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In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful.

"Praise be to Allah, to whom belongs all things in the heavens and on earth
To Him we Praise in the Hereafter and He is Full of Wisdom, acquainted with all things." (34:1)

"To Allah doth belong the dominion of the heavens and the earth, and all that is therein, and it is He who
hath power over all things." (5:120)

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President's Message

Assalamu Alaikum,

Let peace and blessing of God be on you and us.

We are now holding CBET 7th Annual General Meeting (AGM).

During the last 7 years, from 2014 to 2019, CBET changed lives of over 1,200 families in Bangladesh giving 1,200 students each one \$200 as scholarship for higher secondary education. CBET provided 90 scholarships each of \$500 in Ottawa Gatineau in High schools, colleges and universities.

For year 2020 alone, CBET distributed 335 scholarships of \$200 scholarships by February 2020 and first time, 25 scholarships each of \$300 too 1st year university; engineering and medical students who while in colleges received CBET scholarships. Each year CBET will add 25 university scholarships and will provide these students scholarships until they graduate Insha'Allah.

CBET, a federally registered Canadian charity. Here a group of people, volunteer their time and money, also working to integrate youths and families as contributing Canadian Citizens with strong moral and ethical values.

Let us all work to give education to needy and orphan students to make them productive citizens and remember Prophet Mohammed (PBUH) was both needy and orphans. The students will be productive citizen and we will get rewards for years to come, only \$200 from Zakat or Sadaqa.

Please read and write CBET eMagazine, <http://CanadianDream.CBET.ca> with readership of over 3,000.

Finally, I thank my wife Asma Khan and CBET board members and volunteers, who passionately with dedication worked together to bring CBET as a well-known charity since 2012. We seek HIS forgiveness for our shortcomings.

May God give bless us and our families and make us humble and peaceful in serving the community.

Dr. Emdad Khan

Change a Life by Giving in Education



1. Introduction

"And cover not Truth with falsehood, nor conceal the Truth when ye know (what it is)". Al-Quran 2:42

Transparency and accountability bring credibility to an organization. CBET remains accountable to 1) Allah (SWT), 2) its members, and 3) the Canadian Revenue Agency (CRA) as a responsible charity organization, 4) Industry Canada as a non-profit organization.

The primary objective of this report is to convey to our local community, the general public, CRA and Industry Canada, the activities and achievements of the past year and present an update on the latest progress on the funding, expenses and progress in our scholarship program.

1.1 Background:

CBET was established in August 2012, to provide scholarships to students in Canada and in Bangladesh. CBET is the only Canadian Government-registered Bangladeshi Education Trust in Canada.

1.2 CBET Vision

Our Vision in CBET is to make education equally accessible for needy students and convert these students as useful human resources and valuable members of society. Education is a basic right for every single citizen and CBET is there to help those students implement that basic right by providing financial assistance.

1.3 CBET Mission

Our mission in CBET is to help under privileged students in Bangladesh and Canada to improve their socio- economic status by providing financial assistance during the course of their education. CBET aims to advance education by supporting students to become valuable resources for the country.

1.4 CBET Mission statement:

CBET strives to give scholarships to College students in all 450 sub-districts to advance education in Bangladesh. Education is one of the greatest tools to impart moral values, and to develop a good society. CBET is there to help those students implement that basic right by providing scholarships. CBET also strives to establish a dialogue between different Bangladeshi and other Canadians in the Ottawa-Gatineau.

2. CBET Coverage Area

CBET represents the Bangladeshi community of Ottawa Gatineau since August 2012. It is an independent, non-political, non-profit, family-centric organization. CBET also plans to establish branches in major cities in Canada, such as Montreal, Vancouver, and Toronto.

3. Service Location: Ottawa Gatineau

CBET provides spiritual, social and community services through monthly gatherings. Head office for CBET is located in Ottawa, Canada with a branch in Dhaka. Large-scale community events like Summer Picnics and Fundraising Dinners, which require larger space, are held in rented community centers, local public schools and/or other public areas.

4. Objectives

The objective of the project is to bring a change in the society which includes Canada and Bangladesh. The project is aimed to assist the talented and poor students from colleges in rural areas of Bangladesh for continuing their education by providing financial support. Also, to organize and celebrate social and religious festivals to build a stronger and healthier community.

5. Principles

CBET is guided by the following principles:

- Honesty, Openness and Fairness
- Accountability to Al-Mighty God
- Canadian Statutory Authorities and CBET Community
- Providing service to community members irrespective of faith, culture and ethnicity
- Respect everyone's views, values and ideas

6. Expected Results

After completion of the project the following changes are expected to be achieved:

1. Poor and talented students are continuing their education
2. Help the students to be a skilled manpower or resources
3. Encouraged students for acquiring better results and continuing in higher education

7. Selection of Colleges

Students were selected as per set criteria of CBET. The project firstly selected the colleges. These colleges are selected from rural areas and situated in the poverty prone areas of Bangladesh. Students were selected by a committee of 5 members of CBET through a transparent and reliable process as per the instruction of CBET. The process was given emphasize on students came from very poor family and had an evidence of their good results in the examination.

8. Reserved Orphan Scholarship

CBET guarantees to award scholarship to any orphan students upon proper validation.

9. Organize Award giving ceremony:



Award giving ceremonies were organized at 59 college premises. Through these events a total of 259 students received BDT 10,000 each for their education expenses. Authority of the selected colleges organized the events by the support from CBET. A short discussion on the scholarship program was held on its necessity, objectives and role of students for proper utilization of the scholarship amount etc.

10. Validating Scholarship applications

We sometimes call students in Bangladesh who make applications for CBET scholarship. We asked Mr. Abdul Matin, our CBET Liaison Adviser for Bangladesh about it and wanted to know why he calls the students. His reply is as follows:

“Please refer to para 20 of the A to Z: Detailed Procedures. It is stated in the para that “Please note that for verification purposes and also to ensure fairness and to assess merits, sometimes we might call the students and ask them some general questions and also the questions about what they mentioned in their application form. Especially, when notice that two/three students’ merits and financial conditions are same, at that point, we might call the students and ask them few questions to determine the eligible student for the scholarship.” In addition, sometimes we see discrepancies in the application or in supporting documents, so I call them to get it clarified.

11. Project Result

After completion of the project following achievements in terms of quality and quantity have been seen in different aspects of the project:

- A total of 265 students of 51 different colleges enriched with education materials, books, uniform and other expenses
- Students learning capacities have developed in terms of quality education and participation in different competitive examination
- Students can take coaching and give tuition fees regularly
- Parents, guardians and local community people became aware about the program and ultimate objectives of the program. They assured to follow up their future course of actions and assist the students to continue education if require
- Decreased gender discrimination in line with educational opportunity as the project emphasized female students as its primary stakeholders
- Reduced Early Marriage
- Decreased risk of dropout from education

12. Improve Learning

A substantial number of talent and poor students dropped out and discontinue from education as well higher education due to financial challenges. However, support from the Government or any organization/society will make them a resource rather than a burden of family and nation. The student feels proud, confident and inspired to be a good citizen instead being a member of poor family.

CBET scholarship support adds huge value in the life of the students. It's developed a moral courage among the students to be a resource and contributor for the society.

