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Around 10 million Bangladesh citizens are living different parts of the world, among them 2.4 million Bangladeshi are living abroad permanently either as citizens of those countries or with other valid documents, who are called as Non-Resident Bangladeshis popularly known as NRBs. The huge remittance sent by the NRBs living abroad tremendously advancing the pace of development in Bangladesh.

More than 15 million of Bangladeshi expatriates & NRB's have been living in the USA, United Kingdom, European countries, Australia, Malaysia, Singapore, UAE and Japan since many years. Even before the independence of Bangladesh, they are naturalized citizens of those countries or permanent residents. These Bangladeshi expatriates went to those countries in search of better life and eventually got settled there. May be they are doing some Jobs or business enterprises. They are highly benefitted in terms of earnings. Among these expatriates some have invested in Bangladesh as it has become a safe haven for investment. They are big entrepreneurs. Bangladesh expatriates have invested in Banking, Insurance, Export & import and various other industries infrastructure. They are recognized as established businessmen & industrialists. And the government has recognized their significant contributions. We expect them to come forward investing in Bangladesh. If so this could change the total economy of our country. Of course favorable political environment is a pre-condition for such as economic development.

Bangladesh government is working pro-actively with the NRB cell to enjoy co-ordination support from a cross-ministerial NRB Task Force and match-making support from the NRB Marketplace. The Bangladeshi Investment Development Authority (BIDA) is ready to provide investment coordination within relevant government agencies and with the private sector. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Expatriate Welfare and Overseas Employment are already reaching out to the NRBs in various countries.

These potential Bangladeshi expatriates living abroad now deeply thinking to find practical ways and means to achieve the nearest goal of becoming a middle-income Nation by 2021. May Almighty grant them success.

We, the Bangladeshis living anywhere in the world also wish every success. As it is said any true endeavor always results in positive reply.



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Aziz Ahmad

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It is a shared dream for all of us to have gone abroad to build a meaningful and important future by which we can own genuine success and accomplishment, And we, who have taken the risk in some foreign land, eventually become our country's representatives. We help multiple our country's reputation day

after day and our Bangladesh gets new identity. Many meritorious Bangladeshis have stamped their solid feet in foreign land, earning due honor. They have upheld the national identity while taking their own exponentially further. One such person I would like to

introduce is Aziz Ahmad. Aziz is an expatriate Bangladeshi American. He has earned considerable recognition as a top Bangladeshi Business and technology magnate in the USA, beginning with his early days as AT&T's lead architect for the 21st Century Network; to his current



identity as a senior CEO in the greater New York technology ecosystem—and globally. Aziz is, all in one, a businessman, engineer, researcher and teacher. He lives in the nearby state of New Jersey with his wife and three children. His business corporate office located in Manhattan, his computer software and services business spread all over the globe, touching the USA, Europe and Asia. For the last two and a half a decade, Aziz has also acted as an information technology & telecommunication-related coordination policy and advisor for a number of regional, national and global entities. As an Asian-American living in United States, Aziz has also been a prominent leader of curating address and solutions spanning all sectors of Business, Science, Industry/Culture, Sport, Education and Human Welfare. Mr. Ahmad co-founded CodersTrust,

It is to bring applied education to the 99% with special focus in ICT. The concept is to minimize cost and supply education globally through an online platform supported by human mentors. The objective is to provide a 'learn, earn and pay back' concept, which can remove barriers for even the poorest to develop their own skills and lifestyle. CodersTrust empowers young talented individuals by giving them the tools to change their lives and prospects for the future. Aziz, who was the lead architect of the telecommunications firm AT&T's 21st Century Network, modeling the future of telecommunications 50 years forward. He also represented AT&T's Next Generation Internet (NGI) team long before the mainstream commercial advent of the Internet. The fruit of his team's very successful 1990's research were Broadbands, Voice over Internet

(VoIP) Multi wavelength optical Technology (DWDM) and other vital innovations.

Aziz is the recipient of the City University of New York's First Asian American Distinguished Alumni Award. He was inducted into the Wall of Honor at the Grove School of Engineering (the City College of City University of New York). Aziz is the recipient of SBA Emerging Leader by Small Business Administration (SBA). Aziz is perhaps the first Bangladeshi American, who was honored both in NASDAQ and New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) closing bells ceremony for his significant business success and many philanthropic endeavors. Most recently, Mr. Ahmad was recognized by NYC Mayor Bill de Blasio, NYS Attorney General Letitia James and NYS Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli for vital contributions to New York City's thriving business and technology sectors.

A leading community leader and benefactor, Aziz has established both the 'Aziz Ahmad Leadership Lectures Series' and an entrepreneurship institute at the City College of New York, CUNY, where Fortune 500 corporate leaders are invited to offer keynote speeches. His panel participation and key note speeches, including, but not limited to, World Economic Forum (WEF) in Davos, United Nations, Helsinki, NYC Digital Summit to name a few. Aziz's relentless effort is to serve society at large. He has served on the board of various educational and non-profit institutions, including: The High School for Enterprise, Business, and Technology of NYC department of Education, the Engineering Leadership Council at the Grove School of Engineering at the City College of New York, the Economic Development Committee appointed by Mayor of Marlboro Township of the State of New Jersey. Aziz's honors include his B.Sc. in Electrical Engineering, and his Master of Engineering (ME) degree, both from New York City College of City University of New York (CUNY) and Executive Management Program from Tuck School of Business of Dartmouth College. ◀

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Entrepreneurship is one of the most effective tools for development of fast changing world. Great entrepreneurs have the ability to change the way we live and work. In this 4IR, a vast part of socio-economic control is in the hands of the talented entrepreneurs. Abubokor Hanip is one such talented entrepreneur and educationist who hails from Bangladesh and by himself grown to an industry. His experiences make him a skillful man who believes that right mental attitude, skills and determination can take one to the pinnacle of success.

Born at Cheora village of Nangalkot Upazila in Cumilla, Engineer Abubokor Hanip came to America after completing Bachelor of Science in EEE from Chittagong University of Engineering and Technology with a view to taking higher education and changing his fortune. But, he was disappointed because his dream was busted while he wasn't able to get a job by making use of his Engineering credential and was compelled to do odd jobs like others. He struggled

and obtained the Master's in Computer Science from NYIT with almost CGPA 4.0 which eventually didn't help him to get a job right away. He was disappointed further but didn't turn down. He pursued some skill development courses in Oracle, Unix, Java etc. and achieved Vendor Certifications to improve his skills and was able to get a job with \$75,000 yearly. He wasn't satisfied even after getting a better job and working for IBM, DoD, IRS, FDIC and Oracle Corporation. His thoughts were anxious to help other Bangladeshi Immigrants and started training them with a view to developing human resources. He believes the image of our motherland will be brightened when the Bangladeshi Immigrants get mainstream jobs. When he saw the success, he gave it institutional structure and established PeopleNTech Institute of Information Technology (PIIT) (www.piit.us) to provide IT training programs especially for those who were earning minimum wages so that all immigrants can get opportunities.

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With classes held simultaneously in classrooms in NY, NJ, VA, PA and PIIT also offers live interactive online classes around the world. Since its inception in 2005, his institute PIIT has successfully trained and placed over 7000 trainees into IT positions who are earning yearly 100k to 200k. These students came from all walks of life, including cab drivers, gas station attendants, restaurant waiters and university graduates. Even though he started with Bangladeshis, now immigrants from all countries including Americans are also studying in his institution. Engr. Hanip has been implementing the innovative skill development model and job placement service through PIIT and PeopleNTech LLC in the USA, Canada, Bangladesh and beyond for the last fifteen

years using the concept "A Dynamic Teaching Learning Methodology Enabling Fresh Graduates Starting Career at Mid-Level", Mr. Hanip's paper explaining his methodology is in the process of publishing in International Journal. He recently acquired IGLOBAL UNIVERSITY (www.igu.edu). His dream is to establish this University as a role-model university in the USA and worldwide where 100% of its fresh graduates will be able to start their career at least at mid-level right after their graduation. IGLOBAL UNIVERSITY students will earn Degree, Job Skills, Vendor Certificates and their Dream Job assistance. Mr. Hanip and his wife Farhana live in Great Falls, VA with their three daughters Nafisa, Preetata and Elaf. ◀





ARCHITECT OF GLOBAL INNOVATION AND COMPASSIONATE LEADERSHIP

Anis Uzzaman

General Partner & CEO
Fenox Venture Capital
Chairman
Startup World Cup

In the heart of Silicon Valley, where innovation thrives and dreams take flight, stands a remarkable individual who has defied stereotypes and redefined the landscape of global venture capitalism. Anis Uzzaman, a visionary leader and the Chief Executive Officer of Fenox Venture Capital, embodies the synergy of intellect, empathy, and strategic prowess that drives the world's most successful enterprises.

Anis Uzzaman is at the helm of Fenox Venture Capital, a trailblazing global venture capital firm that propels promising emerging technology companies into the

stratosphere of success. With a headquarters nestled amidst the innovative fervor of Silicon Valley, Fenox Venture Capital serves as a beacon of transformation, offering both intellectual and financial capital to exceptional startups across continents.

What sets Fenox apart is not just its traditional investment approach, but the innovative Venture Capital-as-a-Service (VCaaS) model. Uzzaman's ingenuity has forged strategic partnerships between cutting-edge startups and corporate giants yearning to harness transformative technology. This distinctive approach reflects his

commitment to bridging the gap between ambition and opportunity, nurturing innovation on a global scale.

Breaking the mold of conventional thinking, Anis Uzzaman transcends cultural boundaries with his tenacity and commitment. A Bangladeshi Origin American, he dismantles preconceptions about cultural stereotypes with his relentless dedication to excellence. Through his stewardship, Fenox Venture Capital's investments span continents, embracing North America, Asia, and Europe, underlining his unyielding belief in the universal power of innovation.



At the core of Anis Uzzaman's ethos lies a profound quote by India's esteemed former president and nuclear scientist, APJ Abdul Kalam Azad. "There is nothing to boost being meritorious, evil is also meritorious. If someone doesn't have humanity and honesty, his or her merit will be denied." This wisdom reverberates through Uzzaman's life and work, shaping his commitment to humanity, honesty, and authenticity.

Anis Uzzaman's unwavering belief in the potential of humanity to build a world of well-being and peace is evident in his actions. His life's philosophy champions the fusion of intellect and empathy, demonstrating that true merit is only amplified when coupled with unwavering humanity and honesty. Uzzaman's expertise as a distinguished investment expert is not only evident in his role as Fenox Venture Capital's CEO but also in his approach to the art of investment. His keen insights into business and

industry dynamics, coupled with his unerring understanding of entrepreneurs' needs, make him a luminary in the field.

Fenox Venture Capital, under his discerning leadership, sets stringent standards for investment. Meticulously evaluating the quality of management and technical prowess before investing, Uzzaman ensures that the investments align with future success. His tireless research into profitable investment avenues reflects his commitment to the prosperity of both startups and the global market.

Anis Uzzaman's indomitable spirit radiates through Pegasus Global Corporate Network, a testament to his ability to forge connections across the globe. This expansive network extends its investments to illustrious corporations, touching a spectrum of industries such as consumer electronics, automotive, gaming, health, and pharmaceuticals. Uzzaman's leadership charts a trajectory of

innovation, economic growth, and strategic collaboration that transcends borders.

Beyond the boardroom, Anis Uzzaman is an ardent advocate for his homeland, Bangladesh. His optimism is rooted in the remarkable resilience and hard work of its people. Recognizing the global influence of talented Bangladeshis, he envisions a brighter image of Bangladesh, shaped by their achievements across the world.

Anis Uzzaman's journey from Silicon Valley to the global forefront of venture capitalism is an odyssey defined by humanity, innovation, and a relentless pursuit of excellence. His life's work epitomizes the transformative power of intellect fused with empathy and unwavering integrity. As an unassailable beacon of inspiration, he navigates the intricate realms of investment, entrepreneurship, and global progress with a heart that beats for the upliftment of humanity. ◀

EVERYONE DREAMS OWN HOME AND WE WORK FOR THIS PURPOSE

Abdulaziz Khan, CIP

Owner, Investor and Managing Director
Abdulaziz Khan Real Estate W.L.L.



To materialize dreams, we need perseverance, pursuit and determination to reach goals. Mr. Abdulaziz Khan CIP is an expatriate entrepreneur and visionary. He has obtained prominence as a real estate businessman in Qatar. The enlightened business personality living in Qatar came from a business family of Ishwardi in Pabna district, Bangladesh. He was born on February 1, 1965. His parents are late Mohammed Abul Hossain Khan and late Surja Banu. Mr. Abdulaziz Khan has formed a trust in the name of his parents through which he provides assistance to the needy and helpless people of the area in times of various calamities. From a young age, Abdulaziz Khan had the desire to go abroad. He thought it would be fun to get on a plane. Hearing of his interest, his parents laughed and prayed fervently. His wish came true in 1989. Abdulaziz Khan, a young entrepreneur, went to Qatar on January 5, 1989. He worked for Qatar Petrochemical Company for 5 years. He later started food business and ran it for six

years. The dream of becoming a big business entrepreneur was always on his mind. At one stage he chose Qatar's real estate business and founded Abdulaziz Khan Real Estate W.L.L in 2001. He calculated that it's wisest to find work in the construction industry since everyone needs a home. And it is possible to benefit people besides running the business. Abdulaziz Khan, an enterprising and forward-thinking man, at present is very popular in real estate sector in Qatar especially in the Bangladesh community because, he has provided apartments for many people as per their demand. Abdulaziz Khan has invested in apartment business in different places like Lusail city, the Pearl City and Doha city. He used to buy apartments and sell them to others. He also rents apartments. Regarding business experience, he understands the needs of any class of people. Now, many recall Abdulaziz Khan Real Estate W.L.L to find their own homes. Abdulaziz Khan is a loyal businessman and a patriotic



Bangladeshi. Although he is leading a luxurious life abroad he did not forget his country even for a moment. He sends money to his own country from abroad because he knows how important foreign currency is to the country. For the foreign expatriates like them, Bangladesh's foreign exchange reserves are growing day by day and it has already surpassed 35 billion dollars. Abdulaziz Khan has been awarded four times as a Commercial Important Person (CIP) by the Government of Bangladesh for his contribution as a successful businessman. He has been elected CIP in 2009, 2013, 2017 and 2019. His father was a

well-known businessman in Ishwardi. They had a bakery business during the Pakistan period. Following his father's footsteps, he became a businessman. Abdulaziz Khan, lively and friendly in nature, is the Joint Secretary of the NRB CIP Association, Qatar and an advisor to the Bangladesh Community in Qatar. He is not involved in any party politics, but his politics is the politics of development of Bangladesh. He believes if the country is free from corruption and if all political parties work together for development without any discrimination, Bangladesh will be able to achieve its desired goal. ◀



SOARING TO SUCCESS WITH SUPERIOR SERVICE AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Abdullah Al Mamun, Managing Director, US-Bangla Group

US-Bangla Airlines has become a household name in Bangladesh since its inception in 2014. The private sector airline has made significant contributions to the country's air communication system and has set a unique precedent in passenger service. In this article, we will delve deeper into the airline's success story and explore the reasons behind its remarkable achievements.

US-Bangla's Fleet

US-Bangla's fleet is one of the most modern and diversified in Bangladesh. The airline has a total of 16 aircraft, including six Boeing 737-800, seven brand new ATR 72-600 and three Dash8-Q400. The airline's focus on brand new aircraft is a testament to its commitment to providing proper service to passengers. Brand new aircraft are more reliable and efficient, resulting in a smoother flying experience for passengers.

US-Bangla's Operations

US-Bangla has made significant contributions to the country's air communication system by operating flights to all airports within Bangladesh within the first year of its operations. The airline has also expanded its operations to international destinations, including India, Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, China, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, and the United Arab Emirates. US-Bangla's expansion into international destinations has helped to strengthen Bangladesh's connectivity with other countries, facilitating trade and tourism.

US-Bangla's On-time Performance

US-Bangla has a record of operating more than 90% on-time flights since its inception. The airline's commitment to on-time performance is a



testament to its efficiency and professionalism. On-time performance is essential for airlines as it helps to build trust and confidence among passengers. US-Bangla's ability to consistently operate flights on time has helped to establish its reputation as a reliable and trustworthy airline.

US-Bangla's Passenger Service

US-Bangla has set a unique precedent in passenger service by providing a range of special services to passengers. One of the notable services is the delivery of luggage in just 15 minutes after landing the international flight. US-Bangla is constantly working to establish the idea that "you will not wait for

luggage but luggage will wait for you". Besides, there are various facilities for senior citizens, including a 20 percent discount.

US-Bangla's Online Services

US-Bangla has also embraced technology to enhance its services to passengers. The airline has websites and mobile apps for collecting tickets, making it easier for passengers to book their flights. There are also home delivery facilities, making it more convenient for passengers to receive their tickets. US-Bangla's use of technology has helped to streamline its operations and improve the overall passenger experience.

US-Bangla's Skystar Program

US-Bangla's Skystar program is a loyalty program that rewards frequent flyers with a range of benefits, including discounts on flights, priority check-in, and access to exclusive lounges. The Skystar program has been well received by passengers, and it has helped to establish US-Bangla as a preferred airline for frequent travelers.

US-Bangla's Human Resource Management

US-Bangla currently has about 1,800 officers and employees at home and abroad. The airline's human resource management practices are focused on creating a positive work environment and providing opportunities for growth and development.

US-Bangla's commitment to its employees has helped to create a motivated and committed workforce, which has contributed to the airline's success.

US-Bangla's Corporate Social Responsibility US-Bangla is committed to corporate social responsibility and has undertaken various initiatives to give aid to underprivileged people of the society. The airline has provided financial assistance to various organizations and individuals in need. US-Bangla has also supported various social and cultural events, promoting Bangladesh's rich cultural heritage. ◀





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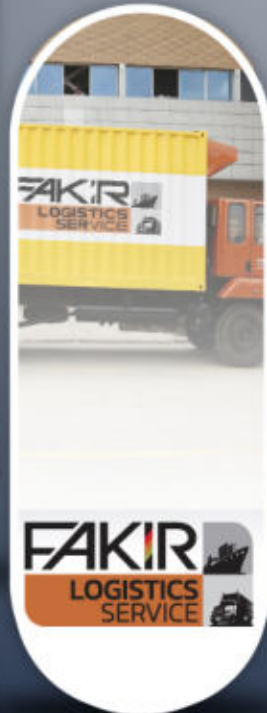
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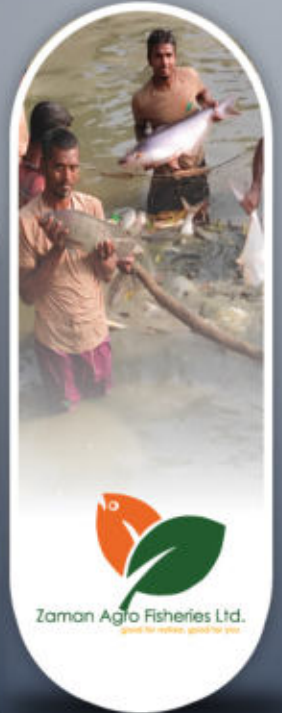
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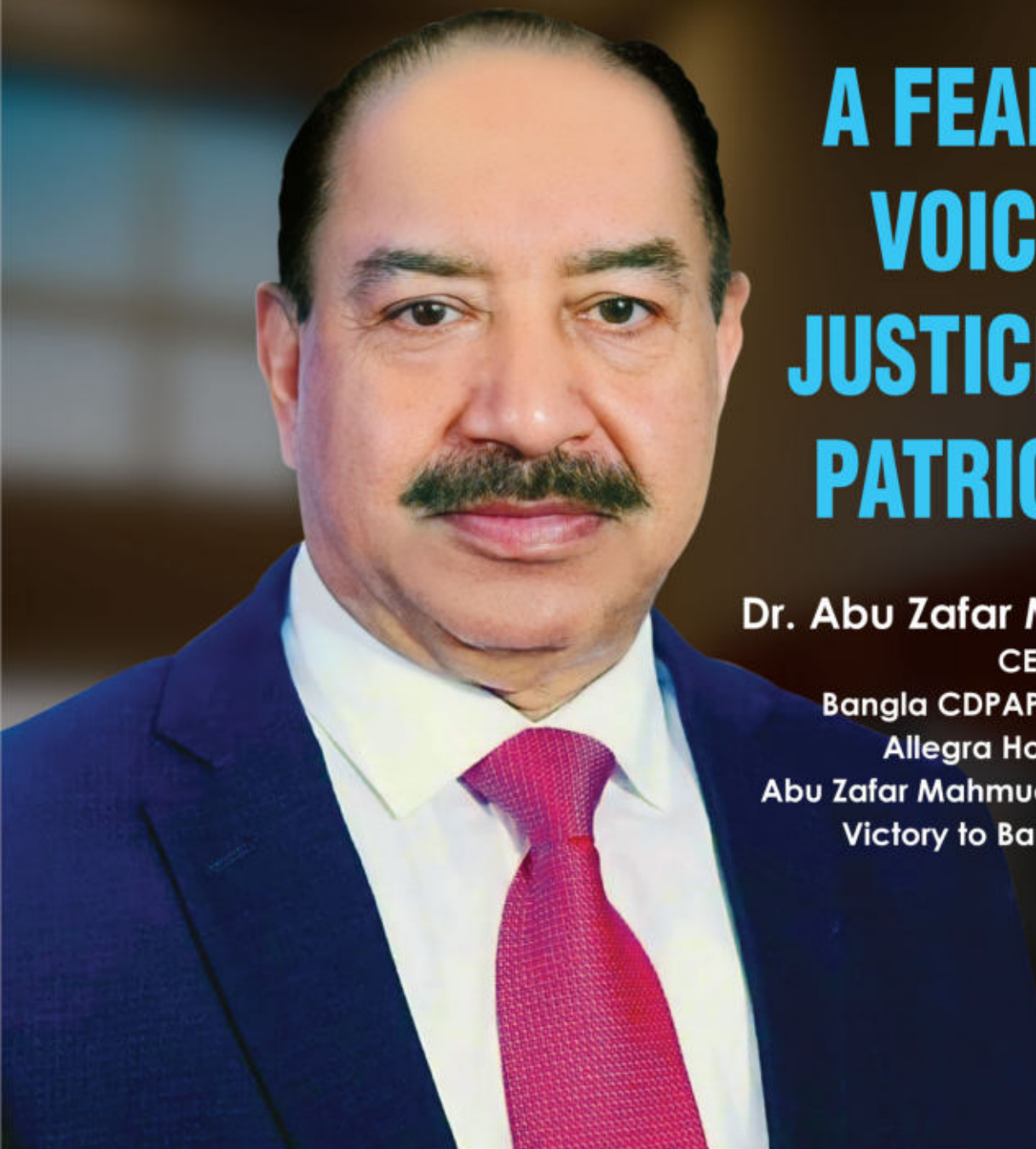


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Abu Zafar Mahmood, an iconic figure among Bangladeshi Americans in the United States, stands as a testament to the indomitable spirit of freedom and justice. His unwavering commitment to the principles of patriotism, truth, and honesty has left an indelible mark on the pages of history. Born in the historic town of Sadwip in Chittagong in 1948, Mahmood's

journey from a student activist to a fearless freedom fighter and advocate for a corruption-free Bangladesh has inspired generations. Abu Zafar Mahmood's early life was marked by a thirst for knowledge and an innate sense of justice. He pursued his higher education at the prestigious University of Chittagong, where he obtained his master's degree.

It was during his student years that Mahmood's vocal stance against injustice began to shape his identity as a champion of truth and equality. The influence of his upbringing, instilled by his father, the late Haji Md. Musa Mia, played a pivotal role in nurturing his values. As Mahmood's journey continued, his voice grew stronger, echoing across the



corridors of the university and beyond. He fearlessly spoke out against oppression and inequality, becoming a vocal advocate for justice. This fervent spirit eventually led him to take a

brave step into the pages of history as a freedom fighter during the liberation war of Bangladesh. During the tumultuous period of the liberation war, Mahmood's courage shone brightly. His

resolute determination to fight for the liberation of Bangladesh was fueled by his unwavering patriotism. His words and actions during this critical time were a source of inspiration for countless individuals, galvanizing them to stand up against tyranny and fight for their homeland's independence.

Post-liberation, Abu Zafar Mahmood's influence continued to resonate. His commitment to the truth and his unflinching dedication to the principles of honesty and integrity made him a respected figure not only among Bangladeshis but also within the broader global community. His speeches, consistently touching upon the sacrifices made during the liberation war, urged subsequent generations to uphold the values that the war was fought for.

Mahmood's vision for Bangladesh was one of hope and optimism, rooted in wisdom and honesty. He ardently believed that a nation led by wise and honest individuals could overcome any challenge and forge a prosperous future. His call for a corruption-free society and governance reflected his deep-seated belief that a true patriot never bows to external influences. Abu Zafar Mahmood's life is a testament to the power of one individual's unwavering commitment to justice, freedom, and the betterment of society. His journey from a student activist to a fearless freedom fighter to a beacon of inspiration for future generations encapsulates the essence of a true patriot. Abu Zafar Mahmood's legacy continues to remind us that, in the face of adversity, courage, truth, and a resolute spirit can shape history and pave the way for a brighter future. ◀

THE EXPATRIATES ARE THE REAL HEROES OF BANGLADESH BECAUSE THEY SACRIFICE MORE THAN OTHERS

Abubaker Siddique Rana

President

Korea-Bangladesh Business Council

CEO, Prime Group, Seoul, South Korea



Many young enthusiasts could highlight the proud position of Bangladesh before the outside world. One of those is Abubaker Siddique Rana. He is the general Secretary of Korea- Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce (KBCC) This enthusiast organizer is a member of Executive Board, World Bangladesh Organization (WBO) based in Paris, France. Ex-Vice President of Seoul City, Foreign resident Council, Ex-Founder President of Bangladesh Community in Korea (BCK), Vice President of Global Alliance (GBA), a popular organizer of 2016 who contributed a great role held in Kua Lampur, Malaysia the first Business World Global Summit (WBO) formation. He joined IST CONE Convention as Representation from South Korea in 2019. Since his childhood he was meritorious and organization oriented, Rana is a strong believer in the ideals of the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Shekh Mujibur Rahman. Rana is International organizing secretary of Bangabandhu Parishod Central Committee & President of South Korea Bangabandhu Parishod. Siddique is a special business entrepreneur living abroad. He is the Founder & CEO of prime Travels. He is a Rotarian and general Secretary of Rotary Seoul Yongsan-3650. He is the Editor of online journal bdnewsprotidin.com. He is the advisor of Bangladesh student Association in Korea (BSAK), Founder Ex-General Secretary of Bangladesh Awami League, South Korea, also founder of Zaffran Mart, popular Zaffran Restaurant, Dosh Travel & tours, Malaysia Branch. Meritorious, Smart and far-sighted businessman Rana was a student of Dhaka Tejgaon College. Rana graduated from Hanyang University in tourism & hotel management & now he is studying in Masters in tourism at Hanyang University, South Korea. Rana while abroad felt the need for root crisis. Being imbued to develop foundation of korea-Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce (KBCC).

Dr. Woo Saug Min, President; Ms. Jeon GM Bun; Vice President; Mr. Oh Kyong in, Chief Advisor of the Chamber respectively. He considers Bangladesh is a country of



potentialities; He says wherever we stay we should work together for the development of Bangladesh. So we founded KBCC. According to Rana- Best Banglee of thousand years, the father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman who dreamt of sonar Bangla-his daughter peoples' Leader Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has been implementing that dream come to reality. Bangladesh is marching ahead. In near future, Bangladesh will place herself to the row of developed countries. He says when we receive any good news about our country, we get exhilarated. Our foreign currency reserve now reach 32 Million US dollars and per capital at US\$2100. And the country's image is being brightened day after day. The role behind this-is the contribution of expatriate Bangladeshis. He thinks, the expatriates are the real heroes of Bangladesh because they sacrifice more than others.

Abubaker Siddique Rana is a well known person in the Republic of Korea among foreigners and locals. Prime Group founded and directed by Abu Baker Siddique Rana. This Group has been rendering inbound & ground tour services, cargo services, telephone services, money exchange services since 2008, being abroad, Rana has been taking a part in the development of Bangladesh. ◀





UNLOCKING AFRICA'S POTENTIAL FOR BANGLADESHI ENTREPRENEURS

Abul Hussain
 Founder and CEO
 Fazila Group
 Honorary Consul, Uganda

Abul Hussain is one of those businessmen of Bangladesh who not only thinks about personal development but also keeps his country's betterment at the forefront of his activities. He is Managing Director and CEO of Fazilla group of companies and the honorary consul of Uganda in Bangladesh. He is also the secretary of the Standing Committee for African affairs. He is an active member and ex-director of Dhaka Chamber. When Abul Hussain travelled to Uganda in 2008 as a member of a delegation of businessmen he was offered the post of honorary consul by the President of Uganda Yoweri Museveni himself. During the Bangladesh Uganda bilateral talks

the president urged Abul Hussain to take the responsibility of the consul of Uganda to Bangladesh since there is no embassy or consulate of Uganda there. He opined that the establishment of the office of an honorary consul will assist in bilateral trade between the countries. Abul Hussain accepted the president's proposition and with the approval of the foreign ministry of Bangladesh started operating the consulate of Uganda since 2009. Abul Hussain stated that there are a lot of trade potential in African countries including Uganda. Uganda is double the size of Bangladesh and has a population of more than 4 crore. There is a lot of uncultivated land there. The fertility of land in Uganda is 1.5 times more

than that of Bangladesh. According to agricultural scientists the nutrient rich topsoil in Bangladesh is only one inch deep where as in Uganda it is 12 inch deep meaning soil of Uganda can be used to produce more crops. The country is rich in Gold, Copper and Oil. Cotton, Coffee, Tea, Fruits, Horticulture and many more are being cultivated. There are tourism scopes here too. Mountain Gorillas can be seen in the Safari parks. The young but experienced business leader Abul Hussain says the population of Bangladesh is more than 17 crore. Bangladesh is currently on its way to becoming a developed country very soon. Currently the availability of farmland is decreasing in Bangladesh. With the passage of

time it will decrease even further due to industrialisation. There will come a time when there will be scarcity of cultivatable land. This is a common scenario all over the world in developing countries. The world will reach the time when there will be no cultivatable land anywhere else except Africa. So Bangladesh needs to utilise this scope to acquire land for cultivation, industrialisation and use it's market to export its products to Africa. Africa can be used to cultivate fruits too. Africa is a huge market for our locally produced garments, plastic, ceramics, jute and jute goods and pharmaceuticals. Africa is the second largest continent in terms of area and population. There are 54 independent countries and a population of 100 crore. All sectors are open to investment.

Countries which were once affected by wars, famine, terrorism or corruption are now stable and safe. Uganda, Ethiopia, Malawi and Ghana are politically stable countries. Morocco, Tanzania, Kenya and Rwanda are also stable. These backward countries can bring immense opportunities to the Agriculture, Pharmaceutical and Technology sectors. The infrastructure sector of these war-torn countries can also act as investment hubs for Bangladesh. Abul Hussain the honorary consul of Uganda informed that the bilateral trade and diplomatic ties between the two countries have been strengthened in the past 11 years. Their investment policies are very lucrative. Anyone can invest any moment they desire and also withdraw the amount with profit to take back to the home country anytime. He quoted Museveni as saying, "this is a country with a free market economy similar to Singapore and Hong Kong. You can invest at night and pullback in the morning.". They have duty free tax free services for foreigners. Husain



adds there is a huge demand for Bangladeshi products in Africa. Pran group has marketed a lot of products in Africa already. It is possible to create a mini Bangladesh within every African country if the Bangladesh Bank and Government ease the policies. It will also create a lot of employment. The optimistic Husain mentions that there is immense potential for the young generation in African Hi tech and IT sector. There is potential for the software companies too. The countries there have just started developing and it's the right time for Bangladesh to think about opportunities in Africa. He went on saying China, India, Europe and American countries have already

invested but Bangladeshi businessmen are unable to do so due to the legal hassles present in our policies. He urges the government and all concerned to remove all legal barriers and simplify policies to encourage investment there. Abul Hasan informed that there are complications related to manpower export to Africa. But an initiative can be taken to send workers for Agro and Pharmaceutical industries with the help of technical employment policies. Abul Hussain looks at Africa as the new development partner of Bangladesh. He thinks it can be haven for Bangladeshi entrepreneurs. ◀



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Taj Accountants is a flagship and multi-award winning company with Abul Hyat Nurujjaman at the helm as the Managing Director. It is a British-Bangladeshi originated Accounting Practicing firm located in London, the United Kingdom which offers Accounting and Taxation services and Consultancy for Business Start-Ups. Taj Accountants, a group of experts, aim to pave a progressive financial path for the firm and its clients with the highest technology available. The company has developed a strong website, and writes regular accounting updates for TV channels, newspapers, radio and via their own magazine and YouTube channel. With his dedication and hard work, Taj

Accountants is a flagship and multi-award winning company accountancy firm. Apart from being the Managing Director of Taj Accountants, Mr. Nurujjaman is the President of the London Region for the British Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BBCCI) for the term of 2019-2021. He is one of the youngest directors in the British Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry and performed the role of director of International Affairs in 2017-2019. With years of hard-work and dedication, Abul got recognized globally and won many prestigious awards. Among all his top accomplishments, Abul was awarded "AAT's Licenced Member of the Year 2017" as part of the qualification and professional body's

Annual Conference, to recognize the sophisticated use of his marketing strategy and use of technology to help improve business practice. After winning the award he was featured in the cover of Accounting Technician (AT) Magazine as a success story, in 2017. Taj Accountants was awarded as the best accountant, three times in a row by Three Best Rated®. Previously 2018 and 2017 Taj Accountants, got recognized as a top accountant in Tower Hamlets by Three Best Rated® and The Best Accountant in London of 2019. Abul received the "Small Business of the Year 2019" at the 3rd London Asian Business Awards 2019 for Taj Accountants. With Abul in the helm, Taj Accountants received the prestigious 'Best Small Business Accountants Award'



from the renowned Sunrise (Spectrum) Bangla radio station. The award was presented to mark Sunrise's 23rd Anniversary on the 9th of April 2017 in a grand ceremony in the Brady Art Centre. Taj Accountants received this award due to their contribution to accounting and taxation services for small and medium-sized businesses based in London and the surrounding areas as well as his contributions to the community. Apart from his professional achievements, Abul works closely with many charities and has been recognized nationally and internationally for his charitable activities. He has been given a special award in recognition of his and Taj Accountants' service to the community and contributions to community activities as the "Award for Community Service 2016-17". The award was conferred on him by the Mayor of Brent Council, Cllr Mr. Parvez Ahmed on 22nd March 2017 in a short formal ceremony at the Mayor's parlour. In 2016, Mr. Nurujaman and his

team raised more than 60,000(GBP) for Syrian refugees as part of the Human Relief Foundation appeal. As part of the challenge to raise funds, he trekked more than 90 km along the Great Wall of China.

