

# Internship Report On Desk Reporter at The Kushtia Times



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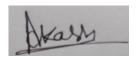
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Subject: Submission of Internship Report

Dear Sir,

I am delighted to submit the Internship Report as a part of my BSS (Hons.) in Journalism and Mass Communication on my time as an intern in The Kushtia Times. It was an outstanding opportunity for me to acquire knowledge and experience from this Weekly English Newspaper. To my belief, the gathered knowledge during my internship period will help me in my professional life. I have given my best efforts to achieve the objectives of the practical orientations.

Sincerely



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### **CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL**



I am pleased to certify that the Internship report on the The Kushtia Times prepared by Mahedi Hassan Akash, student ID No: 171-24-610 of the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication has been approved for presentation and defense. Under my supervision Mahedi Hassan Akash worked with the Kushtia Times as an intern and completed the work during the Fall 2020 semester

I am pleased to certify that the data, the findings presented in the report are the authentic work of him. He is of a good moral character and a very pleasing personality. It was a great pleasure to have him under my supervision. I wish him all success in life.

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Dr. Sheikh Mohammad Shafiul Islam

(Academic Supervisor)

Associate Professor and Head

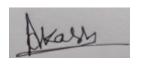
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**Chapter One** 

Introduction

Internship is an essential part of education that links up study with planned and supervised careerrelated work experience. Students are usually involved as paid and non-paid internees in various institution.

Internship is about gaining professional experiences about how they work, atmosphere of a news house learning house policy dealing with senior stuff and learning professional Assignments. It furnishes the understudies with an incredible comprehension for professional life. Internship help student to understand the connection between what is studied and how it is applied in practical work. Internship benefits the students' knowingness and conception.

### 1.1 What is an Internship?

An entry level position is an expert learning experience that offers significant, reasonable career related to an understudy's field of study or profession life. An Internship gives an understudy the open door for better position in job sector and advancement, and to learn new aptitudes. It offers the Experiences and the occasion to bring novel thoughts and energy into the work environment, create ability and possibly construct a pipeline for future full-time representatives.

- Consists of a part-time or full-time work schedule that includes no more than 25% clerical or administrative duties.
- Provides a clear job/project description for the work experience.
- Orients the student to the organization, its culture and proposed work assignments.
- Helps the student develop and achieve learning goals.
- Offers regular feedback to the student intern.

### **Information about my Internship project**

• Name: Mahedi Hassan Akash

• ID: 171-24-610

• Department: Journalism and Mass Communication

• Concentration: Reporting

• Career Focus: Sports reporter

• Internship Host Newspaper: The Kushtia Times

• Direct Supervisor: Dr. Amanur Aman

• News Room: Regional and National News

• Internship Start Date: 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2020

• Internship End Date: 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2020

• Working hours: 40hrs/1week.

### 1.2 About the Kushtia Times

The Kushtia Times is first Weekly English Newspaper in greater Kushtia district. The Kushtia Times has been publishing news for more than 10 years. The Kushtia Times has also an online version (thekushtiatimes.net). The Kushtia Times Edited and published by Dr. Amanur Aman. It is presenting various category of news such as National news, entertainment news, Business news, economical news, editorials, Political news, Sports news and more on.

### 1.3 Background of my internship

My internship placement was a Weekly English Newspaper named The Kushtia Times. I was allowed to work as an intern in the Desk of the Newspaper where I was assigned to conduct the

National desk along with my co-workers and prepare national and local reports. Mostly I was assigned as a news translator and organizer where local reporter sent me Information and facts through messenger in Bengali Language and then I translate it into English language and organized it then mailed it to the editor.

### 1.4 About My professional internship supervisor

Dr. Amanur Aman, Editor and publisher of The Kushtia Times. He was my supervisor of my organization where I had completed my Internship program. I worked under his commands. He has done his Master of Philosophy from Indiana University Kokomo, Kokomo, Indiana, United States. He has also done his PhD from University of North Bengal.

### 1.5 Duration of my internship

Academically, duration of an internship is minimum 10 weeks to 12 weeks in where, duration of my internship was 10 weeks. I did my internship in the Fall Semester, 2020. I worked at The Kushtia Times as an Intern from 30th September, 2020 to 9th December, 2020 (10 weeks).