The scholarship program enable the talent and poor students a healthy competitiveness. Eventually it gives a development scenario in students' individual performance.

This support need to continue and expanded to create more opportunity for the poor and talent students to retain in education.

13. Fundraising Activities

Al-Hamdu Lillah, in the year 2019, CBET awarded 255 scholarships in Bangladesh to 51 institutions. Each school received 2,000 BDT to host an award ceremony and students selected from each institute received 5 scholarships, each 11,000 BDT. In Sha Allah in the year 2020 CBET has funding to award 300 scholarships in Bangladesh of BDT 11,000.

13.1 Fundraising at Friday Prayer Gatherings

Al-Hamdu Lillah, the Ottawa community is very generous. CBET holds fundraising during Friday Prayer gathering at different Mosques in Ottawa, which allows us to collect substantial amount funds from Jumma prayer attendees. We would like to, express our sincere gratitude to each Masjid management and musallees for their generosity.

13.2 On Line Fundraising

CBET also actively fundraises via its website (www.cbet.ca) via PayPal, MasterCard and Visa. CBET is now registered with <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/> to collect more donations online. 2018 especially saw a substantial increase on online donations, and we are hopeful it will continue to serve as a convenient, accessible and easy way for our donors to offer their support to CBET.

13.3 Fundraising via Text

To increase fundraising efforts CBET setup a Donate via text method.



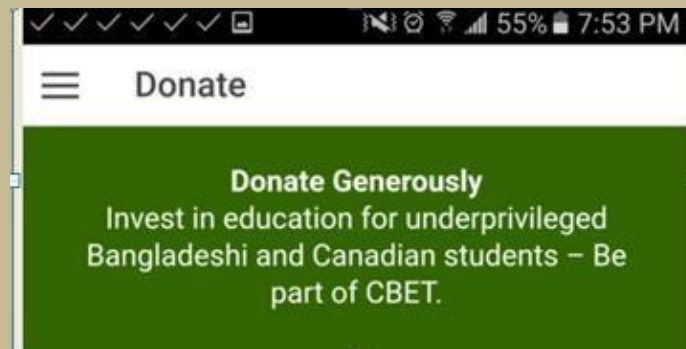
13.4 Acquired Moneris debit machine

As a cost saving measure to avoid paying high fee and to be better organized as well as for efficiency CBET acquired its own debit machine rather than borrowing from other organization.



13.5 Fundraising via App on your cell phone

To increase its presence on mobile media CBET developed an App which is available at Google App store.



13.5.1 Donation Via E-Transfer

CBET is accepting donations via E-Transfer to make it cost efficient and avoid any transaction fees. Donation via e-transfer can be made to info@cbet.ca. We are thankful to our donors for choosing this option.



13.6 Annual Fundraising Dinner

Like any other year, CBET has successfully completed its 7th Annual Fundraising Dinner on Nov 10th, 2019 with extreme enthusiasm in the presence of dignitaries, community leaders, members, friends and families. It was a very meaningful evening; we thank all our guests for participating and making it a big success. CBET Board is particularly grateful to our keynote speaker Dr Abdalla Idris Ali and to dignitaries and community leaders for praiseworthy words about CBET .We were able to raise enough funds to help the needy and orphan students in the coming year. Please continue to support CBET's cause. Last but not the least, this event wouldn't be a success without our dedicated and energetic volunteers. Here are some snapshots of the event.

Video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TPFPYscR1TE&fbclid=IwAR3rtK0FR3FyRU68PD_IWgtGf34Mf7O6yZr0H4uU3Br8fLCIvUeMzDuqxSk





Photo Credit: Zamal Chowdhury from ZC photography
Video Credit: Wahed Mohammed Photography

In addition, the event was attended by many distinguished guests from the Ottawa community, who came to listen to the CBET story and how it has touched the lives of students so far in Bangladesh and Canada.

The Sixth Annual CBET Fundraising Dinner will be held tentatively on November 11th, 2020 at 5:30 PM at SNMC Hall, 3020 Woodroffe Ave. Please stay tuned for program details to be posted on CBET's website.

13.7 Ramadan Fundraising Drive

We must express our gratitude to HCI, Masjid Bilal, SNMC, Bayshore Masallah, KMA, Muslim Housing, Jami Omar, MAC Masallah, Darul Ulum Masallah, Donald Masallah, Islam Care for either donating directly to CBET or allowing to use their premises to collect funds. We also would like to express gratitude to our donors who either donated online or via cash and cheque during the Holy month. Alhamdulillah, 2019 Ramadan Fundraising drive was a huge success by raising about \$40,000.

13.8 CBET Celebrating Ramadan Family Iftar Dinner at SNMC:

With overwhelming community participation at the presence of 400 guests CBET celebrated its 8th Annual multiethnic plus multi faith family Iftar Dinner and Ramadan Celebration on Sunday, May 19th at SNMC Center with utmost success. Everyone was in the overwhelming mood to celebrate the Holy month with their engagement with members from different communities. There were two presentations done by our Keynote speaker Dr Faisal Musa, Star speaker of the evening by Mohammed Haroun, Hon Member of Parliament Chandra Arya,

We received many compliments from our guests during that evening and later on.

We must thank and give credit to our dedicated volunteers without whom we would not be able to run such a successful event.

On behalf of CBET management we would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who not only attended the event but rather supported the cause CBET is working on by making donations.



Please click on the link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SDfzHicHnRg&list=PLlvngHzNdQ9ZiCP-SAIJCZ58MYXIVr1va&index=4&t=1091s>

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D6YytJ4K2IY&list=PLlvngHzNdQ9ZiCP-SAIJCZ58MYXIVr1va&index=6>

13.9 United Way Campaign

CBET is registered with United Way Government of Canada Charitable Workplace Campaign. Alhamdulillah, each year we are receiving good amount of donations from Federal Government employees.

14. Annual Financial Report and CRA Tax Return Submission:

In line with the CRA requirements, we will submit our 2019 Annual Return in June 2020. We have prepared the 2019 Annual Financial Report and 2020 Annual Budget, many thanks to our accountant and CBET Team for their efforts and expertise in these endeavors.

14.1 CBET Financial resources

CBET Funding is solely based on donations received from community members, during monthly CBET family gatherings, annual membership fees from CBET members and funds collected during annual fundraising dinners or online donations from generous supporters.

14.2 Donors CRA Tax Receipts

Using customized accounting software, CRA tax receipts have been issued to our valued donors in February 2020. CBET bought license for Charity Tool with the vendor, in order to issue tax receipts for 2020 and 2021.

14.3 Internal Auditing


CBET Team had been actively working throughout 2019 to assure quality control for CBET operations and documents with support from volunteers.

14.4 External Auditing

To meet the requirements for new CRA regulations, CBET will hire an external auditor.

