



ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY ON THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE EVENTFUL TERM OF 2023

**Submitted At The 34th Annual General Meeting of
OPA held on 13th February, 2024**

**By, The General Secretary
OPn. Rizvi Rahman**

Dear OPn,

It's my pleasure to present the Annual Report of OPA 2023. The Activities, proceedings and Pictorial Highlights during the tenure of 2023, in detail. **The 33rd AGM was held on the 11th of February 2023.**



OPn. Rizvi Rahman
General Secretary

HANDOVER & TAKE OVER OF THE OPA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2023

The "Handover-Takeover Ceremony" was held in a befitting environment on 21st February, 2023 at OPA office in Saint Placid's School and College.

The past Executive Committee members handed over the charge to the new Executive Committee members with all financial and official documents and other matters of OPA as directed in the constitution. OPA Patron & SPSC Principal Brother Samuel Sabuj Bala, csc, President OPn. Engr. Abu Mohd. Rashed Chowdhury, Vice President OPn. Newaz A Khan Remon, OPA General Secretary OPn. Rizvi Rahman, OPA Treasurer OPn. Saidul Azam Khan, OPA 1st Joint Secretary OPn. Tanvir Taosib Taskin and other newly elected EC Members along with Past EC Members of 2022 were present at the Ceremony. OPA Patron & SPSC Principal Bro. Samuel Sabuj Bala, CSC, welcomed and expressed his gratitude to all the newly elected EC members and conveyed his thanks to the outgoing committee members for the successful events throughout the year.

Immediate Past President OPn Wasim Sharif expressed his heartiest thanks to the past committee (2022) for the successful events throughout the year. He welcomed second time elected President OPn. Engr. Abu Mohd. Rashed Chowdhury, OPA General Secretary OPn. Rizvi Rahman, along with all new EC members of OPA during the "Handover Take over Ceromony". After that he welcomed all the newly EC members with flower bouquets and handover a Pen to the elected President OPn. Engr. Abu Mohd. Rashed Chowdhury, which he wanted to be continued as a ritual to the next President.

The 2nd time elected president OPn. Engr. Abu Mohd. Rashed Chowdhury, expressed his thanks and gratitude to all the EC Members, Fellow OPA Members for giving him the opportunity for the second time to be the President of OPA. He ensured that further efforts and initiatives would be taken and explored to improve all the activities of OPA for the betterment of the Association during the near future. Past Secretary OPn. Abu Mohd. Sazed Chowdhury & Past Treasurer OPn. Collin Dias also handed over flower bouquets to newly elected OPA General Secretary OPn. Rizvi Rahman and OPA Treasurer OPn. Saidul Azam Khan.

International Mother Language Day, 21st February 2023

"International Mother Language Day" 21st February 2023 was observed in a solemn atmosphere at the Shahid Minar of Saint Placid's School & College at 9 am, on Tuesday, 21st February, 2023 placing floral wreath. In the presence of the OPA Patron & SPSC Principal Bro. Samuel Sabuj Bala, CSC, SPSC Vice Principal Brother Chandan Manuel Gomes, CSC, Vice President OPn. Newaz A Khan Remon, IPP OPn. Wasim Sharif, OPA General Secretary OPn. Rizvi Rahman, OPA Treasurer OPn. Saidul Azam Khan, EC Member & OLS-SC Secretary OPn. Hafizur Rahman, OPn. Rezaur Rahman, OPn. Zahed Syeed, OPn. Hasan Reaz Chowdhury,



OPn. Jiku Chowdhury, OPn. Christopher Dias, PP OPn Prashenjit Datta, OPn G M Hasan, OPn. Sajal Kanti Chowdhury, OLS-SC Treasurer OPn. Mohammad Anis Ullah, OPn. Enamul Hoque Hira, OPn. Emrul Kayes, OPn. Md. Asif Iqbal, OPn. Tasnim Arafat, OPn. Ibne Sinha, OPn. Mika Chy and Many people along with all the Teachers & students of OPA Literacy School and other members of OPA.

