

STEPS TOWARDS CHANGE

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The Placement is a part of the Summer Challenges programme held every year by PDF, organised to serve a community through an effective platform. This year the day long event took place in The Senate Bhaban in the University of Dhaka.

The program began with a welcoming speech from the Vice President of PDF, Shehrin Salam Oishee. Next up was an effective period of open discussion, by Shagufta Sultana, Sr. Program Manager, BRAC and Sk. Mojibul Huq, Program Manager, BRAC, regarding scopes to work on the areas of road safety, health and education. Then, Mizanur Rahman Kiron's, president of the PDF, speech persuaded the participants to believe that they could bring out the best in them and

that the entire Summer Challenge was rather a journey to be enjoyed and worked on, and not the destination or an end.

Ronnie Mirza, Communication Lead, BRAC, had an interactive group session regarding youth opportunities and BRAC. The most vital part of the day had begun after a 15-minute break when the participants began the presentations of their project designs which would later determine the final selection to compete in the Summer Challenge, 2015.

The excitement and the hope to succeed had already begun to sparkle in the eyes of the teams and they didn't hesitate to capture them in their countless photographs. The last session of the day included a closing speech and the distribution of logistics by M Mamunur Rashid, the acting General Secretary of PDF.

The Summer Challenge is not only a successful platform for the youth who want to be leaders in our society, but it also allows us to find new members to add in our team. After all, we believe what Mahatma Gandhi had said that if we want to see change, we should be the change we wish to see. The Placement of the Summer Challenge 2015 was one of our many steps towards that change.

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