For his impeccable knowledge in taxation and accounting business, Mr. Abul Nurujaman has been invited and recognized to many prestigious TV Shows, Newspaper, Magazine and Digital Media platforms for interviews. Over the past few years, he has been featured as the cover story of AAT Industry Magazine "Accounting Technician July/August 2017 Edition"; in the Daily Star in Taxation issues in 2012; the Huffington Post for Accounting and community services, Mr. Abul Nurujaman also got interviewed on Channel 5, ATN Bangla UK, NTV Europe, Bangla TV, TVone and other TV stations. For his inspiring success story and as a motivation for Small Business Accountants in London, Mr. Abul Nurujaman has been invited in many prestigious events,

seminars, workshops as a guest Speaker and panelist. He has been a delegate in the Delegates of Bangladesh team for Public, Private Partnership Projects in Bangladesh. He was a panelist of Panel Discussions at AAT Annual Conference 2018 at Windsor focusing on "Digitalisation and Artificial Intelligence and its effect on the Accounting industry"; been on AAT's Meeting with Lloyds Bank representing AAT and has a part of AAT delegates and AAT's meeting with other stakeholders and discussions. Mr. Abul Nurujaman had arranged a seminar on "Making Tax Digital " in Association with the British Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BBCCI) and supported by TV channels and newspapers. He was a guest speaker on Making Tax Digital on the Asian Restaurant Awards, The Asian-Catering Federation at the Grand Soghaira Hotel in association with Just EAT and HSBC PopUp Weeks - Regular Presence at the Whitechapel Branch, East London. ◀

FUTURE OF BANGLADESH RELIES ON TRANSFORMING ITS PEOPLE SKILL TO HIGH VALUE TECHNOLOGY FROM LABOR INCENTIVE FARMING OR MANUFACTURING

Abul Nuruzzaman
 Partner
 Pegasus Tech Ventures
 San Jose, California

Talent and efforts are needed when someone desires to achieve something. If dream of being big in life is kept latent in mind, perseverance will bring an opportunity to implement it. Abul Nuruzzaman is one of the leading entrepreneurs in Silicon Valley, the heart of digital technology in the world today. He is a partner at Pegasus Tech Ventures in San Jose, California. It is an international venture capital firm headquartered in Silicon Valley with a vast network of 180+ startup portfolio companies in 40 countries. He looks after fund raising activities, sources and negotiates deals, and invests in



the Internet, mobile e-commerce, payments, big data, AI and emerging technologies. Abul Nuruzzaman has raised Pegasus Tech Ventures Funds for Bangladesh. Nuruzzaman is a member of the board of directors of several technology startup companies such as Ajkerdeal.com, Shohoz.com, Priyo.com and Bagdoom.com. He has played an important role in investing in technology sector in Bangladesh. His contribution, technology acumen, and leadership has directly and indirectly created thousands of job opportunities in high value technology sector in Bangladesh.

Abul Nuruzzaman, an enlightened technologist, is also a Senior Director of Product Marketing & Business Development at Xperi Corporation (Nasdaq: XPER). Xperi is based in Silicon Valley, California, which is an audio, video and 3D semiconductor technology

company with more than 2,000 employees, sells products and services under popular brands such as DTS, TiVo, IMAX Enhanced, HD Radio etc. At Xperi, Nuruzzaman leads intellectual property & technology marketing organization responsible for products generating over \$500M yearly revenue. Nuruzzaman also worked for various marketing and business development roles at very large technology companies such as Advanced Micro Devices (Nasdaq: AMD, Market Cap \$96B), Infineon, Tyco Electronics (NYSE:TEL, Market Cap \$32B) etc. In highly competitive Silicon Valley business and marketing management role, Nuruzzaman has propelled to this stage by his dedication and proven results. Although he is not a local American or native English speaker, matter of fact English is his third language after Bangla and Japanese - he is



trilingual, he understands the technology and business equivalently well, climbed up in the business and marketing management role in Silicon Valley by dint of his talents, thought leaderships, skills and work ethics.

Abul Nuruzzaman was born in a simple family at Gazipur in Bangladesh. The door of his destiny opens due to his talent in studies. He is the only boy in their area who gets a chance to get admission in Cadet College. He obtained excellent results in SSC and HSC. Thereafter, he got admitted to Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET). At that time, when the Ministry of Education of Japan offered him the opportunity to study in Japan on a scholarship, he took part in the examination of their embassy and got the highest marks. Without studying at BUET, he was got admitted to Osaka University, one of the top universities in Japan. He was the first foreign student to receive the Japanese Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship. Earlier, it was given only to Japanese students. He is the first foreigner to receive a Japanese Rotary scholarship to study at University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) in USA. Abul Nuruzzaman, a meritorious son of Bangladesh, has received many honors and opportunities in recognition of his professional achievements in life. He holds a BS degree from Osaka University, Japan and an MS degree from UCLA. Abul Nuruzzaman was a meritorious student of Mirzapur Cadet College, Bangladesh,

who also received Japanese Monbusho Scholarship and Ito Foundation Scholarship. Nuruzzaman is invited as a speaker in many international conferences.

Abul Nuruzzaman, an accomplished and self-confident technologist, says that he has got the opportunity to stay at Saratogain Silicon Valley via Tokyo, Osaka hailing from a small village of Gazipur. He saw many changes in his life's journey. It resonates in his feelings that no matter where someone is born rather, he or she can develop his position by his own efforts, intellectual thinking and perseverance and thus he can create a new world. He thinks that through his work, he is able to create thousands of 'technological jobs' in Bangladesh, create opportunities for many people to get high paying jobs, and build their career in technology. Thus, it creates a technology industry, which also indirectly creates thousands of service jobs. He believes, creating job opportunities is a great success, great satisfaction and great happiness to him.

His wife Dilruba Malik is also a Bangladeshi-American. She holds a graduate degree from the Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta. When her family moved to the United States, she started her USA journey for only 5 dollars per hour working at a McDonald's. But through her efforts and perseverance, she has been able to develop herself as a high value software engineering leader.

Now, Dilruba Malik is leading an engineering team at Palo Alto Networks as Software QA Manager. She has previously worked at Microsoft, Cisco and Hitachi. She has been invited as a 'Tech Speaker' at UCSF. She is a regular contributor to Women Tech Networks. This happy technology couple is blessed with two daughters - Arisha is 9 years old and Anisha is 7 years old.

The life story of Abul Nuruzzaman and his wife Dilruba Malik is quite interesting, a true transformation from very simple village in Bangladesh to journey to Silicon Valley, California, a technology headquarter of the world. Nuruzzaman's journey didn't end there. He constantly thought how to give back in big way, closing the loop from where the journey started. He is living proof; it does not matter where one personal live in this new technology world. One can always contribute and impact in big way if there is strong will to do so. Abul Nuruzzaman, a world-renowned technologist close to soil and people of Bangladesh, Partner of Pegasus Tech Ventures, has raised and invested millions of dollars in Bangladesh's technology industry. After Nuruzzaman and his Pegasus Tech Venture's investment, many global Venture Capital firms followed the footstep and invested multi-fold; thus, his work directly and indirectly created thousands of technological workers and local tech industry. In Nuruzzaman's own words this is far more important and gratifying than the individual success at the large corporations in the USA and Japan. Certainly, his skills and experiences as a Silicon Valley business development, product management and marketing executive and his multi-cultural Japanese background with engineering education and technology skills, plus understanding of Bangladesh- a very unique journey resulted into transformational contribution to Bangladesh's technology industry. Patriotic technologist Abul Nuruzzaman thinks, "The future of Bangladesh relies on transforming its people skill to high value technology from labor incentive manufacturing and farming" Nuruzzaman further added "If an unprivileged little boy from village of Gazipur can do it, anyone can do it". ◀



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Ahmed us Samad Chowdhury, a serial entrepreneur, philanthropist and media personality, continues to spend more time to bridging the gap between communities. He is the President of the City of Bath College of Further Education and Founder Director and Advisor of the British-Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Since coming to Britain in 1972 from Bangladesh, Ahmed has been working tirelessly to raise the profile of the British-Bangladesh community and improve racial integration for the

benefit of increasing prosperity and wellbeing. As one of the first to introduce authentic Indian cuisine to the West, he played a key role in changing British dining habits and helping to popularise the British curry as a unique dish, now more popular in the UK than fish and chips. Following the success of his award-winning restaurants in Bath and Bristol, he has built a business empire encompassing newspapers, the leading Bangladeshi TV station-Channel S, property and knitwear.

Ahmed has been named as the most influential media person and is included prominently on the British-Bangladeshi Power and Inspiration 100 each year since its inception. He continues to also feature regularly in British Bangladeshi Who's Who and many other prestigious publications.

Background & Achievements

Early Years

Born in the Sylhet region of Bangladesh, Ahmed came to Britain in 1972 for taking higher education. After gaining business management qualifications, he decided to launch his own business. Taking a loan of just £250, he set up the West Country's first Indian take-away in Bristol in 1979 before opening the award-winning Rajpoot Restaurant in Bath in 1980. Rajpoot was the lead restaurant that raised the standard of Indian cuisine in the UK. As well as winning numerous awards for fine dining, it is regularly named among the top ten Indian restaurants in the country.

Diversification

Since the mid-1990s, Ahmed has diversified into media enterprises, knitwear and property development. In 1997, he launched the first colour broadsheet newspaper for the British-Bengali community called Potrika. It is now a vibrant popular newspaper and has made a huge contribution in educating readers about the British way of life.



In early 2000, he became the Chairman of Channel S which is the most viewed Bengali channel in the UK. Later, he introduced an annual awards event in a number of different areas including education, business, culture and community work.

Integration

While Ahmed had the ambition and organisational skills to launch successful enterprises, he was aware that many Bangladeshis face great difficulties after arriving in Britain. With a view to supporting and helping them to become integrated, he set up several centres in the West Country.

In 1988, he founded the Bangladesh Women’s Group for Bristol, Bath and the West Country to help women so that they become more integrated into British society. In 1990, he set up Bangladesh House which is a centre to help the Bangladeshi community in the South-West of England that become integrated into the British way of life and get advices on important issues.

With personal donations and taking a loan on his personal assets, he founded the Bangladesh Centre in Bristol in 1993 and offered classes in English as a second language, training to help boost employment prospects, fitness classes and other activities.

Philanthropic Activities

The Community

Ahmed has put his talents to good use and donated tens of thousands of

pounds and raised millions for good causes including the children’s ward at the Royal United Hospital in Bath, Barnardos, Macmillan Cancer Relief, Action for Kids and local schools in Bath also in major relief and charitable projects in Bangladesh.

In addition, Ahmed founded a branch of an organisation called the Immigration Advisory Service in Sylhet Bangladesh to give people official guidance about immigration to the UK. One of his biggest community projects in the UK was the construction of Shahjalal Jame Mosque in Bristol in 1998 at a cost of £1.2 million.

An International Stage

With a view to facilitating better international relations, he founded the British-Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce in 1991 and also chaired the British-Bangladesh Friendship Society for eight years.

He also played a leading role in raising standards as a member of the National Steering Committee of the Hospitality Training Foundation which worked on making National Vocational Qualifications and Scottish Vocational Qualifications more accessible to the Asian caterers and restaurant industry. In Bangladesh, Ahmed has heavily involved in numerous philanthropic projects establishing schools, orphanages, hospitals, cyclone shelters and contributing to libraries.

Continuity

In his role as a businessman, community leader and magistrate since 1991, he follows all matters of public interest very closely. Moreover, he has extensive experience in a wide range of areas of interest including education, the economy, employment, international relations, culture, hospitality, criminal justice as well as a general interest in health and wellbeing.

Indeed, as recognition of his achievements and as proof of his standing for the community, many complimentary profiles have been written in newspaper and journals including the Western Daily Press, Daily Mail, The Guardian, the Bath Chronicle, Bath Life magazine, Venue magazine as well as many leading publications in Bangladesh.

Catering Circle Chief Advisor

Catering Circle is a media platform for the catering industry to identify problems, discuss and address the issues, and formulate solutions through active participation of caterers and other key stakeholders.

Fenchuganj Education Trust UK Founder

The objective of this trust is to help the people to integrate and educate the local community- especially women- with the prospect of better life opportunities in the UK. An additional objective is to establish a vocational training institute for the disadvantaged in Fenchuganj, in order to provide skills so they can obtain jobs and ultimately to make them self-sufficient. He believes, if we go forward in abroad with dignity, we have to work together.

Channel S Television Chairman

Channel S is a UK-based free-to-air television channel targeting the British-Bangladeshi community. Channel S was the first Bangladeshi channel to broadcast content in the Sylheti dialect in the UK, and serves to represent and work for the British-Bangladeshi community. ◀

A portrait of Amin Babor Chowdhury, a man with dark hair, wearing a dark pinstriped suit jacket, a white shirt, and a blue patterned tie. He is looking directly at the camera with a neutral expression. The background is a blurred cityscape with tall buildings and a body of water.

OLDHAM CHARITY HERO AMIN SALUTES THE NEW KING IN PERSON

Amin Babor Chowdhury
Volunteer
Education & Charity

Amin Babor Chowdhury, originally from Kulaura, Sylhet, Bangladesh, arrived in the UK in 2007. He has since become an established public figure in the North West of England through his passion, dedication and work ethic, to develop and enhance community relations within

the diverse cultural groups of Greater Manchester.

He has established himself in the journalism, education and charity sectors to promote community cohesion and advance prospects for many groups.

In 2009, he helped to launch The Probash Bangla Newspaper in Oldham, one of

the UK's few English-Bengali publications, which gives a voice to the UK Bangladeshi community and creates a platform to connect the young and older generations.

Through sheer determination and optimism, Amin has created strong links with prominent figures in local and



central government, and with education and business leaders, engaging with them on important issues and gaining support for many of his projects. Amin is married with three young children and lives in Oldham. He seeks to advance, celebrate and promote his chosen causes however he can. He set up One Community UK (OCUK) in 2012, which has charitable aims through which he organises community events and was able to establish the Oldham Education Awards (OEA) in 2012.

OEA unifies the whole town in celebration of the academic achievements of students in the borough. Around 250 young people have received an OEA. Because of his contributions, Amin was invited to

become an Ambassador and Board member at the Oldham Academy North School.

He is heavily involved in fundraising and promotional activities for charities, including Dr Kershaw's Hospice, Kingfisher

Special School, Tameside Rotary, Local Mayor's Fund, Just Help Foundation, Global Relief Trust and 1Care charity, which works to improve health care and education in rural Bangladesh. He also supports The Prince's Trust because of the life-changing work it does with vulnerable young people.

In 2021, he organised the first hundred-mile walk during Ramadan in aid of charity and raised funds for various charities. In 2022, he also managed a 100-mile (walk/run) challenge during Ramadan to raise funds for three different charities. More recently, he also organised a charity dinner in aid of the relief efforts in Bangladesh. In 2013, he endeavoured to unite all the people of the United Kingdom in celebration of education, as one community.

He achieved this vision in January 2017 when students and their families, education professionals and politicians travelled from Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales and England to attend the

country's inaugural British Education Awards (BEA) in London. His aim now is to keep raising the profile of BEA and bring the event to every part of the UK, and continue to inspire people in the pursuit of education.

In 2018 he was also invited to become a governor of Kingfisher school which is a special needs school for pupils aged 2-19, aiming to meet the needs of pupils with severe and complex physical and/or learning difficulties.

Amin is also passionate about Cricket. He created links and opportunities between community cricket clubs and mainstream organisations such as Lancashire Cricket Club/Foundation. In the 2019 Cricket, world cup Amin volunteered for the International Cricket Council (ICC). In 2021, he played an important role in supporting the COVID vaccination programme for the Royal Voluntary Service. He also worked as an honorary steward at the 2022 Common games in Birmingham. ◀

**IF THE RULE
OF LAW IS
ESTABLISHED IN
BANGLADESH,
FOREIGN
INVESTMENT
WILL INCREASE**

Arif Ahmed Ashraf

Chief Executive Officer
Mun Trading Corporation





Bangladesh is no longer limited to a small country. Many professionals including indomitable enterprising businessmen of Bangladesh are highlighting the glorious ballad of Bangladesh across the world. Arif Ahmed Asraf, a Bangladeshi-American living in Florida, is one of those luminaries. He is a notable businessman in various sectors including export, import, shipping and hospitality. He is the General Secretary of Bangladesh Association of Florida.

Arif Ahmed Ashraf, a son of Bangladeshi origin, graduated from Dhaka University in 1992. He came to the United States in 1992 on a student visa to pursue higher education. He first moved to Los Angeles, California, where he became the supervisor and later served as manager of the Southland Corporation which is now known as 7-Eleven. But he never restricts himself in the job. In 1995, he started a new journey. This year he started a clothing business in Hollywood, California. In 1997, he returned to Florida to start a petroleum business in Miami. Arif Ahmed Ashraf, a young entrepreneur rich in various business experiences, used to dream big. He then moved to another city, Belle Glade, to do business. It was during this time that his business relationship developed with H E Hill. He became an investment angel to Bangladeshi-American Ashraf. With his sincere cooperation, he got the

opportunity to be involved in various businesses including export, import, shipping and hospitality. The wheel of his fortune continues to accelerate. He has become the most established businessmen to H E Hill.

Persevering and self-confident Arif Ahmed Ashraf did not have to look back. His business path is now just moving forward. He is an organized man. He never thinks only of himself. He always thinks about the Bangladeshi community in America and his roots Bangladesh. He thinks that if Bangladesh and Bengali culture are not kept alive in America, the new generation will forget its favorite mother tongue, forget its culture. For this reason, he took initiatives through various cultural activities in the Florida Bangladesh community and also collaborated with others. Dreamer Arif Ahmed Ashraf is a talented and energetic organizer. He is the General Secretary of Bangladesh Association of Florida. He used to practice Bengali culture extensively in his family atmosphere. His wife and two sons and a daughter are all progressive in their dress and manners. They used to celebrate all the glorious and significant days of Bangladesh. They are also proud that the Language Day of Bangladesh is now the World Mother Language Day. They celebrate National Independence, Victory Day and 21st February in the United States. He has

expanded the activities of Mun Trading Corp / H E Hill's Charity from America to Bangladesh. He has helped many schools, madrasas, orphanages and various social organizations and mosques in the country. Apart from this, he has helped to make the poor people enterprising with an aim of alleviating poverty. With this attitude, he has been taking effective measures for the betterment of more than 2000 students in a madrasa in Bangladesh since 1998 for their better education and better life.

His wife and children also support and inspire him in these activities. Proud Bangladeshi American Arif Ahmed Ashraf says, Bangladesh is truly a country of huge potentials. However, to make best use of this potentiality, the rate of corruption must be reduced. He says that America is a country of immense potential to Bangladeshi immigrants just like Bangladesh. According to him, even expatriate Bangladeshis should not think only of themselves. They also have to think about the Bangladesh community. He thinks that Bangladeshis should give importance to English and IT education. Arif Ahmed Ashraf, General Secretary of Bangladesh Association of Florida, puts emphasis on the importance of establishing good governance for the development of Bangladesh. He says, if the rule of law is established in the country, foreign investment will increase. ◀



**IF WE WANT
TO MAKE OUR
MOTHERLAND
A PROUD ONE,
WE HAVE
TO WORK
TOGETHER**

Dr. Arifur Rahman
Technical Consultant
AEDARET AL-MSANED. CO.

Dr. Arifur Rahman who transformed chaotic recruitment system into an industrial form of business.

Dr. Arifur Rahman is a physician who graduated from Dhaka Medical College in 1976. For last 41 years he has been a resident in Saudi Arabia except for some years in Canada in-between. While he was in Dhaka, other than his medical procession he was a reporter in now disinvested by the government popular newspaper daily Dainik Bangla-the National news paper of Bangladesh and in the most popular trend setting Weekly Bichitra. His news about Khalilullah made a national sensation in 1973. In 1990 during 'Desert Storm' -the Iraq Gulf War he was the only official correspondent representing Bangladesh. He used to report side by

side with CNN correspondents from central control room in Riyadh and he was with Bangladesh Contingency force in northern war field to boost up the morality of Bangladesh Soldiers by sending their photos, news to national dailies and Bangladesh Television which was not an easy task in those non cellular communication days. While practising medicine in seventies in Saudi Arabia he marked the sufferings and high migration cost of Bangladesh workers. The Bangladesh agents for manpower were the victim of Pakistan and Indian brokers as Bangladesh manpower agents were not properly connected with Saudi authorities and companies. This situation promoted him to enter into once ethically questionable business of manpower hiring from Bangladesh. He

started contacting high officials and big companies in Saudi Arabia with his skill and connections. His entrepreneur venture changed the scenario of Bangladesh manpower sector resulting more human resource placement in Saudi Arabia and Gulf region removing huge number of commission taking by foreign third parties. His Endeavour was followed and supported by other famous business professionals of Bangladesh in late seventies and early eighties. This unseen unnamed conglomerate led by Dr. Arif and other business persons of Bangladesh took control of manpower business in Middle East. Only in Saudi Arabia this way with his now very famous business collaborators he promoted huge placement of manpower and in rough calculation it was about 1.5 million



Bangladesh workers. His contribution and his remarkable role in this sector was mentioned in 'Recruitment and placement of Bangladesh Migrant workers and Evaluation of the process' a research paper published by IOM

under UNDP in November 2002. Dr. Arif was the leader who greatly helped transform the early chaotic recruitment system into an industrial form of business. He is probably the most influential entrepreneur who sacrificed

his medical profession for betterment of his countrymen. His role in manpower placement in Middle East rooted Bangladesh into a greater economy of remittance. As Bangladesh will be the third fastest growing economy in the world in terms of achieving high Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in 2019, –according to a United Nations report, his contribution in the founding economic growth of his country will be marked in the economical history of Bangladesh.

Dr. Arifur Rahman is a successful businessman. He was the founder Vice Chairman of The Premiere Bank Ltd. He was director of CMC Kamal Textile Mills. He was founder director of Shomorita Hospital. He is very friendly in manner. He always thinks about the development of the Bangladesh. He used to stands beside the people through his activities. He says, "If we want to make our motherland a proud one, we have to work together." ◀



OUR JOURNEY WITH THE MOTTO 'PEOPLE FOR PEOPLE'

Asef Bari
CEO
Bari Group



Mr. Asef Bari Mrs . Munmun Bari, Son Muhib Bari, Adib Bari & Wonderful Daughter Sabah Bari. Mr. Bari was born into famous family in Rangpur, Bangladesh. He moved to the United States in 1992. He graduated from Oklahoma State University. Mr Bari worked at many various established and reputable organizations in the US. Since moving into the US, he established close contact with the Bangladeshi community here in New York. He started aiding the community in various ways. He focused himself fully on the path of social service through his business, Social many Organization and Lions Club. Asef Bari is the President and CEO of Bari Home Care, a highly popular and trusted home care service provider in New York state. Bari Home Care has an extensive reputation serving the five boroughs of New York City, Long Island, and Buffalo, with 10 office locations. He has been serving Few thousand of people through his home care service. He continues to set a unique example by intensively serving the Elderly, disabled and physically challenged individuals of the society. Asef Bari and his family did not just stop at the home care business, the bari family also expanded their business to create jobs for Bangladeshis and other immigrants in our community. Recently Butterfly Day Care has joined under the service of Bari Home Care. In Bronx, where there is a large Bangladeshi population, he founded Bari Supermarket, Bari Restaurant and Bari Party Hall, where many people have been employed. Apart from this, the bari family has been made great contributions in community service as well. In the last 30 years, he has always stood by the side of the community during difficult time. Especially during the Covid-19 pandemic in 2020, when people were confined to their homes to save their lives, the bari family arranged and helped funeral of many people and provided financial and food and many other support to thousands of people in the community. The bari family was rewarded corona Hero award by Brooklyn Borough president Eric ADAMS for their contribution and hard work for the community people at that pandemic

time. Through Bari Charity Foundation, The Bari Family supports & help people here with food drive, Blood drive, hot meal distribution, Flu shots, Blankets distribution in winter, through out the whole year here in new york and Bangladesh. the Bari Family is ahead of everyone in community and social work. Mr. Bari is currently the second Vice Governor-elect of the Lions Club, District 20 R-2 Besides, he is the Advisor of North Bengal Foundation, President of Rangpur Zilla Samity and Advisor of Jackson Heights Bangladeshi Business Association-JBBA. He is not far behind

even in religious matters. He is the President of the Port Jefferson Jame Masjid in Long Island. The Bari Family is one of the main sponsors of various social and cultural events in New York and the family playing a leading role in promoting the culture of Bangladesh and America. The Bari family is recognized as an ideal family in New York. Munmun Hasina Bari, is a renowned interior designer and entrepreneur. Munmun Hasina is the Chairman of Bari Home Care, Bari Super Market, and Bari Party Hall, Butterfly Senior Day care. She is also engaged in community service. Munmun Hasina Bari

is graduated from CUNY, She is an interior designer has also been contributing immensely to social and community work. She has brought up her three well-mannered children along with him. Asef Bari and Munmun Hasina Bari's first child Muhib Bari dis his Masters Degree from Duke University in North Carolina. Daughter Sabah Bari is in her fourth year at Stony Brook and youngest son Adib Bari is studying at Farmingdale university The Bari Family is well known in the Bangladeshi community as a modest, good-natured, hard-working, and humanitarian Family. ◀





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IMAGE OF BANGLADESH CAN BE ENRICHED BY REPRESENTING OUR CULTURE

Atiquer Rahman

President

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President

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Atiquer Rahman is the Founder of Global Health Academy. The mission of the Global Health Academy is to improve the field of medical education within the United States as well as at international level. The goal is to implement new constructive changes to the old educational curriculum and solve problems. Resources are provided to help students achieving success in the medical education programs. Currently, Mr. Atiquer Rahman and Dr. Sultan Salahuddin Ahmed, Chairman of Global Health Academy, has been working closely with Dr. Appu Rathinavelu, PhD, Professor, Executive Director, Rumbaugh- Goodwin Institute of Cancer Research, NOVA Southeastern University and Bangladesh Cancer Society with the leadership of Professor Obayedullah Baki and Professor Faruque Ahmed to implement a new medication for Glioblastoma, an extremely aggressive form of brain cancer. Mr. Rahman was elected as the Executive Vice-President of the Bi-National Chamber of Commerce (ABICC), acquainted with 43 countries, and also is the Advisor of

the International Business Council of Florida, with over 20 years of experience in the development and operations of Chambers of Commerce. Atiquer Rahman brings many years of experience in International Sales, Global Marketing, Business Development, and Ownership and Management of many businesses. Atiquer Rahman has successfully promoted international trade in South Florida and internationally through a series of conferences, seminars, ribbon cutting ceremonies, tradeshow, trade missions in which he built strong and strategic alliances with trade and business leaders within organizations in the US and Bangladesh. Mr. Rahman established a solid foundation to build a global organization to serving the international trade needs for the business community. He accomplished this through meetings with high-level government officials and by attending international events, where he was recognized and awarded numerous times for his outstanding service to the business community. Atiquer Rahman is currently

associated with Sunshine Gasoline Distribution since 1993, a renowned Gasoline Distributor. Mr. Rahman is the Gasoline dealer for Exxon, Chevron, and Marathon. Atiquer Rahman is currently President of the Global 6 USA Inc. Global 6 promotes US products in Southeast Asia by Franchising, Importing, Exporting, and Trade, promoting and marketing of Bangladeshi products to US and South America. Mr. Rahman has served twice as the Chairman of the Federation of Bangladesh Association of North America (FOBONA), first in 2005-2006 and second time in 2017-2018. As recognition to his outstanding contributions for the country, he was awarded from Bi-National Chamber of Commerce, Florida. He promoted Bangla Culture to USA and was awarded Bangla Literature and Cultural Award 1996, Rabindra Award 2006, Kazi Nazrul Islam Award-2010, Chevron Gold Award 2014-2015, 2016. He believes, the image of Bangladesh can be enriched by representing our culture. Mr. Rahman currently serves as the President of the Bangladesh American Chamber of Commerce (BACC) in Florida. ◀

TRYING TO MAKE A BIG INVESTMENT IN BANGLADESH WITH JAPANESE ORGANIZATION JETRO



Badal Chaklader

President, Bangladesh Chamber of
Commerce and Industry in Japan
Managing Director, Padma Co., Ltd.



Badal Chakladar is one of the youths of Bangladesh, who have become able to build a solid foundation of business and trade in Japan by dint of their talent, labor and sincerity. He is the President of Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce Industry in Japan (BCCIJ). Hailing from Munshiganj in Bangladesh, Badal Chakladar is the Managing Director of Padma Co. Ltd, Bongo Curry, Bongo Fashion. He is also the Managing Director Bonga Bazar, a supermarket in Saitama, Misato City, Japan, which is full with products of different countries including Bangladeshi products. Badal Chakladars' village home is in Shasongaon village under Sirajdikhan upazila in Munshiganj district. His father is late Hazi Ramiuddin Chakladar and mother Hasina Banu. He had strong desire to move abroad where there are job opportunities besides study. Then, he chose Japan and came to Japan in 1966. Self-confident and visionary Badal Chakladar chose part-time work besides learning Japanese language at a school there. Thus, he started his professional life besides study. He always dreams of setting up his own business. As a result, he started business by the name of 'Padma Restaurant'. There are two reasons

behind naming this Padma restaurant, first- to highlight the river which flowing past to their house, second- to present Bangladesh. This restaurant has changed his fate. He has been able to establish himself commercially through this restaurant. As Padma Restaurant was widely



acclaimed, Badal Chakladar took the initiative to expand his business in Japan. He founded Padma Companies Limited. Through this company, he started importing food from Bangladesh, Myanmar at the first time. Due to meet up increasing demand of South Asian Foods, he

increases his business day by day. According to 2020 data of Padma Co Ltd, total number of Halal food importing countries goes up to 26 including Bangladesh. Today, Padma Co. Ltd has been importing varieties of food items from Square Food & Beverage Limited, Kazi Food Industries Ltd. and Banoful & Co. Ltd. in Bangladesh. Badal Chakladar is hopeful that he will be able to launch many food products of Bangladesh in Japan. He always has a deep feeling towards his roots. Apart from Japan, he has real estate business in Bangladesh under the name of BRS. He is the chairman of this company. Badal Chakladar got married to a Japanese woman. His wife came to eat at his restaurant several times before marriage. His name is Khazumi Chakladar. She was a schoolgirl then. After the marriage, Khazumi has been cooperating a lot to his business. They are blessed with three sons- Amit Chakladar, Hayat Chakladar and Atara Chakladar. The elder two sons have received master's degree from university. The younger son is still a high school student. The whole family feel proud about the war of liberation in Bangladesh. Badal Chakladar performed Hajj in 2011. He also performed Umrah in 2019 with his wife and youngest son. He is a senior vice-president of Japan Awami League as a follower of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. He is the President of the Munshiganj-Bikrampur Society in Japan. Through this organization, they help the mosques, schools, madrasas and orphanages in their area. They also help during any natural calamities. He has taken initiatives to develop the primary school in his village. Badal Chakladar is the representative of Chittagong E Chamber. He has come to Bangladesh with the Japanese aid agency JETRO and is trying to make a big investment in the country. ◀

FORGING A GLOBAL POWERHOUSE: CHANNELING THE RESILIENCE OF OUR FREEDOM FIGHTERS

Engr. MD Badlur Rahman Khan Badal

Chairman

IHM College, Malaysia



Engr. MD Badlur Rahman Khan, Badal is a maverick businessman. His portfolio includes interests in travel and tourism, construction and management, remittance and forex, money services, palm oil export, printing, and manpower. Notably, he has represented the major Bangladeshi airlines in Malaysia, as the General Sales Agent for Biman Bangladesh Airlines, GMG Airlines, and Regent Airways. He is also a Director of Provati Insurance Bangladesh. Finally, Engr. MD

Badlur Rahman Khan, Badal is also the Chairman of IHM College (Malaysia), where he presides over the provision of quality education to local and international students.

