledge is shared freely and without prejudice.
- Efficient utilization of limited resources and wellbeing of the people.
- Maintaining integrity strategy in order to build confidence & healthy relationship with all Stakeholders and with the society.
- Prevention of injury, illness, loss of life, loss of property and environmental damages.



PROFILE OF A CADET

2 years at academy 1 year at sea & 1 year at academy

BASIC QUALIFICATION

HSC / A-Level with Physics, Chemistry & Mathematics. Proficiency in English & Computer Operation.

REQUIRED SKILL

Attitude : Enthusiastic Turn-out : Upright

Physique : Good physique & fitness with swimming capability

Age (max) : 21 years

Height (min) : Male: 5'- 4", Female: 5'- 2"

Weight : Proportional BMI

Eye-sight : Nautical: 6/6, Engineering: up to 6/12

Colour vision : Normal Marital Status : Unmarried

Professional Marine Qualification (as per IMO Model Course 7.03 & 7.04):

■ Pre-Sea Nautical/Engineering Certificate awarded by the Academy.

■ Bachelor of Maritime Science (Nautical)/B.Sc in Marine Engineering Certificate awarded by Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Maritime University.

■ Certificate of Competency (COC) and Certificate of Proficiency (COP) awarded by Department of Shipping (DoS).

BASIC SAFETY COURSES

Fire Prevention & Fire Fighting Personal Survival Techniques

Elementary First Aid

Personal Safety & Social Responsibilities

Security Awareness Training (SAT)

Designated Security Duties (DSD)

ADDITIONAL COURSES

Medical First Aid Course

Proficiency in Survival Craft & Rescue Boat (other than high speed crafts)

Advance Fire Fighting

Basic Training for Oil & Chemical Tanker Cargo Operations

REGIMENTAL **TRAINING**

Morning Physical Training

Parade Training

Games & Sports (indoor & outdoor)

Swimming



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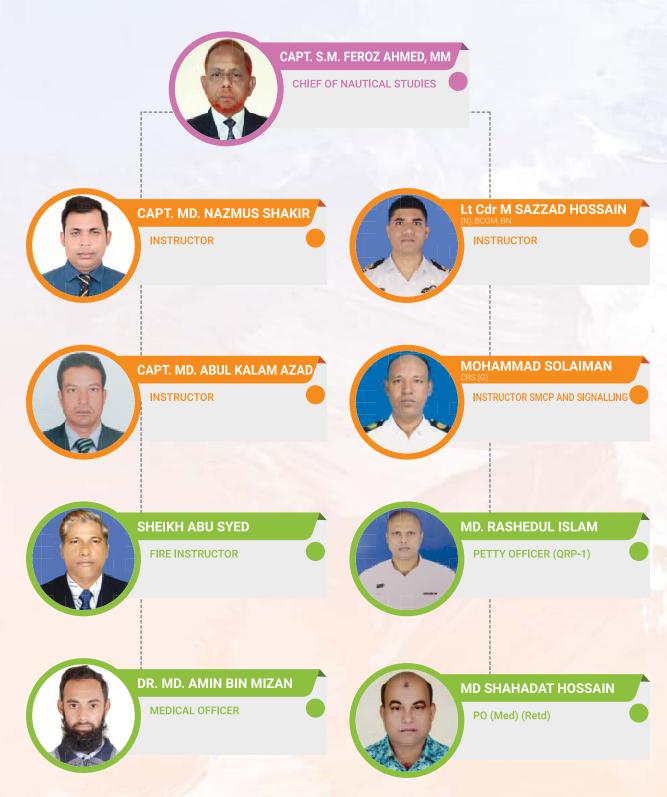
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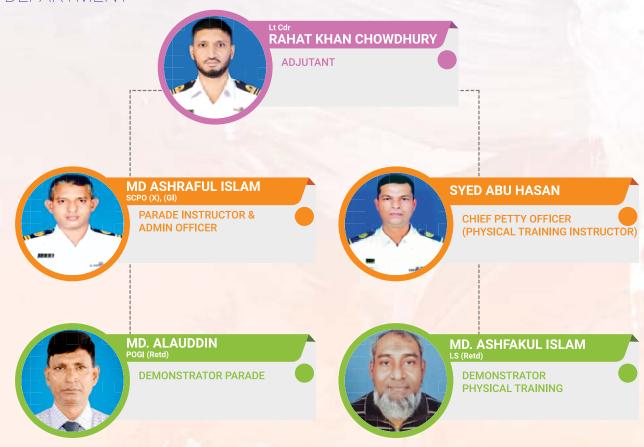
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