CBET
Statement of Receipts and Payments
For the year ended December 31, 2019

	2019	2018
<u>Receipts</u>		
Annual Fund Raising Dinner Collection	22,196.00	23,711.00
Fund raising dinner ticket collection	5,445.00	5,120.00
Donations received through Paypal	12,586.60	11,506.00
Donations received from Fund Raising Drive	49,096.58	46,840.62
Govt. Grants for summer job	8,688.00	9,126.36
Total Collection	98,012.18	96,303.98
<u>Payments</u>		
Summer Job Payroll	8,694.84	9,326.36
Community events and Charitable Expense	4,919.63	6,065.95
Supplies and other official expenses	901.73	274.71
Professional and Other fees	300.00	920.00
Scholarship in Ottawa	3,500.00	2,500.00
Annual Fund Raising Expenses	5,882.56	5,931.47
Trnaferred to Bangladesh for scholarship	55,021.50	50,349.08
Donation to other Charitable organization	1,520.00	-
Bank and PyaPal charges	1,210.91	1,296.40
Total Payments	81,951.17	76,663.97
Excess of receipts over payments	16,061.01	19,640.01

Signed.....

 President

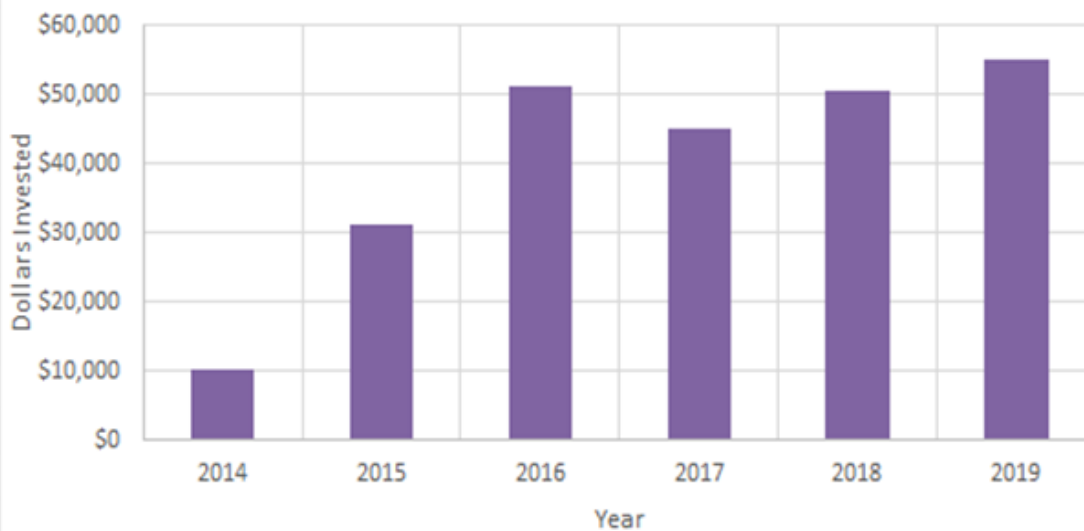
15.0 Investment in scholarship program throughout the years

With the generosity of our donors we were able to send scholarship funds to Bangladesh to support needy students. The chart below shows the amounts sent in different years. Alahamdulillah with everyone's support the funding amounts kept going up and up. We would like to express a heartfelt gratitude to each donor.

Investment in Scholarship Program throughout the Years

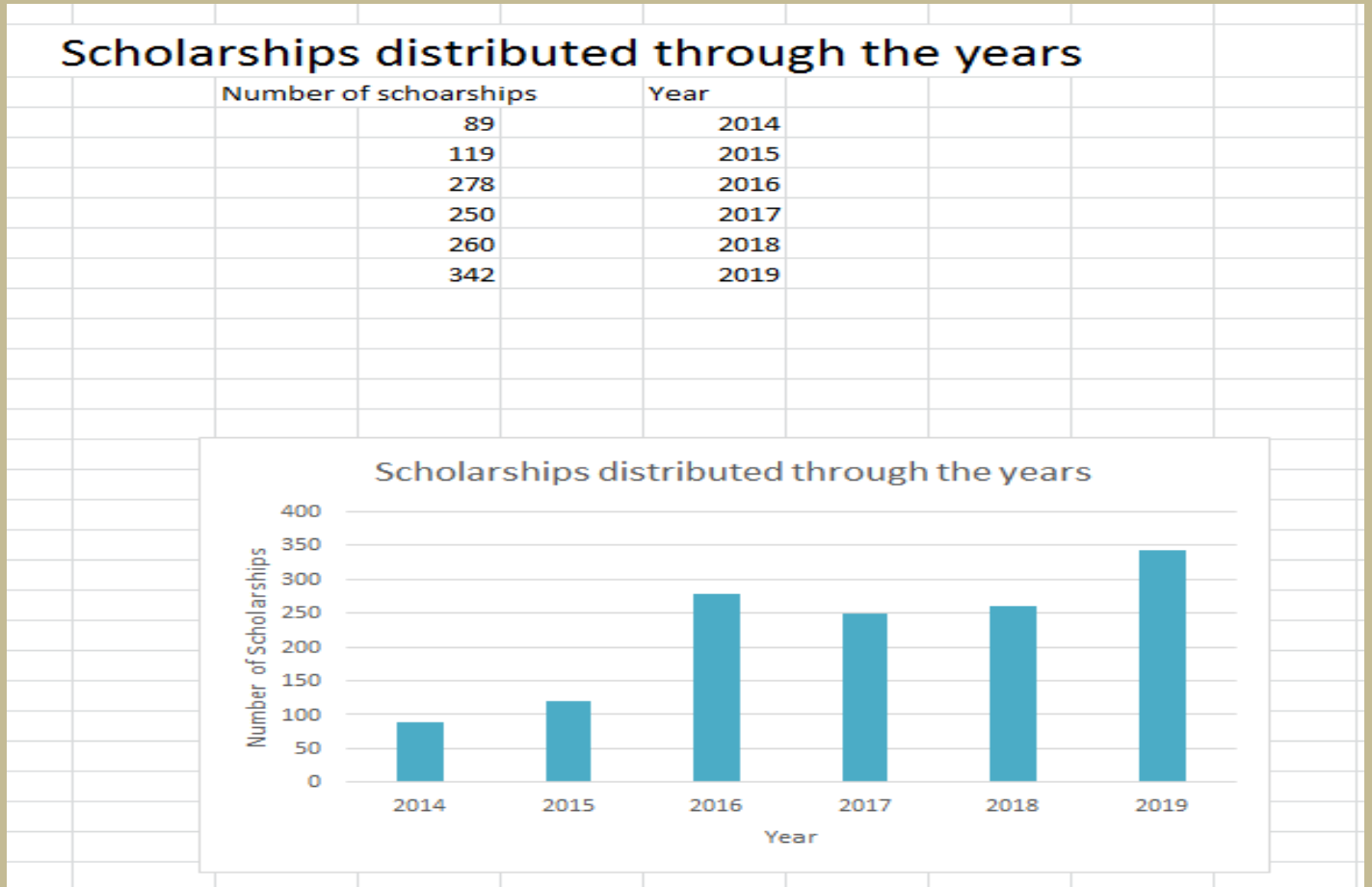
Dollar Amounts	Year
\$10,000	2014
\$31,000	2015
\$51,000	2016
\$45,000	2017
\$50,349	2018
\$55,000	2019

Investment in Scholarship Program throughout the Years



15.1 Number of Scholarships disbursed throughout the years

With the help of our donors we were able to change lives of 1400 students over the period of last six years and looking forward to helping many more students.