There are many of our expatriates worldwide, who are cognisant in mind, body and spirit for the welfare of the motherland; who always think of our country's development. A shining example of such persons is Engr. MD Badlur Rahman Khan, Badal.

Ha was born in Binnauri Village, Kalihati

Upazila, Tangail District to a respectable muslim family. Engr. Badal had been a meritorious student since his boyhood and a devoted soul for humanity. He joined student politics in 1981 through Jateotabadi Chattra Dal membership. It was his appreciation that members of other student organizations were involved in violent activities, but the members of Chattra Dal abstained. That was why he was attracted to Chattra Dal politics. Along side being a staunch believer in the spirit of the liberation war, he joined this student organization after being influenced by the ideals of the valiant freedom fighter Shaheed Zia. During his student career, he took up an active role against the autocratic Ershad movement (propagated by the students and general masses). Having obtained an Engineering Degree in 1990-91, he preferred Malaysia for higher study.

He strongly believes that Malaysia achieved its success and development because of an honest and time appropriate leader, Tun Mahathir Mohammad. His appreciation is as such, that, had Shaheed Zia been alive long enough, he could have taken Bangladesh to similar heights of development. With this thought, he in 1995, being influenced by the ideals of Shaheed Ziaur Rahman and also the inspiring leadership of Begum Khaleda Zia, joined BNP. Along side performing various duties and activities for the party between 2000-2005, he held the chairmanship of BNP in Malaysia. Having spent a long 23 years abroad, his love and affection towards the motherland is so strong that he returns home to Bangladesh every 2-3 months to visit his village and enquire as to the health and wellbeing of its members. He participates in the uplifting of his local society. In doing so, he discovered and now lives the ideals of Shaheed Zia in these development



works; he also became inspired by the role of Begum Khaleda Zia in her laborious development works for the country. He usually spends 8-10 days in his locality where he enquires if any village members suffer financial disabilities, and then extends aid and cooperation to the best of his abilities. That is why Badal is a popular person in his locality, which has manifested through his people-oriented activities. Included in his charitable activities are: treating his poorer village members with meat, habitation improvement, Mosque and Madrasha maintenance, and student funds for studies. During the 2007 Military rule, he extended his leadership to help and unite the BNP leaders and workers in Kalihati Upazila, during the political upheaval, in absence of the former minister Shajahan Siraj. During these extreme times faced by BNP, its members in Kalihati Upazila were very active. He directed BNP Kalihati throughout those two long and tumultuous years.

Engr. Badal is an industrial and culturally oriented personality, which he inherited from his family. He used to take part in recitation music and acting since his boyhood. And that is why people know him. He founded a club called, "Surjya Shikkha" in Kalihati during his College student days. He waged a movement to build a library in Kalihati in order to make study and reference books accessible while he was a student. While he was a student in M M Ali College, he took part in the

literary and cultural movements and also the debates. In the same tempo, he established the "Bangladesh Cultural Centre" in Malaysia to promote Bangladesh. Cultural movements carry forward. He was its president. He created opportunities for Bangladeshi expatriates in Malaysia to be united through this centre. He also upheld and promoted many of our National Days and cultural heritage through this centre, which allowed people from other nationalities to be informed about our country and its cultural heritage. During the national election in 2001, he campaigned in the villages of Kalihati Upazila and tried to inspire the people to become politically involved. He took part in party campaigning with the BNP young leader Tarique Zia and was associated with him in various district tours. He took part in different programmes under the initiative of the Ziaur Rahma Foundation. Among the initiatives were the distribution of poultry, tree plants, fish seedlings, warm clothes and quilts. When Khaleda Zia and Tarique Rahman were unjustly arrested in 2007, many BNP leaders were outraged at home and abroad against the actions of an unconstitutional and undemocratic government. Engr. Badlur Rahman Khan organised protest rallies against Bangladesh's undemocratic caretaker government, in Malaysia, to influence and inspire public opinion. When Begum Khaleda Zia was kept under house arrest in her residence, Engr. Badal, through

teleconference, arranged the transcription of her televised speech on the television screen. During that difficult time, Engr. Badal kept in constant contact with BNP leader Rahul Kabir Rizvi to materialize BNP programmes abroad. These activities were not limited to other countries. When a flood hit his own Kalihati Upazila, he was busy with relief distribution. A BNP standing body member, Brig (Reta) Hannan Shah, even graced the event. He continued facilitating BNP programmes during the party's odd and difficult times in such ways. He reorganized the Bangladeshi expatriates in different countries to lobby and campaign for the freedom of Begum Khaleda Zia and Tarique Rahman. Such activities included: travel to numerous high commission premises, submissions of memorandums, drafting letters to various members of state, and burning effigies of the head of the caretaker government, Dr. Fakruddin Ahmed. Engr. Badal was the prominent initiator of the international conference of the BNP leaders, held in London. He protested, through an open challenge televised in Bangla TV, against false propaganda faced by BNP senior vice chairman Tarique Rahman, which he held to be baseless and fabricated. Nobody dared to face this challenge by Engr. Badal. Engr. Badal not only works towards the betterment of his party and workers, but also for the development of Bangladeshi expatriates in Malaysia. Whenever he notices strife or disadvantage, he tries to resolve the same with his own initiatives. Engr. Badal was awarded with the Seri Mahkota Kelantan title for his work towards the betterment of his community. The prestigious crest was awarded to him by the Sultan of Kelantan as a mark of appreciation. Whilst staying in Malaysia, he has never stopped working towards the betterment and development of his motherland. He continues to take steps to spread education in his Kalihati, and to alleviate the suffering of those stricken by poverty. So it appears the Engr. Badal, though an expatriate, deeply muses for the country. Engr. Badal deeply thinks about Bangladesh and its people. He says, "If we all work with the same spirit as our freedom fighters in the liberation war, we will certainly establish our country with a strong position in the world". ♦

ONE DAY BANGLADESH WILL EMERGE AS A DEVELOPED NATION AND SURPRISE THE WORLD

Bashir Ahmed

Former President
British Bangladesh Chamber of
Commerce and Industry (UK)

Many Bangladeshi luminaries have established themselves in the business arena across the globe. Bashir Ahmed is one of the dazzling stars. He is the current president of British Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry (UK). He is the founding chairman of Rock Asset Management in Bangladesh and chairman & managing director of Prospect Gaze Limited (United Kingdom).

Ahmed has actively worked with the UK and Bangladesh Governments and private sector financial institutions to assist the Bangladeshi business community.

The smart business icon Bashir Ahmed is also a prominent figure in Bangladeshi business Diaspora in the UK and Europe. He has worked with many financial and commercial Institutions for the by-lateral trade and business development between the Bangladesh and UK government. He used to work as honorary consultant and liaison personalities regarding the policy developments supports and facilities to strengthen the NRB investments and business ties between the government and private sectors business communities of both esteem nations.

He was first elected as a deputy director general of British Bangladesh Chamber of commerce & Industry. He also served as an



elected London regional president for four years. Currently, he has actively been working as president of British Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry to maintain mutual trade relations between UK, Europe and Bangladesh and connect BBCCI with the mainstream Chambers and other business institutions in the United Kingdom. The far-sighted business figure Bashir

Ahmed served as founding chairman and managing director of Kohinoor of India Holding restaurants Group in Netherlands since 1981. It was the largest chain of Indian Bangladeshi restaurant in Netherlands and Europe. Besides, he was owning and managing director of the famous award winning Indian-Bangladeshi restaurant 'Kasturi' in London in 2001. He has

achieved huge business success by dint of his long experiences in restaurant sector.

He has won many awards and accolades. He has made investments in the hospitality sector in UK, Europe and Bangladesh. Apart from, He also continues investing in aviation, housing, food processing and financial institution sectors. Bashir Ahmed has been performing duties as chairman of Pan Europe Ventures Ltd. & Prospect Gaze Ltd. It is well-known as an internationally renowned consultancy firm and procurement company. The company is already enjoyed and owning a franchise of a leading brand in the sandwich food sector in the UK. In addition, this company has occupied an important position in the business arena as an innovative company of new ideas.

Bashir Ahmed, an acumen business figure in international business arena, has actively worked with the



UK and Bangladesh Governments and private sector financial organizations to assist the Bangladeshi business community. A devoted soul who always thinks about the development and

welfare of UK and Bangladesh. He believes, "One day all Bangladeshi institutions will be developed and the country will emerge as a developed nation and surprise the world. ◀



THE MAN BEHIND THE “FIXED” PROBLEMS

Cllr Jehangir Haque
Liberal Democrat Member
United Kingdom



Councillor Jehangir Haque, commonly known as Raj, is a well-known face in Bookham and Fetcham, having lived here for over 40 years and as owner of a popular Fetcham restaurant. Since his election to Mole Valley District Council in 2010, Raj has worked hard for residents, both in his own ward of Fetcham West and across Mole Valley as Chairman of the Council in 2018-19. His restaurant business has helped him observe people and understand them better in order to deal with their problems. Raj believes in working with other councillors and residents to get things done, and is always willing to help those in need, whether during the floods of 2013/14, supporting key workers during the pandemic, or through charity work. His

proudest achievements include getting Cock Lane repaired, a 20mph zone for Fetcham's schools, and saving Fetcham's Molebridge surgery from closure. These issues led people to understand his commitment to dedicating himself in response to their needs. This side of him is what people appreciate and that's what leads to their

confidence in him. Most of the complaints Raj has to deal with relate to the failings of Surrey County Council. Raj shares residents' frustration at the wasted costs and lack of investment in Surrey's crumbling roads and infrastructure, the slow progress in replacing Bookham Youth Centre which was closed by Surrey County





Council in 2019, and the lack of support for local schools including Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) provision. Raj believes we all deserve and can do better.

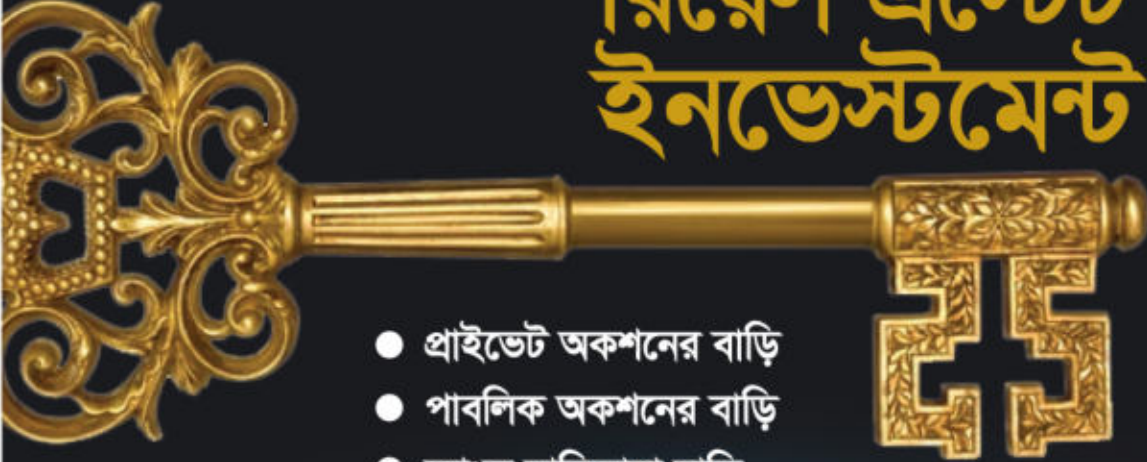
Raj is committed to tackling climate change and protecting our environment. On Mole Valley's Development Management Committee, Raj has helped protect

our Green Belt from inappropriate development. He now wants to extend this work to Surrey-wide issues such as promoting more active travel, addressing the lack of public transport and improving the energy-efficiency of Surrey services and buildings. Haque, came to England in 1971 for a better future. He moved to Bookham in December 1979. Having had a

successful career in the Restaurant business he became interested in local politics in order to serve people in a different capacity. After serving his first term from May 2010, he was duly re-elected for a second term on 22nd May 2014 to serve the people of Fetcham West. Raj is married with two grown up children and was the Chairman of the Council for 2018/2019. ◀



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THE BRITISH- BANGLADESHI INVESTOR PUSHING THE BANGLADESHI ECONOMY TO THE NEXT LEVEL

DR M G MOULA MIAH
President
UK Bangladesh Catalysts of
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A highly respected and well known member of the Bangladeshi community known for his entrepreneurship, philanthropic skills and ability to have grown a successful group of businesses both in the UK and Bangladesh. Born in Bahadurganj, Rajnagar Moulvibazar Bangladesh; Dr. Moula came to the UK after finishing his secondary education. In the UK he went on to a national diploma in Business Studies then entered his family business of clothing. He launched his first multi-award winning restaurant Rajnagar International in 1987 followed by a successful chain of restaurants, residential hotels, land and property development businesses in the UK and Bangladesh. Alongside many prestigious business awards/recommendations, in 2005 he was honoured with a doctorate in Business Management. In 2010 he was

one of 12 selected Bangladeshi expatriates from all over the world, awarded CIP NRB (Commercially Important Person) by order of the President of Bangladesh and was selected for the honour again more recently in 2011 and 2013.

Dr. Moula has helped many charities across the UK and Bangladesh. He has funded several institutions and infrastructure buildings on top of offering scholarships to talented students. In order to increase awareness of literacy in Bangladesh he has published a book named "A Complete English Grammar".

Dr. Moula is involved with the welfare of the Bangladeshi community. Currently Chairman of Dr Moula foundation, founder of Rajnagar Degree College Masjid; Bahadurganj Furkania Masjid & Madrasa complex, a Founder and President of the Guild of Bangladeshi

Restaurateurs, life member Moulvibazar and London Bangla Press Club and former Senior Vice President of Birmingham Bangladesh Welfare Association and Vice President of Rajnagar Youth Welfare Society UK and President of Moulvibazar Jela Jonosheba Shangstha Midlands also Vice & acting President of British Bangladeshi Chamber of Commerce Midlands. He is also a member of the Conservative party in the UK.

Dr Moula has shown great commitment with his business acumen and philanthropic activities. He launched MBM Builders Mart Bangladesh UK Ltd; a joint venture company, and first ever one stop building materials superstore in Bangladesh. The opening ceremony was taken place by chief guest honourable Industry Minister along with many influential figures of Bangladesh. More recently, he opened a new



branch of MBM Builders Mart, at the Moula Landmark in Moulvibazar. The company is an international concept trying to establish something innovative to help in boosting up the economy of Bangladesh, create jobs and hassle free one stop service for the community. This was followed by his export based packaging industry, MBM Agro Foods BD-UK. He has taken this new initiative to develop, package and supply spices

and other food products from Bangladesh to the UK. He is also to soon launch his one stop shopping mall which has already been completed. By doing so he is looking to create a small but very diverse industrial aspect; in order to help the Bangladesh economy and its community as a British Investor. In December 2010 Dr Moula launched 'Sumar Dhau' newspaper which he is editor and publisher of. It carries latest

news of both the Bangladeshi and British community, and published on a weekly basis. He is Chairman of MBM Builders Mart BD-UK Ltd, MBM Media – Weekly Sumar Dhau, MBM Agro Industries and MBM Shopping Mall. Rajnagar International Group of Businesses UK: Rajnagar Tandoori Restaurant Ltd, The Landing Stage Ltd, Restaurant Barajee, Shades of Raj and Rajnagar Properties & Development. ◀



A portrait of Dr. Rubaiyat Islam Sadat, a bald man with glasses, wearing a blue suit jacket over a white shirt. He is standing with his arms crossed, looking directly at the camera.

ORCHESTRATING INNOVATION, SUSTAINABILITY, AND GLOBAL IMPACT

Dr. Rubaiyat Islam Sadat

Founder and Managing Director
Mulytic Labs GmbH, Germany
Founder and Chairman
Mulytic Energy Solutions Ltd, Bangladesh
Technical Consultant
EU Commission (Green Energy Policy), Brussels

Dr. Rubaiyat Islam Sadat is a name synonymous with innovation, technology, and the adoption of sustainable business principles. With over a decade of experience in leadership roles and a profound commitment to driving positive change, his journey from academia to the forefront of global technology and sustainability is nothing short of inspiring.

Born with a passion for learning and a deep interest in technology, Rubaiyat's academic journey laid the foundation for his future endeavors. From 2011 to 2016, he pursued a PhD in Embedded Systems at the prestigious University of Siegen in Germany. During this time, he immersed himself in cutting-edge technology, developing a strong technical expertise that would prove invaluable in his career.

Recognizing the need to bridge his technical acumen with business acuity, Rubaiyat embarked on a transformative educational journey. He pursued a Master's in Business Administration with a specialization in Circular Economy at the renowned Cambridge Judge Business School from 2020 to 2021. This dual expertise allowed him to seamlessly merge innovation with sustainable business practices, a key element of his later success.

The pioneer in excellence Rubaiyat's quest for knowledge and leadership excellence didn't stop there. He



continued to invest in his personal and professional growth by enrolling in the Executive Program for Next Generation Leaders at Harvard Business School from 2023 to 2024. This program equipped him with the skills to navigate complex global challenges while promoting sustainable growth, a testament to his commitment to making a positive impact on a global scale.

In 2019, Rubaiyat founded NSH Capital, a reflection of his entrepreneurial drive and vision for scalable global enterprises. Under his leadership, NSH Capital has thrived, becoming a driving force in the technology and sustainability sectors. Mulytic Labs GmbH, another brainchild of Rubaiyat, showcases his dedication to using technology to effect change for the better. As the founder and managing director, he has guided Mulytic Labs GmbH to the forefront of innovation, particularly in the intersection of the automotive and renewable energy domains.

Rubaiyat Sadat's impact extends beyond the business realm. He has dedicated his knowledge and expertise as a Consultant to the European

Commission in Brussels. In 2022, he founded Mulytic Energy Solutions Ltd, Bangladesh to shape up the Electric Vehicle Ecosystem for Smart Bangladesh, where his innovative ideas are translated into products and services to build the first ever smart charging infrastructure in Bangladesh and getting Bangladesh ready for a greener and sustainable future. One of the hallmarks of Rubaiyat's career is his exceptional ability to lead and coordinate research and development initiatives. Over the past seven years, he has served as a project coordinator for several projects financed by the German government and the European Commission. His unique blend of business acumen and technological know-how has led to remarkable growth and innovation. For example, he played a pivotal role in increasing services for the Charging Solutions for Electric Vehicles industry by 30% while significantly enhancing uptime through cloud-based services by 48%.

In his free time, Rubaiyat Islam Sadat indulges in the harmonies of music, exploring diverse genres, and even playing a few musical instruments

himself. His love for music is not just a pastime but a deep-rooted passion that allows him to unwind and express his creativity. Additionally, he has a passion for traveling and cycling, constantly seeking new adventures and embracing the joy of exploring both natural landscapes and vibrant cities. Traveling serves as a source of inspiration for Rubaiyat, offering him the opportunity to immerse himself in different cultures, gain fresh perspectives, and fuel his adventurous spirit.

Rubaiyat is an exceptional guitarist, displayed remarkable dynamism as a student at ছায়ানট (The Chhayanaout Sangeet Vidyatan). His exceptional guitar-playing skills demonstrate his superb musical sensibility and dedication to honing his craft. His proficiency not only signifies his passion for music but also underscores his commitment to mastering his chosen instrument.

Whether he's creating melodies on his guitar or exploring beautiful landscapes on his bike, Rubaiyat's commitment to his interests highlights his multifaceted nature and his capacity to maintain equilibrium in both his career and personal life.

dedication to his interests shows his complex personality and his ability to strike a balance between his profession and personal life, whether he is playing music or riding a bike through beautiful landscapes. These activities not only improve his quality of life but also sharpen his creative thinking and problem-solving skills, which serve him well in his professional endeavors.

Whether he's strumming a tune on a musical instrument or pedaling through picturesque landscapes, Rubaiyat's dedication to his passions underscores his well-rounded personality and his ability to find balance in both his professional and personal life. These pursuits not only enrich his own life but also contribute to his innovative thinking and problem-solving abilities in his professional endeavors.

The life story of Dr. Rubaiyat Islam Sadat portrays him as a visionary leader who juggles sustainability, entrepreneurship, and technology with grace. His life narrative serves as motivation for anyone who want to make a positive impact on the world via creative and mission-driven leadership. With his steadfast dedication to fostering positive change and his never-ending quest for knowledge, Rubaiyat is not only a prominent figure in his field but also a symbol of optimism for a future characterized by sustainability and innovation. ◀

BANGLADESH HAS AN INDUSTRY-FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT FOR WHICH MANY COMPANIES ARE KEEN TO SET UP THEIR BUSINESSES HERE

Dato' Md. Ekramul Haque
Managing Director
Taufika Group



Dato' Md. Ekramul Haque is a Civil Engineer, MBA possesses more than 20 years' experience in different business sector of Bangladesh and Malaysia, where he moved in early 90's as a Director of BEL Construction Sdn Bhd, a company incorporated in Malaysia. The company has great contribution to the development of telecommunication and energy sector in Malaysia. More than 2000 km of High Tension Transmission Line and few hundreds of Telecommunication Base Station projects were successfully implemented in Malaysia as well as in Bangladesh under the dynamic leadership of Dato' Md. Ekramul Haque. The in depth knowledge and expertise in the management of large turnkey construction project, development of telecommunication infrastructure,

power Generation plant etc. have made Dato' Haque a successful entrepreneur. Dato' Haque is now, the Managing Director of Taufika Group consisting of Taufika Engineering Limited, Taufika Energy Co. Ltd, Taufika Foods and Agro Industries Limited, Deltamarge Sdn Bhd, and Cynzer Energy Services Ltd. OCTENNmobile is a popular brand name in the mobile handset market in Bangladesh and Dato' Haque has introduced the brand Again "LOVELLO" is the new brand in the ice cream industry in Bangladesh and LOVELLO is being produced and marketed by Taufika Foods and Agro Industries Limited. "LOVELLO" has earned good name and reputation within a very short period of time after its penetration in the market. Taufika Group has an annual turnover of BDT 500 crore having

2000 staff in various departments under the leadership of Dato' Haque. Dato' Haque is an enterprising figure. He thinks, Bangladesh needs to set up more industries which will create more jobs for the unemployment youth of the country. He believes, his motherland has an industry-friendly environment for which many companies are keen to set up their businesses here. Dato' Md. Ekramul Haque is also involved in several community development and social welfare activities. He is the founder of a few educational institutions, which offer free education to under privileged children of the Bangladesh. He was bestowed with the Gold Medel for two consecutive years in 2009 and 2010 by Ishwar Chandra Bidya Shagoreand Lalon Academy for

his outstanding achievement in the area of commerce and industry. He has received a title "Dato" conferred to him by the Sultan of Pahang state of Malaysia as recognition to his contribution society and to the development of Malaysia in telecommunication & transmission industry.

Dato' Haque was one of the founder Sponsor Director and share holder of NRB Bank Limited, a well reputed fourth generation schedule bank in Bangladesh.

Dato' Md. Ekramul Haque is a genuine businessman having vast experience in the line of businesses he is engaged in. He possesses excellent business acumen and the capability to run any business ventures; he intends to get involve in, with much efficiency and the capacity towards accomplishment.

About Taufika Group

Under Taufika Group these are the business houses:

Taufika Engineering Ltd (TEL): involved in engineering business including design and built of steel or RCC building, Project Management, turnkey general civil construction etc.

Taufika Energy Co. Ltd : involved in power business and



marketing of cellular mobile phone under the brand name "OCTENN", also supply and installation of medical equipment to Government of Bangladesh.

Taufika Foods & Agro Industries Ltd (TFAIL) :

under establishing a brand new ice cream factory for production &

marketing of ice cream under brand name "LOVELLO".

Deltamerge Sdn Bhd : involved in trading business in various items.

"More Than 2000 Employee Are Working In The Group With A Annual Turn Over of App BDT 500 Crore" ◀



ULKASEMI HELPS BANGLADESH REACH THE OUTSOURCING TOP POSITION IN THE WORLD

Engr Mohammed Enayet Rahman
CEO & President
ULKASEMI





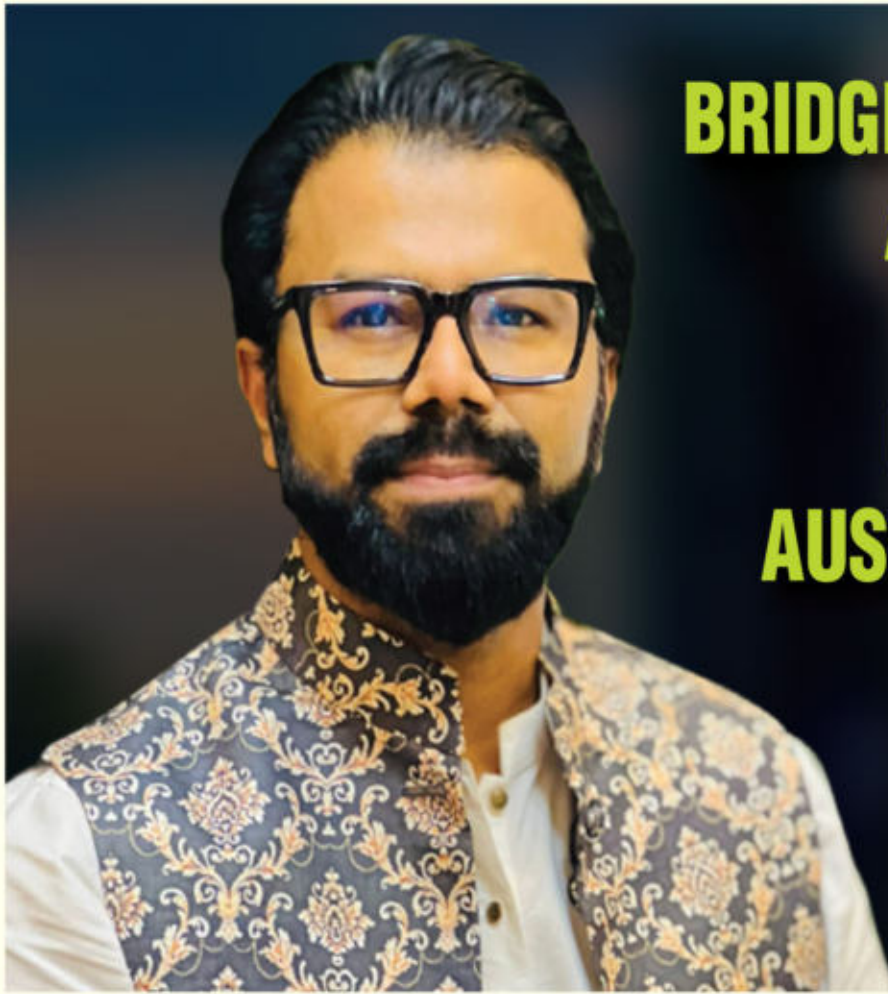
Mohammed Enayetur Rahman is a Bangladeshi luminary in global entrepreneurship. He is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and President of Ulkasemi, a high-tech company with offices in Silicon Valley, California, USA and Dhaka, Bangladesh. Ulkasemi provides semiconductor design services for major technology companies based in the USA and Asia.

Mohammed Enayetur Rahman obtained his BSc in Electric & Electronic Engineering (EEE) from Bangladesh University of Engineering & Technology (BUET) and MSc in Electrical &

Computer Engineering from Oregon State University in Corvallis, Oregon, USA. He started his career as a Design Engineer at major US semiconductor company Advanced Micro Devices (AMD) in 1984. During his time there, Enayet worked in the Resource Planning, Strategy Making, Product Planning, and Risk Management roles in addition to his work as an engineer. He attended Engineering Management courses at engineering powerhouse Stanford University, Palo Alto, California to help him succeed in these various positions. After securing a US patent in Data Communication

Systems, he went on to work at various other semiconductor companies in Silicon Valley. He spent time at Japanese company Oki Semiconductor, Virtual Silicon, and Syntera Communication. After more than 20 years of working as an employee, he established his engineering firm Ulkasemi in 2007. Through innovative work, Ulkasemi has proved that it is unmatched in the field of high technology. Today, it is the largest company of its kind in Bangladesh thanks to the talent, labor, sincerity and self-confidence of Mohammed Enayetur Rahman. There are now more than 140 Ulkasemi employees working in Bangladesh and abroad for various global electronics companies. Ulkasemi assists its clients in developing their next flagship product lines such as mobile devices, complex routers and switches, computer storage, microprocessors, and graphics processors. All these products require complex semiconductor chips that must be designed and tested to the highest cutting-edge standards. Ulkasemi's talented employees work closely with our clients to ensure they can deliver their products on time, within budget, and with the best quality for the consumer. Ulkasemi has brought Bangladesh to the top spot in outsourcing for the global technology industry. ◀





BRIDGING CULTURES AND BUILDING DREAMS A BANGLADESHI AUSTRALIAN ICON

Faisal Azad

President, Nurul Azad College
C.E.O/Owner, Swadesh Entertainment
Owner & Chief Editor
Swadesh Barta newspaper in Australia
(Only First Bangladeshi Newspapers)
Director & Owner of Bombay Grill Mortdale
Indian restaurant in Sydney
Managing Director
Greenfield Entertainment (Event) In Sydney

Many luminary sons and daughters of Bangladesh are going heart and soul to uphold the dignity of Bangladesh in front of the whole world. Faisal Azad, a Bangladeshi-origin Australian citizen living in Sydney, is among such a well-known social worker. He is also closely involved with politics. He is the general secretary of Sydney unit of Bangladesh Awami League Australia.

The Community Leader, Faisal Azad came from an aristocratic Bangladeshi Muslim family. Faisal Azad's father late Nurul Azad was a prominent businessman and social worker from Kachua in Chandpur district. Nurul Azad College was established with him in Kachuar. Faisal Azad, the eldest son of late Nurul Azad, has been appointed as the president of the governing board of this college. Late Nurul Azad was a renowned educationist personality of greater Comilla. He loved the people of the area deeply. The pivotal figure, Mr. Faisal Azad opines, "People can't feel real happiness by making economic

condition good. For this we should stand by people in our area to make them developed." That's why he spent a large part of his earned money for the spread of education in his area.

Faisal Azad has established many educational and religious institutions including Batabaria Government Primary School, Manpura Batabaria Zafar Ali Memorial High School Nurul Azad College to spread the light of education in his area. He is an accomplished social worker like his father. He has shown his love for country's people by keeping himself involved in foreign politics. Mr. Azad thinks that since he was born in the soil of Bangladesh, he feels comfortable to work for the betterment of the people of his native land. He said Bangladesh is my root. People of Bangladesh are very close to me. The leader, Faisal Azad is the President of Nurul Azad college, Monpura batabaria jafar ali memorial high school, Monpura batabaria primary school. Faisal Azad, a prominent entrepreneur and businessman, is the

founder and CEO of Swadesh Enterprises, a notable business company of Sydney. He is the Managing Director of Green Field Entertainment Events in Sydney, Australia. Greenfield Entertainment is a hub of events, entertainments, marketing and event management experts. Its commitment to promote Bangladeshi culture in Australia. It started its journey in 2018 and successfully completed 3 events. They have proudly invited famous b a n d WARFAZE, SOULS, MILES, ARK, DHALCHUTT, solo artist Arnob, Oyshee, Tasnim Anika, comedian Abu Hena Roy, Jamil Hossain to perform in Australia. Swadesh Barta is Green Field Entertainment's official media partner. And Swadesh Entertainment, OPERA music station, Ray White Lakemba are the associate partners. Faisal Azad is the editor-in-chief of Swadesh Barta. His father is the founder of this newspaper. Their upcoming mega event is "Music Fest 2023", which will be the biggest reunification of the expatriate Bangladeshis in Australia.



Faisal Azad, an education enthusiast is also the president of governing board of Manpura Batabaria Zafar Ali Memorial Haji School apart from Nurul Azad College.

Faisal Azad is well known as a businessman. He is the owner and director of Bombay Grill Mortdale Restaurant. He was also brilliant as a student. Faisal attended Sanvation International School and Maple Lake International School. He graduated from Western Sydney University.

Faisal Azad, one of the popular Bangladeshis in Sydney, is a well-known face of Sydney's Bangladeshi community. He continues to play an important role in developing the culture of Bangladesh in the Bangladesh community of Sydney. His father Nurul Azad was one of the leading leaders of the Bangladeshi community in Australia. He was the founding president of Bangladesh Awami League in Australia. He is publishing Bengali news paper Swadesh Barta from Sydney. Apart from managing the business left by his father, Faisal is also taking care of Swadesh Barta News Media.

