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| **Bangladesh Agricultural University** |

**1. Type of University : Public**

Year of Establishment : 1961

Postal address : Bangladesh Agricultural University

Mymensingh-2202

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Fax : +88-091-61580, +88-091-66846

E-mail : registrar@bau.edu.bd

Web site : www.bau.edu.bd

Area (in sq. km.) : 485 Hectare

Number of Buildings : 1) Academic: 18

2) Administration:12

3) Library:1

4) Specialized Lab: 2

1. Other Physical Facilities : Community Center: 1

Guest Houses: 2

Stadium: 1

Gymnasium: 1

Auditoriums: 1

TSC Complex: 2

GTI complex: 2

Extension Complex:1

**2. Background of the Establishment of the University**

Bangladesh Agricultural University (BAU) was established as the nation’s only University of its kind in the session 1961-62 on the basis of recommendations made by the Commission on National Education and the Food and Agriculture Commission in 1959. The scheme for the establishment of BAU was finalized on 8 June 1961 and its ordinance was promulgated on 18 August 1961. With the appointment of the first Vice Chancellor, the University formally came into existence on 2 September 1961 and started functioning with the college of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Science at Mymensingh as its nucleus. The main task of the University is to uphold and maintain the quality and standard of higher agricultural education and to produce first rate agriculturists, agricultural scientists and technologists for shouldering the responsibilities of agricultural development of the country.

**3. Act**

Bangladesh Agricultural University (BAU) Act No. XXVIII of 1961

**4.Authorities of the University**

* The Syndicate
* The Academic Council
* The Faculties
* The Boards of Studies
* The Selection Committee
* The Committee for Advanced Studies and Research (CASR)
* The Finance Committee
* The Planning and Development Committee
* Graduate Training Institute (GTI) Governing Body and
* Such other authorities as may be prescribed by the Statutes

**5. Principal Officers**

Chancellor :Hon’ble President

The People’s Republic of Bangladesh

Vice Chancellor : Professor Dr. Md. Ali Akbar

Students Affairs Advisor (Responsibility for

Students’ Guidance and Counseling) : Professor Dr. Md. Jashimuddin Khan

Registrar : Mr. Md. Saiful Islam

Treasurer : Mr. Md. Rakib Uddin

Controller of the Examination : Professor Dr. Md. Rokibul Islam Khan

Directors (s)

a) Planning and Development : Professor Dr. Shankar Kumar Raha

b) Graduate Training Institute (GTI) : Professor Dr. M. Mozahar Ali

c) Bangladesh Agricultural University Research System : Professor Dr. Md. Monjurul Alam

d) Bangladesh Agricultural University Extension Center : Professor Dr. Shahnaj Parveen

e) Professor Muhammad Hossain Central Laboratory : Professor Dr. Muhammad Aslam Ali

f) Seed Pathology Center (SPC) : Professor Dr. Md. Rashidul Islam

g) Institute of Agribusiness and Development Studies : Professor Dr. Md. Taj Uddin

h) Agricultural Museum : Professor Dr. Md. Ferdous Mondal

i) Transport Section : Professor Dr. Md. Abdul Alim

j) ICT Cell : Professor Dr. Md. Ali Ashraf

k) Post Graduate Diploma in Information and

Communication Technology (PGD in ICT) : Mr. Muhammad Mustagis Billah

l) Interdisciplinary Center for Food Security (ICF) : Professor Dr. Md. Rofiqul Islam

m) Security Council : Professor Dr. A.K.M Zakir Hossain

n) Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (In-charge) : Professor Dr. Md. Ali Akbar

o) Veterinary Teaching Hospital : Professor Dr. Mahbub Alam

Public Relations and Publications Office : Dr. Aminur Rahman Chowdury

Physical Education : Dr. Md. Abul Kalam Azad

Proctor : Professor Dr. AKM Zakir Hossain

Librarian : Mr. Md. Abdul Wahab

Chief Medical Officer : Dr. Faiz Ahmed

Chief Engineer : Mr. Md. Shaheen Islam Khan

Chief Security Officer : Mr. Md. Mohiuddin Howlader

**6. Names of the Faculties**

* Faculty of Veterinary Science
* Faculty of Agriculture
* Faculty of Animal Husbandry
* Faculty of Agriculture Economicsand Rural Sociology
* Faculty of Agriculture Engineering and Technology
* Faculty of Fisheries