15.2 CBET Higher Education Scholarship Program



In 2020, CBET will be starting a new initiative where we will offer scholarships to students who are attending Public University, Medical School, and Engineering School. This program would support each student from the beginning to the end of the program. Each student would receive a scholarship for \$300.00 each year.

15.3 2019 Scholarships to Bangladeshi Students

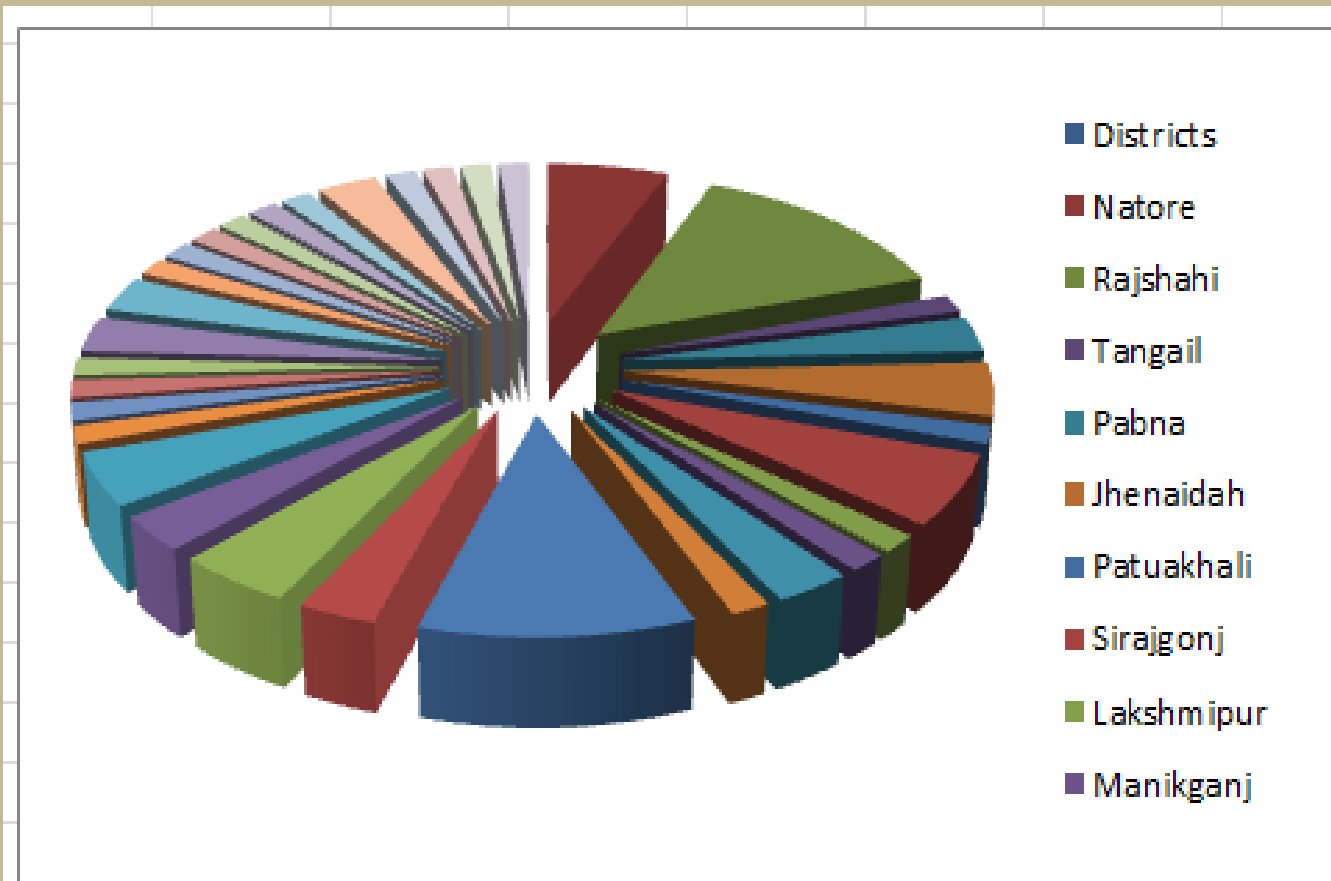
CBET Scholarships are being awarded to qualified Bangladesh colleges, polytechnics, and vocational institutes. 2019 was another successful year for CBET creating a network with Bangladeshi educational institutions by providing 300 scholarships in 60 education institutions across Bangladesh. CBET scholarships are awarded irrespective of religious faith or gender. Scholarships were awarded based on family income; family size, extracurricular activities and academic performances. Cheques are issued in the name of selected students and mailed to the selected institution principal. An award ceremony takes place to hand over scholarship cheques at the institution in the presence of local dignitaries, local press, school staff and families of nominated students.



15.4 Where CBET Donated:

Colleges covered by the Scholarship Program

Natore	Rajshahi	Tangail	Pabna	Jhenaidah
Lakshmipur	Manikganj	Comilla	Satkhira	Sylhet
Chittagong	Moulvibazar	Bogra	Panchagarh	Narsingdi
Gaibandha	Magar	Jamalpur	Gopalganj	Khulna
Bandarban	Meherpur	Feni	Munshigonj	Sherpur
Patuakhali	Sirajgonj	Barishal	Chandpur	Bhola
Dinajpur	Rajbari	Brahmonbaria		



15.5 Colleges that received CBET Scholarships in Bangladesh in 2019

1	Bicharpati Nurul Islam college	Al Helal Adarsha Degree College	Mazar Sharif Technical and Business Management Women's college
2	Charfasson Govt college	Amena Khatun College	Chaknazirpur Vocational and Business Management Institute
3	Dr Mosharraf Foundation College	Asirganj college	Shahid Mansur Ali Technical & Business Management college
4	Feni South East (degree) college	Bagdha College	Gopalpur Technical & Business Management College
5	Gopalpur Degree College	Bagmara College	Chandpur Govt Mohila College
6	Jalalabad college	Baishari college	Chatiantali Moregram Technical & BM college
7	Jamalpur Technical college	Baneswar Govt College	Deogaon Bokultala Degree College
8	Kashinath Alauddin College	Barrister Jamir Uddin Sircar institute	Dr Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain College
9	Keshorghat Degree College	Biswanath College	Barshivanga B A B M Technical College
10	A R B college	Chandpur Govt Mohila Colleg	Jashore Technical college Jashore
11	Baharpur College	Chandra Imam Ali College	Jhenaidah Magura Sammilito College
12	Maherpur College	Dattapara College	Karnafuli A J Chowdhury Degree College
13	Metropolitan college	Dr Eakub Sharif Degree College	Uttar Biswanath Amjod Ullah Degree College
14	Mohanpur Govt College	Durgapur Women's College	Sirajgonj Sadar Technical & BM institute
15	Mohanpur Mohila Degree college	Godagari College	Institute of technology & textile engineering
16	Narsingdi Presidency College	Ideal Degree College	Sir Jagodish Chandra Bose college
17	Nasaratpur Degree College	Kachiara College	Pabna Textile Engineering Institute
18	Jhingabari college	Nakaihat college	Shamim and Shakil Technical College
19	Ramshil College	Paisa College	Kotchandpur Pouro Degree College
20	Shaheed Ziaur Rahman College	Ruma Sangu Govt College	Lungla Adhunik Degree College
21	Sreepur Govt College	Syed Shah Mostafa College	North East Balagonj College
22	Sherpur Technical College	Tangail collectorate college	Shahdowla Govt College
23	Shikder Foundation college	Titas Model College	

15.6 Ottawa Gatineau 2019 High School Graduate Scholarships Recipients

CBET management is pleased to announce the names of the five recipients of the Ottawa High School Recognition Award, from five different high schools in Ottawa, for their outstanding academic success and their involvement in the community. Each recipient has received a scholarship grant in the amount of \$500 during their high school graduation ceremony.



