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Message

Note is the medium of transaction and also the assets of human being and it is needed and used by everybody from the lowest income earner to the richest man. But counterfeit note is just waste paper to its carrier. It brings a lot of unexpected suffering to the people along with losing his assets. It spikes inflation and destabilizes a country. Apart from this it diminishes the confidence on a currency. Thus counterfeit note adversely affects the economy and the people of a country. In order to mollify the problem, Bangladesh Bank, in addition to incorporation of a modern security features in the notes, has taken a number of steps to raise awareness among the people. People from all strata should also come forward to uproot this problem. As part of corporate social responsibility, International Institute of Currency Technology (IICT) in collaboration with Bangladesh Bank held an awareness seminar in August 2014 for the cash handling officials of commercial banks and financial institute. IICT also jointly organized such seminar, in branches of Bangladesh Bank across the country, with Bangladesh Institute of Bank Management.

I am very happy that IICT has again come forward to organize another seminar exclusively for the blind people of our country. This is a unique attempt since such an event never took place in the past. Participation of the blind in the proposed seminar, will open an opportunity to make their knowledge more effective in note identification. I earnestly believes that the initiative proposed by the IICT will largely redress the sufferings of the blind and will raise a sense of responsibility among other participants to care for the handicapped people in the society. This will part of Bangladesh Banks initiatives regarding financial inclusion and financial literacy.

I wish the seminar a brilliant success.

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