Faisal Azad is an officer of BD Hub, Australia's first community hub which was formed in Minto to provide the local Bangladeshi Community with a centre for indoor sports, events and a hangout place. His wife Sumi Azad is very friendly. Faisal Azad is very happy with his mother, wife, two brothers and sisters and a child

together.

The successful business icon, Faisal Azad is well known in Sydney as a cultural figure. He is a famous TV drama producer. Known as an icon to the younger generation, Faisal Azad is quite a familiar figure in Sydney's cultural arena. Under his initiative, Chand Raat Mela was also organized at the time of the joyous festival of Eid along with cultural programs. The fair at the night before the Eid is very interesting. Expatriate Bangladeshi organization Sydney organizes this fair. He is a prominent figure in this BD hub Sydney. Although Faisal Azad is living in Sydney, he has always shared the happiness and sorrows with country's people. He extended his hand of cooperation with his well-wishers in any natural calamity of the country.

Faisal Azad is very active in the political arena as a pro-Liberation War figure. His father late Nurul Azad was the founding president of Awami League in Australia. He was very fond of to the current honorable Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina. As the son of Nurul Azad, Faisal Azad is making an important contribution to Australian politics by uniting the pro-Liberation War forces there.

Faisal Azad, General Secretary of Sydney Awami League, said that we got Bangladesh, a map and a flag at the cost of long movement, sacrifice and struggle for freedom by Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.

Bangabandhu created opportunities for universal education in the country to make Bangladesh self-reliant.

Bangabandhu realized that if the people of the country are educated and if women's education progressed, the development of the country will accelerate. Under his competent daughter honorable Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, has undertaken a comprehensive development program. Now Bangladesh is no longer a poor country. We are now on the way to become a middle income country. He said that the country will develop if the pro-liberation people remain in power.

Faisal Azad said, "The image of Bangladesh has been brightened many times due to the construction of Padma Bridge at the initiative of Sheikh Hasina with our own funds. Foreigners used to look down on us. Now they are showing respect to Bangladesh." He also said, "I am very proud of the birth of Bangladesh as our language has a history, which many nations of the world do not have" and sincerely hopes that Bangladesh will one day be established as 'Sonar Bangladesh' which Bangabandhu dreamt for and will be led by Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina.

Although Faisal Azad is a Bangladeshi Australian, but his dreams are surrounded by Bangladesh. He is a devoted soul for the development of his motherland as well as Australia. ◀



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FROM MODEST BEGINNINGS TO GLOBAL FINTECH TRAILBLAZER AND HUMANITARIAN

Farazy Ikram CIP
 Chairman & CEO
 Nec Money Transfer Limited



Farazy Ikram CIP, an eminent figure in the business world, was born on July 25, 1978, into a moderate Muslim family in Jajira Upazila, Shariatpur district, Bangladesh. As the fourth son among six brothers and two sisters of Hazi Abul Hashem Farazy and Hazi Uzala Begum, Farazy's journey to success is marked by determination, resilience, and a commitment to creating positive change. He along with his wife, four daughters and a son reside in the UK.

Mr. Farazy's educational pursuits led him to complete an MBA in International Money Transfer from Anglia Ruskin University, United Kingdom. However, his entrepreneurial spirit was ignited during his time in Italy, where he moved in 1997 with the support of his elder brother. His early business ventures faced both triumphs and setbacks. Despite encountering numerous obstacles, Farazy remained resolute in his vision to provide a service that would ease the process of sending money for expatriates. This determination led him to launch a money service business, even when faced with skepticism from family and friends. Undeterred by initial challenges, Farazy took on various business ventures while also engaging in notable social initiatives. He undertook extensive research and completed courses in anti-money laundering, demonstrating his commitment to ethical business practices. Amidst these endeavors, he realized that expatriates faced complexities in converting and



sending money to beneficiaries. This realization prompted him to apply for licenses to establish legitimate

money transfer businesses, a journey filled with obstacles that he successfully overcame. Ikram Farazy's

journey eventually took him to the United Kingdom, where he pursued an MBA at the University of Anglia Ruskin. His optimism, ambition, and dedication to simplifying money transfer for expatriates set him on a path to transform the industry. Collaborating with his two elder brothers and a brother-in-law, Farazy secured an MSB License from the Central Bank of Italy in 2003, marking the beginning of his journey into the money service business. Over the years, he obtained licenses from the Central Bank of Spain and FCA, UK establishing Nec Money Transfer Limited, a dream he had tirelessly pursued.

The relentless Farazy's unwavering commitment to excellence and security became evident through his development of a state-of-the-art security software that revolutionized operations at Nec Money Transfer Limited. In his capacity as Chairman and CEO, Farazy was not only a leader but also a strategist. He meticulously formulated comprehensive plans and policies that aligned with the company's values and objectives. Moreover, his innate ability to foster strong relationships with expatriates contributed to the organization's reputation as a reliable and trustworthy institution. The expatriate community, spanning various countries, came to trust Nec Money Transfer Limited for its consistent and dependable service.

One of Farazy's hallmarks was his dedication to providing customer-friendly services. This commitment was not only

recognized within the company but also echoed throughout the fintech industry, earning Nec Money Transfer Limited a distinguished status as a global brand. The numerous accolades and remittance awards bestowed by Bangladesh Bank further validate the company's prominence. Notably, being acknowledged as one of the highest remittances sending companies worldwide underscores the global impact of Farazy's leadership and the organization's services.

In a rapidly evolving financial landscape, Farazy's efforts in establishing Nec Money Transfer Limited as a trailblazing fintech entity have been exceptional. Nec Money collects remittances from more than 40 countries and send them 90 plus countries. His focus on security, commitment to customer satisfaction, fostering expatriates to use legal channel in terms of sending money and strategic acumen have cemented Nec Money Transfer Limited's position as a reliable partner for expatriates seeking dependable remittance services.

Through his leadership, Farazy has not only uplifted his business but has also contributed significantly to the financial empowerment of expatriates and the recognition of his nation on the global stage.

Beyond his business success, Farazy's humanitarian contributions are noteworthy. His vision for quality education for expatriates' children led to the establishment of the 'Madani International School and College' in Italy. Committed to moral and religious education, he

established the 'Hazi Ujala Begum Mohila Madrasa' in Bangladesh and the 'Farazy Ikram Foundation,' which offers relief funds and goods to those affected by natural disasters.

Moreover, Farazy's investments have created employment opportunities, directly benefiting thousands of unemployed individuals and His involvement spans various institutions. His multifaceted role as a Chairman & CEO of Nec Money Transfer Limited, UK & Australia; Nec Express LLC, USA; Nec LLC, UAE; Nec Pay Limited, Cyprus; Nec Express Ltd, Canada; Nec Money (Pty.) Ltd., South Africa; Nec Fast, UK; Nec Money Transfer Japan Ltd., Japan; Nec Money UAB, Lithuania; Nec Travels Ltd., UK, Italy, Bangladesh; Madani Int. School & College, Italy; FARAZY QURAN ACADEMY, Italy; Vice Chairman of Farazy Hospital Ltd, Bangladesh, Farazy Dental Hospital & Research Centre, Bangladesh; Director of National Exchange Company, Italy; Axon College, UK; President of NRB Global Remittance Companies' Association underscores his versatile leadership and influence across countries and sectors. To sum up, the path of Farazy Ikram CIP is a monument to his undying tenacity, business skill, and dedication to social responsibility. He rose to fame in the world from his native Italy, revolutionizing the money service sector and significantly advancing employment, education, and humanitarian causes. His legacy encompasses good change and elevation for people, communities, and countries, going beyond his professional accomplishments. ◀



A MEMBER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE, AN ACTIVE CAMPAIGNER FOR EQUALITY AND GOOD RACE AND INTERFAITH RELATIONS IN SCOTLAND



Foysoyl Choudhury MBE MSP

Member of the Scottish Parliament
Shadow Minister for Culture,
Europe and International Development

Foysoyl Hussain Choudhury, MBE, born 5 January 1969, is a Bangladeshi-born British businessman, and a Scottish Labour politician. He has been a Member of the Scottish Parliament (MSP) for the Lothian region since May 2021.

Choudhury is Chairman of the Edinburgh and Lothians Regional Equality Council. He is one of the founding directors and the Vice Chair of the Edinburgh Mela. He is also Chairman of the Bangladesh Samity Edinburgh.

Choudhury was born in the village of Badardi, Bausha Union, Nabiganj, Habiganj, Sylhet District, the then East Pakistan now Bangladesh, and grew up in Edinburgh, Scotland.

Choudhury's parents are the late Al-Haj Gulam Rabbani Choudhury and Rukeya Rabbani Choudhury. He is eldest of six siblings, he has one brother and five sisters. In 1982, his father came and settled in Edinburgh. Choudhury's uncle is businessman Wali Tasar Uddin. During his time studying at the University of Edinburgh, Choudhury took responsibility for his ailing father's business. He expanded the business and is now an entrepreneur with interests in catering, hospitality, finance and real estate across the United Kingdom and Bangladesh.

Choudhury is a community activist in the UK. He has worked with the Scottish Government and various councils to

improve community relations. He has played a leading role in several charities.

He has been involved with the Edinburgh and Lothians Regional Equality Council (ELREC) since he was a teenager and has been an active campaigner for equality and good race and interfaith relations in Scotland. He has served the ELREC as a Trustee, company secretary, Vice Chair and he is currently its chairman. Choudhury has led the organisation through its transition from the race equality council to a pan-equalities regional council. In 2013, he was re-elected for a fourth term.

In 1991, Choudhury co-founded the

Edinburgh Mela and is currently its vice-chair. In 2010, he was elected as the Chairman of the Bangladesh Samity Edinburgh (Bangladesh Association Edinburgh). He has organised, annually, Bangladesh Independence Day Celebrations and other events to promote strong community relations. Choudhury is the Chairman of the Guild of Bangladeshi Restaurateurs of Scotland and as one of the founding members of Dine Bangladeshi Campaign.

At the snap 2017 general election, Choudhury was selected as the official Labour Party candidate for the Edinburgh South West constituency. However, he was not elected and finished in third place with 13,213 votes. He was elected at 2021 Scottish Parliament election for the Lothian region, becoming the first MSP of Bangladeshi background to be elected.

In 2004, Choudhury was appointed a Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE) in the 2004 New Year Honours for his services to the community. In 2006, he was awarded from the Channel 5 Award for his outstanding role as community worker and leader. Choudhury is married Tahmina (Moni) Choudhury. He is involved in fundraising campaigns, raising over £250,000 for causes



including Bangladesh Cyclone Appeal in Scotland, St Colombia's Hospice, Leukaemia and Cancer appeal, Sick Kids appeal, the British Heart Foundation

and many others. In addition to this he is also one of the organisers who built two shelter and 40 houses for the survivors of Cyclone Sidr Bangladesh in 2010. ◀



TRAILBLAZING THE FUTURE OF BANGLADESH'S ECONOMY AND EMPOWERING ENGINEERS FOR PROGRESS"

Engr. Ghulam Mohammed Alomgir

Founder & Chairman, MAX Group

Director, FBCCI

Vice Chairman

Bengal Commercial Bank Limited



E ngr. Ghulam Mohammed Alomgir, a mechanical engineer from Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET) and veteran entrepreneur, is considered as

one of the most successful and versatile businessmen of current time having significant contributions to country's overall economy. With a brilliant track record of collateral development in

various industrial and infrastructural segments of Bangladesh, the founder of MAX GROUP presently accounts for the employment of 8000+ people ranging from top-notch engineers to semi-skilled

labors. He has always been a pioneer in bringing cutting edge technologies in his projects and factories to keep pace with international standards. Not only that he has also established country's largest fleet of construction equipment within his company that includes 1000+ state of the art heavy machineries intending to ensure the quality and timeliness of his mega projects.

Apart from establishing Max Infrastructure Limited which is by far the largest EPCM solution providing company of Bangladesh, he owns two power plants with a combined capacity of 242MW. Over the years, MAX has established manufacturing facilities for automobile leaf springs, stainless steel crockeries and pipes, lubricating oil blending, most of the railway track fittings including pre-stressed concrete sleeper etc. under his dynamic leadership. Besides his vigorous business activities, he is well known as a robust organizer as well. He is the current president of Engineers Recreation Center (ERC), formerly known as Engineers Club, Dhaka. Besides, He is the patriarch and founder president of BUET Graduates Club Limited, a club of the apex alumnus of BUET. His contribution towards the engineers, especially the NRB Engineers is so well recognized that he is considered as the Spokesperson of the engineering community of Bangladesh. Presently, more than 400+ graduate engineers are working under him in his different projects and manufacturing units. Today's Bangladesh is developing and advancing ahead in an unprecedented manner. With a steady GDP growth of more than 7%, Bangladesh has established herself as a role model of



progress to the entire world. The few dreamers who have envisioned this prospective Bangladesh many years before, Engr. Alomgir is one of them. He is also considered to be a partner of the government in this nation building activities. He is very well known among the foreign missions in Bangladesh and is coordinating extensively with the Chinese Govt. Companies for various G2G projects. He has participated many well attended international conventions/conferences as keynote speaker during his career. Some of them are: FOBANA Convention- 2017 held in Florida, Bangladesh Rising Conference- 2018 held at Harvard University, AABEA Convention-2018 held at New York, Convention of NRB Engineers (CONE) - 2019 held at Dhaka, Bangladesh etc. Engr. Alomgir is well known for his enthusiasm in promoting sports and other social

development activities. He was a sportsman during his student life and used to play football, cricket, volley ball, table tennis, and hockey etc. He was the former director of Bangladesh Cricket Board. Moreover, he was the former Chairman (Cricket Committee) and Vice-President (Football Committee) of country's leading sports organization-Mohammedan Sporting Club. He is the current Senior Vice-President of Bangladesh Swimming Federation. For his impeccable contribution in business and other sectors, he has been awarded with Honorary Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) by Commonwealth University in 2019. Some other awards and recognitions he has received are: International Golden America Award for Quality and Excellence in Business, New York- 1999, International Star Award for Quality, Geneva- 2001, UCBL Best Corporate Client Award- 2013 & 2014, FOBANA Excellence in Business Award, Florida- 2017, 1st HSBC Business Excellence Award- 2020 etc. Engr. Alomgir is not only a successful businessman but also an ideal father of two flourishing children, Mrs. Azrin Alom and Mr. Mohammed Zulkernine. His wife Mrs. Kaniz Fatema is acting as Director of MAX GROUP and one of the idols for women in the corporate business sector. Mrs. Azrin Alom has completed her graduation from Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET) majored in Architecture. Mr. Mohammed Zulkernine had graduated from Purdue University, USA. Both his daughter and son are actively engaged in the management of MAX GROUP. ◀



DESPITE POLITICAL DIFFERENCES, WE ALL SHOULD BE UNITED FOR NATIONAL INTEREST

Giash Ahmed

President & CEO
America-Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce
& Industry Corp. USA (ABCCI)
Immigrant Elder Homecare LLC
President
Asian-American Republican Party, USA
President, Jackson Heights Bangladeshi
Business association of NY (JBBA)





Many Bangladeshis are now living in various countries of the world while they are working there for gainful jobs. Some people went there with jobs but some are doing businesses. These businessmen are not only changing their fortune but also developing the country. Gias Ahmed is one of them. He is the President of America-Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce. He is the President of America's reputed Real Estate Company 'Queus Home Real Estate Corp'. A son of the times, entrepreneur business personality, conscious politico Gias Ahmed is the Regional Vice-President of American Communication Network. He is the President of Immigrant. 'Home come me & Immigrant elderly Home care LLC.' Meritorious and organizing since boyhood, Gias Ahmed studied at Joypara Pilot High School and Dohar Nababganj College. He also studied at Government Titumir College, Dhaka. Later, he obtained higher degree in Marketing from Ohio State University, USA. He obtained degree in Law from Darul Ihsan University. While in the United States of America in search of luck he could not stay aside from politics, and he was the President of Chhatra Dal. He was the former Secretary of the BNP International Communication Affairs Central Committee. He was the President of New York BNP and former senior Vice-President of USA, well-known International Organization Federation of Bangladesh Association of North America (FOBANA) former Chairman & former Convener. Celebrated son of Dohar, a few miles of Dhaka city, Gias Ahmed is very courageous and open-minded since his

childhood. He is always uncompromising in question of Country and the Nation. He says that Bangladesh has not proceeded in the way after Liberation as she has progressed. Political impasse, torture on opposition political parties & autocracy to be held responsible for this. He further opines that despite political differences, we all should be united for national interest.

The America-Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce president says regarding countries trade & business- only tall-talk does not mean business oriented government. We need to take appropriate measures. Keeping bank loan interest high, a government cannot be a business-oriented. Though much talked about huge development, not necessary road & highways and other infrastructures are in existence. Many industries and factories are closed due to crisis of power and gas supply. Many are on the verge of collapse. He adds- corruption has multiplied. Regarding giant National Budget, he says the present government lacks transparency & accountability which breeds corruption & rampant loot. The more budget is fatty, the more will be loot of public money. Gias Ahmed is also involved in American Politics too. He was a Candidate for New York State Senator since 2002 from Republican Party of Queens District-13 seat.

The US expatriate Gias Ahmed is very uncompromising since his boyhood. He came to USA in 1987 with student visa. He got admitted to Ohio University. He got involved in student politics here also. He gave leadership in the movement of restoration of democracy in Bangladesh against the then autocratic ruler Ershad.

He also took part in the movement and lobbying against the then caretaker government of Fakhruddin and Moinuddin in front UN Headquarters, Capital Hills, White House and US State Department. He also worked for freedom of two leaders-Sheikh Hasina and Khaleda Zia. His movement for emancipation of democracy in the Nineties and afterwards was very vibrant. As an entrepreneur businessman and a conscious political man, he was one of the pioneers Bangladesh congressional right now 40 persons have been included as Bangladesh Congressman. These Congressmen speak in the interest of Bangladesh in the US Congress and also outside. He visited Bangladesh twice as an entourage of US congressman. He spoke to Bangladesh authority against killing beyond any judicial authority, Human rights preservation and bilateral issues between USA and Bangladesh. He with Congressman Joseph Cwoner inaugurated 'Asian University for Women' in Chittagong. The University was established with the financial aid of World Bank, United Nations and other countries including USA. Gias Ahmed introduced Bengali Language in different American organizations due to his intense patriotic feelings. He also helped not to take any examination on Muslim holiday including Eid. A bright and smart entrepreneur and business personality Gias Ahmed says we hear the story of development from abroad which seems encouraging but when we hear news of murder, missing, rape, then we really get depressed. He is optimistic saying that democracy will finally return to Bangladesh and elected government will take us to the path of progress & prosperity. ◀

IF YOU THINK IN THE RIGHT WAY AND PROCEED IN A PLANNED WAY, ANY ENDEAVOUR MUST BE ACHIEVED

Golam Faroque Bhuiyan

Chairman and Founder
GFB Group of Industries



As Bangladesh marching ahead putting whole world takes a back. So, few proud sons of this soil also have speedily reached the sky by dint of their own dream, labour, smartness, relentless efforts climbing the ladder of success, Golam Faroque Bhuiyan is one of them. He is a handsome business entrepreneur. He has attained the target of development of his group of companies GFB in the dreamy land of the United States of America.

GFB a conglomerate of different industrial estates, products of which are welcomed in various countries. This group comprises of Aromatic Innovations, Ninon Corporation, Ninon Realty &

Orpheus Ltd. The members of this group brands are known worldwide. Golam Faroque Bhuiyan, a far-sighted entrepreneur personality.

This dream has made him so laborious in marching ahead towards development. The celebrated son of Bangladesh had been very meritorious since his childhood. He was born in a respectable family of Debidwar Upazila of Cumilla district. He obtained his SSC from Debidar High School, HSC from Cumilla Victoria Government College University, and Graduation from Dhaka University. Now he permanently lives in New Jersey Sayreville of the USA.

This Courageous and Laborious

having development thoughts established GFB Group of which he is the Founder Chairman brought about this organization through heavy struggle in life. He firmly believes- If you think in the right way and achieved can proceed in a planned way, any Endeavour must be fulfilled achieved. His far-sighted dream, dynamic professional leadership has been accelerating GFB Group marching ahead. Golam Faroque is a smart, creative person, as he is smart in personal life, he has been maintaining modernity everywhere.

Golam Faroque Bhuiyan thinks a lot about the expatriate Bangladeshis in USA who are doing odd job which gives a



negative impulse among other foreigners in the USA. Faroque proved that Bangladesh expatriates are also dazzling. Not only Bangladeshi, foreigners are also working in his group of companies. Golam Faroque Bhuiyan is well-known in New York as a cultural activist. He took part in many literary-cultural events in New York and the cultural personalities who go to New York are blessed with his hospitalities. He is also the guiding force behind arranging Annual New York Book Fair. This self-reliant

Golam Faroque Bhuiyan has kept GFB Group open to all, through joint venture Business investment with this Group, they can do business in USA or other countries of the World. This creative man Golam Faroque Bhuiyan is undoubtedly a thing of proud to Bangladesh. At Aromatic Innovations, the company constantly strive to offer creative and innovative fragrances to satisfy our clients' needs while helping to build their brands. The company's Core Value is focusing on its customer's needs and

delivering that laser-like focus with state-of-the-art service. The company always does its best to fulfill the wishes of its customers by listening to their needs and requests and creating fragrances with ethereal qualities meeting the high standards that the clients expect and deserve. Its view its clients as partners. The company has an excellent team of dedicated professionals with experience and passion generated from all facets of the fragrance industry and those are committed to any success. ◀



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A HONORARY CONSUL WHO SHAPED THE FACE OF BRAND MARKETING

H.E. Ziauddin Adil

Honorary Consul of Democratic-
Republic of Congo
Founder & Chairman
Top of Mind Group

Honorary Consul of Democratic Republic of Congo and a visionary entrepreneur who has not only left a mark on the global business landscape but has also played a pivotal role in reshaping Bangladesh's marketing and communication industry. With numerous successful companies under his leadership, Ziauddin Adil's journey is an inspiring tale of

determination, innovation, and the relentless pursuit of excellence.

A prolific business grad from one of Bangladesh's prestigious North South University, whose dedication and contribution was honoured in 2017 with Best Alumni in 25 Years during the university's Silver Jubilee Celebrations.

He began his career in the 90s with the renowned British American Tobacco Bangladesh and later at

the World Bank, where he was involved in critical development and research projects. This early exposure provided him with a strong foundation in understanding global economic dynamics and policymaking, which proved to be invaluable in his later endeavors.

Mr. Adil's ability to identify emerging trends and adapt to changing market dynamics has been a hallmark of his success. He



recognized the importance of information and communication in the modern world and understood the importance of media in shaping public opinion. Under his guidance,

several media companies in Bangladesh have flourished, providing a platform for diverse voices and perspectives. However, Adil's journey in the brand

marketing and communication industry truly flourished during his tenure with Grey and later as the Group CEO of Top of Mind, a prominent media and communications company in Bangladesh. Under his guidance and leadership, Top of Mind Group has grown into a powerhouse, delivering cutting-edge media solutions to clients across various industries.

Mr. Adil's contributions to the world of business and media have not gone unnoticed. He served as a jury member of Festival of Media Asia Pacific for a few editions and has received several prestigious awards, including the "World's Greatest Leader 2018-19 Asia & GCC in the Industry services" award in the 5th Edition of World's Greatest Brands & Leaders (WGBL). This recognition speaks to his exceptional leadership skills and his ability to steer organizations towards excellence. Additionally, he was honored as "Asia One Person of The Year" by AsiaOne in 2019, further cementing his status as a respected figure in the business world.

Ziauddin Adil's journey from development and research to branding, trade, and media is a testament to his adaptability, expertise, and unwavering commitment to excellence. His remarkable achievements and accolades reflect his visionary leadership and dedication to shaping the future of business and media.

Beyond his entrepreneurial endeavors, Ziauddin Adil is also known for his commitment to social welfare and development. He is serving as an advisor to Bangladesh Human Rights Foundation and the co-founder of Salma Adil Foundation. He believes that businesses have a responsibility to give back to the communities they serve. Adil's philanthropic efforts have supported numerous social causes in Bangladesh, including education, healthcare, and poverty alleviation. ♦



WORKING WITH HONESTY AND SINCERITY BRINGS SUCCESS ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD



Hakim Md. Nasirul
Managing Director
Hat Co., Ltd.

MD Nasirul Hakim, one of the luminaries of Bangladesh, has become able to establish himself as one of the shining stars in trade and commerce arena in Japan. He is

the Founding Chairman and Managing Director of Hat Company Ltd, is one of the fast growing automobile trading company in Japan. Self-confident and dreamy business

personality MD Nasirul Hakim was born on August 6, 1966 in an aristocratic educated business family of Narayanpur under Pangsha upazila of Rajbari. His father late Abdul Mahmed, was a

first-class contractor at that time in the greater Faridpur district. His mother late Mrs. Begum Lutfun, was an enthusiastic female personality who was able to educate each of her 5 sons and 5 daughters.

From childhood, Nasirul was very talented. He completed his SSC from Pangsha George High School in 1983, HSC from Pangsha College in 1985 and post-graduate degree with honors in Accounting from Rajshahi University in 1990. He came to Japan on a student visa in 1990 and was admitted to a language institute in Japan. After completing the language course, he enrolled at Fuji Business College in Japan and earned a diploma degree in business management. At the end of his studies, he worked as an export director in an established export company in Japan.

At one stage, Nasirul came to country and got married to Raunak Jahan in 1996 who comes from an aristocratic family in Cumilla. Raunak Jahan is involved herself in cultural activities, music and art and literature. He returned to Japan with his wife and started thinking about establishing a business besides job. At one stage in 2002, he established a car export company Hat Company Ltd. He exports cars to Bangladesh, Russia and England through his company. Besides car export business, they also have a manpower recruiting business. Hakim Md. Nasirul's wife Raunak Jahan has been performing duties as Chairman of JBCC which is a manpower recruiting business firm. The couple is blessed with three children. Their eldest son Tanim Mahmud is a final year student of Hakim University, the only daughter Nawrin Hakim is a bachelor's degree holder and the youngest son Tanvin Mahmud is a seventh grade student. MD Nasirul Hakim thinks that if you work with honesty and sincerity, you can get success anywhere in the world.



Very amiable person MD Nasirul Hakim sponsors various socio-cultural activities of the Bangladesh community in Japan. He is the Chief Adviser of the Greater Faridpur Association, Japan. This organization is a meeting place of Bangladeshis there. Every year they used to hold founding anniversaries and cultural events. He is the Principal of Swaralipi, one of the cultural organizations of Bangladeshis there. His wife Raunak Jahan is a

prominent poet and songwriter. The family of MD Nasirul Hakim is a well-known one at Pangsha. His elder brother Zillul Hakim is a Member of Parliament from Rajbari-2 constituency who has been elected for 4 times. He is also an important organizer of the Awami League. One of his brothers, Bazlul Hakim, lives in New York and owns an audit firm there. Among others two brothers, Lutful Hakim and Iqbal Hakim are established businessmen in Dhaka. ◀

BEFORE SENDING WORKERS ABROAD, INITIATIVES SHOULD BE TAKEN TO IMPROVE THEIR COMMUNICATION & TRADE SKILLS TO INCREASE FOREIGN REMITTANCE

HM Iqbal

President
 Bangladesh Business Chamber of Canada
 Managing Director
 Canada National Trade & Exports Inc.
 Brand Founder & CEO
 Premium Sweets & Desserts Inc.
 (Bangladesh–Canada–USA)
 Dal & Chal (South Asian Cuisine)
 Managing Director
 Third House International Ltd.
 Premium Interiors & Project Management Partnerships
 Agroma Industries Ltd.
 Sponsor Director
 Hotel Sea Palace Limited
 Managing Partner
 Visvamata Nutrients LLC, USA



Success is inevitable for those who make timely decisions and engage in planned work. A shining example of this is HM Iqbal, an enlightened Canadian-Bangladeshi entrepreneur living in Canada since 1988. He is the Brand Founder and CEO of the topmost ranking sweets and savory brand "Premium Sweets". Described by industry observers as "driven", Iqbal recognized the potential of luxury brand in Food & Hospitality, International Trade, PR & M&A. Iqbal holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering with over 32 years of experience in

CPM, Brand Development, Brand Positioning, Business Development, Supply Chain Management, Merger & Acquisition, Human Resources Development & Business Expansion. Under his leadership, "Premium Sweets" started in 1999. The brand has grown from a small sweet manufacturing company to a major sweet delicacy brand in Bangladesh and Canada. "Premium Sweets" along with his food brand "Dal & Chal" is opening its flagship store in Queens NY in December 2020. Today Premium Sweets synonyms to any upscale social celebration in

cultured communities. In 1996, Iqbal became a Sponsor Director of Hotel Sea Palace, a 450 room seafront hotel facility in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh. Today, the hotel complex houses anchor tenants like United Nations Regional Office, major airlines, major commercial banks, international NGO in Cox's Bazar. In 1998, before initiating Premium Sweets, he had created a strong retail management team in Dhaka, Bangladesh and started the then the most prestigious department store named Plaza Central Department Store, which was a destination shop

for high-end fashion brand like Hugo Boss, Giorgio Armani, Emporio Armani, Gucci, Luis Vuitton, Romeo Gigli, Paul Zileri, Missoni, Very, Ermenegildo Zegna, Canali, Valentino, Christian Dior & Chanel to name a few. Prior to this Iqbal had a distinguished management career with Future Shop, the largest electronics retail brand in Canada. He was part of an goal oriented & aggressive management team that played vital role in Future Shop's tremendous growth record, from a modest start of 2.8 million dollar sales in 1983 to a roaring 1.00 billion plus dollar revenue in 1995, in just 12 years. In August 1993 he was with core management team that played a vital role to take Future Shop IPO in Toronto Stock Exchange, raising \$30 million (at \$11.25 per share). Only two months after its initial public offering, Future Shop's share price had doubled to \$22, and the company forecast sales of \$500 million for fiscal 1994. During his career with Future Shop, he participated in numerous training, seminar & symposium on Sales, Marketing, Brand Development, Brand Positioning, HR Development, Team Building, Employee Relations, Group HR Management and goal setting thus changed his engineering career to modern branding arena.

From 2007 till 2011, he served as Managing Director on the corporate board of Kipling Apparel Limited, a composite knit manufacturing unit employing over 1500 staffs.

In 2008 he started Premium Sweets Canada operation and within 24 months, the name became top most ranking South Asian food & dessert brand in Canada overpowering huge brands like Haldiram, Bikanervala, Chhappan Bhog, Puranmal, Sony, Rahmat-e-shirin or Srikrishna from South Asia.

By 2015 Iqbal initiated Agroma Industries Limited, an export oriented

frozen Ready to Eat Meal (cooked curries and meal combos) manufacturing industry in Bangladesh focusing on the export market. In following year 2016, he initiated "Third House International Ltd", a leading lobbying-PR firm in Bangladesh specializing in Business Facilitation, Dispute Management, Leadership Branding, PLC Branding, Merger & Acquisition and facilitate Joint Venture partnership.

In 2018, he started Canada National Trade & Exports Inc, a firm specialized in export trade and trade consultancy on North American made building materials, interior design products, Corian & Solid Surface, Quartz and Caesar Stones, High Gloss boards and laminates, Trims, HPL for architectural furniture and interior designs, hospitality furniture, commercial and industrial kitchen equipment, retail display systems, hardwood flooring, carpets, construction tools, machineries and armored vehicles, including



executive SUVs, bulletproof luxury sedans, special purpose vehicles, personnel carriers, cash-in-transit vehicles, to name a few. To boost up bilateral trade between Canada and Bangladesh, from 2016 till date, Iqbal lead Bangladesh Business Chamber of Canada as President of the Chamber and organized successful meeting with dignitaries from Bangladesh and Canada in many occasions. He has set out with an aim of staging a 'modern Bangladesh' to other countries of the world. He always feels Bangladesh in his heart. As a chamber leader, he thinks that although Bangladesh is in top level in the ready-made garment

export sector, Bangladesh is not getting such a recognition yet till local branding efforts flourish. He strongly suggests that with proper R&D and branding initiatives, companies in this sector should be focusing now to create brands for North American, European and Asia-Pacific markets engaging western branding houses to help this thriving sector exponentially. With over two decades of branding & brand positioning experience, he firmly believes that future generation of talented Bangladeshi diaspora will come forward to do this work and eventually 'Made in Bangladesh' will be able to conquer the world.

In several forum he advocated that before sending workers abroad, initiatives should be taken to improve their technical & language skills to increase wage earner remittance to a potential five times of current level. He further emphasized, instead of universities, more trade schools and technical institutes should be set up to create skill work force to work locally and in foreign countries. He firmly believes Bangladesh is a country of immense potential although for now it is stuck in dilemma with leadership lacking in institutions, dearth of planned initiatives and bureaucratic complexities.