CBET Ottawa Scholarship Recipients for 2019		
Student Name	Name of High School	Scholarship Amount
Cassandra Villegas	Immaculata High School	\$500.00
Grace Digout	Merivale High school	\$500.00
Sena Celik	Bell High SCHOOL	\$500.00
Shahrima Hossain	Gloucester HS	\$500.00

15.7 2019 CBET University Scholarship recipients for Canada:



In 2019 CBET introduced a new program called CBET University scholarship program.

Two scholarships were awarded to:

Hager Abdelrahman who is a student at Architectural Design at Carleton University and Mohammed Tarek Madani who is a Biomedical Science student at University of Ottawa. Each scholarship was worth CAD \$750.



15.8 Success stories of CBET Scholarship Recipients

We have been receiving numerous success stories from students who are CBET Scholarship recipients, as the scholarship program is growing across Bangladesh and getting its level of maturity over the period of years. Many of them are attending different Universities now.

Here is a link to one of the students:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bAFXjQ-0g08&feature=youtu.be>

15.9 CBET Hired 2 Summer Students

With the grants received from Federal Government, CBET hired two students as Summer Interns. Ahnaf Tahmid has been hired as CBET Funding Officer and Danish Irfan as Community Outreach Coordinator. Both summer interns would be working on different projects on CBET on how to get more funding and get feedback from our donors.



16. CBET Community Volunteer Awards:

Every year CBET recognizes and appreciates volunteers for their ongoing efforts in serving the community in the Ottawa Gatineau area. It is a source of inspiration to others to follow suit. In 2019, to honor 8 outstanding Canadians for their significant contributions in different areas of the community, CBET's Outstanding Volunteer Awards were given to the following for their significant volunteer work:

Homara Taj	Tariq Shaikh	Rakin Mannan
Zaheda Akhter	Imam Mohammed Selim Badat	Aktar Hasna Rahman
Sadaf Ebrahim	Team Sukara Shine	

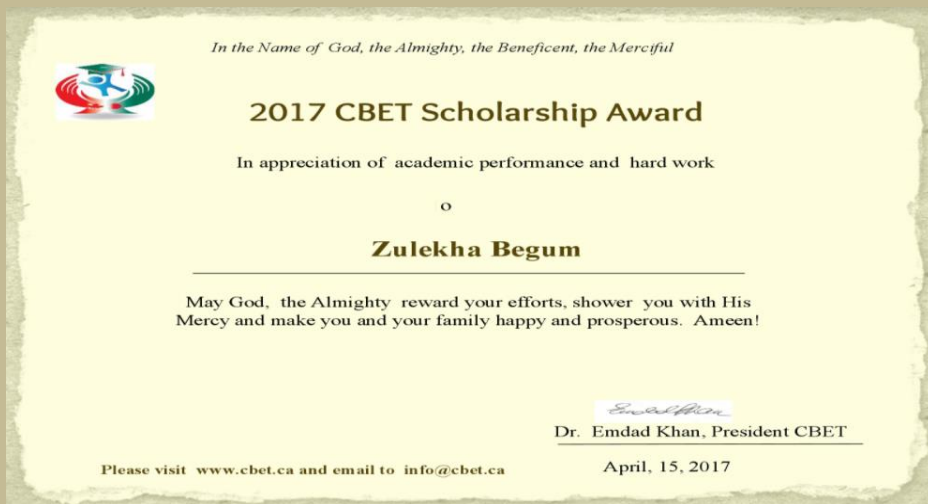


17. CBET Bangladesh Partner: NGO Surovi

To reduce administration costs CBET partnered hired Surovi, the Bangladeshi, non-profit organization to disburse the scholarships throughout Bangladesh. CBET paid only 2.50% to Surovi for disbursing scholarship to 67 institutes 335 scholarships .End of the year Surovi submits a final completion report on scholarships given to how many colleges ,number of students, total scholarship disbursement cost ,total amount given for scholarships, award ceremony pictures for each colleges.

17.1 CBET Scholarship Certificate:

Started in 2019 each scholarship recipient gets a scholarship Certificate issued by CBET head office in Ottawa, Canada which is also signed by CBET President.



18. CBET Canada Supporters

CBET established strong relationship with different charitable and community organizations such as Human Concern International (HCI), MCC, CanGoAfar, ILEAD, Islamic Society of Cumberland (ISOC), South Nepean Muslim Community (SNMC), KMA, Odawa Native Friendship Center, the United Way, Dhaka University Alumni Association, OBMFO, Muslim Housing, Donald Masallah, Darul Ulum Musallah, MAC Musallah, Bayshore Musallah, Islamic Relief Canada, OMWO Zabiha Halal Food, Maple leaf chicken, plus with plans to build the bridge with many more in the near future.

19. CBET Outreach Activities:

19.1 Attended 3rd Annual Unity Dinner arranged by Muslim Coordination Council of Nation Capital region (MCC-NCR) to work together and establish organizational networking with many organizations.

19.2 CBET board members attended HCI annual Dinner event to establish network with other organizations

19.3 CBET board members attended TAQWA mosque annual Dinner event to support and establish network with other organizations.

19.4 Attended Bangladesh Day on the Hill to celebrate culture , heritage of Bangladesh and success of Canadians with Bangladeshi origin. Member of Parliament Hon Chandra Arya hosted ever first

19.5 CBET team attended kite flying event to show support for the cause SUKARA team working so hard.

19.6 Attended "BANGLA HERITAGE WEEK" organized by BACAOV at the presence Hon Mayor, dignitaries

19.7 Attended ILEAD Islamic conference to establish network with many Muslim organizations and mosques





19.8 CBET Attended event at Parliament Hill



19.9 Family Eid Al-Fitr and Eid Al-Adha Party

Each year CBET Community members organize an indoor Eid-Al-Fitr and Eid Al- Adha celebration. Each member from this community brings food item for pot luck dinner. Adult family members, Youth and children really enjoy the company of each other and varieties of food items with all sorts of fun activities.

20. Kids and Youth Competitive Activities



CBET holds a quiz competition during each CBET monthly gathering and 1st, 2nd and 3rd winners gets a gift card for answering correct questions.

21. CBET attended ILEAD Conference



CBET officials attended ILEAD Conference at EY centre and successfully promoted CBET's mission and encouraged people to get involve.

21.1 CBET 4th annual Bazar and Pitha Festival

CBET organized its 4th annual Bazar and Pitha Festival on December 14th, 2019. We had over 42 stalls selling phitas, different food items, clothing, jewelries, health products, financial products, real estate etc.

