

DU, Birdem sign MoU for research collaboration

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Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology department of Dhaka University (DU) and Birdem General Hospital signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) yesterday to foster a research collaboration.

DU Treasurer Prof Kamal Uddin and Director General of Birdem General Hospital Prof Nazmun Nahar signed the MoU on behalf of their respective institutions at DU Vice-Chancellor's office.

According to the MoU, DU and Birdem will work together to establish a Biobank of Bangladesh (BBB) - a collection of biological samples and health information -- to ensure better health of people.

DU VC Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique hoped that BBB will be a major national health resource which will help improve the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of serious illness including diabetes and cancer.

Dean of Biological Sciences faculty Prof M Imdadul Hoque and department Chairman Prof Sharif Akteruzzaman were present among others during the signing ceremony.