He affirms, by developing skilled HR, focusing on agro-food processing, textile value addition, setting up light industries and developing IT sector, very soon Bangladesh will join other nations who enjoys trade surplus. To increase FDI (Foreign Direct Investment) in Bangladesh, he believes Bangladesh Government should take immediate initiatives to locate successful global entrepreneurs of Bangladeshi origin, engage them to encourage other Bangladeshi diaspora to invest in selected sustainable sectors in Bangladesh. ◀

ECONOMIC PROGRESS CAN BE ACCELERATED BY ENGAGING PEOPLE WITH FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Iqbal Ahmed OBE DBA

Director, Founder and First Chairman
NRB Bank Limited
Chairman and Chief Executive
Seamark Group of Companies and
IBCO Food Industries Limited



Seamark Group grew from a small family run business to supply seafood and various food products worldwide. Iqbal pioneered the import and export of frozen seafood in refrigerated containers and was the first to import Black Tiger shrimps into the UK and the EU. It wasn't long before he began to look at ways of expanding the family business, thus created Iqbal Brothers & Company (now IBCO Limited) in 1976, importing and distributing frozen seafood and all kinds of frozen food products.

As the business grew further, it made sense to Iqbal to create a new company, Seamark which is more reflective of the size and scope of the operation. Seamark's first factory was set up in Manchester and was officially opened in 1993 by The Rt Hon The Lord Deben, John Selwyn Gummer, the then Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. In 2000

Iqbal Ahmed established Seamark (BD) Limited in Bangladesh which was inaugurated by HRH Princess Anne.

His clear vision for the business has led to a string of prestigious awards for Seamark in the UK and in Bangladesh. Excellence in the field has been recognised at home in the UK with a Queen's Award for Export Achievement in 1998 and a number of Gold trophy Awards from the Government of Bangladesh for achieving the highest exports of seafood for nearly every year between 2002 and 2016.

One of Iqbal Ahmed's biggest achievements is the successful establishment of NRB Bank Limited in Bangladesh, where he brought together 46 NRB (Non-resident Bangladeshi) entrepreneur investors from all over the world to invest in Bangladesh. Iqbal had a vision of creating a financial institution for Non-resident Bangladeshi. He believes, economic progress can be accelerated

by engaging people with financial activities. He dreamt of unlocking a new horizon to the Bangladesh economy by facilitating NRB inward and outward investment to and from Bangladesh, assisting Bangladeshi enterprises to access international market and increasing the inflow of foreign remittances.

Despite his busy schedule Iqbal makes time for charity works. He is connected with, as sponsor, trustee or member, many charitable organizations in the UK and Bangladesh, mainly situated within the educational sector and healthcare involving rehabilitation, training and community work, including the development of Burunga Iqbal Ahmed High School and College for 1400 students in Sylhet. He has supported and raised funds for the Manchester Children's Hospital Appeal, the Royal Manchester Eye Hospital Appeal and Ahsania Mission Cancer and General Hospital Appeal to



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name a few. He is the Chairman of UKBCCI (UK Bangladesh Catalyst of Commerce & Industry) which promotes business and entrepreneurship to young people in the UK and Bangladesh. He personally gets involve with his companies' CSR and has formed a charity registered in the UK called the Iqbal Bros Foundation, which is currently fund raising for the Rohingya refugees.

He has founded and currently chaired Masjid ul Aqsa Islamic Centre, a Mosque and centre built for the community, where they can pray and hold religious and

cultural studies. He received his highest personal recognition when he was awarded an OBE (Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire) at the Queen's honours list in 2001 for his services to International Trade. He is a CIP (Commercially Important Person) in Bangladesh since 2009.

In July 2017, Iqbal was awarded by Manchester Metropolitan University an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Business Administration for his outstanding achievements in business and his significant contribution to the economy

and regeneration of Manchester and Bangladesh. In October 2017, Iqbal was awarded an Honorary Fellowship Award from University Campus Oldham for his outstanding work in the community.

Over the years Iqbal Ahmed has played an active role as member, advisor or director in a number of government committees, ministries and advisory bodies in the UK and overseas such SAAG (Southern Advisory Group, Competitiveness Council, BOND (a UKTI initiative), MOSAIC under the Business in the Community, New East Manchester, Ethical Trading Champion's Group, New Enterprise Council, Catalyst UK and Bridge2Bangladesh (B2B).

He is an advisor to the Board of Trade, by invitation from the Rt Hon Dr Liam Fox MP, Secretary of State for International Trade and President of the Board of Trade, to provide advice on promoting British exports, boosting inward investments and delivering successful trade mission abroad. Iqbal Ahmed has the ability to speak with such authority thus regularly sought as a speaker or panel member in international events and Universities such as Bangladesh Investment Summit in Singapore (2014, 2015), World Islamic Economic Forum in Dubai (2014), Inaugural Bangladesh Investment Summit in London (2013), Entrepreneurs Festival Manchester (2013, 2016), University of Dhaka (2015), and University College London (2015). He was personally invited by Michael Bloomberg to be a founding delegate of Bloomberg's New Economy Forum held in Singapore in 2018.

February 2017 saw the Publication of Iqbal Ahmed's autobiography entitled, King Prawn – Dreaming Big and Making It Happen, the story of the entrepreneurial genius. ◀



A portrait of Mr. Jagir Hossain Chowdhury, CIP, a middle-aged man with a goatee, wearing a white dress shirt and a blue patterned tie. He is smiling slightly and looking towards the camera. The background is a blurred outdoor setting with greenery and a building.

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Mr. Jagir Hossain Chowdhury, CIP
Member
NRB CIP Association



Mr. Jagir Hossain Chowdhury is a NRB from the U.A.E. and a seasoned businessman based out of Ajman. He has been doing business in the UAE for the last 41 years with the primary focus on Bangladeshi food products like frozen fish, dry fish, fresh vegetables, ethnic food and spices amongst others. In addition, the company also imports a variety of products like meat, chicken, seafood, and shrimps from 10 countries. Jagir Hossain Chowdhury is the founder of Backet Group, a conglomerate with diversified interest and operations with offices and production in various countries like Bangladesh, Myanmar and the UAE. Backet Foodstuff Trading is one of the leading

producer, importer, exporter and distributor of the highest quality FMCG products around the region. Backet also manages a chain of supermarkets and hypermarkets in Sharjah and Ajman with the first branch opening in 1991, and widely popular with the Bangla speaking community here. The trading office and cold storage is located in Backet Head Office Building in Jurf 1, Ajman. This talented businessman was born on 15th July 1960 in Chattogram to a Muslim family. His father's name is Late Nurul Alam Chowdhury and mother's name is Late Rezia Begum, also the name of the charitable foundation initiated in their loving memory. Jagir Hossain Chowdhury

lives in the state of Sharjah, with his wife, son and two younger daughters. Jagir Hossain Chowdhury said - 'Through Backet Group, my vision is to create long-term relationships and connect with entrepreneurs who have the hunger to grow. The FMCG industry has always witnessed growth and we are poised to meet the demands across the world. I believe in the power of innovation, teamwork and inspiration when put together success becomes a reality. Jagir Hossain Chowdhury has been honored as the NRB CIP [Commercially Important Person] by the Government of Bangladesh in 2012 for the "Import of Bangladeshi goods". ◀

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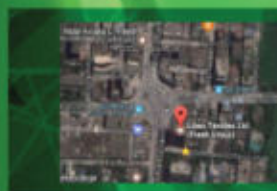
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Jashim Uddin (Josh)
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Jashim Uddin (Josh) is a native of Bangladesh who came to USA in 1987 to pursue higher study. Mr. Uddin Graduated from Georgia State University. He has completed leadership program from Gwinnett

Leadership Institute. His carrier has included variety of endeavors. During his college Junior year, he owned four upscale Lounges in Atlanta's most vibrant & affluent district. During 1996 Atlanta Olympic,

His interviews were published in Sports Illustrated, DJ Times, Creative Loading, Atlanta Journal & Constitution & Details Magazine. He owns many businesses in different Metro Atlanta locations. He deeply involved with



insurance & Financial industry. Besides that, he is also involve in retail development industry. Community service has been a passion of Mr. Uddin's life. Currently he is the President of Bangladeshi American Association of GA (BAAG) representing Bangladeshi American in Metro Atlanta. He was a Former Chairperson for FOBANA (Federation of Bangladeshi American Associations in North America, www.fobanaonline.com). Mr Uddin also served as an Executive Secretary of APAC (2006-2007) (Asian/Pacific American Council of Georgia). Mr Uddin hosted three FOBANA conventions at the Cobb Galleria in 2006 & 2013 and at Georgia World Congress Center& CNN Center. He is involve with North Gwinnett Rotary club and recently elected as Club President (Elect) for 2020 Term. He is also involve with US mainstream politics. Helping the community has always been a priority for Mr. Uddin. That's why he has been involved with so many charitable organizations. Mr. Uddin is married to his loving wife Farzana Uddin and they have 2 beautiful daughter Nusayba& Zahra. Mr. Uddin travelled over 52 Countries to explore people & their culture. His passion is to travel and make friend. He spends his leisure time playing Golf and Tennis. ◀





Dr. Kali Pradip Chaudhuri
 Chairman & Founder
 KPC GROUP

KPC GROUP IS ENGAGED IN NUMEROUS BUSINESSES AROUND THE WORLD SERVING DIVERSE INDUSTRIES

Kali Pradip Chaudhuri, the Chairman and Founder of the KPC Group of Companies, has reached an unprecedented level of success through extraordinary vision, acute entrepreneurial spirit and relentless hard work. The KPC Group is engaged in numerous businesses around the world serving diverse industries such as healthcare services and facilities, pharmaceutical and biotechnology, education, real estate, infrastructure development, agriculture, architecture and engineering, alternative energy, waste management, travel services and information technology. Dr. Chaudhuri completed his

intermediate science at the MC College in Sylhet. He obtained his MBBS degree in Kolkata and was also educated in Malaysia, England, Canada and the United States. Having earned extraordinary credentials and prestigious honors, Dr. Chaudhuri has practiced orthopedic surgery since 1982. He is certified by the American Board of Orthopedic Surgeons. In addition, Dr. Chaudhuri is a Fellow of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons, and a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. Dr. Chaudhuri diversified his quest for progress in many business verticals while enhancing his footprint in the healthcare services and facilities

industry. During the last four months of 2010, Dr. Chaudhuri and his group acquired a \$70 million note on four hospitals in California including Western Medical Center in Santa Ana, Western Medical Center in Anaheim, Chapman Medical Center and Coastal Communities Hospital in Orange County. In addition, Dr. Chaudhuri successfully acquired two hospitals: Hemet Valley Medical Center and Menifee Valley Medical Center for \$172 million. His latest hospital acquisition includes Victor Valley Community Hospital in Victorville, California. A real estate entrepreneur with widely diversified property acquisitions worldwide, Dr. Chaudhuri has



enhanced his footprint significantly over the last several years. The KPC Group has been contracted to execute the prestigious 'City of Corona Redevelopment' project- worth \$ 1.8 billion over a period of several years. The Group has acquired the multi-million dollar high profile 300,000 SF commercial complex in Corona, California and named it KPC Summit. In addition, Dr. Chaudhuri and his group are currently engaged in the development and construction of more than 3.3 million sq. ft. of commercial real estate comprising of hotels, resorts, apartments, old age homes and educational institutions.

In 2003, Dr. Chaudhuri successfully established the first private medical school in West Bengal, India. On a sprawling 25 acres state-of-the-art campus with more than 1.8 million sq. ft. of construction, the KPC Medical College & Hospital, Shova Rani Nursing College and Paramedical College provide health and educational services to millions of Indians residing in the city of Kolkata.

In April 2010, The KPC Group's pharmaceutical company, Chemgen Pharma International, partnered with Ferrer Group based in Barcelona, Spain

to develop The KPC-Ferrer Institute for Infectious and Tropical Diseases. The collaboration with Ferrer will combine and enhance the expertise of the two companies in the design of chemical compounds for developing anti-infective drugs. Also in 2010, Chemgen Pharma International, entered into an agreement with Orthopadietechnik KG in Germany to develop OrthoChemgen, a multi-million dollar company with bases in India and Germany. Dr. Chaudhuri's Group along with Mobidough, Inc., created Swiftlythere.com, a mobile & web-based travel services company enabling virtual, 'home-based' travel agents to book international & domestic air, car, cruise, hotel, custom packages, and group sales reservations at deep discounts with easy payment & ticket redemption technology.

Dr. Chaudhuri and his Group are also involved in the Information Technology and Architectural/ Engineering/ Construction sector. In 2005, his Group created DowcoMAX Services to provide automated structural steel facilities to the worldwide steel market. DowcoMAX contributed to high-profile projects such as the Freedom Tower in New York City, the Goldman Sachs World Headquarter

in New York, and many others including Oil and Gas refineries throughout the world. In 2011, Dr. Chaudhuri acquired DowcoMAX by enhancing his ownership position from 40% to 100% and renamed it ITeMAX Engineering Services.

Dr. Chaudhuri is a driven leader who has derived his inspiration to build his dream from South Asian traditional culture, heritage and values. He has two children, Kali Priyo and Sumanta. Dr. Chaudhuri resides in Hemet, California with his wife Sunanda.

Professional Achievement

- Certified by American Board of Orthopedic Surgeons
- Fellow member of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons
- Fellow member of the American College of Surgeons
- Fellow member of the International College of Surgeons
- Faculty member of the prestigious Loma Linda University Medical School, California, USA
- Chairman, Department of Surgery, Hemet Valley Medical Center, Inc.
- Chairman, Orthopedic Department, Hemet Community Medical Group, Inc.
- Chairman, Orthopedic Department, APEX Healthcare Medical Center, Inc. ◀



NAVIGATING BUSINESS AND DIPLOMACY FOR GLOBAL PROSPERITY

Mr. Kamal Ahmed

Deputy Managing Director
 Seamark Plc (UK)
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 Seamark (Holdings) Ltd, Bangladesh
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 Vermilion Group (UK)

A visionary leader in business and diplomacy Kamal Ahmed, the Deputy Managing Director of Seamark plc in the UK, is a prominent figure known for his remarkable journey in the world of commerce and diplomacy. With a career spanning continents and a steadfast commitment to excellence, Kamal Ahmed has played a pivotal role in shaping the success of Seamark Group of Companies, a global conglomerate headquartered in Manchester, England. Kamal Ahmed's journey into the world of business began with Seamark Group, a conglomerate with interests in seafood production, hospitality, and retail. Seamark Group, under his

leadership, has emerged as a formidable force in the international business arena, employing 4,000 people worldwide and maintaining distribution networks across Europe, the USA, and Canada. As Deputy Managing Director of Seamark Group, Kamal Ahmed assumes full control in the absence of the Chairman and Chief Executive, underscoring his pivotal role in steering the group's operations to new heights. His responsibilities span various facets of the business, including imports, overseeing UK factories, and managing seafood production. Seamark's reputation for processing and adding value to seafood has made it a major

player in exports to Western and Eastern European countries, the Middle East, and Russia. In Bangladesh, Kamal Ahmed oversees the operations of Seamark Group, earning numerous accolades for remarkable exports. Seamark (BD) Limited, under his stewardship, has been honored with gold medals and trophies for achieving the highest export volumes. The Government of Bangladesh recognized the group's contributions to the nation's export sector by awarding it the national export trophy in 2016 for its performance during the years 2011-2013. Seamark UK also received the prestigious Queen's Award for export achievements. Beyond corporate responsibilities,

Kamal Ahmed is deeply committed to upholding high standards in food production, emphasizing hygiene, environmental sustainability, and worker conditions. His dedication underscores his commitment to both business success and ethical business practices.

Kamal Ahmed's purview extends to Seamark Group's hospitality and retail sectors. Under his guidance, Vermilion Restaurant, renowned for culinary excellence, has flourished. The newly opened Vermilion Hall has expanded the group's footprint in the hospitality industry. Additionally, Restaurant Wholesale Cash & Carry caters to the food service industry's needs.

Kamal Ahmed is not only a business stalwart but also a notable figure in the banking sector. As a shareholder of NRB Bank, he has significantly contributed to shaping the institution. He previously held the position of Vice Chairman at NRB Bank and served on the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors.

In addition to his professional commitments, Kamal Ahmed actively supports various

charitable organizations and fundraising appeals, aligning Seamark Group with philanthropic causes. As a Trustee of the Iqbal Bros Foundation Trust registered in the UK, he plays an instrumental role in advancing charitable initiatives.

The shining Kamal Ahmed's educational background is a solid foundation for his successful career, having completed a degree in Business Management from Manchester Metropolitan University, UK. His academic journey equipped him with the skills and knowledge to navigate the complexities of the global business landscape.

Mr. Kamal's journey in the business world is a witness to his exceptional leadership, unwavering commitment to excellence, and dedication to ethical business practices. As Deputy Managing Director of Seamark Group of Companies, he has not only shaped the success of the conglomerate but also significantly contributed to the growth of the seafood industry and the global business community. Kamal Ahmed's legacy as a visionary

leader continues to inspire future generations in the world of commerce.

Beyond his business acumen, Kamal Ahmed's impact extends to diplomacy and cultural exchange. He has been instrumental in fostering economic growth, cultural understanding, and cooperation between the UK and Bangladesh. His dedication to promoting educational, cultural, and business exchanges has strengthened ties and paved the way for future generations to benefit from a closer relationship between the two nations.

Kamal Ahmed's journey from humble beginnings to becoming a symbol of success and collaboration serves as an inspiration to aspiring entrepreneurs, leaders, and diplomats alike. His legacy is one of resilience, innovation, and a deep-rooted belief in the power of unity and cooperation. Kamal Ahmed continues to contribute to the growth of economies and the strengthening of international bonds, making Bangladesh proud and leaving an indelible mark on the global stage. ◀



EVERYBODY SHOULD THINK BIG AND POSITIVE



Kamanashis Deb
President
Bangladesh Community,
Saskatchewan, Canada



Bangladeshi Canadian Kamanashis Deb is one of the proud sons of Bangladesh, who has brightened the image of Bangladesh abroad through his efforts and successful career. He is an established entrepreneur in Canadian real estate sector. He is the Realtor of Royal LePage Canada. He has been running real estate business in Saskatoon, Canada and surrounding areas for over nine years. He has been elected as the president of the Bangladesh community in Saskatchewan. Under his skillful and sincere leadership, Bangladeshis in the region of Canada are live with dignity through mutual relations.

Hailing from Sylhet, Kamanashis Deb has studied at Sylhet Aided High School and My Dawson College. He has graduated from Bangladesh with a Bachelor of Commerce (Hons) and went to Switzerland for higher studies. After studying there, he came to Canada in 2006 and became an immigrant citizen. During his early days in Canada, he had to do odd job. In 2006, he got a job of dishwasher in a hotel. It was his beginning. He was committed that he will earn money through works. If he does this sincerely,

he must be successful one day. This self-confident man did not have to wait long to get a success in life. In 2009, he has become the owner of a restaurant. Thus, he started his entrepreneurial life. He has got huge success in life by dint of hard work, perseverance and an indomitable desire to be established. He is currently the CEO of YXE Immigration, President of East-West Investment & Property Management, Director of Sask BD Foods International Ltd, director of EWC Management Inc. and Realtor of Royal LePage Varsity. He has already won 6 medals and awards as a Realtor through his performance. These include the Diamond Award, Directors Platinum Award, President Sold Award, and Royal LePage highest Award of Excellence 2016 & 2017.

He plays a leading role in socio-cultural initiatives of the Bangladesh community in Saskatchewan. This organization-minded individual is very generous in nature. He used to support the Folk Fest arranged by the Bangladesh community and other events financially as well as coordinating food chairs and providing and raising funds for a long period of time. For this reason, he is a very

popular figure among the members of Bangladesh community. As an entrepreneur, he is an active member of the Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce, an organization dedicated to mainstream Canadian business. As a human, Kamanashis Deb is enthusiastic, sincere, hardworking and dedicated to the field of personal business success. Besides, he has a lot of interest and affection to work for the community. He always highlights the community to others through improving community activities.

Kamanashis Deb is a conscious and knowledgeable person. He believes, "Everybody should think big and positive. His appeal to others not to listen to people who say it is not possible. According to him, success will come if you work with honesty and sincerity. He believes, time is short to think of life, so work must be done fast with care.

Kamanashis wife's name is Swarna Deb. The couple is blessed with a 4-year-old daughter. Being successful in his career, Deb is proud to be a son of Bangladesh.

"We, the Bangladeshi immigrants in Canada, nurture the Bengali culture here," he said. ◀



THE PROUD BANGLADESHI ENTREPRENEUR WINNING HEARTS AND AWARDS IN AUSTRALIA

Kamrul Chowdhury
Managing Director
PNS Graphics Australia Pty Ltd.

Kamrul Chowdhury, a proud Bangladeshi living in Australia, is well known to expatriate Bangladeshis in Melbourne as Kamrul Bhai. This heroic freedom fighter is the soul mate of all. He has been able to earn this position by his work, social service, compassion for people. He did not win the hearts of people with money. He earned it with well manners and sincerity. He will be seen in any event of Bangladeshi people in Australia especially in Melbourne. Despite being busy, he and his wife Laila Chowdhury used to attend functions. He used to show sympathy to the bereaved and

encourage the joyous occasion at every time. Kamrul Chowdhury used to attend someone's private event and said politely, can I please help you? And if that program is Bangladesh community then there is no question. He provides all kinds of support for the success of the event. Kamrul Chowdhury is a smart, efficient and self-confident entrepreneur businessman. With his own efforts, he established the business firm "PNS Graphics Australia Pvt Ltd" in Melbourne. PNS is one of Australia's largest printing supplier businesses. The company imports and exports printing machines

according to the demand of world's famous and established companies. As he imports all types of new and old currency from different countries as well as exports them worldwide, he has already gained importance as an exporter to the Australian government. He also has several industrial ventures in Bangladesh under the initiative of PNS Group as he emphasized that Bangladesh is his roots. He should also take initiatives for the development of his own country.

Kamrul Chowdhury was also meritorious as a student. He came to Melbourne to pursue higher



education after completing his master's degree from Jahangirnagar University's Department of Geography. Between his studies, this energetic young man got involved in printing machine supply business little by little. He likes the job because he has been exposed to this industry since childhood. His father had a printing press in Dhaka and whenever he had time, he used to come to the press when he was a student and sat and watched the work. He liked it very much. He had the opportunity to see the use of different types of printing machines at that young age. When he came to Australia, he saw that the printing machine here is of high quality. From there he started exporting printing machines to Bangladesh. Then he realized, why only Bangladesh, he has huge opportunity to export to it other countries. This is how he expanded his business to India, China and other countries. He is also exporting Australia's modern printing equipment to various countries in Europe, America and Africa. As a result, his name is among the top of Australian government's exporter list. Kamrul Chowdhury is a seasoned businessman. He was able to master

this business. Currently he has partnership business with other companies besides his own company. More than 116 people are working in all these companies. Among them, the number of Bangladeshis is more. It can be seen from the observation that no expatriate Bangladeshi business success in the whole of Australia is at this level as Kamrul Chowdhury has been able to do. Kamrul Chowdhury played an active role in the country's liberation war. His active participation was in the sector number 7 of Pabna. He always follows the spirit of liberation war. When he came to Melbourne about 42 years ago, the number of Bangladeshis there was very little. From that time he used to play a leading role in celebrating Independence Day, Victory Day, Ekushey February with them. He considers these days as pride for a Bangladeshi. Kamrul Chowdhury is always proud of Bangladesh. He said that the history of our language and the liberation war are so important in the history of the world that many countries in the world do not have it. He said, "We have kept the dignity of the language with blood, gained

freedom with blood." Kamrul Chowdhury has earned a reputation as a benevolent person and guardian to Bangladeshis in Australia, particularly in Melbourne. If anyone from Bangladesh goes to Melbourne and faces any problem, he comes forward and tries his best to help him out. Kamrul Chowdhury is well known as an entrepreneurial businessman as well as a philanthropist in Australia. He received the Order of Australia Award in 2019 for his various social service activities and initiatives. This award is given to those who have made a special contribution to the Australian community in various fields at the national level on January 26 every year on the Australia Day. It is a prestigious award from the Australian Government. Kamrul Hossain Chowdhury, a brave freedom fighter and a renowned Australian businessman, is a proud son of Bangladesh and a resident of the state of Victoria. He is still immersed in deep love for his native Bangladesh. He spoke about the development of Bangladesh in various forums. He said that Bangladesh has been able to attract the attention of the world through development very recently. ◀

BANGLADESH WILL TURN INTO A CULTURALLY DEVELOPED COUNTRY SOON

Kazi Enayet Ullah
Chairman
Banani Group



Kazi Enayet Ullah. His life and the context and depth of his deeds spread far and wide. He was born in a respectable family of Banani in Dhaka in 1958. His father's name Kazi Ambar Ali and mother Mrs. Meher Nigar. As a good bright student, Kazi Enayet studied at Mohakhali Model High School, Adamjee Cantonment College of Dhaka. He received his higher degree in Economics on 1984 from the famous University of Sorbonne Paris. Kazi Enayet Ullah has proven himself to be a successful entrepreneur from the very beginning. He always tries to make his parents proud. The journey began 32 years ago with a restaurant named after his

childhood locality— Banani at Paris, France. BANANI Restaurant was awarded with the famous French Grand Prix of the Indian Cuisine 'Golden Fork'.

Along with restaurant business, Enayet has successfully ventured in real estate and travel business. For more than three decades, he has been expanding his business in different parts of Europe, South America, North Africa, Middle East and Central and South Asia. He received numerous awards from both government and non-government entities for excellence as an entrepreneur. With France-Bangladesh Economic Chamber, he organized a special meeting on latest trade

opportunities, new joint ventures and training sessions on accounting, taxes and legal assistance issues within the French Bangladeshi community in 2018.

In 2017, Kazi Enayet Ullah met the Prime Minister of Canada, His Excellency Mr. Justin Trudeau and the Parliamentary delegation of Canada and discussed the current economic and social situation of NRBs in Canada. In 2012, he established 'BANGLADESH BUSINESS CONSULTING' (BBC) which works simultaneously in Paris and Dhaka with a view to aiming to heighten the business relation between the two countries. He is the Co-Founder and Secretary General of ALL EUROPEAN



BANGLADESH ASSOCIATION (AEBA). AEBA is a non-political, non-religious and non-discriminating European association. He is initiator of Bangabandhu square & statue in city of Paray-le-Monial in France. Enayet Ullah organised the 1st Bangladesh Global Summit held on 19 and 20 November, 2016 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. He has made possible a lot of other international business events to promote Bangladesh. He has a strong contribution in cultural arena and always played a pivotal role to promote Bangladeshi culture in and outside of country. He has produced a number of fiction and non-fictions films that portray cultural diversity of Bangladeshi people. Yet, Kazi Enayet Ullah looks forward to continue his journey as an active entrepreneur, organiser and cultural activist for a better tomorrow for Bangladeshis across the world. He is hopeful that Bangladesh will turn into a culturally developed country soon. ◀

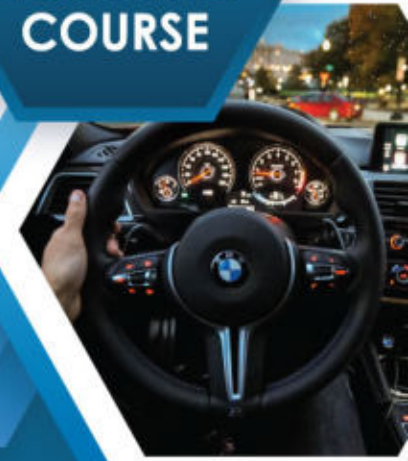


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TO ACHIEVE SOMETHING, ONE HAS TO DREAM FIRST AND THEN WORK HARD TO MATERIALIZE IT IN A PLANNED WAY

Kazi Helal Ahmed
 Chairman & CEO, DBank International Finance & Development Corp (IFDC)
 New York, USA



Kazi Helal Ahmed is a highly reputed and experienced finance entrepreneur involved in the non-banking financial institution industry, and particularly in the international project financing and private equity investment arena. He is the Founder, President & CEO of International Finance & Development Corporation (IFDC), a New York City based global finance and diversified private equity investment firm.

Kazi Helal Ahmed was born in a respectable educated family in Brahmanbaria district of Bangladesh. His father's name is late Kazi Abul Hashem and mother Johara Begum. He was meritorious from his childhood. After completing SSC from Brahmanbaria High School and HSC from Brahmanbaria College, he was admitted to the Department of Economics at the University of Dhaka. With a goal of going to the United States to attain higher education, he participated in TOEFL exam, in which he scored 580 marks out of 600 in the exam. He completed his post-graduate degree in

Economics from the University of Utah in Saltlake City Utah, in the United States, and then received an MBA in Finance from Cambridge University.

Mr. Ahmed always believes that even though it is possible to improve one's life by working in a lucrative job, it is possible to improve the lives of many others by creating employment opportunities and providing innovative goods and services to improve the lives of consumers via setting up and operating a successful business. With this philosophy in mind, this talented and visionary young man started his journey as an entrepreneur by starting his first business in New York City in 1989.

In 1992, Mr. Ahmed started a garments buying house in New York and started an import, wholesale and distribution business. At the same time, his family friend, Walid Ahmed, also started a garments buying house business in New York. The two were likely the first Bangladeshi Americans to promote the Bangladesh garments sector in the United States by setting up such

garment buying house businesses in New York City. Additionally, Mr. Ahmed also set up a garments buying house in Dhaka to look after his garments orders. At that time, the concept of a "garments buying house" was new in Bangladesh.

At the time, most American buyers did not know about the Bangladesh garments industry. In fact, many did not even know where to Bangladesh on a map. Thus, Mr. Ahmed often took the world map with him to show the location of Bangladesh in world map to his buyers. He was able to persuade many top and leading American buyers and convinced them to purchase garments from Bangladesh. Through his buying house, his American buyers bought large quantities of garments from Bangladesh worth over billions of dollars. Richard Adjmi, a well-respected leader within the Sephardic Jewish community and CEO of the Age Group, more commonly known to as Richie, was the first buyer of Kazi Helal Ahmed's garments business. Kazi Helal Ahmed later developed

a close friendship with Richie and they eventually became business partners. Their friendship lasted for nearly three decades and they are still close friends, today. Richie's family known in New York as the famous "Adjmi Family", is known as an influential and wealthy NYC-based family. The Adjmi family is leading the fashion industry, real estate and retail industry in New York and all over USA. Through Richard Adjmi, Kazi Ahmed developed a strong relationship with the Sephardic Jewish business community and various other influential business communities in New York City and built up partnerships in various large scale business ventures with them.

In 1998, he set up a garment industry in New York named Monarch Garments. After a year of operation in 36th Avenue, Astoria, he moved Monarch Garments to Manhattan's Garment District. He made many top branded garments locally in New York, as well as in Bangladesh. In 2001, he founded International Finance & Development Corporation (IFDC), in which he also serves as its President & CEO.

IFDC is a private financing company approved by the New York State Banking Department and has authorized representatives in more than 50 countries worldwide. The company has extensive experience in capital management and large-scale infrastructure projects funding worldwide, particularly in projects valued at 100 million to 10 billion USD. Kazi Helal Ahmed has tirelessly been working to expand the group's funding activities globally. IFDC received a number of awards in recognition of its quality services and achievements. In 2012, this institution was awarded Best of Manhattan award on behalf of Manhattan Award Program. In 2016, Corporate America-News, a leading magazine of US Business markets, awarded IFDC as Best Diversified Private Equity Investment Group-USA & Recognized Leaders in Oil & Gas Investor. In the same year, AI Global Media, a US financial magazine, awarded IFDC as Most Diversified Private Equity Investment Group & Most Trusted in Debt and Equity Funding Award in recognition of its success.

Additionally, Kazi Helal Ahmed made a JV partnership with one of the nation's largest hotel groups in the United States. Pacific Pearl Hotels (PPH) Mgt formerly, known as American Property Management Corporation (APMC), is a JV company of IFDC. PPH/APMC is one of the top 10 ranked and leading hotel management groups in North America. Kazi Helal Ahmed expanded IFDC's investment portfolio in the energy sector by forming IFDC-Vulcan



Energy Group, a joint-venture with Vulcan Capital Management, in which he serves as its President, and United Solar Power Corp. Via these JV and portfolio companies, IFDC is an investor, developer and operator of energy & power projects, solar and wind power projects, and hydropower project worldwide.

In addition to large-scale project financing, IFDC also participates in small to mid-size business finance solutions via one of its portfolio companies, IFDC-Capital Funding, in which Mr. Ahmed serves as its President & CEO. Mr. Ahmed is also the Chairman and CEO of Prime Industries USA Inc.

In 2001, Mr. Ahmed founded Millennium Holdings Ltd., a JV hotel investment and development company in Bangladesh. He persuaded Hilton Hotels Corporation to open Dhaka Hilton Hotel and he signed a 20-year hotel management contract with Hilton to manage and operate Dhaka Hilton Hotel.

IFDC, one of the world's most innovative non-banking financial institutions, is not only driving the US economy forward but also contributing to the economic dynamism of various countries around the world. He has access and relationships with some of the world's largest private equity investment

firms and debt financing organizations. IFDC invests their funds under management, along with private and institutional investors, via innovative methods in large-scale projects around the world, which have major economic multipliers.