The enthusiasm and co-operation demonstrated by our community for this gathering is remarkable. Special thanks to Sadaf Ebrahim for being part of this management. All proceeds from this event after paying expenses went to CBET Orphan and Needy Scholarship program.

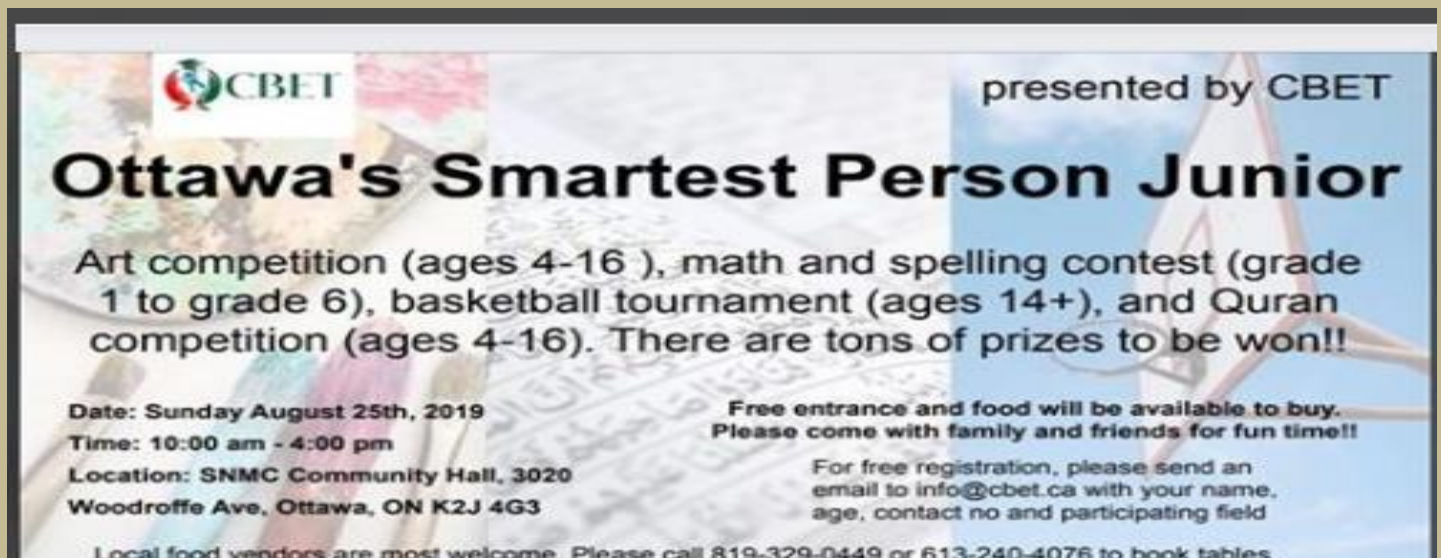


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21.2 "Ottawa's Smartest Person Junior "

Just before back to school on Sunday August 25th, CBET organized an event called "Ottawa's Smartest Person Junior " designed to engage youth and families at SNMC hall , 3020 Woodroffe Avenue.

The main purpose of the event was youth engagement. The event was designed with activities such as sports, face painting, math, spelling contest and off course socializing with friends families. The event was well attended with families from diversified Ottawa community.

The poster features a background image of a child's hands holding a pencil over a map of Ottawa. The CBET logo is in the top left, and the text "presented by CBET" is in the top right. The main title "Ottawa's Smartest Person Junior" is prominently displayed in the center. Below the title, the activities are listed: Art competition (ages 4-16), math and spelling contest (grade 1 to grade 6), basketball tournament (ages 14+), and Quran competition (ages 4-16). The poster also includes the date, time, location, and contact information for registration and booking tables.

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Ottawa's Smartest Person Junior

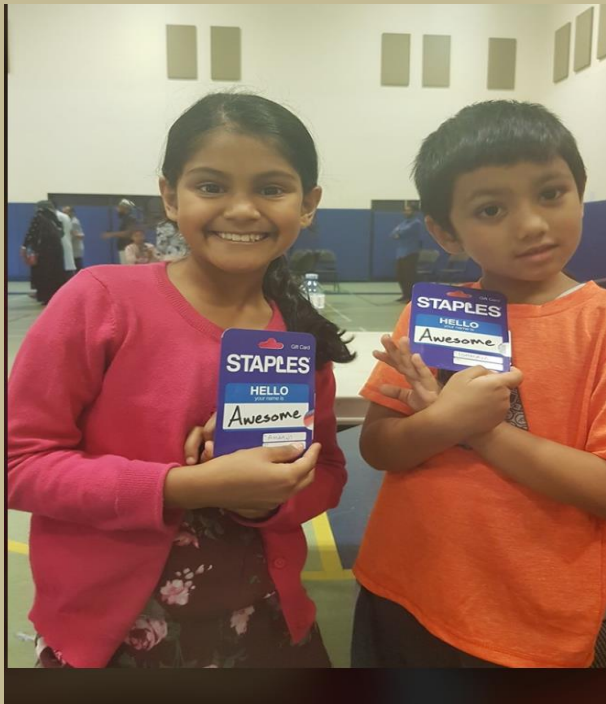
Art competition (ages 4-16), math and spelling contest (grade 1 to grade 6), basketball tournament (ages 14+), and Quran competition (ages 4-16). There are tons of prizes to be won!!

Date: Sunday August 25th, 2019
Time: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
Location: SNMC Community Hall, 3020 Woodroffe Ave, Ottawa, ON K2J 4G3

Free entrance and food will be available to buy. Please come with family and friends for fun time!!

For free registration, please send an email to info@cbet.ca with your name, age, contact no and participating field

Local food vendors are most welcome. Please call 819-329-0449 or 613-240-4076 to book tables



22. CBET Team Visiting the sick in hospitals and home



On top of spending numerous volunteer hours to continue with the mission to change a life by giving in education, CBET board members are providing community service by visiting the Sick person to the Hospitals & Homes on every Thursday, Performing spiritual prayer for a quick recovery of the sick person.

23. CBET Publicity in Bangladesh:

1. **Good work never goes unnoticed. CBET scholarship award ceremony news got broadcast to Asian TV channel in Bangladesh. Thanks to well-wishers of CBET for making it happen at zero cost.**

Please click on the YouTube link below to listen:

<https://www.syltv.com/news/%E0%A6%89%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%B6%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%A5-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%9C-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%A1-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%B6-%E0%A6%8F%E0%A6%A1%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B6%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%A4-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A3->

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5eSgrThsk-8>

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2. CBET scholarship program is getting published in many local and national newspapers of which few snapshots are below:



3. CBET scholarship award ceremony news got broadcast to GTV channel in Bangladesh.

Please click on the link below to listen:

https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1754945441238096&id=100001679716644&sfnsn=mo&id=100001679716644&sfnsn=mo

24. Spiritual and Social Events

"Those who spend their substance in the cause of God, and follow not up their gifts with reminders of their generosity or with injury, for them their reward is with their Lord: on them shall be no fear, nor shall they grieve". (Al-Quran 2:262)

CBET was involved in a number of new activities in 2018. We would like to share with you some of the key events.