# Chapter two

# **Internship Activities**

## 2.1 The Workplace Log:

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### 2.2 List of weekly Activities:

### First Week (30th September – October 6, 2020)

- Had a talk about my work herein The kushtia Times with Dr. Amanur Aman
- Introducing with new colleague
- Meet with everyone here.

### Second Week (October 7 - October 13, 2020)

- Dr. Amanur Aman teach me about headline
- Introduced with House Policy
- Had an Intro Leaning Writing Instruction

### Third Week (October 14 - October 20, 2020)

- Report writing on Practice purpose.
- Dr. Amanur Aman Assigned Me to translate and organized a bangle news.

### Fourth Week (October 21 - October 27, 2020)

- Take leave for three days
- Dr. Amanur Aman provided me local reporter Contract info
- Assigned me as a news Translator and organizer
- Dr. Amanur Aman instructed that collect Bengali news from local reporter then translate and organize it then sent it to me.
- Dr. Amanur Aman told me to work from home

### Fifth Week (October 28 - November 03, 2020)

- •Start to collect Bengali news from local reporter through massager and email.
- translate it to English language then organize it and sent the news to Dr. Amanur Aman

### Sixth Week (November 04 - November 10, 2020)

- collected Bengali news from local reporter through massager and email.
- translate it to English language then organize it and sent the news to Dr. Amanur Aman

### Seventh Week (November 11 - November 17, 2020)

- collected Bengali news from local reporter through massager and email.
- translate it to English language then organize it and sent the news to Dr. Amanur Aman

### Eighth Week (November 18 - November 24, 2020)

- collected Bengali news from local reporter through massager and email.
- translate it to English language then organize it and sent the news to Dr. Amanur Aman
- Take leave for two days

### Ninth Week (November 25 - December 01, 2020)

- collected Bengali news from local reporter through massager and email.
- translate it to English language then organize it and sent the news to Dr. Amanur Aman

### Tenth Week (December 02 - December 08, 2020)

- collected Bengali news from local reporter through massager and email.
- translate it to English language then organize it and sent the news to Dr. Amanur Aman
- **2.2 Work sample:** During my internship period I have done several work which was assigned by my advisor. Some work sample are given below



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Date: November 07, 2020

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Date: October 06, 2020

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# **Chapter three**

# **Learning Experience**

3.1 Knowledge Gathered

By this internship program I learned many things. As an intern I gained knowledge about the

environment of a Media House. I learned how to work under too much pressures. Beside the

pressures of higher officials how to control every difficult situation.

To be an intern at The Kushtia Times it-self was a special experience for me. I was overwhelmed

to get this internship in a Weekly English Newspaper. The employees at The Kushtia Times was

very Kind, friendly and helpful to me. Specially Dr. Amanur Aman.

• How to communicate with local reporters.

• Professional English Report writing.

• Learn about media house policy.

• Improve interpersonal communication.

3.2 Technologies Used

I have used my own Computer as a main device. Software: Microsoft Office, Avro, Web

Browser.

Web Browsed: thesaurus, Gmail, Messenger

3.3 Special experience

I have been writing news from Forth week. At the very beginning I wrote Headline and intro. I

had wrong perception about Dr. Amanur Aman that he will be rude or talk very less that perception

grow because he is highly educated person but he was very kind human being The Editor Dr.

Amanur Aman gave me sufficient time to solve any problem.

It was a very special experience in my life to work with highly educated Dr. Amanur Aman in a

beginning of my professional life.

# **Chapter Four**

# **Evaluation of My Learning**

### 4.1 Practical Work and Academic Learning

Bachelors of Journalism and Mass Communication in DIU offers many courses on basic and advanced report writing, editing, copy writing and more about journalism and also courses on Mass Communication where we get to learn about communication patterns, communication models and theories such as Aristotle's Communication Model, Lasswell's model, Shannon and Weaver Model of Communication, Soviet Media Theory, Two Step Flow Theory and various types of communication such as interpersonal communication, Group communication and so on. In our department different teachers had taught us from their very own perspectives as they have worked in different platforms at some stage of their lives those have very effective impact in the field of Practical work. There is far difference between academic education and practical work. Usually in our university life we do our assignment, class task in a bit relaxing way On the other hand, there is no room for relaxing in practical work. In practical work you have to work under enormous pressure. But academic work is the substitutes of practical work. Because in academic education we learn how you do live in your practical life. We wrote many types of reports in our class as class tasks. It is very helpful in our practical work. Report writing is an essential part of my practical life. Many times in several courses I have wrote many types of report such as surface report, interpretative and investigative report in our class room.