OPA Iftar Mahfil 2023

An Iftar Mahfil of OPA was held on 7th April, 2023 at Kisholoy Community Centre, Katalgonj, Chittagong. OPA EC Member OPn. Abu Syeed Chowdhury was the Convener of this event. Iftar Items were served followed by delicious Mejban. The members conveyed their special thanks and gratitude to the President OPn. Engr. Abu Rashed Chowdhury along with all the EC members for their contribution in sponsoring the event as well as for the delicious Food. Past President OPn. Engr. Ali Ahmed, OPn. Mohd. Roshangir, OPn. Dr. Mashfique Ahmed Chowdhury, OPn. Proshenjit Datta, IPP OPn. Wasim Sharif, many distinguished senior OPn, EC Members and around total of 500 people were present at that holy occasion.

OPA Dhaka Fiesta 2023

EC was decided to organize a get together for Dhaka OPns and Ex-Placidians to confirm & create some funds for OLS and Reunion. EC Member OPn. Merajul Haque Miskat was the Convener of that program named "OPA Dhaka Fiesta 2023" held on 15th July 2023 at Uttara Club Ltd. From Chittagong only EC 2023 members & OLS Standing Committee members were joined there. They were able to create 50000/- for OLS and handover it on that program. Four members confirmed their Life Membership on spot. Ex SPSC Principal Bro. Subal Rozario, CSC was the Mentor and Chief Guest of that program. Almost 300 OPns and Ex Placidians with family attended that program.

OPA Monsoon Tour 2023

It was a wonderful Two Nights-Three Days Trip from 31st August to 2nd September 2023 at Cox's Bazar. The Venue was at "Ocean Paradise Hotel & Resort" at Cox's Bazar. Senior EC Member & OLS-SC Secretary OPn. Hafizur Rahman was the Convener of this Event. We arranged two buses and few personal vehicles as transportation. All participants were given T-shirts which was sponsored by OPA Treasurer OPn. Saidul Azam Khan. Attractive Free Raffle Draw Prizes were distributed in the bus en-route. Total of 7 Lunch and dinner were organized at "Pankouri Restaurant". Games and cultural programs were arranged on "Nitil Bay Resort" which was opposite to the Ocean Paradise Hotel & Resort. All the participants, adult and children, enjoyed each and every moment of the tour at swimming pool, sea beach and local area. OPNs were overwhelmed by the foods which were served by "Pankouri Restaurant" as lunch and Dinner. Everyone expressed their opinion that the quality of the every session food was top notch and best ever. There was an attractive Raffle Draw organized beside the cultural program. A huge amount of contribution sponsored by our beloved OPn. Tansir Taimur. EC 2023 showed gratitude and thanked him for his continuous support towards OPA.

OPA Fun Fair 2023

General Secretary, CJKS & Ex. Mayor of Chittagong City Corporation, A.J.M Nasir Uddin marked the inauguration of the "OPA Fun Fair 2023" on Friday, 22nd September 2023 organised by Old Placidians' Association at The Saint Placid's School & College premises. After the hoisted and salutation of National & SPSC flag, the Chief Guest A.J.M Nasir Uddin praises the bonding of OPns and the noble work being done continuously for the underprivileged children. Finally he commits to being by side with OPA in future and made best wishes to them. Special Guest SPSC Principal & OPA Patron Bro. Samuel Sabuj Bala, csc remembers the Founder Of OPA Bro. Marcel, csc to established a school for underprivileged boys and praised all the noble activities performed by OPA.



OPA Fun Fair 2023 Organising Committee Convener OPn. Errol Gomes & Chairman OPn. Engr. Abu Mohd. Rashed Chowdhury thanked Chief Guest for giving his valuable time to OPA and to the Sponsors, Well Wishers, SPSC Brothers, SPSC Teacher & Staffs, and OPns for the support.