24.1 Community Lectures and Events during Monthly Gathering

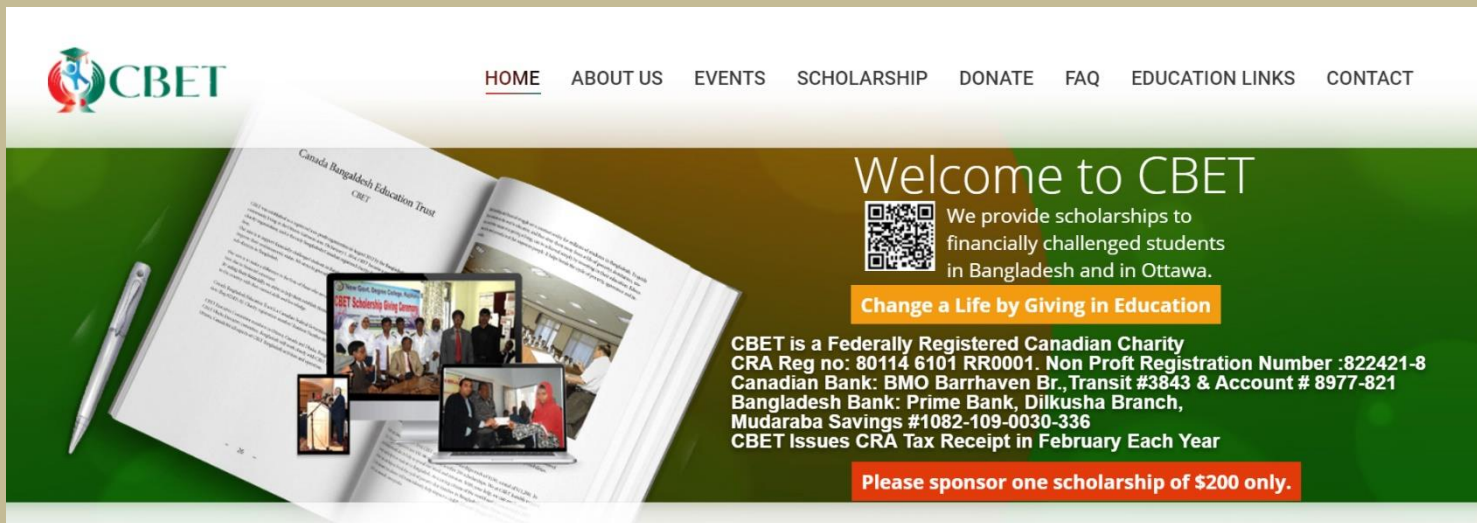
Every second month, CBET organizes gatherings to discuss various topics, and hosts lectures by community members.

The primary focus for this program is to keep our youth engaged while learning about leadership, confidence in public speaking, how to lead our daily life as a good contributing Canadian by maintaining our identity in a family friendly environment. The program is designed and guided by CBET board members but conducted by our youth MCs (Master of Ceremony) which is another example of getting our youth in leadership role. The program is divided into four segments such as Group presentations, Discussion on the topic, question and answer on the selected topic and fourth is how to do good deed in our daily life which is conducted by one of CBET board member. The presentations during this program are done in an environment friendly manner which is completely paperless using our own sound system, projector system. Presentations are done in groups which is comprised of family members which shows another sign of strengthen family ties. Potluck dinner is served around 8.00 pm. This gathering also gives an opportunity for youth and adults to do social networking after the program. CBET board members decided to give community volunteer hours for students involved with setup and clean up after the program.

25. CBET Social Media

25.1 CBET Website

CBET's website, <http://www.CBET.ca/> continued to be one of the main social media to communicate our message far and wide. We witnessed its efficiency by the donations we received through the PayPal links on the front page. 2018 was an exciting year for CBET in terms of improving many CBET features and social media, including website updates. We deeply thank our CBET volunteers who have spent countless hours enhancing the website.



25.2. CBET eNewsLetter

CBET eNewsLetter has been growing strong for the past four years. It grew from 100 subscribers in the year 2009 to over 3,000 by December 2019.

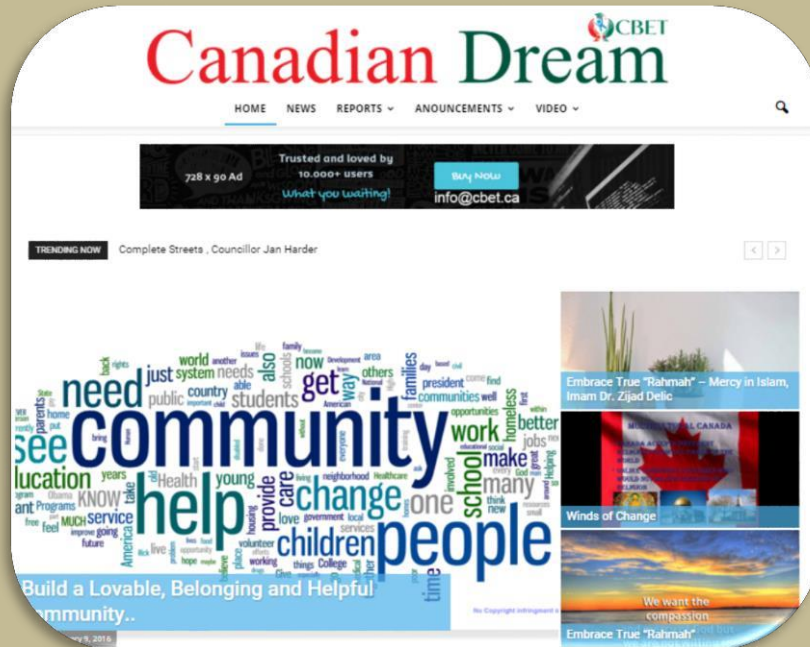
25.3. CBET monthly eMagazine, Canadian Dream

CBET e-magazine started its journey as a PDF attachment via Google Group email. Year later moved to a new platform with Mail Chimp software. CBET e-magazine enters its 5th year in January 2018 with a new web format version <http://canadiandream.cbet.ca/> which is published once in every month. For the convenience of our readers Canadian Dream has full archive to access any older articles.

We have authors with diversified community and professional backgrounds contributing each month. The editorial team is headed by a CBET Director responsible for the e-Magazine and publications plus 3 other volunteer team members dedicated to publications and edits. The

magazine also saw enhancements in terms of adding hot links and graphics to attract more subscribers and increase readability.

Articles are written by a variety of members from the Canadian community. In 2018, we were honored to publish articles written by an immigrant lawyer, City of Ottawa councilors, CBET's President and other Directors, Resident imam of a local mosque, renowned Journalists, prominent writers in Canada, and up-and-coming youth authors from our own community.