In Mr. Ahmed's personal life, he is married to Mrs. Sabina Kazi. They are a happy couple residing in New York City and are the proud parents of their son, Jamie Kazi. Jamie graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Finance from Pace University located in Downtown Manhattan. Jamie leads a career in public policy and politics and is considered a rising star in New York's Democratic Party. Kazi Helal Ahmed says, "To achieve something, one has to dream first and then work hard to materialize it in a planned way." Kazi Helal Ahmed is a legendary entrepreneurial personality and has contributed to revolutionizing the investment and project finance sector in various countries around the world. Mr. Ahmed is proud to be Bangladeshi-American and believes that Bangladeshi immigrants are a "bridge" between the two countries. He is also optimistic about the economic prosperity of Bangladesh. ◀



SKILLED WORKER ROUTE BRIDGES GAP BETWEEN QUALIFIED EMPLOYERS AND GLOBAL LEVEL PROFESSIONALS

Md Lutfur Rahman

Chartered Legal Executive Lawyer
and Commissioner for Oaths

Md Lutfur Rahman (FCILEx) is a prominent lawyer, businessman and community activist widely known in the diaspora Bangladeshi community in the UK.

He was called to the bar as a barrister at the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn in 2000. Later, he started legal practice with a firm of solicitors in East London in 2002. He eventually established own legal practice with two other practitioners and achieved tremendous success. Their firm Universal Legal Centre was recognised with the best representative award from the Home Office for Sector Based

Scheme (SBS) project introduced in 2003.

Due to his enthusiasm, passion and sincerity, Lutfur obtained name and fame among the community, particularly among Bangladeshi immigrants. He has been supported in this journey by his wife Barrister Nahid Sultana Parvin who was also called to the bar in 2000.

Mr. Rahman, a qualified Chartered Legal Executive Lawyer and Commissioner for Oaths, has been pursuing his legal practice in immigration, civil, family, housing and commercial disputes. He developed his expertise in

immigration application, appeal and judicial review matters.

He remained in East London and practices from Saint Martin Solicitors where he leads the immigration team. Saint Martin Solicitors is a solicitors' firm authorised and regulated by the Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA), which among other areas, also specialises in Immigration law, in-country and entry clearance appeals, settlement/ILR application, leave to remain application, deportation, and bail, business visa, asylum, and Judicial Reviews. Mr. Rahman is also the Managing Director of

Skilledworkerroute.co.uk and the CEO at Workpermitcloud.co.uk. Skilled Worker Route is a job portal to bridge the gaps between qualified employer with sponsorship licence (who wishes to hire migrant employee) and global level professionals (who wishes to pursue career with a new employer). Workpermitcloud.co.uk is a virtual HR management software for those who would like to apply for license to recruit skilled workers from abroad.

As a distinguished lawyer and successful entrepreneur Mr. Rahman spends most of his working hours in researching legal updates, changes in immigration rules and procedures, legal precedents and finding solutions and remedies for his clients. He regularly attends live television programmes and provides with necessary advice and comments on immigration related matters. He is a regular guest on NTV's live



show "Work Permit" telecasted on Sky 757 in order for new immigrants, particularly from Bangladesh, to feel at ease. ◀



VOW TO WORK TO PROTECT COUNTRY'S INTEREST IN ABROAD

M. Murad Yousuf

President
 Australia Bangladesh Chamber of-
 Commerce & Industry
 Managing Director
 Mexim Australia Pty Limited
 Managing Director
 Olive Grove Holiday Resort
 Managing Director
 Green Valley Cattle Farm
 CEO, Australian Institute of-
 Technical education (AITE)



Many Bangladeshi people are now engaged in many important professions including trade and employment with great reputation in different countries as they were once known as homesick people. They aren't only contributing hugely to the economy of Bangladesh but brightening the country's image in overseas further. One of them glorious Bangladeshi Australian is M. Murad Yousuf. He is the Managing Director of Mexim Australia Pte Ltd, a famous import-export company in Australia. He is also Vice-President of NRB World and President of Australia Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce & Industry.

M. Murad Yousuf was born on July 21, 1971 in Fatehpur village of Feni in an educated noble family. His father late Momtaz Uddin was a teacher and mother Rabia Khatun a housewife. Murad Yousuf went to Singapore to pursue higher education after passing the HSC examination from Feni Government College in 1989. He completed his Advanced Diploma in Computer Studies (ADCS) from Informatics Computer College, Singapore in 1992 after successful completion he started work as Computer Programmer and Senior Programmer at Livale Training Center Pty Ltd, a computer school in Singapore from 1993 to 1995 and once he obtain his Permanent residency (PR) in Singapore, Murad Yousuf leave the job and started his entrepreneur journey and founded an Export & Import company Name: Signet International Pte Ltd in Singapore in November 1995 and the following year (1996) he started Freight & Shipping Company Name :Sun Moon Shipping Pte Ltd. Both the company he managed successfully as its

Managing Director till October 2002. He moved to Australia in 2003 and set up a company name The Crib USA Pty Ltd (Clothing whole sales with 3 retail outlet) later 2004 he established Mexim Australia Pte Ltd, an export-import business. He has served as the Managing Director of this company since its inception. The company is conducting export-import business in about 12 countries including Bangladesh.

Later, he founded Mexim New Zealand Ltd, New Zealand in 2020 and Mexim Pacific Ltd, Solomon Island also set up Mexim Distributor USA INC, NY in the same year in America. He is the Managing Director of all these companies. Through these companies, he is managing import-export business in the international world. He is also exporting various products including pure frozen food, vegetables, clothes from Bangladesh to Australia and other countries.

This proud son of Bangladesh is a very eminent business figure in the export-import business arena of Australia. He is currently well established in the international business arena with expertise and success. Meanwhile, apart from Australia, he has been conducting business by establishing offices in USA and New Zealand and Solomon Island capital city Honiara.

Recently, M. Murad Yousuf also invested in Farming industry. Currently, he has a cattle farm as well as Olive farm and Olive Oil factory in Victoria Australia.

While Doing the Business he continues his Academic journey as well and completed his Postgraduate Degree and MBA from "Victoria University" in Melbourne, Australia. Now, he has started his PhD in international business.

Murad Yousuf's wife Sabrina Yousuf is also an energetic woman. She is also managing Director of Mexim Group along with household chores. This happy couple has 3 Sons and a daughter. Among the children, 2 Sons and daughter are studying at



"Monash University" In Melbourne and younger son is a grade-3 student.

He said in response to a question that Bangladeshi expatriates in Australia help and cooperate during any natural calamity in the country. I provide financial support to poor students of my area. I support the development of mosques, madrasas and schools. But in future I have plans to do some training center in Bangladesh. Through the training center, those who are interested in going abroad will be arranged for training in related subjects so that they can get job opportunity with good salary. I think English language education should be given more

importance in the current curriculum. There is a demand of nursing in abroad. More institutions should be established in this regard.

When asked about his expectations about the future of Bangladesh, he said that I want to see Bangladesh as a developed country. But at the same time I want a 100% educated and humane Bangladesh, where the judicial system and administrative system will be just. There will be many parties in the country but everyone will work to implement the spirits of the liberation war. In the system of government, the interests of the country will prevail, not partisanship. People of all countries of the world will respect and honor us. ◀

I FEEL PEACE AND PROUD WHEN I CAN HELP SOMEONE



Mohammed Mahabub Alam CIP

Chairman & Managing Director
TokyoSat Group Of Companies-Dubai-U.A.E
& Mahabub Perfumes Industries
Founder, President
Bangladesh Business Forum, U.A.E
Founder, President
Comilla Welfare Society, U.A.E
Chairman, Arab Bangla Tv, U.A.E
Founder X-Vice President
Bangladesh Business Council, DUBAI



Dr. Mohammed Mahabub Alam (Manik) was born in December 26, 1969. He was brought up in a village of Comilla, Bangladesh. His father Mohammed Abdul Aziz, was a high school head teacher by his profession. His mother Mehrune Nesa, was a housewife. Mr. Mohammed Mahabub Alam is the Chairman of Tokyosat group of companies. He is also the Founder, Vice President of Bangladesh Business Council, Dubai and Founder, President of Comilla Welfare Society, Dubai. On October 02, 1995, He was married to Mosammet Jasmin Akter CIP. Now, he is a father of four children. Mosammet Jasmin Akter is the Managing Director of Newmax Trading L.L.C and Partner of Tokyosat group of companies. She was

awarded CIP (Commercially Important Person) for achieving 8th position in the year of 2015 and 1st position in the year of 2016 by the Government of Bangladesh. Mahabub Alam's first daughter Maimona Akter (Liza) is doing a Bachelors of Medicine and Bachelors of Surgery (MBBS) in MAHSA University in Malaysia. His second daughter Moriom Akter doing Architectural Engineering at Herriot Watt University in Dubai and his two sons Abdullah Mehdi Al Mahbub and Zahid Ifran Al Mahbub are currently studying at Arab Unity School in Dubai. In 1992, he migrated to Saudi Arabia with the desire to establish his own business. In Saudi Arabia, he started with a small shop where he managed to earn a manageable amount of money and

thereafter he slowly started to build his business empire in Saudi Arabia. With passion, hard work and talent, he extended his business empire in countries like UAE, Kuwait, Qatar, Bahrain, Malaysia, Oman, Brunei and Bangladesh. As an Innovative electronics and perfumes businessman, he has a vast experience in the field of electronics, satellite and perfumery products. Mohammed Mahabub Alam (Manik), CIP got owner classification Gold from UAE ministry, and he has got "commercial important person (CIP) of 2017 & 2018" by Bangladesh government and he has awarded "Bangladesh Bank Remittance Award" for best remitter 2016 and best investor 2017. He is the golden visa holder of UAE residence. He has awarded so many times from Bangladesh government for his outstanding contribution. He has established more than 70 branches around the world. His methodologies are to deliver highly effective and creative solutions to business and technology challenges. He utilized highly attuned analytical skills to develop business strategies employing cutting-edge technologies to increase productivity. Consistently, he drives high standards of service through effective project management, communication, and strategic planning to develop and manage strong client relationships. He is highly organized with strong capacity to prioritize workload, delegate deliverables and steer project completion within established deadlines. He established a foundation in the name of his parents Abdul Aziz Mehrune Nesa Foundation in 2012 to meet the medical and educational needs of children. The foundation also makes contributions for the social cause such as flood and natural calamities. He also helps the needy. He says, I feel at peace and proud when I can help someone. ◀

BANGLADESH IS NOW DOING BETTER IN ALL INDEXES

Mahbubur Rahman Bhuiyan, MBA

CEO & Loan Originator, AA US Mortgage
President, NRB Link



Mr. Mahbubur Rahman Bhuiyan is one of the sons of Bangladesh abroad for whom our beloved motherland, as well as our new home the United States of America could be proud of. He is known to us for his extraordinary achievements in the Real Estate

Finance and Mortgage business, and for his leadership in the cultural arena of the Bengali community in the USA. Mr. Bhuiyan was born and raised in Dhaka. He passed his sweet teens at Motijheel Ideal High School, Post Office School, and then at Notre Dame College. He also got admission in the

Physics Department at Dhaka University, but soon changed his mind for better education abroad.

He came to Atlanta, Georgia, as an undergraduate in an F-1 visa in the late '80s. Soon he made his way to Georgia Tech University, one of the most prestigious institutions in the world. He also attended Morris Brown College, Atlanta Metropolitan College, and Georgia State University as well during his academic journey. One of his remarkable virtues is the thirst for knowledge. He has equipped himself in various disciplines including Computer Science, Electrical Engineering, Mathematics, Physics, and finally earned his BS in Mathematics, and an MBA. He has worked in top-level corporations in different executive roles. His strong experiences collected from Marketing, Information Technology, Management, Credit, Commercial Lending, Mortgage, Real Estate and Urban Development, and Finance related companies motivated him to establish his business entities.

Mr. Bhuiyan has got a very colorful and rich professional experience. He started his professional journey in the USA as a Mathematics Tutor in the early '90s. However, he soon switched to a career profession as Financial Credit Card Representative at Equifax in 1995. Then served as Financial Representative, Assistant Manager, Credit & Collection Manager, Call Center Manager, and Project Manager at GC Services during 1996-2007. Along his career lines, he has founded an organization named as NRB Links in 2013. The ultimate goal of NRB links is to connect Bangladeshi

Business Expatriates with the Economic processes in Bangladesh. This business model would make a pipeline to pump technology, business, and service ideas to Bangladesh as well as develop NRB supervised investments, export and import, and ultimately benefit both the countries and its people. Mr. Bhuiyan and his other four partners had established a joint venture real estate and urban housing development company, Peachtree Associates, in Dhaka, Bangladesh to show his gratitude to the motherland in 2009.

Innovation, enterprise, and independence were ingrained in his blood, and it was not possible for him to be satisfied with serving under a defined routine in somebody else's business. He was bound to venture on his own and started his own retail business by his name as President at Bhuiyan Inc. (2007-2009). During this time came the worst recession in recent US history. He was forced to give it up and seek a job again for survival. He accepted the position of Business and Financial Analyst at Compu Credit to pass the worst days of his life. As soon as the recession was over, he founded Accurian Agency, a Financial Service, and ran the company as CEO from 2013 to 2015. As he was developing his company, he continued to serve also as a loan originator at Mortgage Loan Originator at Capital Lending/First Option Mortgage, 2013-2015. Then Mortgage Loan Originator and Sales Manager at MMS of Georgia Mortgage 2015-2017. In 2017, he picked up his thread again and founded AA US Mortgage. He has not looked back since then. He is running his company as CEO and within a few years established it as one of the most successful businesses in the city of Atlanta. The pursuit of knowledge and enterprise is only part of his multi-dimensional persona. He is one of the most active Bangladeshi Americans in the social and cultural arena. Even while very young in Bangladesh he was active members of Kochi Kachar Mela, Chader Hut, Fulkuri Little Theatre, and soon became Director of Fulkuri. He was an active patron and player of Shabuj Bagh Cultural and Sports Club, Anushondhitsu Science Club of Dhaka.



During his college years in Bangladesh, he was an active participant in Debate Club, and Rover Scouting in Notre Dame College, Dhaka. At such a young age he also was honored with Leo Club Secretary of Green Garden branch. During his very short stay at Dhaka University he could not hold himself, but to participate in "Dhaka Nattom Theatre" and be members of Dhaka University Cultural group (Lead by Liakot Ali Lucky), Dhaka University Rover Scout. He soon became the President of "Jatio Shangskritik Chatro Parishod" President in 1987-1988. As could be expected from such a person with such an intense inclination to society and culture, no sooner than he could stabilize himself in the USA he found himself in various socio-cultural organizations. He became the President of the International Student Association of Atlanta Metropolitan College. He was a Founding member and President of Bangladesh Student Association of Georgia, founding executive member of Bangladesh Student Association of Georgia Tech, and Georgia State University, 1992;

Lifetime and Founding member, Elected EC member of the first Bangladesh Association of Georgia. He was elected Cultural Secretary in two terms, and Election Commissioner. He attended FOBANA, the First time in Dallas, Texas in 1990, and attended most of the FOBANA Conferences since then. He was the editor of 2006 FOBANA Souvenir, 2018 Co-Convener, and in 2019 Represented Bangladesh. He is the founding member of the Bangladesh Sports Federation of Georgia, 1993. He is also a founder and lifetime member of Bangladesh since 2001 and operating as its President since 2017. Although the US economy is hit hard by COVID-19 almost in every sector, Mr. Bhuiyan could hold his in very good shape. He could not wait for more to expand his business to other cities in the USA. Mr. Bhuiyan is very hopeful about the positive improvement of Bangladesh. He says, Bangladesh is now doing better in all indexes. He hopes, if Bangladesh continues this trend in future, it will be able to establish a strong position in the world. ◀

FROM INTERNATIONAL STUDENT TO ICONIC AUSTRALIAN ENTREPRENEUR WITH A GLOBAL VISION

Mahin Abedin
 Managing Director
 Innerwest Property
 Group Director
 Kangaroo Global
 CEO, Reeves College



Bangladesh has expanded beyond the borders of its own nation. The ambitious, diligent, and gifted son of this nation has made Bangladesh popular throughout the world. Mr. Mahin Abedin is one of those entrepreneurial business man.

Mahin Abedin is a multi talented and dynamic Bangladeshi born Entrepreneur. His hard work and positive strategic plan today makes him one of the iconic Business people in Australia. Mr. Mahin starts his life in Australia as International Student. He completed his graduation

in Business Administration from Federation University Australia in 2004 to 2008. This strong professional with a Bachelor of Commerce focused in Business and Commerce, graduated from University of Ballarat spread his business one after another.

After completion of Graduation in Business Mr. Mahin thinks out of box, rather than searching job, within a very short span of time he dreamed of his own business and lead the group to a a major spell of diversity that contributed his business surge forward with strong governance in Australia. He also wanted to provide job

to others hence he starts his own Business. This enlighten business personality living in Strathfield, New South Wales, Australia.

Mr. Mahin Abedin is Managing Director of Innerwest Property Sydney's Home bush from 2020 to present time NSW 2140. In the Institute of New South Wales, he holds a license as a real estate appraiser.

In addition he is a group director of Kangaroo Global from 2010 to 2020 and group director of Reeves College from 2015 to till now. Mr. Mahin is experienced Director with a demonstrated history of working in the real estate

industry. He is very skilled in Negotiation, Lettings, Apartment selling's, Sales, and Real estate Property.

His leadership, adaptability, and inner vision have helped Innerwest Property become a reputable real estate firm in Australia. Besides extending his brilliance he is a chairman of RF Electronics Ltd. Also he is managing Director in LREA.

His wife, Tina Abedin who is a Chinese native and she is a major source of inspiration for Mahin Abedin. Mahin and Tina have 2 children. Mahin has a strong commitment to his country, giving to charity and funding sustainable business ventures.

Moreover, 90% of Mr. Mahin's employees were born abroad, demonstrating his strong support for immigrants. He supports numerous multicultural and sporting events in Australia. An innovative and creative young



businessman believes that responsible for his company's these traits are largely success. ◀



A TRAILBLAZING BRITISH BANGLADESHI ENTREPRENEUR, COMMUNITY LEADER, AND PHILANTHROPIST MAKING WAVES IN THE UK

Mahtab Miah

President

BBCCI North-East Region in UK

Mahtab Miah is one of the few British Bangladeshi entrepreneurs who has achieved an extraordinary position in the United Kingdom.

Mr Miah is a prominent business and community leader in the Bangladeshi community in the UK and leads various community organisations as part of his voluntary work. He actively works with the UK Government and other private sectors and financial organisations to assist the Bangladeshi community in the UK and Europe.

Currently, he is director of the British Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce (BBCC) and president of the North East Region of BBCC, since 2013. He is also the presiding Chairman of the Newcastle Bangladeshi Association (NBA) since 2011; and Chairman of Cut Pay Merchant Services Limited.

The visionary Mahtab Miah came to Britain in 1967 at the age of 15, where he experienced many initial struggles in forging a successful path. Settling in the north-east of England, in 1974 he co-established the Motiraj Tandoori Restaurant in Sunderland. The Mahtab Catering Service soon followed in Sunderland. In 1980, he started the Tandoori International Restaurant in South Shields. Finally, in 1990 he opened the famous 'Vujon' restaurant in Newcastle upon Tyne, a unique fine-dining experience winning him many national awards including the UK Curry Industry's equivalent of the "Oscars". The role and contribution of the "Curry Empire" to the British economy is significantly extensive. Under the



creative leadership of entrepreneur Mahtab Miah, these Bangladeshi restaurants have taken on a new dimension in modernising and constantly creating new trends in food. The success and reputation of the Bangladeshi catering industry in the UK has been well documented in the mainstream media and politics.

Self-made Mahtab Miah has always performed with utmost determination and sincerity. Although now retired from the catering industry, Mahtab Miah continues his other passions – with a long history of involvement in the politics and economic activities of the country in the spirit of building a prosperous Bangladesh.

A man of many qualities, Mahtab Miah became involved in social activities from an early age.

As a young non-resident Bangladeshi, living in Manchester, Mr Miah took an active role in organising and mobilising other youths to participate in demonstrations and raise funds for the Bangladesh Liberation Movement in 1971; under the Local Action Committee leadership of Mr M.A. Motin and Dr Kabir Choudhury in Manchester, and National leadership of Justice Abu Syed Choudhury. These demonstrations took place locally in the North of England, as well as in historical sites such as Hyde Park and Trafalgar Square in London.

In 1974, he was the coordinator and Chairman of the Sunderland Jame Mosque. At the same time, he served as the founding Chairman of the Sunderland Shapla Jubo Shongo Youth Association, aiming to unite youths of the local Bangladeshi community.

Community leader Mahtab Miah played a key role in the development of the community as Deputy General Secretary of the Tyne and Wear Bangladeshi Association in 1975. Extending to Executive Member of the Tyne and Wear Community Relations Service in 1985, and a member of the Northumbria Police and Community Liaison Group in 1986. Mahtab Miah's intellectual efforts under the leadership of political and social organizations have been appreciated by all quarters. He was the Secretary General of the Jatiyo Janata Party North East in 1981, Founder and



Chairman of South Tyneside Bangladesh Association in 1984, Chairman of the North East Youth (Jubo Shongo) Association in 1986, Senior Vice Chairman of the Bangladeshi National Party in the United Kingdom in 1993, and Vice Chairman of the Greater Sylhet Development and Welfare Council UK in 1993.

As Senior Vice President of Bangladesh Caterer's Association UK in 1995, he raised over £25,000 for cyclone aid efforts.

Since becoming Chairman of the (NBA) in 2011, he has contributed in setting up various local initiatives to strengthen the community's roots to their motherland, including Bangla School, Bangladeshi Community Centre and Jame Masjid. In 2016, Mahtab Miah had the pivotal role of designing and overseeing the development of a new building for the Newcastle Jame Masjid.

In October 2017, the NBA under leadership of Mahtab Miah, initiated the installation of a new deep tube well at a cost of 5 lakh Taka with the help of Oxfam to provide clean drinking water for Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh. This enables 15,000 refugees to drink pure clean water every day. The NBA has also provided 16 lakh Taka financial assistance to flood victims from Sullah Upzila in

Sunamgonj in 2017. Amongst many other community initiatives, Mahtab Miah with other trustees of the Nabigonj Education Trust UK established the Nabigonj UK ICT Institute, enabling many students to gain computer-based knowledge.

Mahtab Miah married Syeda Salma, daughter of popular advocate Syed Sarfaraz Ali, a resident of Shah Mostafa Road in Maulvi Bazar. They are proud parents of professionally successful and meritorious Pancharatna. All five of their daughters are highly skilled in their field of profession - one barrister, two dental surgeons, one consultant doctor and one chartered accountant. As a successful father of five talented daughters, Newcastle's popular magazine "North-East Exclusive" published a cover story about Mahtab Miah titled "Our Father" in August 2004. Another recognition was when Syeda Salma Mahtab was awarded "Mother of the Year" in 2013, a prestigious title granted by television channel, ATN Bangla UK. In his spare time, Mahtab Miah enjoys travelling and is an avid golfer, who also enjoys angling. Mahtab Miah is an enlightened man of the time, who is as successful in his career as he is in his family life, which led to him being included in the British Bangladeshi Power 100 in 2013. ◀

BENGALI CULTURE CAN NEVER BE FORGOTTEN BECAUSE IT IS OUR ROOTS

Masud Chowdhury

President, ConcordSonic LLC.
 Founder & President, Bangladesh Chamber Of Commerce USA



Over the years many talented and accomplished individuals of Bangladesh have established their permanent residences abroad and found their passion in various profession and trades including business, commerce and politics across the globe.

Bangladeshi-born American Masud Chowdhury is one of them. Masud came to USA in early 1980 in Phoenix Arizona, USA in pursuit of Higher Education. Today he is a successful businessman, a true leader, and an entrepreneur. He owns and leads multiple business enterprises, just to name a few, He is a multi-unit Franchisee of Sonic Drive In "America's Most Loved Restaurant Brand" he is partner in multiple retail, Gasoline business and owns real estate company.

He is the founding president of Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce USA (BCCUSA), Dallas, Texas. He has served in many different capacity in various organizations. From an early age, Masud Chowdhury is known as a man of integrity and always there to help others. He believes in two sayings one is- "Hard Work pays Off and Cream always rise on Top" and "Think Big Act Small". He frequently uses these statements in his speeches, motivating others. He is the living legend of his both sayings.

The student life of Masud Chowdhury is quite remarkable.

He joined the elite intelligent group of young people in seventh Grade in Jhenaidah Cadet College, where he received his SSC. Later he finished his HSC from Adamjee Cantonment College and received his BSc. degree from Dhaka College before moving to USA. He attended Devry Institute Of Technology in Phoenix and Arizona State University in Tempe, Arizona. He



started his professional career in management in corporate America . In 1986 is when he started business as partner of a large US corporation and since then he has expanded his business every year to where he is today. The secret behind his success is lead a well-disciplined and honest life. He values integrity,loyalty and dedication in all spheres of his career. When asked he said " Work Hard , Stay Happy, Be kind and Trust in God-Everything will fall in its Place".

Masud Chowdhury is a dedicated entrepreneurial personality. He has honored Bangladesh by consolidating his position in American trade arena with his efforts and self-confidence.

After owning and operating businesses in three States and multiple cities for a long time , He has consolidated all his business in and around Dallas metroplex for past 20 years. The Chowdhury family resides in a suburb of Dallas, Texas, USA. He has engaged himself in the USA mainstream lifestyle and earned a reputation as a prominent businessman. His office is located in Duncanville Texas.

As the Founding President of Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce USA (BCCUSA), Dallas, Texas. He not only thinks about his own business but also has organized other businessmen of Bangladesh community to protect their own interests. Besides all these businesses, he is always there to

support various development , social and cultural activities of the Bangladesh community.

He never forgets his own educational institution and the poor and distressed people of Bangladesh He served as President of JEXCA-NA (Jhenaidah Cadet College Alumni Organization) and currently is a member of their executive board. He is the chief advisor of Distressed Children & Infants International (DCI), Boston



Massachusetts. He is a member of the Board of Directors of Dallas/Ft Worth Sonic Co-op, He serves in the Franchisee Advisory Council, and is member of many other business organizations. He has received numerous awards and recognitions throughout his career . He is the 1st recipient of Sonic Heart Of Fame

award. Masud Chowdhury is married to Limu Chowdhury. Living a happy life together since 1985 .When asked about his wife, Masud expressed simply and without a doubt that Behind every successful man and successful children there is always a very hard working woman. The couple is blessed with two daughters and a son. His children are as talented as their father. The eldest daughter, Lira Chowdhury, is a distinguished urologist sergeant, the second daughter, Lora Chowdhury, is a corporate trial attorney at a large renowned legal firm in USA , and the only son, Maraaj Chowdhury, is a second-year student in Bio-Med Engineering at the University of Texas at Austin. His wife and all three of his children has been involved and working with DCI from their very early childhood helping the distressed children in Bangladesh .

As a father, Masud Chowdhury is a friend and an inspiration to his children . His advice to them is - Meaningful education is more powerful than Excessive Wealth. His children have been able to establish themselves successfully because they have practiced their father's ideology and respected his advice throughout. Masud Chowdhury visits Bangladesh frequently. He has seen how Bangladesh has developed over the past 4 decades. He gets excited every time he goes there , seeing new things , new high rise building, roads, technology ,and overall the welfare of the general people. He is so proud of his motherland he clearly says" We are no less than any other country in the world". His clear statement on the issue of socio-economic development of Bangladesh is in the hands of New Generations upward thinking of politics and knowledge of modern time science , technology and leadership. The future of Bangladesh is brighter than ever.

Whenever he hears any good news of Bangladesh, his mind fills with joy. He always says to the children that the Bengali culture can't be forgotten because it is our root. He has raised his children introducing to the culture and history of Bangladesh. Masud Chowdhury is a proud Bangladeshi. ◀



ABDUL HALIM'S JOURNEY FROM BANGLADESH TO JAPAN'S LEADING CEO, PAVING THE WAY FOR PROGRESS AND TRANSFORMATION

Md. Abdul Halim
CEO, CH Group
Japan

People have dreams. These dreams come true for those who keep going forward with the effort of seeing and realizing these dreams. The name of such a dreamer is Abdul Halim. Md. Abdul Halim is a Bangladeshi living in Japan. He is the CEO of Japan's renowned CH Group and a dedicated, active member of NRB World. He is one of the people who are leading Bangladesh, a developing country in South East Asia, to an enlightened position through action.

A self-confessed devoted entrepreneur businessman Abdul Halim was born in an educated

traditional family of Jog Puskuni village under Sadar South Upazila of Comilla. Father's name is Haji Wajuddin and mother's name is Jahanara Begum. He was very talented from childhood. He obtained his Master's Degree with Honors from the Marketing Department of Dhaka University. Talented entrepreneur businessman of the time Abdul Halim went to Japan in 1994 to pursue higher education. He stayed there after his studies in anticipation of professional success. At first he did job, but at some point the intelligent and enterprising Abdul Halim engaged himself in business. He established s.s

Corporation Inc, Human Resource Bangladesh & Times Business Solution. Apart from being an Iron & Steel Merchant, he is also involved in restaurant business. He also does consultancy in the field of business. Honesty, Hardworking and Enthusiastic Abdul Halim believes that it is possible to reach the goal if you set a goal and work with honesty. He is meticulous as well as enthusiastic about planning. Once upon a time, Japan was a dream country for many enterprising Bangladeshis like Abdul Halim. But now they continue to make an important contribution to the economy there. At the same time, Abdul Halim also managed several

businesses in Bangladesh. He comes to the country only occasionally. Even for business reasons, he said, he came to the country on impulse. Because he thinks that Bangladesh is his real address. This is where his roots are rooted. However, one thing that bothers him is that Bangladesh is moving towards development in terms of infrastructure, but the mental excellence of their people is not being developed. He does not think - what is the reason? He said that a person of this country who is away from ethics in his own country is the same person who goes abroad and follows the law and ethics at every step. He said that even when going to work somewhere, even when driving on the road, we compete with each other to get ahead of the others and create traffic jams, and try to collect work by making irregularities in the office and court. Giving an example, he said that foreigners also came to this country and slowly kept pace with our irregularities and corruption. They know how to manage and accordingly resort to corruption in office. Educated, smart and patriotic businessman Abdul Halim said that Bangladesh is already progressing economically. He said that expatriate remittances and exports of the garment sector have also been a big assist behind this. However, he regretted that those who send remittances from abroad are often not treated respectfully at the country's international airport. They are treated rather unsanitary. As an expatriate, he hopes to remedy this. He said that those who perform duties at the airport should be motivated. They need to realize that they are important citizens of our country who earn foreign exchange. They should be given due respect.

In Japan, this businessman said that the country's education system needs to be reformed. The world is now emphasizing technology based education. We should give it too. Education that is related to production work should be given importance. There is no reason to be happy about the scattered of GPA five because the youth to be unemployed with this education. But one does not have to be



unemployed if one takes technology related education. Then he will be developed as a man power.

Md. Abdul Halim's wife Kaniz Fatema is a statistician. She holds a master's degree in statistics from Jahangir Nagar University. She is also associated with husband Abdul Halim's business. This couple has 2 sons and 2 daughters. The first son, Saif Md. Halim, holds a master's degree from the University of Washington. He is settled in America. Second son Suzan Mo: Halim also studied in the same university. He is also settled in America. Third child Sarfarin Halim and fourth child Samreen Halim are both studying in Japan. CEO of Japan's CH Group and energetic businessman Abdul Halim is a humanitarian. He helps the poor and helpless people of his village in various ways.

In the context of the speech Abdul Halim said, we earned freedom through liberation war, we never expect a political conflict in

Bangladesh, where millions of people sacrificed themselves. Everyone agrees about fair elections here. We want the same and should do whatever is necessary for this fair election. He believes that Padma Bridge is one of the signatures of Bangladesh's progress. This bridge will change the economic face of Bangladesh. Abdul Halim said that corruption must be stopped at any cost. If this can be done, Bangladesh will be able to become a middle income country very quickly and thus transform into a developed country. For this, he emphasized on the use of advanced technology in the agricultural production system of the country. He thinks that the highly educated youth will be interested in returning to the country if the environment and rule of law in Bangladesh are given importance. But suitable work should be arranged for them and those who want to become entrepreneurs should be given legal support. ◀

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BANGLADESH HAS A GREAT POTENTIALITY IN PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY

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Advanced Supplements
New York, USA.



Dream takes human being towards future. Every human wants to turn his or her dream in truth. Jahirul Islam is one of these dreamers who has not only succeeded to establish a medicine

industry in a developed and powerful country America but also uplift the image of Bangladesh there.

Jahirul Islam was born in a respectable muslim family in Habiganj district of greater Sylhet. He

put sign of his talent in study from his childhood. He obtained pharmacy degree from a Hong Kong University. On that time, many people thought that he would join to any company as pharmacist. But he didn't do that. The meritorious Jahirul Islam set up a vitamin manufacturing factory with a view to ensuring health services for common people.

Jahirul Islam came to New York in 1998 and set up a vitamin factory which name is 'ABH Nature Products'. Through establishing this factory, he gradually became a industrialist and an entrepreneur. Setting up a industry in New York, he proved if someone has desire and self-confident then it is not impossible to become an entrepreneur.

