

Teacher dev confce held at SMUCT

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The conference was held on the theme 'teaching English in interesting times' in hybrid format, with an online session on Friday, followed by the on-site session on Saturday, said a press release.

The event brought together English language educators, researchers and practitioners from across the country and abroad to explore the challenges and innovations in English language teaching in a rapidly changing world.

Professor Md Shah-E-Alam, vice-chancellor of SMUCT, inaugurated the conference.

Emphasising the importance of adapting to contemporary challenges in education, he said, 'Teachers must continue to learn, adapt and innovate to meet the diverse needs of their learners.'

Professor Syed Azizul Huq, dean of FHSS, SMUCT, highlighted the value of such collaborations in promoting reflective teaching practices.

Professor Ahmed Bashir, president of BELTA and professor, department of English, University of Dhaka, said, 'BELTA has always been a platform that connects teachers, inspires innovation and nurtures a sense of community among English educators.'

Patrick Dougherty, team leader of THT and dean at Akita International University, highlighted the long-standing THT-BELTA partnership, saying, 'It continues to foster global dialogue and shared learning among teachers.'

Md Shahrear Talukder, convenor of the conference and head of the department of English at SMUCT, said, 'This conference reflects our commitment to teacher growth and collaboration. As educators, we must continue to exchange ideas, integrate technology and develop new pedagogical approaches to meet evolving classroom demands.'

Educators participated actively in workshops on teaching methods, AI integration, curriculum design and materials development.