

## Role of UNESCO in world peace

Speakers at a seminar in Dhaka expressed the hope that UNESCO would continue its laudable role in invigorating the essence of world peace, reports BSS.

Held under the aegis of the United Nations Association of Bangladesh (UNAB) at the United Nations Information Centre (UN), former Foreign Minister National Professor Shamsul Huq was chief guest at the seminar in Commemoration of the 45th anniversary of the founding of the UNESCO.

Among others educationists Prof Salahuddin Ahmed, Dr Abdullah Al-Muti Sharfuddin, Acting Director of the UNIC W, Fischer, Secretary of the Bangladesh National Commission for the UNESCO Prof Selim and Secretary General of the UNAB Syed Ahmad Hossain spoke.

Prof Innas Ali, President of the UNAB, Presided.

Prof Shamsul Huq recalled the role that the UNESCO had been playing since its inception in creating a happier and richer world and said the body had succeeded to a great extent in eliminating the threats to peace by promoting the messages of peace.

In a world riven by hostilities and antagonism, the UNESCO has been striving hard to embellish the human beings with its noble principles of education, culture, science and information, he said.

Other speakers were unanimous in their views that the UNESCO had taken up the challenge to spread its noble messages

to counter the threats of brutalisation and de-humanisation and had accomplished its goal to a large extent even though much more remained to be done.

Speaking as a special guest State Minister for Textiles Maj Mannan said that management plays a pivotal role in the maintenance of overall environment in an industrial enterprise which comprises three elements machine, man and raw materials.

The State Minister underlined the importance of proper appraisal of human factor and said unless people who put their labour were not duly evaluated, production will suffer. He said in the context of Bangladesh machine is Number One component of environment since it is the costliest portion in industrial unit. Despite the labour being abundant, it however should not be neglected or given lesser importance, he said adding otherwise the production would suffer.

Maj Mannan said each of the three components that make industrial environment must get due importance, because neglecting one and giving overimportance to the other will mar the whole effort. He also called upon all those involved in industrial productivity to take into account the problems and obstacles of the industry.

The State Minister said unless environment was returned to the industry, the nation will not survive and added that the early we understand the better.

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