### 4.2 Expectation and Experience

Before joining The Kushtia Times. I was a bit confused about where to intern in a pandemic situation should I do a project or internship if internship where Dhaka or kushtia then as I like writing, I thought I must intern related to news based organization. Then I have mange an internship in the kushtia times I feel blessed to get a chance in this Weekly English Newspaper to work with Dr. Amanur aman. My expectation was working with hole the kushtia time stuff and

learn more and more because of pandemic situation I have work in an office less time I had to work from home. Overall expectation and experience was good enough.

### 4.3 Skill Development from Internship

Skill develop is an essential part of internship. I have developed some skill during my internship are given below

- Mentality to work for others
- Professional work skills
- •Collecting and Organizing Information
- •Time Management
- •Computer Technology
- Handling Pressure

### **4.4 Future Carrere Opportunity**

Internship is a platform where student get prepare for future career plan. Internship help to decide a student whether he or she should continue in a particular career or not.

I thing if somebody have a good news sense and skill their have a huge Future Carrere

Opportunity in the flied of journalism. If somebody want to create his/ her career in the field of
communication sector, there is also have a huge opportunity.

- Reporter
- Sub- editor
- Desk- reporter
- Social media specialist
- Correspondent/Special Reporter
- Feature Writer
- Photo Journalist
- Communication Coordinator
- Communication Specialist
- Communication Officer

# **Chapter Five**

# **Conclusion**

### **5.1 SWOT analysis of the Institution**

### **Strength:**

- Purposive and effective in its news treatment
- independent editorial policy
- Skilled employees
- Real working environment
- Only English newspaper in Kushtia district

### Weakness:

- Shortage employees
- •Lack of spaces

### **Opportunity:**

- Online market place could provide opportunities.
- Scope to engage more people in various social media platform.

### **Threats:**

• Political Influence

### **5.2 Recommendation**

Throughout my Two-month internship project, I have faced lot of problems. Actually through that type of problem I'm realizing that if a student gets chance in their academic life to get involve with practical field then it will help him/her a lot. Before a student enters into practical field through internship they should introduce with that field. So in academic period if students get opportunity to do more outdoor types assignment then it will help them to overcome their fear. I just want to say that as a student of journalism he/she have to get the guts of facing both outdoor and indoor

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activities. One more thing I want to say that if in our department have a chance to enhance internship's period then really it will be very much helpful for a student. So I want to say that authority should increase the period of internship at least four (4) months. This will help us to increase our confidence level and skills

### **5.3 Conclusion**

Internship is basically the road to someone's career. One gets to know the applications and opportunities of their theoretical studies of the recent past. Internship is an opportunity to explore one's relevant field without the fear of falling down as it is a phase of learning and everyone is there to help. One can go through as many mistakes at this period of time (which is not advised, at all) and can ask a lot of questions about anything and everything and authorized people are usually is happy to answer all the questions without hesitates.

Internship is more likely the phase of a toddler who just started to talk and always have questions on top of their head. They keep on asking until their curiosity is fulfilled. To my consideration, an intern should curios, but should be considerate and always ask relevant questions.

The Kushtia Times gave me a great environment and a great deal of experience. The employees took me very well and I sure have learnt a lot about news, respecting the hierarchy and punctuality. I shall forever remember these virtues because I believe; these will take me in a prosperous future. Last but not least, I am very proud that I am finishing my Bachelors' with this very internship report from an estimated institution, Daffodil International University. I would not have come this far without the help of the teachers, structure and environment this university had offered. And obviously the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication, which had shaped me into the person I am right now, and of whom I can bravely say I am proud of.