Chief Guest inaugurated the "OPA Fun Fair 2023" cutting the cake and flying balloons. Fr. Terence Rodrigues, Ward Councillor Hasan Murad Biplob, OPA Past Presidents, OPA EC 2023 Members, All the "Fun Fair 2023" Organising Committee Members, OPns, SPSC Brothers, SPSC Teachers, OLS Teachers, Staffs, Volunteers, Students, Parents & many Guests were also present in that inauguration ceremony.

OPA Six a side Indoor Cricket Tournament

For the first time OPA was arranged a Six-a Side Indoor Cricket Tournament on 27th October 2023 at Sicho Arena Premises.

64 registered players divided into 8 teams participated on that tournament.

After completed the Group stage and Semifinals, a tremendous nail biting final between OPA Challengers and OPA Dynamites we had enjoyed!!

OPA Challengers showed the extraordinary performance all through the tournament and confirmed their Championship crown.

OPA Dynamites was sealed runner up position.

OPA Challengers batsman Mr. Koushik was named as Man of the Tournament.

Bro. Alberic, CSC Memorial Basketball Tournament 2023

Another fun packed tournament we had enjoyed in the term 2023 to commemorate our beloved brother Alberic Houle, CSC named "Bro. Alberic, CSC Memorial Basketball Tournament 2023". He served our beloved Alma Mater for a long time. He was an icon and the ultimate personification of all the good things that we were taught from him.

Reverend Arch Bishop Father Lawrence Subrato Howlader was opened the tournament as Chief Guest. It was an open tournament for both OPA Life Members and Non Life Members. More than 90 participants, total of 9 teams were participated and 13 games were played from 21st to 23rd December 2023 at the SPSC Premises.

After the nail biting round robin finals between 3 teams OPA Scorpions secured their Championship. OPA Thunderbolts and OPA Avengers were Runner up and third in position respectively.

Mr. Bipan was the MVP and 1st Joint Secretary OPn. Tanvir Taosib Taskin was the Top Scorer in that tournament.

Whole event was sponsored singlehandedly by our beloved OPA Treasurer OPn. Saidul Azam Khan's company "MAA Super Shop". EC 2023 showed gratitude and thanked him for his continuous support towards OPA.

Renovation of OPA Office

A soft inauguration of the newly renovated OPA office was held at 8th November 2023 at the OPA office where OPA President OPn Engr Abu Mohd Rashed Chowdhury, Immediate Past President OPn Wasim Sharif, Past President OPn Mohammed Rafique, Past President OPn Md. Roshangir Bachchu, Vice President OPn Newaz A Khan (Remon), General Secretary OPn Rizvi Rahman, Treasurer OPn Saidul Azam Khan, 1st Joint Secretary OPn Tanvir Taosib Taskin, OLS-SC Secretary & OPA EC Member OPn. Mohd Hafizur Rahman, EC Member OPn Rezaur Rahman, OPn Abu Syeed Chowdhury, OPn Hasan Reaz Chowdhury, OPn Jiku Chowdhury, Senior OPn Sylvester Bernadette, OLS-SC Treasurer OPn Mohammad Anis Ullah, Past GS OPn Abu Mohd. Sazed Chy, Past Treasurer OPn Emrul Kais, OPn Enamul Haque(Heera), OPn Ashab Uddin, OPn Maroof Ahmed, OPn Omar Hassan, OPn Sina Ibna, OPn Istiaque Vicky, SPS-2009 Batch members, other OPns and OLS Teachers were present at this program. Past President OPn Mohammed Rafique thanked OPA President for his relentless effort with successful ending. My heartfelt thanks to the President and Treasurer both, without their tireless efforts our dream would never have been realized. The newly renovated OPA office was inaugurated by Ribbon & Cake cutting.



Inauguration of Shaheed Minar

Our newly built iconic monument “Shaheed Minar” was inaugurated on the “Victory Day” of Bangladesh, Saturday, 16th December 2023 at 10 am at the SPSC Premises.

