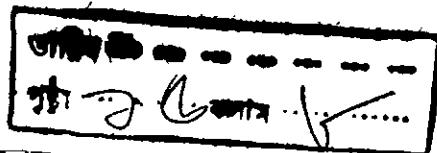


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BUET students in int'l competition

Three students of the Electrical and Electronic Engineering Department of BUET have secured the first place in the prestigious "Myron Zucker Student Design Contest" organized by Industry Applications Society (IAS) of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), Inc., New Jersey, USA. This is one of the highest international achievements attained by the Bangladeshi students so far. Khandaker Rakibur Rahman (Olive), S.M. Shajedul Hasan (Nasim) and Mohammad Ahsanul Adeeb, all of whom are final year undergraduate students, have attained this honor for their design project titled "Design and Development of a Microcontroller-based Solid-State Prepayment Energy Meter." The design project was performed under the supervision of Prof. S.M. Lutful Kabir of BUET and with the assistance of Siemens Bangladesh Ltd. The second and third prizes of the competition were earned by Ohio Northern University and Tennessee Technological University, respectively—both from the USA, says a Press release.

The "Myron Zucker Student Design Contest" is an international competition where electrical engineering students from all over the world compete for the prestigious top three places. It is worth mentioning here that in the past, the top three places were typically secured by U.S. and European universities. This year for the first time, a university from Asia has topped the competition. The winners will receive their prizes in the 36th Annual Meeting of the IEEE Industry Applications Society to be held from September 30 to October 4, 2001 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Chicago, Illinois, USA. A large number of engineers and industrialists will attend this conference. Besides cash honorarium and certificates, the winners will receive a portion of their travel expenses from the organizers. Moreover they will get complementary membership of the IAS for one year. (Details of the contest result can be viewed at www.electrostandards.com/zucker.htm.)