The journey of drug industry 'ABH' was started in Farmingdale. Then it was only a vitamin medicine manufacturing factory. But Jahirul dreamt for something big. Later, he shifted his factory to Edgewood in New York. He then set up a big industry measuring 60000 square feet area. About 100 educated people got the opportunity to work in this factory. Beside manufacturing vitamin items, pharmaceutical items are also being manufactured now. 'ABH Pharma' is the name of different kinds of high-quality medicine manufacturing company. Jahirul Islam is among those fortunate



people who became as an entrepreneur in the most sensitive drugs industry showing bravery.

ABH Pharma has not only got recognition in America but also in different countries including Europe. This company has got the recognition as a trusted one in medicine world through manufacturing required medicines and marketing these for a standard human life.

A dreamer, confident and experienced entrepreneur Jahirul Islam thinks it is very important for the human being to stay healthy. As he studied in pharmaceutical, he was very much interested to involve himself in drugs sector. He also showed others that the Bangladeshi origin people can also become successful in industry sector. ABH Pharma has already been awarded with GMP certificate for the recognition of high-quality of medicine. It is also PDA registered company. The physicians of America including other countries prescribe

the medicines of this company. There is a self stock in different pharmacy to keep the medicine of this company. Except vitamin medicine, this company manufactures capsule, tablet, powder and soft gels for various diseases.

Jahirul Islam wife's name is Swapna Khanam who is also a hardworking woman. Though she is a housewife, she also helps her husband in business activities. The couple is blessed with three daughters and a son. The eldest daughter Shahina Islam is studying in Biochemistry. Now she is vice-president of his father's business firm ABH. The second daughter Selina Islam is a well-known physician. She is working at Medical Centre of Rutgers University in New York. Their third daughter Samina Islam is a lawyer who is working at Kew Garden Psychiatric Hospital. Their sole son Raihanul Islam Bijoy achieved double major in Business and Finance.

During a private conversation,

abrave entrepreneur Jahirul Islam said there is a thought and aim behind any initiative. I don't set up pharma industry or factory only for profit. I think we should take an initiative which can upgrade the image of Bangladesh. Considering this fact, I established pharmaceutical factory. He also says once Bangladeshi immigrants only did odd jobs here. But now a huge change has been made. Many people can engage themselves with different respectable professions which is nice to look at.

In reply to a question, he said that he is also interested to invest in Bangladesh. He thinks that now there exists an industry-friendly environment in Bangladesh. Once, hartal, terrorist's activities and arson made a great loss to the country. But, he also urged to take effective measures to eradicate corruption and irregularities from the country so that the development process can be implemented smoothly. ◀

THE MASTERMIND BEHIND KHALIL BIRIYANI HOUSE AND BIDEN BIRIYANI"

Md. Khalilur Rahman
Chef & CEO
Khalil Biryani House



Khalil's Special



People better identify Sterling Avenue in the Bronx as "Bangla Bazar." Virtually, Bangladeshis have become influential in this street with sprawling business initiatives and leveraging mainstream politics. Mr. Khalilur Rahman is a new leaf to this impressive progress. He is an exemplary businessman soaring high among the elites tapping into his keen insights and hard work.

He owns four business organizations in this Bronxite block. These successful businesses are the bedrock for countless Bangla-speaking

expatriates. Yes, we are talking about Khalil Biryani House. This House has relentlessly spawned Khalil Halal Chinese, Khalil Pizza & Grill, Khalil Supermarket, and Khalil Food Foundation. Their bustling business activities make you feel like "Bangla Bazar" is, in fact, Khalil's backyard. Recently, Khalilur Rahman received the Presidential Lifetime Achievement Award for his outstanding entrepreneurial accomplishments and humanitarian services. Therefore, the "Business America" magazine runs this cover story to portray the hardships of

a fortune seeker-cum-iconic businessman.

"All my initiatives reflect a microscopic Bangladesh abroad. As a certified culinary chef, I could have launched my business with numerous food items. Also, I could use a bank loan or other investment methods to kick off my restaurant with diverse recipes. However, I didn't walk walk along these. Interestingly, my flagship dish happened to be biriyani, a traditional Bangladeshi delicacy. Soon, the item bagged wild popularity and captured the hearts of food lovers. Incredible



public demand pushed us to add several desi, Chinese, American, European, and other exotic platters. Khalil's Food is outright the top Bangladeshi restaurant in New York.

Unlike Khalil Biriyani House, many fake restaurants tried to label themselves as Indian restaurants to make quick bucks from unearned businesses. They are downright cuckolding the customers.

However, Khalil Biriyani House offers genuine Bangladeshi cuisines." Thus, Khalilur Rahman revealed his business motives to the Business America.

Chef Khalilur Rahman has significantly brightened Bangladesh's image. For his service-oriented business model, he received the Presidential Lifetime Achievement Award. Now, Khalilur Rahman is a big fish in the US restaurant industry and the founder as well as master chef of Khalil Biriyani House. Besides, he is the proprietor of Khalil Halal Chinese, Khalil Sweets & Bakery, and Khalil Pizza & Grill.

Hailing from Jessore, Bangladesh, Khalilur Rahman did a master's in Mathematics from Dhaka University. Next, he won a DV lottery and moved to the USA. Immediately, he resorted to hotel jobs. Soon, culinary art became his passionate thing. Hence, Mr. Khalil turned to institutional culinary learning as he fully realized his future career prospects in this field.

Therefore, he obtained certifications in the Culinary Arts Program from the Institute of Culinary Education in New York. Later, he worked at several five-star hotels in multiple capacities, including assistant chef and chef. Mr. Khalil perceived that this profession could bring him a reputation and a stable income source.

Eventually, Khalil Biriyani House, a dream Bangladeshi restaurant, took off in 2017. Right now, this is the favorite food court for American food lovers across the aisle. Warm customer services and top-drawer food quality have made it the choicest hangout destination for Bangladeshi and American politicians.

Biden Biriyani, a particular dish, intrigues foreign customers with its unique taste and name. The biriyani story has drawn global attention gradually. "In the last presidential election, not only did I vote for Joe Biden but also planned for something special to celebrate his victory. One of my close friends advised me to entitle a fresh biriyani recipe after his name. Thus, Biden Biriyani, a traditional Bangladeshi-style biriyani, stormed the food industry. It has since been riding the crest of popularity." Khalilur Rahman was visibly glad while scuttling us through the Biden Biriyani history. ◀

TRANSFORMING EDUCATION AND EMPOWERING BANGLADESHI STUDENTS IN AUSTRALIA FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH

Md. Abu Shahdat Sarkar

CEO
HBD Group PTY Ltd.
HBD Services



Australia is no longer a distant country for Bangladeshis. It has become a country very close to Bangladeshis. Bangladesh has established a very strong economic and financial relation with this country. Thousands of talented Bangladeshi students are now studying in various universities in Australia. By taking higher education, they are spreading their talent to the other parts of the world. Md. MD. Abu Shahdat Sarkar is one of them. He is the Chairperson and CEO of HBD Services, an international quality educational consulting firm, HBD Group, Sydney, Australia. At the same time, Abu Shahdat Helal Sarkar is the Chairperson of ABBC Council (Australia Bangladesh Business Council).

Abu Shahdat Sarkar, a talented and self-confident business personality of the time, was born on December 12, 1976 in a noble business family in Puraton Kosta Kazipara of Jashore. His father Abdul Gafur Sarkar was a renowned businessman and an educational figure and his mother was a housewife. They were very careful about their children's education.

After passing SSC in 1993 and HSC in 1995, Abu Shahdat Helal Sarkar realized that higher education was necessary to hone the talent. After that, Abu Shahdat Sarkar took admission in BBA at a university in Bangalore, India. After completing BBA from there, he took admission in MBA in Central Queensland University, Australia in 1999. His major subject was MIS.

Abu Shahdat Sarkar said "I do two things

together for Bangladeshi students in Australia. These two are- financial benefits through study and part-time work."

He said that he himself had to work as a security guard in various institutions and as a waiter in restaurants. To a student these tasks play an important role in combining his reality and work experience. After completing his studies in 2003 to 2004 he founded HBD Service and he started it with a new idea. He is the first Bangladeshi youth who through educational consulting gives Bangladeshi students the opportunity to get admission in various universities there. Now hundreds of institutions have been established but he is a pioneer personality in this sector. He always remains alert so that Bangladeshi students are not cheated or harmed. Through his HBD Services, students are getting admission in prominent universities in Australia.

HBD Services does admission consultancy in high quality universities like Torrens University, Macquarie University, University of Newcastle, Western Sydney University, Victoria University, University of Tasmania and University of Wollongong. His office is in Sydney, Australia, suite 127 LB Museum Towers 267-277 Castlereagh-Street, Sydney, 2000, Australia. And the Bangladesh office is located at Standard Centre, 24/1, 8th Floor, New Eskaton Road, Dhaka-1000.

He not only performed his duties in this country through consultancy, he also gave students the opportunity to apply for skill migration by staying in Australia. He was the first to launch this initiative. Earlier, Bangladeshis were called asylum seeker or boat people as political asylum seekers or some Bangladeshis who came by boat or highly educated scholarship. In 2000, there were no more than 20,000 to 25,000 in Australia. But currently there are over one lakh Bangladeshis living in Sydney alone. Most of them have gone to Australia from Bangladesh for higher studies.

It is mentionable that the Prime Minister of the Liberal Party, Mr. Howard, adopted a simple policy for the students of the subcontinent in 2000. As a result, 8 to 10 thousand students and direct skill migrants from the country were able to come every year until 2008. Almost everyone acquires Australian citizenship through residency. Later, through them,



their spouses and other relatives are allowed to come. Currently there are over 1 lakh Bangladeshis in Sydney and the number in the whole country will now be more than 5 lakh.

Enterprising Abu Shahdat Sarkar took some other initiatives beside this business. One of these is the establishment of Regional Training Organization (RTO). Through this initiative, advance training has been provided, which helps uneducated youths to get good paying jobs. Later, he joined the housing industry sector. He provides housing opportunities for Bangladesh with great sincerity. As a result, many Bangladeshis are getting the opportunity to own housing through his company. In 2019, he established HBD Group with an aim to build several businesses and is its chairman.

Abu Shahdat Sarkar married in 2003 into an elite business family of Jashore. His wife's name is Naznin Amin Shimul. Shimul's father is a top businessman in Jashore city. His wife obtained a degree on Drama from Shaheen College. Currently she is the Director of HBD Group

founded by his husband Abu Shahdat Sarkar. The couple is blessed with a son and a daughter. The name of their daughter Amiroy Sarkar is a class 10 student and son Arham Sarkar is a class 1 student.

Regarding country's current economic development, Helal Sarkar said, "Bangladesh is our roots. It is our holy birth place. We feel good when we see the development of the country. But expatriate Bangladeshis." are very distressed when we hear about corruption in Bangladesh.?

He said, it is unacceptable that all Bangladeshis feel humiliated for only a few corrupt people. He said that the government should take strict action against the corrupt people.

In response to a question, Helal Sarkar said that there is no alternative to education for development. Bangladeshi students get job opportunities in countries around the world after completing their higher education. They are enriching the country's economy by sending more remittances. ◀

A BEACON OF SUCCESS IN JAPAN, PROMOTING BANGLADESHI PRODUCTS AND VALUES"

Mizanur Rahman Shahin
 Managing Director
 JBNet Corporation
 Director, Bangladesh Chamber of
 Commerce in Japan (BCCIJ)
 Japan.



The footprint of Bangladesh is noticeable in the places where Bangladeshis have worked as businessmen and professionals. Every Bangladeshi living across the globe is representing his or her motherland through works and initiatives. Even in the world's developed country Japan, Bangladeshi enterprising businessmen are in an important position. One of them is Md. Mizanur Rahman Shahin, the founder and

managing director of JBNet Corporation, one of the leading companies in Japan's business sector.

Born on October 16, 1977 in Narayanpur village of Bagha upazila in Rajshahi district of Bangladesh, Shahin is an IT specialist. He holds a Master's Degree in Information Management. His father's name is Md. Kudrat Ullah Biswas and mother Mrs. Parveen Akhtar. He completed HSC in 1992 from Dhaka College in

1994 from Manipur High School, Mirpur, a prestigious school in Dhaka. Later, he got admission in Jagannath University College with honors. In April 1996, he went to Japan to pursue higher education.

Going to Japan, he initially enrolled in a language college. His student days were not pleasant for him. He was the only foreign student in the college. He was very lonely. Shahin used to cry alone in the hostel room, remembering his family. The class

was from 9 am to 4 pm. He told himself that I need to be strong. After three months, he got a part-time job in a Korean restaurant. People didn't use English much. China, Korean, Russian, Philippines, Taiwan did not know or understand English. One had to express one's feelings in Japanese.

At the moment of going to Japan, mother gave me Kale dal, ghee, dry chili powder. At first he cooked khichuri with eggs and ate it. The Japanese food at the hostel was not very good. I bought a fry pen. Later, I got halal meat and frozen chicken far away. I worked late night in a Korean restaurant sometimes. When the gate of the hostel was closed, he climbed over the wall and entered the room. Then I met a Bangladeshi. When one of the seats in their match becomes vacant, Shahin gets placed there and the loneliness of expatriate life has removed.

Three people used to share cooking. After completing the language course in April 1997, he enrolled in a one-year special language course. He then passed the four-year undergraduate course and the two-year graduate and master's examinations. His subject was Information Management. After the completion of the chapter in 2005, he was able to work fully. However, as a student, he began to gain experience and earn money due to act in various TV channels in Japan. As a brilliant student, he won scholarships. He formed the Asian Student Club where he was elected its president. After completing his master's degree, he worked as a network engineer for two years. He was in charge of Reuters Networking there. In particular, he had to see the anti-work of Reuters' financial promotion activities such as surveys of shares, bank rates etc. After 14 years, Reuters moved its office to Singapore. In the meantime, he obtained a Japanese passport and engaged himself in business.

Meanwhile, he came to Dhaka in August 2002 and got married to Ishwardi's daughter Rumana Rup Suma. Rumana completed SSC



when she was married off. In March 2003, he brought his wife to Japan and enrolled her to study language. At the same time he also completed the course in English. In 2009, when the Reuters career ended, he himself took over the agencyship of N.T.T.'s internet connection. By setting up Internet connection of various companies, he earned a commission of 50 thousand from each connection. As he could speak the language, Chinese and Korean businessmen used to make this connection through him. Later, Bangladeshi, Sri Lankan and Nepalese businessmen also installed internet connection in their business by him. At the same time he took the agencyship of mobile phone, sim wifi router. In 2014, he also opened a grocery shop in Tokyo. Since 2015, he has signed a contracts as wholesaler of Pran, ACI, Danish, Fresh, etc. products in Bangladesh. He has marketed Pran products in various places in Japan.

In this context, he said that Bangladeshi products are not only bought by Japanese Bengalis but also by foreigners. Now I feel proud that foreigners now also buy products made in Bangladesh.

He said that the Japanese now also like Bangladeshi masala, chocolate, chanachur very much. Pran's Ghee and Fresh's powdered milk are very popular in Japan.

He deals in reconditioned vehicles and construction equipment and supplies. He has opened a Japanese

language center in the country and also involved in the business of the garment sector.

From 2009 to 2016, he supplied 'Jumen Bakery Bags' according to the needs of businessmen in Japan. He also built a factory in Dhaka's Mesowara Para. He manufactured 60% of the demand. These were formerly from China and its company name was IKIAJI Corporation. His Japanese language academy is called JBH Recharge Academy.

Japanese entrepreneurial businessman Mizanur Rahman Sahib is building Biswas Scholarship Foundation in his area. Through this, he gave a scholarship of 12500 taka per month to 25 students of five local schools. He said, country's image has been brightened in other parts of the world due to the construction of Padma Bridge. Shahin is an agent of Money Express and Moneygram in Japan. He is a Rotarian. When asked about the development of Bangladesh, he said that Bangladesh has progressed a lot, but at the same time, corruption has increased a lot. Many have made their homes abroad and made millions of dollars in corruption money. He said, "It feels good when I hear about the development. At the same time, I feel pain when I imagine about corruptions taking place in Bangladesh."

He said, "I don't have any wish to do politics but wants to see Bangladesh as a democratic humanitarian Bangladesh." ◀

DRIVING FARIHA GROUP'S TEXTILE SUCCESS AND PHILANTHROPY IN BANGLADESH

Md. Monir Hossain CIP

Managing Director, Fariha Group
Director, Korea-Bangladesh Chamber of
Commerce & Industry
Vice President, NRB CIP Association





MD Monir Hossain is a renowned business magnet of Bangladesh and the Managing Director of the Fariha group. He has been at the helm of the group for the last 42 years. He has experience in spinning textile weaving garments dying printing LPG real estate banking etc. His competent and dynamic leadership has contributed to the rapid growth of the company. He is the president of Munir and Ruby Foundation and member of Board of Governors Prime Asia University. He is also the director of Bangladesh Textile Mills

Association, Korea Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Indonesia Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Bangladesh Malaysia Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Besides he also led a good number of business delegations abroad. Since 2001 he has been a CIP. Fariha group was incorporated in 1951 in the form of a Muslin fabric manufacturing company in Dhaka. Since then the company has been maintaining its space of growth that is inextricably linked with the development of the

country's economy. At present Fariha group has established itself as a renowned textile manufacturer in the country. The sister concern of Fariha group are Fariha spinning mills Limited, Fahim textile bills Limited Fariha green mood leathers Limited Fariha energy Limited faheem jute diversified industries Limited 3D valiant engineering and Construction limited, AlNighar General Trading LLC UAE, Wari Golden Hospital Limited. The group has earned a good reputation among the countries where they are involved in business. ◀



‘PROVIDE LOANS TO IMMIGRANT BANGLADESHI INVESTORS AT LOWER INTEREST’

Md Moniruzzaman Jibon
Missme Group, Chairman
Dallas, America

It requires talent, hard work, perseverance and planned initiative to improve the quality of life. Success is inevitable for those who make timely decisions and work efficiently in a planned manner. A shining example of this is Bangladeshi-origin American Md Moniruzzaman Jibon. He is a citizen of California, USA. He is the founder and chairman of Missme Group, a prominent Hollywood businessman in Los Angeles. The companies under Missme Group are- Norwood Market, Hampton Inn 3Star Hotel, Waffle House, IN-N-OUT BURGER and Missme Liquor Store. This talented and energetic young man of Bangladesh has already brightened the image of his

motherland by establishing himself as a prominent businessman in the mainstream of America. Engineer Md Moniruzzaman Jibon was born in 1981 in a noble educated family of Moolpara village of Naria upazila of Shariatpur district of Bangladesh. His father's name is Farooq Ahmad and mother Sufia Begum. In 2014, Moniruzzaman got married to Runia Akhter, daughter of a noble family in Munshiganj. Their only daughter Missme Zaman is five years old. Md Moniruzzaman Jibon currently lives in America with his family. He was a brilliant student since his childhood. He completed his SSC in 1997 from Naria BN High School, Diploma in Engineering

from Dhaka Polytechnic Institute in 2001 and then graduated in Engineering from MI. In his career, he worked as an assistant engineer in LGED from 2006 to 2014. But he used to think every moment, even if it is possible to contribute to the construction of roads for the development of rural people by serving the government, a ring of corruption is chasing him. After marriage, he decided not to stay in Bangladesh but to the United States to earn money honestly. With this strong attitude, he moved to the United States on a tourist visa in 2015. He came here and worked as a manager of a grocery shop. After 7/8 months he decided not to work but to do



business. From this thought, in 2017, he purchased Nordt Market in California. After that, he never looked back. He earned crowns of success one after another. In continuation of success, he established 'Missme Group' in the name of his daughter Missme. This group makes Bangladesh to feel proud as he has established as a

successful expatriate Bangladeshi entrepreneur-businessman in Hollywood. Md Moniruzzaman Jibon is not only known as an entrepreneurial figure but also an important social worker of the Bangladesh community in America and a sponsor of cultural events. He is the guarantee sponsor of the 'Anand Mela' programme. Besides,

he is the sponsor of the Bangladeshi cricket match organized in California. On the occasion of the inauguration of the Padma bridge in the country on June 25, the Bangladesh community also organized a colorful program in Los Angeles, which was sponsored by Md. Moniruzzaman Jibon.

This energetic young man is not only working for the development of the Bangladeshi community in the United States, but he also feels deep affection and love for people of his motherland. He helps the needy relatives and others in his area. He provides financial aid to mosques, madrassas and orphanages. He also took the initiative to establish a modern old age home in Tangail. Md Moniruzzaman Jibon has taken up the plan of establishing a Hotel Management Training Institute and Tourism Centre in the country with an aim to create employment opportunities for Bangladeshi youths in developed countries. ◀

CORRUPTION AND IRREGULARITIES ARE HAMPERING THE DEVELOPMENT OF BANGLADESH

Md. S Islam (Nannu)

President

N.K. Trade International
Trading Company ENK-Japan

Though most of the Bangladeshi entrepreneurs have been living a comfortable life abroad but they always think of their homeland Bangladesh. Nannu Mds Islam is one of them, who are the 'key persons' in the Japanese business arena. He is the Entrepreneurial Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of N.K. Trade International Trading Company, one of the leading companies in the Japanese car business. Nannu Mds Islam has a diversified career who had to spend a lot of labor, talent and perseverance to achieve this high position.

Nannu Mds Islam was born in an aristocratic business family of Gandaria at Old Dhaka in Dhaka Metropolitan City. His father's name is Haji Abdul Jabbar and mother Mamtaz Begum. His father had a paddy field in Badamtali. They have a huge family of 9 siblings. After completing SSC in 1983 from Gandaria High School, Nannu Mds Islam passed HSC in 1985 and graduated from the same college. While studying in college, he got involved in luggage exporting to Hong Kong, Bangkok and Singapore through his senior business brothers in the area. He was attracted with the glamour and lifestyle of these developed countries. He decided to go to Germany for study and work purpose because he felt that it was difficult to support a large family with his father's income. With this thinking,



he took initiative to go to Germany with his friends without finishing graduation. Moreover, many of his friends in the country were tortured for

taking part in anti-Ershad movement. This fear was working on him too. For this reasons, he along with his friends went to Germany in 1985.



Nannu Mds Islam thought that he needs to establish his own business instead of taking the German government's kindness. From this thought, he was thinking of leaving Germany and coming to Japan. Seven months later, on his way to Bangkok, he took a three-day transit facility at Haneda Airport in Tokyo, Japan. He enjoys touring Japan with transit facilities. He took 8 days transit. Though Germans used to take down on black people but he understands that the Japanese are not like them. He respects the Japanese human values and decides to stay in Japan and did not return to Germany. He comes to know from the Bangladeshis staying there that if a student visa is available, he can stay there. He took admission to a language institute but the authority of language institute said that he can't do this now rather he would have to re-enter Japan from another country. He did so. He returned to Germany via Bangkok. After few days, he came to Japan from Germany on a student visa. Then, he started classes at Tokyo International Language School. It is notable that he did a German English language course in the country before moving to Germany. After taking these two courses and practicing these

languages, he became quite proficient in German and English. He was admitted to Tokyo International Language School in Japan with his friends. Thus, he started his struggle in Japan. Besides attending to language classes in Japan, he also did a 3-month course on hotel management. As a young man, Nannu got a job at Sheraton International Hotel in Japan. He received a 30% bonus with a salary of 60,000 yearly. By working in the hotel, he got acquainted with many top entrepreneurs of Bangladesh. One of them is Morshed Khan, a well-known entrepreneur and former minister and chairman of Pacific Group. When he went to Japan, he would stay in this hotel. Morshed Khan was an importer of Nissan & Excel cars in Bangladesh. After the acquaintance, Morshed Khan asked him to work with his company. He joined to Japan's Orient Trading in 1993 as Export Manager. Experienced and skilled Nannu Mds Islam saw that it is very difficult to sell a car in Bangladesh for 15/16 thousand dollars. He thought differently. He told Morshed Khan to import used cars for 3/4 thousand dollars by making them brand new. For this, he founded his own company named N.K.

International Trading Company. Thus, he began his new life as an entrepreneur. Then, he did not have to look back. He is a pioneer in the export of 're-conditioned' cars to Bangladesh. He is also the founder of Yellow Cab in Bangladesh in 1997. He did this with an aim of exporting his reconditioned car to Bangladesh and introducing transport system in this country as developed countries. He also gave an opportunity to hundreds of people to become an owner of 'Yellow Cab' business through lending process of the country's banks and financial/leasing institutions at that time. This thinking figure has succeeded wherever he has taken initiative. N.K. International exports cars to about 56 countries around the world. Nannu Mds Islam has a great affection to his motherland Bangladesh. He has written on his Facebook wall 'Bangladesh Love My Country & People'. Nannu Mds Islam, a talented and good man from head to toe, always expects the development of Bangladesh. According to him, there are plenty of hardworking and honest people in Bangladesh but corruption and irregularities are hampering the development of the country. ◀



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AS A PHARMACIST, I TRY TO MAKE PEOPLE OF BANGLADESHI COMMUNITY AWARE ABOUT THEIR HEALTH

Moazzem H. Chowdhury

A Well-Established Pharmacist and Social Activist



There are many people in the world, who have turned into an extraordinary individual from an ordinary one by dint of their talent, merit and self-confidence. Moazzem H. Chowdhury is one of them who

achieved the ladders of success who is a pharmacist by profession. Rotarian Moazzem H. Chowdhury is currently the chairman of International Media Arts Corporation, LHCM Foundation and Nasirnagar

Agro Ltd. He is the international coordinator and secretary of California Waves. Through Itaranga of California, he has been completing Bangladeshi Arts Music and Culture Globally. He is culturally minded person. He has established the National Poet Nazrul Club in many schools in remote areas of Bangladesh. He is deeply involved in the activities of FOBANA.

After passing SSC and HSC with distinction from Momenshahi (Mirzapur) Cadet College, Moazzem H. Chowdhury was admitted to Dhaka University and obtained Master of Science in Pharmacy with good results. Then, he came to America for higher education. He gained experience as a pharmacist by working at many of the world's leading companies such as Rite Aid, Wal-Mart, Ralphs, K=Mart and Longs Drug in California. He later contributed in this trade as an owner and pharmacy director of Desert Drugs, Medicine Shoppe, Newhall Pharmacy and Crown Valley Pharmacy. He also runs pharmacy and other businesses in local towns.

However, Santa Clarita Valley gave him huge popularity locally. He assists local small businesses through his personal training. He also provides them with effective guidance and advice on small business initiatives, operation and sustainability. As a prominent pharmacist, he is creating awareness about their Annual Fee Vaccination and other health needs



among the people of the Bangladesh community in Santa Clarita Valley. He looks after the needs of the people and imparts pharmacy knowledge. He has been assisting many meritorious students of pharmacy through his scholarship program. Many of them are now established themselves as pharmacists.

Moazzem H. Chowdhury is also a cultural organizer and initiator of cultural events. Despite his busy schedule, he used to organize cultural events locally and internationally. He is locally associated with humanitarian, social and charitable activities. He believes in exchange of 'Global Knowledge'. Each year, he works to create awareness about Bangladeshi art,

literature and culture among students and teachers at California State University of Northridge and the College of Humanities. He is preparing to contest the city council elections to keep the city Santa Clarita safer and more beautiful so that the city is developed as a family-centric, business-friendly, technologically and habitable one. He always believes in the leadership by which the vitality and development of the country can be increased in a healthy environment. Moazzem H. Chowdhury left the country 43 years ago but did not forget his motherland for a moment. He is working for the development of education in his own area in Bangladesh. He has set up an NGO called LGH Foundation in 1998 with

the government approval to develop helpless and unprivileged people of Nasirnagar in Brahmanbaria. He has founded Nasirnagar Agro Ltd. for economic cooperation. Any project presented by the NGO is not implemented with outside help or loan and its dividends are spent on NGO related work. The profit spends on social work and development of the helpless poor. Moazzem H. Chowdhury is very dedicated to human welfare who has been living in the United States for more than 32 years. He and his wife Jinnah have two children- Simon and Jenisa. Although they were born in America, they have a deep affection for the culture of Bangladesh as they are brought up in such way by their parents. ◀

BUILDING BRIDGES FOR PROGRESS AND DEVELOPMENT

Mohammad Kazi Abdul Quader (Arman)

Proprietor and Managing Director
 ESI GLOBAL SERVICES PTY LTD
 Landpage Properties PTY Ltd



Mohammad Kazi Abdul Quader, known as Arman, is a name synonymous with entrepreneurship, vision, and dedication. Born and raised in the bustling city of Chittagong, the commercial capital of Bangladesh, he embarked on a journey that would not only transform his own life but also contribute significantly to the development and empowerment of countless others, both in Bangladesh and abroad.

Kazi Abdul Quader was born into an educated business family to parents Kazi Nurul Haque and Mumtaz Begum in Mohra, Chittagong. From a young

age, he displayed an extraordinary zeal for learning and a keen interest in entrepreneurship. Arman's aspirations soon led him to pursue higher education in Australia, where he discovered a world of opportunities awaiting him.

After completing his high school education, Arman chose Sydney, Australia, as the launching pad for his entrepreneurial journey. In 2006, he took the first steps towards realizing his dreams by establishing ESI Global Service, which has grown to become a prominent name in the realm of global education and migration services. ESI Global Service, founded

by Arman, is dedicated to shaping the new generation of Bangladesh into global citizens. The organization offers a range of services, including Pearson Test of English (PTE) training, to equip young Bangladeshis with the essential skills required for higher education and employment opportunities abroad. PTE, being an alternative to traditional English language exams like IELTS and TOEFL, has gained widespread popularity for its accessibility and efficiency. Arman's vision and dedication have empowered thousands of Bangladeshi youth, providing them with a gateway to pursue higher

education and careers across the globe.

Under Arman's leadership, ESI Global Service has expanded its reach, establishing seven global offices with a skilled team of over 150 professionals. The organization has successfully guided more than 22,000 clients, achieving over 5,000 admissions, 13,000 skill assessments, and 5,000 visa approvals, all with a remarkable 100% success rate. This exceptional success has positioned ESI Global Service as a trusted partner for individuals seeking educational and migratory opportunities.

In addition to ESI Global Service, Arman has founded and managed various other successful ventures, including Landpage Properties Pty Ltd, My Health Record BD, Swadhin Kantha TV, Savta Café and Restaurant, and Best 1 Textile Pvt Ltd. His diverse business portfolio showcases his commitment to fostering growth and economic development in both Australia and Bangladesh.

Arman's commitment to community welfare is reflected in his various philanthropic efforts. He actively supports education for underprivileged students, offering scholarships and assistance to those in need. Furthermore, he is dedicated to helping the development of Chittagong and its residents, exemplified through initiatives such as scholarships for deserving students and contributions towards the welfare of the less fortunate.



Kazi Abdul Quader envisions a prosperous Bangladesh, emphasizing sustainable development and the original spirit of the liberation war. He envisions a country where

democracy and freedom coexist harmoniously, paving the way for planned and inclusive development. Arman dreams of a developed, humanitarian Bangladesh that stands as a shining example to the world, reflecting the ideals of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's vision of Sonar Bangla.

Mohammad Kazi Abdul Quader (Arman) is a testament to the potential that lies within every individual to make a significant impact on society through dedication, vision, and hard work. From his humble beginnings in Chittagong to becoming a distinguished entrepreneur and philanthropist in Australia, Arman has demonstrated what is possible when passion and purpose align. His journey continues to inspire and uplift countless individuals, propelling them towards a brighter future. ◀





**I AM AN
OPTIMISTIC
PERSON,
BANGLADESH
WILL SURELY
GO AHEAD**

Mohammad R. Islam Mamun
President & CEO
Assurance Hospitality

Over the course of 15 years, Mohammad Rejaul Islam (Mamun) has established himself as a successful hotelier in the United States of America. His portfolio includes brands ranging from Marriott, Radisson, Best Western Plus, Wyndham, and Choice. This impressive lineup of international hotel chains certainly bear testament to the stellar achievement of this Bangladeshi-born American. Since his childhood, Mamun has been diligent

and ambitious which eventually led him to attain success in almost every challenge that he had taken on. He received his undergraduate degree from Bangladesh's top engineering university, BUET. Later in 1996, he went to the USA to pursue his master's degree in Software Engineering from the University of Nevada, Reno. Mamun firmly believes in the transformative power of politics and has been an activist since his college days. During his time in BUET, he

became the General Secretary of Bangladesh Chatro League (BCL) and played a pivotal role in the free and fair election movement of 1990. Mamun stills keeps in touch with his companions from those years. Today, in his new home, Salt Lake City, Utah, he is a keen supporter of the local Democratic Party and closely works with the City Government.

Mamun worked as a successful Software Engineer in several leading



firms across the United States after finishing his Master's degree and rose through the ranks rapidly. However, his ambitious and entrepreneurial nature eventually led him to the hospitality business even while maintaining a full-time job elsewhere. The idea of entrepreneurship and his vision to create opportunities for the others had him leave his 9 to 5 job in 2017 as he decided to devote all his hours to building and expanding his venture.