It was inaugurated by kept silence for one minute and placed a floral wreath in the presence Our OPA Patron & SPSC Principal Bro. Samuel Sabuj Bala, CSC and OPA President OPn Engr Abu Mohd Rashed Chowdhury. SPSC Vice Principal Bro. Saikat Linduar, CSC, Bro. Roktim Chiran, CSC, Bro. Partha, CSC, OPA General Secretary OPn. Rizvi Rahman, Past President OPn Mohammed Rafique, Treasurer OPn. Saidul Azam Khan, 1st Joint Secretary OPn Tanvir Taosib Taskin, 2nd Joint Secretary OPn. Oliver Gomes, OLS-SC Convener OPn. Ronald Gomes, OPn. Anselm Martin, OPn Jiku Chowdhury, senior OPn Sylvester Bernadette, senior OPn. Errol Gomes, OLS-SC Treasurer OPn Mohammad Anis Ullah, OPn Enamul Haque(Heera), OPn. Asif Iqbal, OPn Anis, OPn. Shafin, many OPns, SPSC Teachers & staffs were also present at that inauguration program.

Chirstmas Celebration 2023

Christmas day was observed at Brother House with our SPSC Principal & OPA Patron Bro. Samuel Sabuj Bala, csc and other brothers. Later at Bishop’s House with the Most Rev. Archbishop Lawrence Subrato Howlader greeted with a cake and a bouquet. Many EC members, Veteran OPns and other OPns were present on that Christmas eve.

Free Primary Dental Check up & Treatment

"Free Primary Dental Check up & Treatment" to the OPA Literacy School(OLS) which was sponsored by the Bangladesh Dental Society & our beloved President OPn. Engr.Abu Mohd Rashed Chowdhury was held on 8th November 2023 at the SPSC premises where Prof. Dr Humayun Kabir Bulbul Principal, Dhaka Dental College and Secretary General, Bangladesh Dental Society, Prof. Dr. Akram Parvez Chowdhury Dean, Chittagong Medical University and President, Bangladesh Dental Society, Chittagong District Branch, Dr. Md. Rezaul Karim General Secretary, Bangladesh Dental Society, Chittagong District Branch, OPA President OPn Engr Abu Mohd Rashed Chowdhury, Immediate Past President OPn Wasim Sharif, Past President OPn Mohammed Rafique, Past President OPn Md. Roshangir Bachchu, Vice President OPn Newaz A Khan (Remon), General Secretary OPn Rizvi Rahman, 1st Joint Secretary OPn Tanvir Taosib Taskin, OLS-SC Secretary & OPA EC Member OPn. Mohd Hafizur Rahman, EC Member OPn Reza ur Rahman, OPn Abu Syeed Chowdhury, OPn Hasan Reaz Chowdhury, OPn Jiku Chowdhury, senior OPn Sylvester Bernadette, OLS-SC Treasurer OPn Mohammad Anis Ullah, Past GS OPn Abu Mohd. Sazed Chy, Past Treasurer OPn Emrul Kais, OPn Mohiuddowla, OPn Enamul Haque(Heera), OPn Ashab Uddin, OPn Maroof Ahmed, OPn Omar Hassan, OPn Sina Ibna, OPn Istiaque Vicky, SPS-2009 Batch members, other OPns, OLS Teachers and Students were present at this program. After the check up Tooth Brush & Tooth paste were distributed to each students & Teachers of the OLS.

