

## Conference on Education

HE third speed conference 2013, excellence and innovation in education, sparking creativity, was held on April 5, 2013 at SPEED Training Center, Dhanmondi. The conference consisted of daylong workshops, briefing sessions, hands-on-tutorials, and award ceremony.

The main aim behind the conference was to build ties between school teachers and educators, by bringing together experts in the field of education to share best practices. This created an opportunity for school management and teachers to connect and share their visions, success stories, and advice for improving education in their schools.

The daylong event was inaugurated by Dr Ainun Nishat, Vice Chancellor, BRAC University, as the chief guest. The conference included a panel of speakers, including Madhu Wal, Vice Principal, DPS STS School, and William Westgate, Principal, Regent College. The

series of workshops, briefing sessions and tutorials that were held in this conference reflected global best practices and was conducted by prominent educators specialized in their area of work. Many experienced educators acted as presenters and trainers at the conference, including, Maleka Sarwar, Senior Lecturer, North South University, Nazua Idris, Lecturer, Stamford University, and many others.

The conference included a plenary session in the morning where educators from distinguished backgrounds exchanged their views on developing education for creativity and innovation. The session covered topics like building student engagement in the classroom through inquiry. This session asked participants to become learners as they participated and experienced research-based best teaching practices that were designed to 'hook' and engage students through mystery, controversy, relevance, and critical thinking.