

Bill # 71-23

**The Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA)
The Pennsylvania State University**



of the 71st Assembly
February 23rd, 2022

Be it decided by the Assembly of Elected Delegates,

**Bangladesh Student Association (BSA) Co-Sponsorship
Funding for Bangladesh Night 2022**
(Decided: [Y / N / A])

Nature of the Situation:

The Bangladesh Student Association (BSA) is the official Penn State organization representing the Bangladeshi students at the university. For the past seven years, the BSA has hosted its premier event, **Bangladesh Night** that expresses the rich culture and strong heritage of Bangladesh to the community of Penn State and State College. It is an event to showcase and celebrate Bangladesh's various cultures, ethnic backgrounds, and diversity in a land far away. BSA's primary objective is to bring the Bangladeshi community of students and the Penn State community together and encourage long lasting friendships while bringing and introducing Bangladeshi roots to Penn State. Furthermore, this event encourages students to show off their various talents in front of audiences which nurture their cultural skills and creativity. Due to the pandemic, an in-person event could not be arranged last year which makes this year's event highly anticipated. The event will host activities including a recitation, singing, folk dancing, a fashion show, a Bangladeshi corner, games, and food. Due to large intake of Bangladeshi students over the past few semesters, BSA is expecting a total of approximately 260 participants in this event.

Pre-registration will be required for the attendees. The food will be catered by Ghorer Khabar, an authentic Bangladeshi food caterer located in Arlington, Virginia. The caterer is approved by HUB-Robeson Center and it will be served as take-away in packaged boxes. BSA promises to take every possible safety step and adhere to all in-person event guidelines outlined by Penn State

1 during the event. For the venue, audio, visual, lighting, decoration, and costumes, BSA has
2 already submitted our funding proposal to UPAC and is awaiting approval.
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4 GPSA has an opportunity to co-sponsor the event and participate in celebrating the cultural
5 diversity of Penn State. This co-sponsorship entitles GPSA to the benefits listed above and fosters
6 a relationship with a diverse community and encourages enthusiasm to represent cultural
7 inclusion.
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9 **Recommended Course of Action:**

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11 The Graduate and Professional Student Association agrees to co-sponsor the Bangladesh Night
12 2022 in the amount of **\$3380** which will cover the cost of **food** from Ghorer Khabar. Other
13 expenses will be covered by funds from a variety of sources including UPAC and through the sale
14 of guest tickets.
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No.	Item	Budget
1	Venue (Alumni Hall, HUB)	\$1160.00
2	Audio, Visual and Lighting	\$2500.00
3	Bangladesh Corner	\$500.00
4	Decoration	\$1000.00
5	Costume	\$1100.00
6	Gifts and Souvenir	\$360.00
7	Food (\$13 x 260) (Expected to be covered by GPSA)	\$3380.00
	Total	= \$10000.00

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18 **Total amount requested: \$3380**

Respectfully submitted,

Tanveer Ahmed

Delegate, College of Engineering
Student Engagement Committee

President _____

Affirm

Veto

The Graduate and Professional Student Association

GPSA Co-Sponsorship Request Form



The Penn State Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA) must follow certain rules when providing funding for co-sponsorships for events or other items. Please make sure to read these guidelines carefully before requesting GPSA funding.

- **The GPSA must be given one week's notice of collaboration with any external organization. The purpose is to ensure that the organization is in compliance with the University's Core Values including diversity, inclusion, and equity.**
- A GPSA Delegate must submit a funding bill to the Assembly, and the GPSA must be involved in planning the event. Visit gpsa.psu.edu/assembly to find contact information for current Assembly Delegates.
- A budget breakdown of event costs must be submitted with this form
- The event must be open to all students (undergraduate, graduate, professional)
- The GPSA will only fund specific line items (i.e. food, room rentals, speaker fees, etc.); preference will be given to payments made directly by the GPSA to vendors via invoice, and transfers to a student organization account or reimbursements to an individual for payments made are strongly discouraged
- Because the GPSA's funding comes from the University Park Student Fee Board, at most up to 90% of the event cost can be funded from the GPSA for co-sponsorships

Request Information

Request Date: 02/16/2022

Organization Name: Bangladesh Student Association (BSA)

Organization Contact Person: Md Fahim Faysal Khan

Email: mzk591@psu.edu

GPSA Representative Sponsoring Request: Tanveer Ahmed

Email: tpa5285@psu.edu

Event Details

Event Name: Bangladesh Night 2022

Date and Time of Event: March 19th, 2022

Event Location: Alumni Hall, HUB-Robeson Center

Estimated Total Attendance: 260

Graduate/Professional Students: 220

Ticket or Pre-Registration Required: Pre-registration required

Cost to Attend Event: \$5** (**Ticket prices TBD based on received funding and deficit)

Brief Event Description: The Bangladesh Student Association (BSA) is the official Penn State organization representing the Bangladeshi students at the university. For the past seven years, the BSA has hosted its premier event, **Bangladesh Night** that expresses the rich culture and strong heritage of Bangladesh to the community of Penn State and State College. It is an event to showcase and celebrate our various cultures, ethnic backgrounds, and diversity in a land so far away from our home. Our primary objective is to bring the Bangladeshi community of students and the Penn State community together and encourage long lasting friendships while bringing and introducing our Bangladeshi roots to Penn State. Furthermore, this event encourages students to show off their various talents in front of audiences which nurture their cultural skills and creativity. Due to the pandemic, an in-person event could not be arranged last year which makes this year's event highly anticipated. The event will host activities including:

- 1) Recitation
- 2) Singing
- 3) Folk Dancing
- 4) Fashion Show
- 5) Bangladeshi Corner
- 6) Game show
- 7) Ethnic food serving etc..

How Event Will Be Advertised: Bangladesh Night will be advertised through HUB Marketing, Social Media, Email and open to all students, staff, faculty and their guests.

Funding Details

Total Requested from GPSA: \$3900.00 (Cost of Food order from Gharer Khabar)

Total Cost of Event: \$10520.00

Please also submit a budget breakdown of event costs with this form

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7	Food (\$15 x 260)	\$3900.00
	Total	= \$10520.00

Funding Amount Requested from Other Sources (By Source): \$5320.00 from UPAC

Ticket Sale: \$5** x 260 = \$1300.00 (***Ticket prices subject to change based on received funding and deficit*)

Vendors Being Used: Gharer Khabar (Food), GP Audio (Sound and Light)

Vendors Accept Penn State Purchase Orders (Yes/No): Yes

Vendor Willing to Invoice GPSA (Yes/No): Yes

If you answered no to both of the above questions, you will need to discuss payment options with the GPSA treasurer at least one month before your event

For GPSA Treasurer Use

Bill Number:

Total Approved:

Total Paid:

Bill Close Date: