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BAU to confer hony DSc on Dr Borlaug

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Bangladesh Agriculture University (BAU) will confer Doctor of Science (DSc) degree on Nobel laureate Dr Norman E Borlaug, a world renowned agronomist, during his forthcoming visit to Bangladesh, according to official sources.

Dr Borlaug is scheduled to pay a four-day visit to Bangladesh beginning from April 15.

During his stay in the country, the octogenarian agronomist specialising in wheat research and plant pathology, will deliver a lecture on 'Food Security in South Asia' at the Bangladesh Agriculture Research Council on April 16.

On the following day, Dr Borlaug, a former consultant of Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) and ex-director of the wheat programme at the International Maize and Wheat Improvement Centre, will visit Bangladesh Agricultural Research Institute (BARI) at Joydevpur.

On the last leg of his visit, BAU will confer an honorary degree on him at its Mymensingh campus. Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina is expected to be present on the occasion, the sources said.