MOU with Janson Optical

A MOU was,signed with our OPA Past Treasurer OPn Emrul Kais & OPn Abdulla Ibna Sina owners of "JanSon Optical" for the "Lifetime optical support" to the OPA Literacy School(OLS) was held on 8th November 2023 at the SPSC premises where OPA President OPn Engr Abu Mohd Rashed Chowdhury, Immediate Past President OPn Wasim Sharif, Past President OPn Mohammed Rafique, Past President OPn Md. Roshangir Bachchu, Vice President OPn Newaz A Khan (Remon), General Secretary OPn Rizvi Rahman, 1st Joint Secretary OPn Tanvir Taosib Taskin, OLS-SC Secretary & OPA EC Member OPn. Mohd Hafizur Rahman, EC Member OPn Reza ur Rahman, OPn Abu Syeed Chowdhury, OPn Hasan Reaz Chowdhury, OPn Jiku Chowdhury, senior OPn Sylvester Bernadette, OLS-SC Treasurer OPn Mohammad Anis Ullah, Past GS OPn Abu Mohd. Sazed Chy, Past Treasurer OPn Emrul Kais, OPn Enamul Haque(Heera), OPn Ashab Uddin, OPn Maroof Ahmed, OPn Omar Hassan, OPn Sina Ibna, OPn Istiaque Vicky, SPS-2009 Batch members, other OPns and OLS Teachers-Students were present at this program. Free spectacles were distributed to the needy students & Teachers of the OLS.



Other OLS Activities

Beside Dental check up and MOU with Janson Optical we also attended various OLS programs like: OLS Sports, OLS Blanket Distribution, OLS Nutrition Food Distribution, OLS Annual Report Card & Prize Distribution etc.

MOU with Other Company

In our tenure we signed a MOU with Medical Centre Hospital. For this, OPns will be able to enjoy more than 30% discount by showing their Life Membership Card. Similarly many hospitals, restaurants, lifestyle shops, hotels like: Evercare Hospital, Little Lobster, Red Snapper, Asteria, Grace 21 Hotel etc. also wishes to sign MOU with us. Hopefully upcoming EC 2024 will complete all the pending MOU's.

CJKS Badminton League

OPA became the Champion of "CJKS 1st division Badminton League 2022-23" was held on 27th February 2023 at CJKS Gymnasium. It was a great final won against Custom Sporting Club. The Result was:

Set 1: 27-25

Set 2: 28-26

It was a huge team effort given by the players Asad & Toton, our team manager CJKS Councilor & Past President OPn Prashenjit Datta Raju, our CJKS Vice president & Councillor OPn Mohd. Hafizur Rahman, Our President OPn Engr Abu Mohd Rashed Chowdhury, Past President OPn Wasim Sharif, Vice President OPn Newaz A Khan Remon, General Secretary OPn Rizvi Rahman, OPn Tansir Taimur, OPn G M Hasan, OPn Mohammad Anis Ullah, OPn Rezaur Rahman, OPn Zahed Sayeed, OPn Hasan Reaz Chowdhury, OPn Saidul Azam Khan, OPn Taskin, OPn Jiku Chowdhury, OPn Abu Mohammad Shazed Chowdhury, OPn Emrul Kayes, OPn Nurunnabi Dipu, OPn Jewel and others. Without their enormous effort, it wasn't possible.

CJKS Table Tennis

OPA secured Third place at the CJKS Table Tennis tournament named "Anirudhdho Barua Ani Memorial Table Tennis League 2023" was held on 10th March 2023 at the CJKS Gymnasium.

Ex-Mayor and General Secretary of CJKS Alhaj A.J.M Nasir Uddin was the Chief Guest on that closing ceremony.

Nabin Mela, Friends Club, OPA and Chattogram Mohamedan was placed 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th respectively. OPA Councillor & Past President OPn. Prashenjit Dutta Raju, OPA President OPn. Engr. Abu Md. Rashed Chowdhury, OPn. Rizvi Rahman, OPn. Ronald Gomes, OPn. Hasan Reaz Chowdhury, OPn. Jiku Chowdhury, OPn. Tansir Taimur and OPA Players received the crest on behalf of OPA.

CJKS Other Sport Activities

During the year 2023, the OPA Participated in maximum numbers of events:

i.e: Cricket Tournament, Volleyball Tournament, Handball Tournament, Basketball Men's Tournament, Basketball Women's Tournament, Table Tennis Tournament, Judo Tournament and Badminton Tournament.