**Coordinator**, The Committee for Advanced Studies and Research (CASR):Professor Dr. Md. Abdur Rahman Sarkar

**7. Academic Departments**

**a) Faculty of Veterinary Science (8):**

- Department of Anatomy and Histology

- Department of Physiology

- Department of Pharmacology

- Department of Parasitology

- Department of Pathology

- Department of Medicine

- Department of Surgery and Obstetrics and

- Department of Microbiology and Hygiene

**b) Faculty of Agriculture (16):**

- Department of Agronomy

- Department of Soil Science

- Department of Entomology

- Department of Horticulture

- Department of Plant Pathology

- Department of Crop Botany

- Department of Genetics and Plant Breeding

- Department of Agricultural Extension Education

- Department of Agricultural Chemistry

- Department of Biochemistry

- Department of Physics and Chemistry

- Department of Languages

- Department of Agro-forestry

- Department of Bio-Technology

- Department of Environmental Science and

- Department of Seed Science andTechnology

**c) Faculty of Animal Husbandry (5):**

- Department of Animal Breeding and Genetics

- Department of Animal Science

- Department of Animal Nutrition

- Department of Dairy Science and

- Department of Poultry Science

**d) Faculty Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology (5):**

* Department of Agricultural Economics
* Department of Agricultural Finance
* Department of Agricultural Statistics
* Department of Co-operation and Marketing and,
* Department of Rural Sociology

**e) Faculty of Agricultural Engineering and Technology (5):**

* Department of Farm Structure
* Department of Farm Power and Machinery
* Department of Irrigation and Water Management
* Department of Food Technology and Rural Industries and
* Department of Computer Science and Mathematics

**f) Faculty of Fisheries (4):**

* Department of Fisheries Biology and Genetics
* Department of Aquaculture
* Department of Fisheries Management
* Department of Fisheries Technology

**g) Committee for Advanced Studies and Research (CASR)**

- CASR is responsible for the development, coordination and supervision of postgraduate teaching and research.

**8. Institutesand their Names**

- Graduate Training Institute (GTI)

- Institute of Agribusiness Management (IABM)

- Interdisciplinary Center for Food Security (ICFS)

**9. Programs Offered (undergraduate and graduate)**

Hons: BSc/DVM

Masters: MS

Diploma: Postgraduate Diploma in Information and Communication Technology (PGD in ICT)

**10. Residential Facilities for Students**

**Total Number of Residential Halls for Male Students (10)**

- Isha Khan Hall

- Shahjalal Hall

- Shaheed Shamsul Haque Hall

- Hossain Shaheed Suhrawardy Hall

- Fazlul Haque Hall

- Shaheed Nazmul Ahsan Hall

- Asraful Haque Hall

- Shahid Jamal Hossain Hall

- Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Hall

- PhD Dormitory

**Total Number of Residential Halls for Female Students (3)**

- Sultana Razia Hall

- Taposi Rabia Hall

- Sheikh Fazilatunnesa Mujib Hall

**11. Major Research Area**

Development of varieties production and management in the sector of Crop Agriculture, Livestock, Agriculture Engineering, Agriculture Economics and Fisheries.

