

# Internet Society Bangladesh Dhaka Chapter Update

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# Chapters - promoting the ISOC mission worldwide

- **Chapters work with their members in their region with a shared common global vision meeting local needs**
- **Chapter activities promote**
  - Technical capacity building
  - Education and training
  - Influence public policy and promote debate
- **ISOC Chapters in South Asia**
  - Bangladesh - Dhaka, India - Bangalore, Chennai, Delhi, Kolkata, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka



# How long does the chapter exist ?

- **The chapter has been chartered on 20 July 2011.**
- The Chapter has been rejuvenated after a few years of dormancy and it is full of fresh ideas, new skills, and more than 400 active members.
- **The chapter has four focus areas:**
  - Bridging the digital divide by enabling Internet access and promoting the use of localized contents;
  - Providing education related to technical and social aspects of Internet through seminars, workshops, and training;
  - Building Internet related awareness and formulation of policies;
  - Fostering research on ICT.

# What have the chapter done so far?

## ▪ Recent Activities

- Organized three IPv6 workshops and one IRM session in collaboration with APNIC.
- Organized a plenary event on the World IPv6 Launch Day (06 June 12)
- Organized a public dialogue session about WCIT 2012 in November 2012
- organized a remote hub in Dhaka for the ***Internet Governance Forum*** (IGF 2012,Baku,Azerbaijan)

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- Participated at IETF, IGF, Global INET, ICANN and APAN meetings.
  - Thanks to the Internet Society's **Next Generation Leadership (NGL)**.
- Initiated an IPv6 Course at the department of CSE, University of Dhaka.
  - Have both the department and chapter signed separate MoU for sharing IPv6 training materials.
- One of our chapter member received ISIF grants very recently.
  - The chapter played an important role in motivating the member to apply.
- Started a Project titled 'open Internet' in collaboration with the ISOC Netherlands chapter.
  - Received an **Internet Society Community grants** for this project.

# Open Internet Project

- You can download the application from **open.internet.nl**
- Open Internet hopes to get as many internet users as possible to test their connection with the app.
- That is the best way to stir up a public discussion.



# Why become a member?

- **Its FREE.** Just go to [www.internetsociety.org](http://www.internetsociety.org) and join. You get subscribed to ISOC chapter and global email list.
- You can apply for the fellowships and become a part of the Next Generation Internet Leaders group.
- Apply for community grants project.
- Be part of the global ISOC community.
- Be prepared to lead the chapter if you want. The chapter is desparately looking for new leadership.
- Tell us what you want to do?

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