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ACC FOUNDING ANNIV PROG

## Farashuddin for institutional teams to curb financial graft

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BANGLADESH Bank former governor Mohammed Farashuddin on Tuesday suggested forming institutional teams involving the National Board of Revenue, the central bank and Anti-Corruption Commission to stop financial corruption at the very be-

ginning of the menace.

'The ACC should unearth the processes of corruption with a view to wiping it out at the beginning. Formation of institutional teams involving the NBR, Bangladesh Bank and ACC could hold the rein of corruption,' he said, speaking as chief guest at a meeting, marking the ACC's 13th founding anniversary at

the Shilpakala Academy in the capital.

ACC should focus on capturing the big-shots instead of arresting the smaller ones on graft charges to get positive results of the anti-graft campaigns, he said, adding: 'There are no other ways to stop or prevent corruption for ensuring sustainable economic and social

development.'

He put emphasis on creating awareness against graft, saying it is impossible for the ACC alone to stop the menace as a major part of society is involved with corruption.

Speaking on the occasion, ACC chairman Iqbal Mahmood said, 'We have never claimed complete success in containing corruption. But, we are relentlessly working to stop corruption before its happening.'

He hoped to prevent corruption with collective efforts of all the stakeholders such as the government officials, the civil society members and the media.

The ACC was established on November 21 in 2004 in line with the Anti-Corruption Commission Act, 2004.

The commission has been working relentlessly to effectively fight against corruption since its inception.

Marking the founding anniversary, the ACC chairman hoisted the national flag as well as the commission's flag at 9:30am and released pigeons, festoons and balloons at 9:45am Tuesday at its headquarters at Segunbagicha in Dhaka.



Anti-Corruption Commission chairman Iqbal Mahmood inaugurates the commission's 13th founding anniversary programmes by releasing balloons in Dhaka on Tuesday. — New Age photo