



## ***Buffalo for Safe Food and Sustainable Production***

**11<sup>th</sup> Asian Buffalo Congress**

**October 25-27, 2024**

**BCDM, Savar, Dhaka, Bangladesh**

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**Date: Oct. 27, 2024**

### **Resolution of the 11<sup>th</sup> Asian Buffalo Congress (ABC2024), Bangladesh**

In 2021, I (Prof. Dr. Md. Omar Faruque) was elected as the President of Asian Buffalo Association by the association general assembly during 10th Asian Buffalo Congress organized in Nepal from October 25 to 29, 2021. Thus, Bangladesh got this historic opportunity to host the 11<sup>th</sup> Asian Buffalo Congress.

Bangladesh Buffalo Association with the support of Department of Livestock Services of Bangladesh, Bangladesh Livestock Research Institute, Bangladesh Agricultural University and several other buffalo development stakeholders organized this international buffalo congress from October 25 to 27, 2024. Farida Akter, the honourable Minister, Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock, Bangladesh inaugurated this mega event on October 25, 2024. A total of 200 participants from policy makers, farmers, scientists, students and professionals from 11 countries (Pakistan, Nepal, India, Bangladesh, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, China, Japan, Italy and Canada) took part in the congress. A total of 135 scientific papers, that included 1 congress theme paper, 3 invited papers, and 8 country papers (Pakistan, Nepal, India, Bangladesh, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia and China), seven different thematic areas of Buffalo ecology, climate, welfare and sustainability, Buffalo breeding and reproduction, Buffalo feeding and nutrition, Buffalo products processing technology, Buffalo genomics and biotechnology, Buffalo health and adaptability, and Buffalo management, economy and sociology were presented during the congress. The 11<sup>th</sup> Asian Buffalo Congress (ABC2024) has been concluded with a grand success, on October 27, 2024.

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The Congress proved to be an excellent scientific meeting in terms of fulfilling the foreseen objectives of networking and knowledge sharing among the scientists, policy authorities and all other stakeholders that helped adding more scientific value on buffalo research and development and addressing the key issues of buffalo production and its sustainable development. Considering the huge food, economic and overall value of buffalo in Asia, the research and development of this sector is crucial.

A two days' pre-congress training program on "Buffalo Reproductive Biotechnology" was also conducted with the with the assistance of International Buffalo Federation and Department of Livestock Services, Bangladesh. 12 trainees from Bangladesh and 8 trainees from Nepal took part in the training program.

**The full house of the Congress Assembly unanimously approved the following resolutions:**

1. The next congress i.e. 12<sup>th</sup> Asian Buffalo Congress will be held in Pakistan. Professor Dr. Muhammad Ijaz, Department of Veterinary medicine, University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Lahore, Pakistan was elected as Next President of Asian Buffalo Association. He will organize the 12<sup>th</sup> Asian Buffalo Congress in Pakistan.
2. The present constitution of Asian Buffalo Congress needs to be improved. The following committee will work on the draft constitution of Asian Buffalo Congress and will submit it to next Asian Buffalo Congress Assembly for approval
  - i. Professor Dr. Md. Omar Faruque, Bangladesh Convener
  - ii. Professor Dr. Muhammad Ijaz, Pakistan Member
  - iii. Dr. Inderjeet Singh, India Member
  - iv. Professor DR. Antonio Borghese, Italy Member
  - v. Professor Dr. Bhuminand Devkota, Nepal Member
  - vi. Dr. Ashok Kumar Balhara, India MemberThe committee can co-opt any member if it is necessary.

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- 3 Asian Buffalo Association will continue its effort to develop strong collaboration and partnership among national and international buffalo research/development institutions and professional bodies in Asia and World.



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Chair, Organizing Committee,  
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