**12. Library Facilities**

Total no. of collections : 1,94,205 volumes

Total no. of books : 1,90,332 volumes

Total no. of journals : 2,123 volume

Periodicals subscribed to : 121

Publications (own) : 15

Audio-visual resources : 1750

Cinema projectors : 1

Internet facilities : Yes

**13. System of Student Enrollment**

Semester

**14. Annual Total Intake and Total Number of Students in 2015**

Annual Total Intake : 2146

Total Number of Students : 6264

Male : 3729

Female : 2535

**15. Number of Teaching Staff**

Total : 605

Male : 490

Female : 115

Full-time : 562

Part-time : 43

Percentage : Male-81% Female-19%

**16. Number of Non-Teaching Staff**

Total : 2068

Male : 1881

Female : 187

Percentage : Male-90.95%, Female-9.05%

Officers : 380

Class III : 616

Class IV : 1072

**17. Total Number of Graduates in 2015**

Total Hons Graduates : 469

Total Postgraduates : 750

Total Technical Graduates : 67

PhD : 40

Others (PGD in ICT) : 53

**19. Sports Facilities**

**1) Organogram :** Director 🢡Assistant director🢡Senior Instructor🢡 Sports teacher

Chain of Command : Director 🢡Deputy Director 🢡 Assistant Director 🢡 Senior Instructor 🢡 Sports Teacher

**a) Sports Board**

Chairman : Vice Chancellor

Members : 7

Member Secretary : Director, Department of Physical Education

**b) Directorate (16):**

Director : 1

Assistant Director : 2

Physical Instructor : 3

Class III Employees : 5

Class IV Employees : 5

**Ground, Gymnasium, Swimming Pool, Guest House**

Central Ground : 1

Cricket Ground : 1

Gymnasium : 1

**2) Activities**

**Games, Sports, Team, Coaching:** Yes

**Scholarship and Award:** Yes

**20. Fellowships and Scholarships Offered by the University**

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| **Sl. No.** | **Description of Scholarship** | **No. of Scholarships** | **Amount per annum per student (Tk.)** | **Total (Tk.)** |
|  | University General Stipend (Honors) | 1200 | 2400.00 | 28,80,000.00 |
|  | University Grants Commission Stipend (Honors) | 6 | 10500.00 | 63,000.00 |
|  | University General Stipend (Masters) | 438 | 3000.00 | 13,14,000.00 |
| 264 | 3600.00 | 9,50,400.00 |
| 138 | 4200.00 | 5,79,600.00 |
| **Total** | | **2046** | **---** | **57,87,000.00** |

**21. Budget Estimates**

Total Budget Estimates : Tk. 158,13,26,894.00

Recurring Expenses : Tk. 157,33,62,000.00

Development Expenses : Tk. 15,53,90,000.00

**22. Other Information**

# Research Achievements

The Bangladesh Agricultural University Research System (BAURES) is responsible for proper coordination and management of research projects. Since its establishment in 1984, it has successfully completed about 700 research projects and has at present 136 on-going projects. The University through its research activities has succeeded in developing and releasing a number of important crop cultivars, techniques and technologies relating to production, management and processing of agricultural productshaving direct bearing on the nation’s agriculture growth.

**Extension Activities**

The Bangladesh Agricultural University Extension Center (BAUEC) works for evolving an extension approach that can be replicated in all areas of Bangladesh and for making a bridge between farmers and BAU teachers, researchers and students through extension activities with the local people for the development of their farm, home and community. The activities of BAUEC include transfer of technologies to the farming community, arranging farmers’ training, identifying problems and felt-needs of the farmers and suggesting solutions in the process of feedback. Its development activities are now being operated through 46 societies in 22 villages under Mymensingh Sadar Upazila.

**Training**

The Graduate Training Institute (GTI) conducts pre-service and in-service training programs for the graduates and the graduate officers and researchers working in various agricultural research and development organizations. It started an academic foundation training program for university teachers with a view to plakhing university teaching on the solid foundation of professionalism.