CJKS Shop Matter

A decisive meeting was held at 21st August 2023 at CJKS auditorium with it's chaired by General Secretary A.J.M Nasir Uddin. In that meeting many past presidents were present and played a strong role.

Successively it was agreed that the shop is rightfully owned by OPA. CJKS will mediate with the other party and OPA within a short time to facilitate handover of the said shop to OPA. OPA has to pay outstanding fees to CJKS and some compensation to the other party.

CJKS Councillor Selection

Executive Committee 2023 of OPA was approved the nomination the following members to represent OPA at CJKS as its councillors for the term starting in 2024.



The OPA's nominated CJKS Councillors are:

1. OPn. Engr. Abu Mohd. Rashed Chowdhury
2. OPn. Hafizur Rahman
3. OPn. Prashanjit Datta (Raju)

Their nomination paper were officially handed over to the CJKS authority Vice President Md. Hafizur Rahman on 8th October at CJKS Office.

12th OPA Reunion 2023

After completion of a full packed year and avoiding the conflict with National Election, when we rescheduled the date of 12th OPA Reunion 2023 to the 2nd of February we had only a month to arrange. We had started our registration from 5th of January 2024 and within 10 hours we registered more than 200 members. After 4 days we registered 850 participants and finally it was around 1250! Besides this the Magazine sub committee worked tremendous to get the job done by publishing a Magazine souvenir named "ROOTS" within 20 days! Gifts, Inventory, Foods, Establishment, Raffle ticket, Games, Security and all other sub committee has done their own job to their level best. Finally on the event day we were really overwhelmed when we received our own OPn. Professor Abdul Mannan, Ex Chairman of UGC & Ex-Vice Chancellor of Chittagong University as our Chief Guest.

Chief Guest inaugurated the "12th OPA Reunion 2023" cutting the cake and flying balloons. After the hoisting and salutation of National, SPSC and OPA flag, the Chief Guest OPn. Professor Abdul Mannan spoke his school memories and praised the bonding between OPns and the noble work being done continuously for the underprivileged children of OLS. Most of the Past Presidents of OPA and Senior OPns were also present at that time.

12th OPA Reunion 2023 Chairman OPn. Engr. Abu Mohd. Rashed Chowdhury & Convener OPn. Shamsuddin Ahmed Siddiquee thanked Chief Guest for giving his valuable time to OPA and to the Past Presidents, Sponsors, Well Wishers, SPSC Brothers, SPSC Teacher & Staffs, and OPns for the support. A mini fun fair also took place during the whole day event. Cultural program started after the Maghrib prayer where Souls, Indian singer Ankita Saha and Romel&Julias performed outstandingly. Total 10 Raffle Ticket Lottery prizes were also distributed in this reunion to the lucky winners.

Authorisation from SPSC

On the 16th March 2023 SPSC Principal and OPA Patron Bro. Samuel Sabuj Bala, CSC authorised that Old Placidians' Association (OPA) is the Alumni Association of the Ex-Students of St. Placid's School & College (SPSC).

Social Welfare Registration

We started the task to take the registration at Social Welfare. As first step we converted our Constitution into Bengali. Now we need to check out the translation and finalise it as correct converted version. Hopefully upcoming EC 2024 will complete all the pending task and submit for registration.

Condolence

We would like to express our deepest condolence and sympathy to the sad demise of the life members & EX Placidian's who has passed away recently and pray for the salvation of their departed soul for Almighty Allah to great eternal peace. May their souls find eternal rest and peace in heaven. Our deepest sympathy to the bereaved family members as well. Along with the President, I always tried to be with our fellow OPNs during critical times of need, especially during the funeral or Janaza that was a priority.

EC Meetings

A total number of 13 EC meetings, 4 Reunion meetings, 3 CJKS Shop Matter meetings & Several Special meetings were held during the tenure of 2023. In which major discussion and procedures were discussed and approved in the meetings successfully.