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Theme:
Role of plant science in sustainable green development

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Dhaka, Bangladesh

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Bangladesh Botanical Society (BBS) has organized eight International Botanical Conferences (IBCs) since its establishment in 1972. As a continuation of this trend, the forthcoming 9th IBC focuses on the role plant science plays in advancing green development.

Green development is a sustainable approach to economic growth that prioritizes environmental protection, resource efficiency, and social equity over conventional, high-pollution methods. It focuses on low-carbon infrastructure, green jobs, and renewable energy, often balancing economic development with ecological preservation. Nevertheless, high initial investments in technologies, limited access to green finance, current over-reliance on carbon-intensive industries, weak regulatory enforcement, fragmented policy, and poor attention to environmental protection are major barriers to green development. Social concerns, such as just employment transitions further complicate the shift.

Significant works and progress have already been achieved in green development across various sectors, focusing on reducing environmental impact, preserving natural resources, and promoting sustainable economic growth. Key initiatives include the advancement of renewable energy, the construction of green buildings, the adoption of regenerative agriculture, and the implementation of circular economy models.

Bangladesh has made significant strides in green development, particularly in industrial sustainability, renewable energy, and sustainable finance, aiming to transition toward a low-carbon, resilient economy. As of May 2026, the country boasts 284 LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certified green read-made garment factories, the highest in the world. The latest Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC 3.0) document reemphasizes the government's commitment to green growth by reducing country's carbon-emissions.

Plant scientists play a critical role in green development by applying scientific knowledge to enhance environmental sustainability, boost agricultural productivity, sustainably manage natural resources, protect natural ecosystems, and apply nature-based solutions to address societal challenges. Their work spans from developing climate-resilient crops to creating sustainable urban green spaces. While doing so, plant scientists also actively consider equitable sharing of the benefits obtained from natural and modified environments.

Keynote speaker

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Language

English will be the working language of the Conference

Venue

Inauguration: Nabab Nawab Ali Chowdhury Senate Bhaban, Dhaka University
Technical session: Department of Botany, Dhaka University

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City description

Dhaka city is situated between 90°23" E and 23°41" N. In December, the climate is pleasant, temperature is around 15-20°C and normally without rain. Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport is about 20 km away from the University campus and Taxi fare is about US $ 15.00.

Transport

Delegates coming by air are requested to exit from Terminal 2 after immigration and customs formalities. Our volunteers will receive the delegates from that point.

Participants are requested to fill in the enclosed hotel reservation and registration form and return these to Conference Secretariat with a deposit of the registration fee in advance on or before **31 December 2026**

Abstract preparation

An abstract must not exceed 200 words. In case of more than one author, please bold the name of the author who would present the paper. Please follow the style given below:

Research area: Environmental management and Conservation Biology

Carbon stock of different parts of major plant species of three ecological zones of Bangladesh Sundarbans
Ahmed A, **Ahmed T** and Ataullah Md

Department of Botany, University of Dhaka (E-mail: zashim@du.ac.bd)

Abstract

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Submission and acceptance of abstract

Please send your Abstract to the Organizing Secretary through e-mail: <ibcbbs.du@gmail.com>. Participants will be informed about the acceptance of their abstract within 2 weeks after submission.

Instructions for oral presentation

In a technical session, a speaker will be given 10 minutes to present his/her paper and 5 minutes will be allocated for discussion. Facilities for multimedia projector and overhead projector will be provided. Participants using multimedia are advised to take measures to avoid possible problems with soft-ware incompatibility.

Instructions for Poster Presentation

The poster boards measure 120 cm high x 90 cm wide and will accept thumb tacks. Poster material must be prepared in advance and should be large enough to be viewed from a distance of 90 cm. Each poster must have a top label containing the title, name(s) of the authors and their affiliations(s), drawings and charts should be simple with bold lines. Materials for mounting posters will be made available by the organizers.

For delegates who are travelling by bus are suggested to get down at the final destination/stoppage of the respective bus service in Dhaka. Volunteers will receive the delegates at that point.

Programme

The conference will be inaugurated on 01 **Februay 2027**, Tuesday, at 9.30 a.m. in Nabab Nawab Ali Chowdhury Senate Bhaban, Dhaka University followed by a keynote speech on the Conference theme. A series of technical sessions and a poster session will be held in the Department of Botany, DU. Details of the programme will be provided during registration.

Research Areas

1. Ecology, Conservation Biology, Resource Management and Climate Change.
2. Microbes, Plant Health and Food Security
3. Plant Taxonomy, Ethnobotany and Traditional Medicine.
4. Cytology, Genetics, Plant Breeding and Biotechnology
5. Indigenous Tree Plantation, Green Economy and Sustainable Development
6. Fresh Water, Marine Resources and Blue Economy
7. Plant Physiology, Nutrition, Horticulture and Anatomy
8. Poster session

Registration fee

Member with Accommodation	Tk.3000.00
Member without Accommodation	Tk.2000.00
Accompanying Person (Each)	Tk.3000.00
Postgraduate Student (With Accommodation)	Tk.1500.00
Postgraduate Student (Without Accommodation)	Tk.1000.00
SAARC Countries	US$ 200.00
Other Foreign Countries	US $ 300.00

Delegates are requested to register their names on or before **31 December 2026**. Registration desk in the Department of Botany, University of Dhaka will remain open till 21:00 hrs. on 1 February 2027, while on 2 February 2027 it will open from 08:00 a.m. at the inaugural session venue.

Registration Link

https://bbs-conference.vercel.app/

Deadline for registration

31 December 2026

Deadline for Submission of Abstracts

31 December 2026

Housing information and hotel reservation

Comparative tariff of some of the Hotels are given below in US$ (only accommodation). 15% VAT/Tax and 10% service charges should be added.

	Single	Double
1. Purbani Economy	US$ 100.00	150.00
2. La Vinci Economy	US$ 110.00	150.00
3. Isha Khan Economy	US$ 60.00	80.00
4. White House Economy	US$ 50.00	70.00
5. Midway Economy	US$ 40.00	60.00

VISA INFORMATION

(For foreign participants)

1. Name:

   (in block letters)

2. Mother's name:

   Father's name:

3. Date of birth:

4. Nationality:

5. Passport No.:

6. Place of issue:

7. Date of issue:

8. Date of expiry:

9. (a) Port of entry:

   (b) Date of arrival:

   (c) Date of departure:

10. Status: Teacher/Scientist/Student/Institution/ Company:

11. Mailing address:

    Contact No.:

    E-mail:

    Fax:

12. Home address:

Signature as in the passport

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REGISTRATION FORM

Please fill in this form (type or print) and return it to the Organizing Secretary, 9th International Botanical Conference, c/o, Department of Botany, University of Dhaka, Dhaka-1000, Bangladesh, along with your Abstract on or before 31 December 2026.

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Mode of travel: Air/Land
Date and time of arrival at Dhaka……...
Date and time of departure……..

Registration: Foreign delegates are requested to remit registration fees through electronic transfer (e.g. Western Union or Money Gram, Express Money Transfer, etc.) payable in favour of the **"International Botanical Conference" CD Account No.: 0200025982676**, Agrani Bank Ltd., Dhaka University Branch, Dhaka-1000, SWIFT CODE: AGBKBDDHX001 and Bangladeshi delegates deposit registration fee via online.

Accommodation: Local hospitality will be provided to all registered delegates (**31 January to 3 February 2027**)

Local delegates: Accommodation needed - Yes/No

I do hereby confirm my participation in the 9th International Botanical Conference to be held in Dhaka during **01-02 February 2027**.

Signature & Date