The Faculty of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology through its Bureau of Socio-Economic Research and Training (BSERT) also conducts research and training programs in the areas of resource allocations, economics of agro-technologies, pricing and marketing of agricultural products, agricultural credit and finance management, rural institution with emphasis on cooperatives, etc. The Bureau of Research, Testing and Consultation (BRTC) attached to the Faculty of Agricultural Engineering and Technology has been designed to stimulate research and training on agricultural engineering and to render expert service in the form of testing and consultation in the field of agricultural engineering. Besides, the Seed Pathology Center (SPC) conducts training on seed health and the Faculty of Animal Husbandry arranges training on artificial insemination for the benefit of the farming community.

# Academic Dynamism

BAU always maintains a high degree of institutional flexibility in order to be integrated into larger innovation, and competitive and economic development processes of the country. Three new teaching departments − Computer Science and Mathematics, Biotechnology, and Environmental Science − had been established a few years back. Another new discipline,the Department of Seed Science and Technology, has started functioning very recently. The Faculty of Agricultural Engineering and Technology started offering courses leading to BScFood Engg. Degree. Agricultural Business Institute has meanwhile been established. The University is also conducting a yearlong course in PGD in ICT. Besides, a Language Lab has been developed within the Department of Languages to upgrade learners’ skills in communicative English, especially in spoken English.

**International Links:**

* Universiteit Gent, Belgium
* Olds College, Canada
* University of Saskatchewan, Canada
* University of Prince Edward Island, Canada
* Aarush University, Denmark
* Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences, Germany
* Banaras Hindu University, India
* Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalaya, India
* Annamalai University, Tamilnadu, India
* Kemin Industries South Asia Pvt. Lt., Chennai, India
* University of Padova, Italy
* Nagoya University, Japan
* Gifu University, Japan
* Shinshu University, Japan
* Nara Women’s University, Japan
* MIE University, Japan
* Saga University, Japan
* Kyushu University, Japan
* Ibaraki University, Japan
* Hiroshima University, Japan
* The University of Tsukuba, Japan
* Osaka Prefecture University, Japan
* Kobe University, Japan
* Kyoto University, Japan
* Kagoshima University, Japan
* Niigata University, Japan
* Chonbuk National University, Korea
* Chungnam National University, Korea
* Andong National University, Korea
* Universiti Malaysia Kelantan, Malaysia
* Universiti Putra, Malaysia
* The University of Tromso, Norway
* Norwegian University of Life Science, Norway
* Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Norway
* University of Sindh, Pakistan
* Sindh Agricultural University, Pakistan
* University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, Pakistan
* International Rice Research Institute (IRRI), Philippines
* Sungkyunkwan University, South Korea
* King Mongkut's University of Technology, Thailand
* Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), Bangkok, Thailand
* The Richard Slockton College of New Jersey, USA
* City University of New York, USA
* Florida A&M University, USA
* Texas A&M University, USA
* Tufts University, USA
* Tennessee State University, USA
* University of Stirling, Scotland, UK
* The University of Nottingham, UK
* University of Wales Bangor, UK

# Conclusion

BAU has been the principal supplier of skilled human capital for modernizing our national agriculture since its establishment in 1961. And yet it has a long way to go. It is our vision to make this University an integrated institution with functional relationships with relevant government organizations, non-government organizations, and private sector firms enabling BAU to contribute meaningfully to agricultural development of Bangladesh. We want to provide our graduates with practical skills to enhance agricultural productivity. We also want to improve quality of applied research at BAU and tie it more directly to rural practices. We require strengthening the outreach component to provide an immediate link between technology available at the University and the needs of rural people. We want to be guided by three watchwords−relevance, quality and internationalization−to respond to the call of a fast-changing world system. But we are at present acutely under-funded to attain all these goals. We strongly feel that our library holdings and information system should be improved, our graduates require internship or on-field training, and students need to be exposed to modern information and communication technology. Amidst a long range of problems the achievement so far made is modest and has ample room for future improvement. It is true that we have the expertise, we have no dearth of ideas and above all, we have the determination to do what must be done. What we need are physical facilities, financial support and proper infrastructure to fully achieve the objectives with which this University was established. We might have to find an alternative way to sustain the key institutional functions of BAU by making it more clientele-oriented.