

News Release

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SIX CLIMATE CHAMPIONS RECOGNISED AT THE '5TH HSBC-THE DAILY STAR CLIMATE AWARDS'

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited in Bangladesh and The Daily Star has recognised six Climate Champions of Bangladesh at the award giving ceremony of '5th HSBC-The Daily Star Climate Awards'. Each of the winners were titled as the 'Climate Champion' and awarded with the prestigious Climate Award Trophy for their endeavours to preserve our environment and mitigate the risks of climate change through green business activities, community based initiatives or valuable knowledge sharing practices.

The categories and winners of '5th HSBC-The Daily Star Climate Awards' are:

CATEGORY 1: Climate Champion in Green Business:

... for their pioneering work in protecting our environment, farmers and crops from pesticide poisoning, goes to the organisation that has introduced the country's first non-hazardous Bio-Pesticide

Ispahani Agro Ltd.

Award received by [insert name], [insert designation]

CATEGORY 2: Climate Champion in Green Operations - 100% Bangladeshi owned companies:

... for their adoption of extensive eco-friendly production methods, which has drastically reduced their energy usage and carbon emissions, DBL's...

Hamza Textiles Ltd. (a concern of DBL Group)

Award received by [insert name], [insert designation]

CATEGORY 3: Climate Champion in Green Operations - Companies with full or partial foreign ownership:

...goes to an organisation which has truly incorporated the preservation of our environment into their organisational culture by releasing minimal to zero harmful waste into the environment

Renata Ltd.

Award received by [insert name], [insert designation]

CATEGORY 4: Climate Champion in Knowledge Management:

(No winners this year)

... the jury did not have a suitable winner in this category

CATEGORY 5: Climate Champion in Community Engagement:

...goes to an organisation that strives to leave a positive impact on the environment through all their operations, especially with the use of paper recycling technology to supply their own office stationary and building toys for disabled children

Centre for the Rehabilitation of the Paralysed, CRP

Award received by [insert name], [insert designation]

SPECIAL MENTION 1 award by the JURY:

For his fervent and passionate work from preventing river occupations to the mining of hills, we are honored to present SPECIAL MENTION AWARD to

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Muhammad Munir Chowdhury

SPECIAL MENTION 2 award by the JURY:

From raising awareness through his compelling books, replanting trees across the country, to listing every single tree in the city of Dhaka that is above a hundred years old, we are honored this year to present SPECIAL MENTION AWARD to

Mokaram Hossain

Anwar Hossain Manju, Honourable Minister, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh was present at the awards giving ceremony as the Chief Guest. **Shitangshu Kumar Sur Chowdhury**, Deputy Governor, Bangladesh Bank was present as the Special Guest. **Francois de Maricourt**, Chief Executive Officer, HSBC Bangladesh; **Mahbub Ur Rahman**, Deputy CEO and Head of Commercial Banking, HSBC Bangladesh and **Mahfuz Anam**, Editor and Publisher of The Daily Star also spoke at the ceremony.

Waste Concern was the knowledge partner of this programme. The nominations were adjudicated by a panel of eminent jury members who are experts in the fields of environmental preservation and climate change.

The awards ceremony was held on Saturday, 29 April 2017 in Dhaka, Bangladesh.



Left to Right: CEO & Managing Director of Renata Ltd Syed S Kaiser Kabir, Founder and Coordinator of CRP Valerie A Taylor, DBL Managing Director MA Jabbar, Environment Minister Anwar Hossain Manju, Deputy Governor of Bangladesh Bank Shitangshu Kumar Sur Chowdhury, HSBC Bangladesh CEO Francois de

Maricourt, Deputy CEO and Head of CMB HSBC Bangladesh Mahbub Ur Rahman, General Manager of Ispahani Agro Ltd Fawzia Yasmeen, ACC Director General (admin) Muhammad Munir Chowdhury and Editor of Tarupallab Mokaram Hossain on stage at the 5th HSBC-The Daily Star Climate Awards ceremony.

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