25.4 CBET YouTube

In 2019 CBET released YouTube videos for different activities. Please enjoy the CBET Videos made in the past year:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c6D5MBKealM&list=PLLvngHzNdQ9YtRsQ1Xft8Ehp2yuKLVFRi&t=0s&index=5&fbclid=IwAR34v-RsM9be_vJGx-YEJgmj3Pcl0lw8V69clEyeZmqXGr5RxceugmZHUZg

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5eSgrThsk-8>

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nXsUHzXTZ-w&list=PLlvngHzNdQ9ZiCP-SAIJCZ58MYXIVr1va&index=5>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D6YytJ4K2lY&list=PLlvngHzNdQ9ZiCP-SAIJCZ58MYXIVr1va&index=6>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wE-bjuOUdd4&t=0s&index=3&list=PLlvngHzNdQ9bRuN4fgRIK_VzEuucRm7wM

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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DJJ_huHwaak&list=PLlvngHzNdQ9bRuN4fgRIK_VzEuucRm7wM&index=4&t=0s

<https://www.cbet.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/2018-AGM-REPORT-word.pdf>

25.5 Facebook & Twitter Pages:

CBET also is very active on Facebook and Twitter. So far we have over 2000 like on Facebook page and inordinate numbers of followers on Twitter handle.

CBET Secretary Fakruz Zaman maintains the two sites proactively.

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/CBET-Canada-Bangladesh-Education-Trust/223583621132844>

https://twitter.com/CBET_CB



25.6 Bangladesh Window TV via Rogers Community Channel

CBET originally established a new Bangla TV channel called Bangladesh Window to promote CBET and broadcast different community activities in Canadian Bangladeshi Community. It is aired on Rogers TV, thanks in part to the tireless efforts of Shahid Khan, retired Producer of “Ottawa’s Cultural Window” Program, Rogers TV. CBET team takes turn throughout the year to promote the organization.

Programs can be viewed live via www.rogerstv.com

<https://rogerstv.com/show?lid=12&rid=4&sid=7046&gid=321589>



26. Donation & Expenses Processing

26.1 Donation Processing:

The primary goal is to streamline the process for donation processing and keeping the tax software up-to-date. This entails adding new donors to the system and removing expired ones, and following up on expired pledges.

We are open and welcome to answering any questions about donations or other relevant matters and issuing a tax receipt if requested.

CBET received the donations in the following ways:

Debit & Credit Card: Defined process is maintained by CBET Secretary and Treasurer.

Bank Auto Deduction: CBET invites any community members to get involved with our planned Bank Auto Deduction program for any amount. Tax receipt will be issued by the end of the year.

PayPal Online: All PayPal donation transfers to CBET Bank Account are recorded

Cash & Cheque: Donation of any amount for cash or cheque immediately gets entered in our tax software to update our records. The CBET Treasurer is responsible for depositing any funds received and CBET Secretary is responsible to update the tax software.

26.2 Expenses Processing:

This includes writing the cheques, maintaining excel sheets and hard copy binders, uploading the copy of the cheque to Google drive designated for CBET, and logging each expense cheque, which are then mailed or arranged for pick up/collection.

27. CBET Long Term Vision & Strategy

"O ye who believe! Seek help with patient perseverance and prayer; for God is with those who patiently persevere". (Al-Quran 2:153)

CBET prepared Short term (1 Year), Midterm (2-4 years) and Long Term (10 years) strategic plans to help realize CBET's vision and mission. Every year at the beginning of the year they will review and adjust the plan.

Since August 2012, community interest has increased in CBET activities.

27.1 Short term (1 year):

SMART actions are to be measured every 3 months, by monthly report of each director and year-end progress matched with goals and objectives. Each objective must be measurable individually and collectively.

- Each director actively manages a few portfolios
- Organize Eid Festival, picnics, Iftars, Bazaar & Food festivals
- Organizing sports for kids
- Open branches in different city in Canada
- Select more new colleges in the 460 Sub-Districts
- Scholarships awarded in the amount of \$200.00 (BDT 10,000)

27.2 Mid Term (2 to 4 years)

- Fund Raising: Raise another \$70,000 to sponsor 350-500 scholarships
- Add youth and increase female memberships BOD
- Build a vibrant community and ensure scholarship recipients become positive leaders within their community.
- Build leaders which help achieve our vision by assigning term projects measurable to 10 students by open advertisement
- Guidance of new generation:
 1. Arranging Quran learning
 2. Arranging Hadith learning
 3. Arranging lectures on different Islamic topics
 4. Sports activities
 5. Children get together

27.3 Long Term (5 to 10 years)

- Fund Raising: Raise another \$150,000 to give 1,000 scholarships
- Provide more scholarships in Canada with increased funding
- Provide education tools in Bangladesh (i.e. computers)

28. Our Respected Volunteers:

CBET is a grass-root community organization where volunteers are its life, blood and soul. Without them, CBET is unable to provide its services. Every attempt has been made to acknowledge those who have volunteered. We like to offer our sincere apologies, if we have accidentally missed anyone.

CBET has a list of volunteers with their interests and expertise; it plans to assign various pieces of related tasks to them in order to achieve its goals.

Together, we will fulfill our duty of supporting our fellow brothers and sisters and lend a hand in giving the gift of education.

CBET is pleased to issue community volunteer hours for High School Students. If you are interested to volunteer work for any of the CBET activities, please contact via email at info@cbet.ca.

Our dedicated Volunteers list:

Ashraful Hasan	Wahed Mohammed	Rimika Uddin	Mazeda Chowdhury
Faisal Musa	Ryan Musa	Rabiul Islam	Danish Butt
Farhana Yeasmin	Abdul Matin	Shallyna Sharifee	Akkas Ali
Irfan	Ayan Chowdhury	Iftakher Chowdhury	Naiema Khan
Lutful Azim	Tasmiah Hussain	Rumana Abdul	Sindeed Islam
Nayema Akhter Khan	Nafis Faiyaz	Nazmus Ali	Sufia Akther
Nayna Begum	Moyeen Chowdhury	Mortuza Imam	Syeda Shahida Doreen
Nurjahan Begum	Moslem Uddin	Zamal Chowdhury	Nayna Begum
Selina Akter	Mohammed Zulfiqar	Sumama Chowdhury	Arahm Chowdhury
Tabassum Chowdhury	Sadaf Ebrahim	Shamim Chowdhury	Mohammed Ziaul Hasan
Warisul Chowdhury	Mahfuza Mannan	Omer Selim	Iftekhher Mirza

29. Ottawa CBET Management Team

“And fear the Day when ye shall be brought back to God. Then shall every soul be paid what it earned, and none shall be dealt with unjustly.” (2:281)

The following 4 individuals served on the CBET Board of Directors in 2019.



29.1 CBET Executives



Connect With Us!

CBET is committed to being transparent about its activities and we welcome requests for information and feedback on our work. Join us on social media to provide your feedback, comments, suggestions and ideas on how we can grow CBET and realize our mission.



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Thank you!

The CBET family thanks all our generous donors, sponsors and supporters, without whom we could not grow and be as successful. You have been with us through every step of the way – from inception to our current and continuous growth. We invite you to continue lending a hand in providing the gift of education and change the lives of those through enabling them to become self-sufficient within their family, community and country. As a caring citizen of the world and a committed CBET supporter, you can help us break the cycle of poverty that families in Bangladesh face.

Conclusion

CBET scholarship program resulted meaningful changes in the education for the college level students in different areas of Bangladesh. The poor meritorious students of these locations became confident to continue their higher studies by the financial supports from the project. This noble initiative was appreciated by the people of all corners. The distribution of scholarship was very transparent and appropriated in terms of selection of students.

