## 10th CJEN Conference kicks off at AIUB

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The 10th Communication and Journalism Educators Network (CJEN) Conference 2025, organised by the Department of Media and Mass Communication (MMC) of the American International University–Bangladesh (AIUB), was inaugurated on Friday at the university's campus.

The two-day conference, held in collaboration with DW Akademie, brings together media educators, communication scholars, journalists, and students from universities across Bangladesh. With the theme "Media Transformed: Bangladesh at a Crossroads," the event aims to foster research, collaboration, and dialogue to advance journalism and communication education in the country.

The inauguration ceremony was graced by Professor Dr S M A Faiz, Chairman of the University Grants Commission (UGC), as the Chief Guest. Special Guests included Mr Ramon Guillermo R Tuazon, Secretary-General of the Asian Media Information and Communication Centre (AMIC); Mr Ishtiaque Abedin, Founder and Member, Board of Trustees, AIUB; Professor Dr Saiful Islam, Vice Chancellor, AIUB; and Professor Dr Jude William Genilo, Pro-Vice Chancellor of ULAB and Chairman, CJEN Bangladesh.

The inaugural address was delivered by Dr Carmen Z Lamagna, Member, Board of Trustees and Former Vice Chancellor of AIUB. The ceremony was attended by distinguished faculty members, university officials, and senior media professionals.

The two-day programme features keynote presentations, panel discussions, and academic paper sessions. Organisers expressed hope that AIUB's Department of Media and Mass Communication will continue to contribute meaningfully to improving the quality of journalism and communication education in Bangladesh.

This year's conference marks a significant milestone for both AIUB and CJEN, as it introduces academic paper presentations for the first time—creating new opportunities for research, collaboration, and knowledge exchange in media and communication studies nationwide.