

## **Prof. Gitiara Nasreen**

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### ***Excerpts***

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### ***Bio***

#### **Scholar Information**

- **Title:** Professor
- **Discipline:** Communications
- **Specialization:** Communications
- **Home Institution:** University of Dhaka
- **City:** Dhaka
- **Country:** Bangladesh
- **Degree**
- MA (Journ), MA (Pol. Sc, Hawaii), MA.(Comm, Hawaii) PhD (Hawaii).
- **Area of interest**
- Gender and Media, Popular Cinema

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Gitiara Nasreen, presented the keynote paper in which she said that according to Press Information Department statistics 2012 there are 1,187 registered newspapers, 44 television channels and 14 community radios in the country. She said urban areas are only eight per cent of the country's total size and only 28.9 per cent of total population live in urban areas but media focus more on urban areas. Newspapers have published 8.83 per cent news, televisions 8.64 per cent and radios 1.92 per cent news on village and different remote areas, said Gitiara. She said newspapers cover only 16 per cent news on women, televisions 14 per cent and radios 22 per cent Information minister Hasanul Haque Inu said journalists should keep the facts in mind as women and villages were neglected in media news. Criticizing the role of media, She said there was no talk show on the discrimination against women, especially the women farmers who did not get farmer cards.