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## DU MCJ dept celebrates 56th founding anniv

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Dhaka University's mass communication and journalism department celebrated its 56th founding anniversary on Thursday through different programmes on the campus. Marking the day, teachers and students of the department brought out a colourful procession from the foot of Aparajeyo Bangla at 11:00am. Parading main thoroughfares of the campus, the procession ended in front of social science building of the university, where a prize giving ceremony and discussion programme were held at Muzaffar Ahmed Chowdhury Auditorium.

With DU MCJ department chairperson Kaberi Gayen in the chair, the programme was addressed by DU vice-chancellor Professor Md Akhtaruzzaman as the chief guest. Professor Emirates Serajul Islam Chowdhury presented a keynote paper titled Mass Media, Social Process and Freedom of Mass People on the occasion. DU VC Professor Md Akhtaruzzaman urged the students to work for welfare of the nation and country.

In his speech he said, 'False news spreads rumours and creates misunderstanding among the people of the society. Objectivity is the key to journalism and without this (objectivity) functional journalism is impossible. So you should maintain objectivity in your activities.'

The MCJ department started its journey through diploma courses on August 2, 1962 and it is now offering undergraduate, postgraduate and PhD degrees.



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