During his time as a hotelier in the early days, Mamun successfully withstood the Global Financial Crisis of 2008. He gathered valuable experience in running a business while working full time which has admittedly been a challenge for him especially during the time of crises. While working as an entrepreneur full time since 2017, Mamun successfully expanded his portfolio of hotels under the name of "Assurance Hospitality" vastly and now it is valued over 60 million USD—certainly an enviable feat for any Bangladeshi born American. As a prominent businessman based in Salt Lake City, he also served as an Honorary Adviser to the Board of Directors at Zions Bank, one of US's premier financial services

companies. Mamun has also ventured into other areas of investment where he was able to utilize his skills as an entrepreneur. A software development company that he invested in successfully developed an Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system that is now being used by Bangladesh Eye Hospital. He is also one of the first few entrepreneurs to have introduced telemedicine in Bangladesh in collaboration with his close friend and the chairman of JMI Bangla Mr. Javed Pathan. Mamun is truly a people person. His deep



involvement in the Salt Lake City Bangladeshi community is a prime example of that. With impressive organization skills, he has successfully put together and mentored the local community and Bangladeshi Student Association for several years.

Despite living in the United States for the past 25 years, Mamun still feels deeply about Bangladesh. He makes it a point to visit home and connect with all his loved ones every year. A true patriot at heart, he firmly believes that he is representing his country through his work and his ideals. Mamun believes that his hard work and relentless pursuit for excellence in service have brought him success, qualities that he thinks are pivotal for today's Bangladeshi youth to catalyze meaningful changes. In his opinion, Bangladesh has made tremendous amount of progress in recent years and believes that the country will continue to move forward under the current leadership. His hopes that talented and honest young citizens will get involved in politics and bring about a paradigm shift in the arena that has long been tainted with corruption and greed. ◀



WE SHOULD CHANGE OURSELVES TO COPE WITH THE CHANGING SITUATIONS

Adnan Imam, FCCA (CIP)

Managing Director, IPE Group
Chairman of Executive committee
NRB Commercial Bank Ltd.

Mohammed Adnan Imam, a UK citizen and CIP (NRB) status holder residing in London, is a Fellow Chartered Certified Accountant (FCCA). He has a successful career in Finance and Investment Banking with world renowned Merrill Lynch Europe Plc. He is currently the Managing Director of IPE Group which is an UK and Bangladesh Conglomerate, centred in London, UK.

IPE Group was founded in 2002 and diversified its business throughout UK and South East Asia. It is now one of the most reputed development companies in UK and the largest IT Enable Service providing company in Bangladesh. The core competence of the Group is to focus on the following areas - Technology and Outsourcing Finance - Banking, Merchant Banking, Asset Management, Venture Capital, Insurance, Credit Rating; Real Estate

and Building Products Private Equity Our team has been carefully selected to deliver excellence in our line of business.

It was Mohammed Adnan Imam overarching ambition, inexhaustible energy and never-say-die spirit that led him through all the obstacles to emerge as the young Entrepreneur of Bangladesh. He has been managing operations in two countries and has set an example in the new era of business and knowledge transformation. He feels that the world in which we do business is changing rapidly so we should change ourselves to cope with the changing situations. He is responding by increasing the speed and vigor of management to get the best out of IPE Group's. Through proactive management, IPE group aim to achieve further growth with enhanced profitability and greater financial robustness. His target is

growth through creativity and innovation – to achieve business expansion primarily by creating new value and pioneering new markets, by combining technologies and intellectual property. Fuelled by an aim to 'Think Big, Think Differently, Think Fast and Think Ahead' his capacities in the entrepreneurial sector were in stark contrast with his competitors.

Mohammed Adnan Imam is currently performing duties as Chairman of Executive committee of NRB Commercial Bank Limited (NRBC Bank). He was accorded with Commercially Important Person (CIP, NRB) Award-2016 for outstanding contribution in remitting foreign currency during the fiscal year 2014-2015. He also served the bank as Director and Chairman of Risk Management Committee (RMC). Adnan is involved in Real Estate business and Private Equity in United



Kingdom and Bangladesh. He has also been immersed in various business activities in line of Technology and Outsourcing, Textiles, RMG and Finance for a long time with a sustainable goodwill.

A Fellow Chartered Certified Accountant (FCCA), spending early career in Finance with Merrill Lynch Europe Plc in London, Adnan started his business in Mergers and Acquisitions of Distressed companies and Property

Development in 2004. He understood the art of creating value out of complex property matters and has been delivering profitable developments which led to growing a successful property development business in Central London. He is active in the Private equity space and has meaningful stakes in various companies in London with focus on Infrastructure and Healthcare sectors. In 2009 has was included in the "Who is

who of Britain's Business Elite" Adnan entered Bangladesh in late 2008 with a view to capitalizing on the Bangladesh economic growth and transformation and in a span of couple of years, has been able to take a strong foot hold in the REAL ESTATE, FINANCE, TECHNOLOGY and PRIVATE EQUITY sectors. Some of the key highlights;

- Acquisition of Prime Commercial Real Estates;
 - Co – Sponsors and Directors of Bank, Merchant Bank, Asset Management and Venture Capital companies;
 - Set up the largest BPO operation in Bangladesh, focused on the Telecoms sector;
 - Co-founded the first on line Ad Network of Bangladesh;
 - Acquisition of meaningful stakes in Textile, Garments and FMCG Sectors;
- Born in 1976 in UK and spending early education life in Chittagong and Dhaka and moved to London in 1995 for higher studies. His growth through creativity and innovation will be driven by diversity. IPE group Commitment to ongoing globalization is reflected in a determination to actively enrich management with people offering diverse perspectives. Individual employees should enhance their capabilities and apply them to adding value to their business. This is the key to ensuring IPE Group grows and flourishes as a truly global enterprise. Fulfilling his corporate social responsibility by according the highest priorities to human life and safety and to compliance are prerequisites for the success of his business. ◀



THE REMITTANCE SENT BY THE IMMIGRANTS IS PLAYING AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN BANGLADESH'S ECONOMY

Mohammed Ayub Ali

Senior Vice President,
Bangladesh Business Council, Dubai, UAE
Managing Director
Al SaaDa Engineering Steel Const. L.L.C.

Though Bangladesh lags behind in terms of economy and technology but the enterprising entrepreneurs of this country have established themselves doing business through improved technology with the other countries and made Bangladesh pride to the world. Among them, Bangladeshi businessman Md. Ayub Ali is one of them who has already established several business firms in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. He is the senior vice president of Bangladesh Business Council, Duabi.

The native village of Md. Ayub Ali at Fatikchhari in Chattogram. His father's name is Late Hazi Abul Khaier and mother Rahima Begum. He passed SSC exam from Fatikchhari Coronation Govt. Model High School. He completed his graduation in Arts group from Fatikchhari College in 1981. Then, he went to Oman in 1984 and worked there as sales executive at a foodstuff based firm for 2 years. He performed his duty with great sincerity and desired to engage himself in business. In 1992, he was involved with an America-based oil field company for 7 or 8 years. Through working there, he gradually saved money with a view to setting up a business firm. From this thought, Md. Ayub Ali established M/S Al





SaaDa Engineering Steel Construction L.L.C in 1997. He turned this company as one of the notable firm in Dubai through his great efforts and labor.

The thirst for developing business and appetite for works have encouraged him to set-up more establishments. In 2008, he set-up Anjumane Al Jaraf warehouse. He has already established 9 warehouses measuring 44,000 square feet. These warehouses were let out for the maintenance of warehouse materials. Within a short period of time, his business was flourished and fame of his business in Dubai spread.

Ayub Ali then engaged himself in steel and fabrication business in UAE in 1997. He established many public and private steel fabrication buildings in UAE, Afghanistan and Somalia. A successful Bangladeshi Ayub Ali is still known as an entrepreneur in the world.

His business firms are very popular in Dubai and other countries because he performed his business activities with great sincerity and skill. He is doing steel fabrication works at City Centre in Kabul. He also established a warehouse in Somalia. Since 2013, Ayub Ali has been operating his oil fields machining jobs through his own business firm named M/S Al Amna



Engineering Works Workshop at Ras Al Khor in Dubai. As he was involved with this business before, he was able to gain more success in this business. The patriotism of the founding Managing Director M/S Al SaaDa Engineering Steel Construction and entrepreneur of M/S Al Amna Engineering Works Workshop is very deep. He thinks the people of Bangladesh are very intelligent and hardworking. They are putting exemplary contribution to the field of business and service in different countries. Ayub Ali thinks a lot about

his country even residing abroad. As an organizer, he is very skilled. He is involved with various Bangladeshi organizations in Dubai. He is the President of Chattogram Samity Dubai and North Emirates. A Bangladesh Dubai expat Md. Ayub Ali opines that the remittance sent by the immigrants is playing an important role in country's economy. He urged to the non-resident Bangladeshi to invest more in the country. He believes that Bangladesh will turn into a developed country soon. ◀

Dhaka Home, for hassle free management of Residential & Commercial Properties connecting NRBs with Bangladesh

Mohammed Belayet Hossain

President, Dhaka Home
 Vice President - Liaison, Strategic Affairs
 KPC Bangladesh Development
 Chairman, Cox Vacation
 CEO - USA Office at Bashundhara Housing
 Former President (Title)
 Sun Coast Telecommunication Inc.



Mohammed Belayet Hossain started his career as an insurance agent for Jiban Bima Corporation, later rising to be the district manager at a very young age. He later immigrated to USA on 1991 and worked as life insurance sales representative at New York life, New York and Equitable, Los Angeles, and at Guardian Life at Las Vegas. He settled in Las Vegas, Nevada and started his career in hospitality management in Hilton Flamingo Hotel and Casino of Las Vegas. While staying in USA, Mr. Belayet was

appointed as the CEO of Sales and Marketing of Bashundhara Group of Bangladesh. Mr. Belayet successfully sold more than four thousand plots and hundreds of apartments at Bashundhara, Baridhara to the Bangladeshi expats living in USA.

Mohammed Belayet Hossain is the founder and Chief Executive Officer of Dhaka Home LLC., a well-known Bangladeshi Real Estate Marketing company based in Las Vegas, Nevada, which has been marketing the Bangladeshi Real Estate products to the Non-Residential

Bangladeshis since 2001. He has introduced the real estate sector of Bangladesh to more than seven thousand clients in North America, creating financial opportunities for NRBs to invest and to become owner of profitable assets in Bangladesh. His ethical business practice has helped him achieve the trust and strong relationship among the Bangladeshi community living in North America. More than seven thousand Non-Residential Bangladeshis now have a stronger tie with the mother land because of their investments. His sales and



marketing skills have helped to gain huge foreign remittance in Bangladeshi Real Estate Sectors. Dhaka Home now provide hassle free management services for hundreds of Residential and Commercial Properties owned by NRBs in Bangladesh. The clients are being benefitted by seeing passive income and appreciated assets.

Mr. Belayet was appointed as the Vice President of KPC Bangladesh Development on 2016, to successfully execute the foundation of the proposed 142-story Iconic Tower building in Purbachal, Bangladesh. He was serving in direct interest of Dr. Kali Pradeep Chaudhury. Although the project couldn't be initiated as expected, Mr. Belayet decided to stay in Bangladesh and got involved with the hotel business at Cox's Bazar.

Mr. Belayet currently serves as the Chairman of Unique Pacific Management Ltd. Managing the Praasad Paradise Hotel & Resort at Cox's Bazar and St. Martin's Island. He oversees the management of several hotels invested by the NRBs at Cox's Bazar known as: Cox Vacation, White Palace, and Shakira Beach Resort. His goal is to implement an affordable, hassle free, world class tourism services for the guests and to bring profitable growth to the stakeholders.

His native village and its people are the motivation behind his success. He strives to help the people of his village whenever they need help. He helped to rebuilt houses that been damaged by natural disasters or fire. Mr. Belayet has established a Primary and High School for under-privileged students, an orphanage center, couple of mosques, Muslim cemetery, a madrasa, and funds for elderly and disabled people in his village Chagoldi located in Nagarkanda Thana, Faridpur. ◀



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Mohammed Hossain Hassan

Director (Admin)

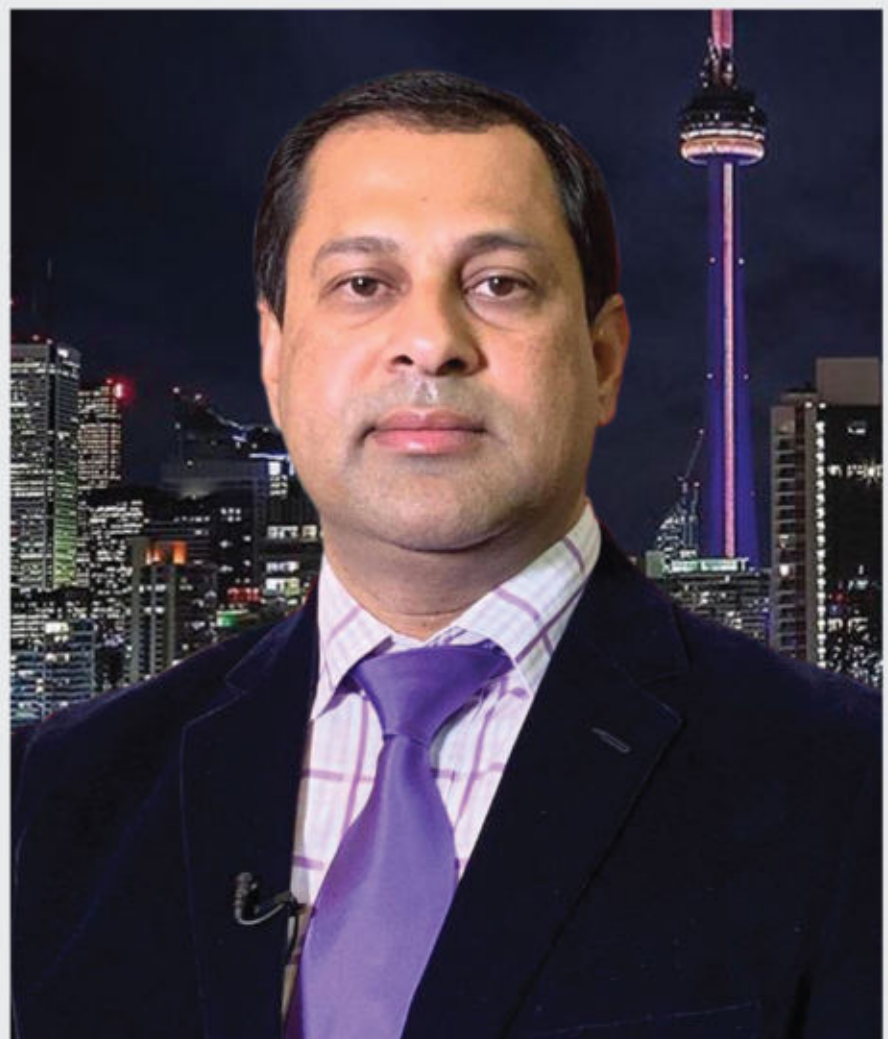
Bangladesh Business Chamber of Canada

Mohammad Hassan, a Bangladeshi-born Canadian citizen, is a shining star in the business and trade arena in Canada, one of the top developed countries in the world. By dint of talent, hard work and perseverance, he has achieved this position. Mohammad Hassan is a well-known and popular face in the Bangladesh community in Canada. He is the Director and President of Canada National Security Inc. Founded in 2004, this company is now hugely successful in the field of business and commerce. He has founded Canada National Construction in 2009. He is its director and the president. This company has Contributed in the Canadian construction sector.

Mohammad Hasan is the head of Digital Bangla News, which is involved in multidimensional trade and business. He is the Chairman of the Editing Panel of Digital Bangla News. He is also the Chairman of Arista Group Global LTD.

Mohammad Hassan is following the path with the belief that a person can be established not through Aladdin's lamp but through honesty, devotion, perseverance and hard work. He believes that if you work hard with a desire to reach the goal, success will certainly come. By the passage of time, he is now an enlightened figure in Canadian business, social and political arena. This pro-independence man is the Joint Secretary of Bangladesh Awami League, Canada.

Mohammad Hassan, a businessman and political leader, was born on April 1st 1964 in an aristocratic educated family at Fatikchari in Chittagong. His father, late Delwar Hossain Chowdhury, was the Three Zone Commander and His Elder



Brother Late Anwar Hossain Chowdhury, BLF Commender, Fatikchari , CTG during the war of liberation.

Md. Hassan Total Family members of 3 Brother and 5 sisters... he is the last in the family... His Late Mother Momina Khatun with 7 children Hide place to place for 9 months of War for fear of life, while His

father and Brother was in War Fighting for Liberation ..

Mohammad Hassan was active in the politics of Bangladesh Chhatra League during his student life. He is the former president of Fatikchhari Upazila Chhatra League. Before moving to Canada to start his career as an entrepreneur, he



moved to Dubai for fear of persecution during the Ershad regime in 1989 and served as marketing manager for DHL, Nestle in the United Arab Emirates 1989-2000. He came to Canada in 2000 and in June 2000 he served as Regional Manager for ADT Security Services, Ontario, Canada until December 31, 2003. At a later stage, he devoted himself to his own business and was able to climb the ladder of success and establish himself as one of Canada's top businessmen. He is currently the Director (Admin) of Bangladesh Business Chamber, Canada, President of Bangladesh Society Canada and Founder of Greater Chittagong Foundation of Canada. Even during his student life, Mohammad Hasan was quite talented, hard-working and a good organizer. He has completed SSC under Comilla board in 1980 and HSC from the same board in

1982. He has graduated in commerce from Chittagong Government Commerce College in 1984. He has obtained his post-graduate degree in Commerce from the same college in 1986 from University of Chittagong. Mohammad Hassan, a self-confident young man, has received training in marketing and sales to enhance professional skills. He has studied computer in Microsoft. He has become able to achieve business success very quickly due to his proficiency in internet and email activities. Speaking on the occasion, Mohammad Hasan, Joint Secretary of the Awami League of Canada, says that the country has been able to stand on the ladder of development today as a result of the dynamic leadership of Bangabandhu's competent daughter Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina. He says, the country is now safe under the leadership

of Bangabandhu's daughter. Mohammad Hasan, a visionary and hardworking man, says, "Those of us who do business and work in abroad, their love for the country is genuine." We always work not only for ourselves, but for the country. We think our country is lagging behind, many people are in trouble, therefore expatriates send a large portion of their income in the form of remittances which is making a huge contribution to the economy of Bangladesh. He says that the present government is reviewing these remittances and rewarding the expatriates with CIP status and the positive result is that the amount of remittances is increasing day by day. On the issue of preventing corruption, Mohammad Hasan says that although the present government has taken steps to eradicate corruption, its implementation is not possible for some rogue politicians and corrupt bureaucrats. However, it is hoped that it will be implemented under the leadership of Sheikh Hasina because many successes of the government are spoiled due to corruption. Mohammad Hassan is also associated with Fobana. He is the President of Bangladesh Canada Society. Liberal-minded Mohammad Hasan is involved in party politics but works with everyone in the interest of Bangladesh. Md. Hassan also helps and contribute in Canada and Bangladesh for needy people and Charity Organizations.. He organizes Mezbani in Canada for 3000 people and in Bangladesh 10,000 people's every Years with his own Money..

As our Journalists ask

When Md. Hassan is asked what is his intention to invite so many people in Canada and Bangladesh Every Years?

Md. Hassan answer that he love the Bangladesh and Bangladeshi People and he enjoy to Entertain his Native country people and always to be people's person and be united the community always...Md. Hassan says he love to see the Dream comes True as Bango Bondu Sonar Bangla....and he is Ready to Helps and support anything is possible to make Strong Hands to Hon, Prime Minister SK, Hasina...Joy Bangal and live long Bangladesh

He thinks, "Unity of patriotic people will make Bangladesh more prosperous." ◀

THE VISIONARY ENTREPRENEUR LEADING AL HARAMAIN PERFUMES TO GLOBAL SUCCESS

Mohammed Mahtabur Rahman (Nasir)

Founder President, Bangladesh Business Council, Dubai, UAE
 President, NRB CIP Association
 Chairman & Managing Director
 Al Haramain Perfumes Group of Companies
 Chairman, NRB Bank Limited
 Chairman, Al Haramain Hospital (Pvt) Ltd.
 Founder / Director, Al Arafah Islami Bank Ltd.
 Director, AIBL Capital Market Services Ltd.



Muhammad Mahtabur Rahman Nasir a seasoned businessman and well versed in a broad range of trade ventures around the world hailing from Sylhet. Born in 1958, he completed his education there and pursued with passion his traditional family owned business which was established in the holy city of Makkah, KSA in the year 1970. He mastered the art of craftsmanship of the fragrance industry and surmounts the business to new heights. He is currently the chairman of NRB Bank Limited which is one of the leading 4th Generation Banks in Bangladesh. After foreseeing the potential fragrance markets in the GCC & Mena region he moved his entire operation & manufacturing units to the UAE and built the modern and well equipped Head office fitted with Oracle ERP Server in an area of 33,000 sq ft and also established a factory in the UAE covering an area of over 180,000 sq ft which grew into a state of the art manufacturing unit using automatic & semi-automatic ultramodern machineries including 'Agilent' quality control equipment in the R&D Department. The quality conscious Al Haramain Perfumes has been accredited by the authorities with Dual ISO certification in QMS & GMP and received scores of Appreciation Certificate and accolades. He opened the first brand in Dubai and gradually expanded more than hundred branches all over the UAE/GCC countries and beyond in the name of Al Haramain Perfumes and the following sister concerns: Al Haramain Trading LLC, Oudh Al Haramain, Noor AlHaramain Trading LLC, Al Halal Perfum LLC was opened in the UAE to cater to the fragrance needs of the mass markets. Al Haramain Perfumes LLC

with many branches was opened in the Sultanate of Oman for Omanis and for the entire markets in the country. Al Haramain Perfumes Int WLL our state of Kuwait with many branches to cater to the Perfumery needs of the Al Haramain Perfumes WLL with many branches was opened in the state of Qatar to meet the Perfumery needs of the valuable Qatari customers and others. Al Haramain Perfumes SPC were opened in the Kingdom of Bahrain to satisfy the Perfumery needs of the elite Bahraini customers. Rich & Ruitz yet another

perfume company has been established in France with a manufacturing facility for production and distribution with the European and American markets in mind. Four Corners Distribution Ltd has been established in London to distributors in the UK and EU markets. Likewise, N Haramain Perfumes has been made available in both North and South Americas. The first Al Haramain showroom in Dhaka is located in Jamuna Future Park. Rahman has been ranked the top Commercially Important Person from 2012. He has also been

awarded the Bangladesh Bank Remittance Award consecutively since 2013 He is the recipient of Honorary Doctor of Philosophy in World Peace and Morality Business Administration of the International University of Morality Thailand in the year 2014. He has a UAE Gold Card residency visa in 2019 as one of the investors there. He is the Founder President of Bangladesh Business Council Dubai and he is also the President of the NRB CK Association for the economic development of economies worldwide increasing foreign currency remittance. ◀



Mr. Mohammed Mahtabur Rahman (Nasir), Chairman - NRB Bank Ltd. and Chairman & Managing Director - Al Haramain Perfumes Group of Companies (Right) with His Excellency, Mr. Md. Abdul Hamid, Hon'ble President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh (Left) on Tuesday, 3rd January 2017 at Bangabhaban, the official residence of the President, Dhaka, Bangladesh.



Mr. Mohammed Mahtabur Rahman (Nasir) CIP, with Her Excellency Sheikh Hasina Wazed, Hon'ble Prime Minister of the People's Republic of Bangladesh at Gano Bhaban, Dhaka, Bangladesh on 10th September 2017 after presenting a cheque to the Prime Minister for the Prime Minister's Relief Fund for flood hit people of the country.

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Mohammed Munir

Philanthropist Being Real Estate Developer
Arizona, USA

Mohammed Munir, a gifted son of Bangladesh, has now established himself as an important entrepreneur in the Arizona state of USA. He once served as Sr. System Engineer III, OEM at Pinacol Corporation, a well-known company in Tempe, Arizona. He has been working as a real estate developer since 2003. He is currently working as a Real Estate Developer and plays a key role in Real Estate Properties Management. As an entrepreneur in the real estate sector, he is well-known figure at Tempe and Chandr areas of Arizona.

Mohammed Munir was an extraordinary genius during his student life. He was born in May 1957 in a traditional Muslim family in Dhaka. He passed SSC in the first class with distinction from St. Gregory's High School, a well-known school in Lakshmibazar, Dhaka in 1973 and HSC in the first class in 1975 from Notre Dame College, Dhaka. Then, he got admitted in important and difficult subjects like Applied Physics in Dhaka University. He completed his BSc Honors degree in Applied Physics in 1979. He was admitted to the IBA of Dhaka

University in 1980 and successfully obtained his MBA degree from this institution in 1982. It is notable that obtaining MBA degree from IBA is seriously evaluated in Bangladesh and any other country in the world.

Mohammed Munir came to the United States in 1982 in the hope of furthering his higher education and received his MS degree in Computer Engineering in 1985 from USL, Lafayette, Louisiana, USA. After completing higher education, Mohammed Munir joined Egg Head Software Company, a notable software company in Los Angeles, in



1985 as a 'Software Programmer' and played a significant role in the company's progress in 1992. He joined Tempe's Micro Age Corporation in Tempe, Arizona in 1993 as a Senior Software Engineer, and in 1999, he joined Pinnacle Corporation, a notable organization in Arizona, as Senior Systems Engineer III, OEM, and worked diligently until 2003. In 2003, he realized that he needed to become an entrepreneur, not a job holder. Mohammed Munir, a software and systems engineer with a long career and experienced, engaged himself in the real estate and real estate property

management business. Then, he did not have to look back. He has been running this business very successfully for the last two decades. IT expert Mohammed Munir has a deep love for the country.

He used to come to the country whenever he gets time. When he hears about any development of Bangladesh, he feels very proud and joy. He has deep passion for sports since childhood. He was directly involved in sports during his student life. Mohammed Munir says, the huge success of sports especially cricket has brightened the image of Bangladesh. Most of the countries in

the world know the name of Bangladesh for cricket and respect Bangladesh. He is the team manager of Masa Lions Cricket Team of Murad Rana Memorial Cricket, Arizona. Under his skillful management, this cricket team has been able to achieve a lot of successes. Mohammed Munir is the chairman of the steering committee of the notable 'Masjid Abu Bakr' in Mesa. Bangladeshi-American Mohammed Munir is well-known in the Bangladesh community as a benevolent personality.

He believes that the people of Bangladesh are intelligent and hard-working. Massive development is possible under talented and hard-working people in Bangladesh, he adds.

He says, Bangladesh has already become a lower middle-income country. If the continuity of development is maintained, this country will become a developed country soon. He says, corruption in Bangladesh must be stopped at any cost. Terrorism must be eradicated. Human values and rule of law must be established in the country. Proud Bangladeshi American of the time Mohammed Munir always thinks of human welfare and well-being. ◀





**A TRAILBLAZING
ENTREPRENEUR
AND HONORARY
CONSUL PIONEERING
BILATERAL RELATIONS**

Mohammed Omar Faruque
Entrepreneur
Honorary Consul of Bangladesh, Silesia

A pioneering businessman, successful entrepreneur, and Honorary Consul of Bangladesh in Silesia, Poland. Mohammed Omar Faruque is the most sought-after Bangladeshi living in Poland, with a legacy of over three decades.

Mr. Omar, who was born in Cumilla in 1964, completed his studies at one of Bangladesh's top colleges, Faujdarhat Cadet College, in 1982. As one of the most promising young talents in his graduating class from Faujdarhat Cadet College in 1982, he was awarded a scholarship by

NAP, and he relocated to Moscow for further study. After receiving his Master's in civil engineering, he started a Ph.D. but was unable to finish it because he moved to Poland in 1991 and started the first RMG business there, which led to Bangladesh's RMG market expanding to more than 2 billion USD annually. He was a pioneer and the first to bring Bangladeshi workers to Poland for his company, "Ganges," in 1997. The same year, Omar opened Bombaj Tandoori, the most renowned Bangladeshi restaurant, in Sosnowiec, Poland. For decades, it has delighted food lovers with its

authentic Indian and Bangladeshi cuisine. He was named Honorary Consul General of Bangladesh in Poland in 2010 by the Bangladesh Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) in recognition of his ability, leadership qualities, and ongoing efforts to represent Bangladesh in Poland. Due to his efforts, trade between Bangladesh and Poland, which only amounted to \$25 million in annual revenue in 2003, is now a more than \$2 billion industry. In addition to dominating the RMG industry and the curry market, Omar has been crucial in fostering successful



beyond to uphold the country's honor abroad. Since 1994, he has organized major national celebrations in Poland (Independence Day, Victory Day, International Mother Language Day, Bengali New Year celebration, Bangladesh Cultural Day, and many more) on his own initiative. These events have attracted a significant number of guests and effectively engaged the Bangladeshi community residing in Poland and Polish citizens.

In addition, he established a Bengali Language Department at the University of Silesia in Katowice, Poland, in 2015. This is the third university in Poland to have a Bangla department. Moreover, there is a plan to build the Shahid Minar monument at the university, right next to the Philology building, as a memorial to Bengali students who gave their lives for their native language. Over three decades of leading a successful entrepreneurial career in Poland and being a true Bangladeshi patriot at heart, Mohammed Omar Faruque has always been a true inspiration to aspiring Bangladeshi talents living in Poland. ◀

bilateral and business relations between Bangladesh and Poland. As the flag bearer for

Bangladesh in Poland and a true patriot, Mr. Faruque has consistently gone above and



THE INTEREST OF OUR MOTHERLAND BANGLADESH SHOULD COME FIRST

Mohammed Yaseen Chowdhury (CIP)
Chairman, Group of Companies
Secretary General, NRB CIP Association



Mohammad Yaseen Chowdhury, the Secretary General of NRB CIP Association, is the Chairman of Oman's well established business concern Akhtar furniture, Oman. He is the Chairman of Akhtar Al-Balushai Trade & Contg LLC Group of Companies. He is also Chairman of Al-Raha Furniture Mart, Managing Director Ry Private Ltd & Chairman of Best Mark Housing Limited. He is also the Chairman of New Al Kamil Enterprises, which is engaged in fish export and import business. He has been selected as Commercially Important Person (CIP) for 7 consecutive years by the Government of Republic of Bangladesh in the category of remitter for foreign currency through legal channel. He has been performing the crucial role of Organising Secretary of NRB CIP Association. On the initiative of Mr Mohammed Yaseen Chowdhury the decision to form the NRB CIP Association was taken on 5th June 2016 with the approval of the then former honorable minister for Expatriate Welfare Mr Nurul Islam BSc. Mohammad Yasin Chowdhury was born in a respectful family in Chottagram district. He obtained his SSC and a Bachelor's degree from Rajan Gohira Degree College. He established Akhter furniture in Oman eventually. Presently he is the



president of Chottogram Association in Oman. He is very well known among Bangladeshis in Oman due to his resourceful nature. He is the former President of expatriate Bangladeshi business community in Oman "Business in small and Bangladesh". Expatriate Bangladeshi businessmen have been rendering very crucial role for the overall development of Bangladesh. About 1 crore 20 lakh expatriate Bangladeshis are involved in work abroad. Their remitted money has

been playing a crucial role in world economy. According to Chowdhury Bangladesh has now more than 32 billion US dollars in reserve. According to him if such progression continues Bangladesh would become a developed country invariably. He further adds expatriate Bangladeshis are providing opportunities for huge investment to further industrialisation around the world. He has financed a 1.5 km RCC road in Chittagong and is involved with educational and health institutions in Bangladesh. ◀



BANGLADESH IS LIKE A HEAVEN FOR INVESTMENT

Mohd. Nurul Mostafa
Chairman, Brand Group
Managing Director
New Future Co. W.L.L.



Mohammad Nurul Mostafa Khokon, is one of those business magnets who has obtained success at home and abroad as an entrepreneur business personality. This celebrated person comes from Sandwip, Chittagong surrounded by rivers. This international reputed person is the founder chairman of Brand Group. His father Munshi Nurul Mostafa deeply thought about Bangladesh and its

people. This creative person not only happy attaining his bright future through business & trade, he also helped many boyhood friends by giving them financial support & cooperation. He helped them to attain self-sufficiency. He is rendering crucial role in the economy of Bangladesh. Being imbued with the sense of humanism, this man is rendering help and financial support to the poor, school, college, Madrasha of

his locality. Meanwhile he has already spent taka 42 Lac from his own resource for building Purba Sandwip High school auditorium. Meritorious student Mohammad Nurul Mostafa obtained SSC from Sandwip Model High School and Diploma from Chittagong Government Polytechnic. Later he graduated in Diploma Engineering from Germany. Having Completed Education, he went to state of Qatar

where he invested in Business. When he started his life in Qatar, the gulf State since then has gone through a radical change and now it is a one of the developed country. This far sighted, laborious person brought a radical change in his own life in a planned way. Now he is the prince of Bangladesh expatriate business community. He could also heighten the Bangladesh image abroad. He always thinks of a beautiful and golden Bangladesh. He is now working in a bid to develop Bangladesh further in business & trade, Education and infrastructure. Whenever he gets time, he comes to most beautiful Dhaka's unparallel High Security "Royal Paradise" palace "Royal Paradise" Leaving glittering Middleeast city Doha, capital of the State of Qatar. He says, a huge demand for manpower exists in abroad. But neither the government nor private sector is seen eager to the development of this sector as yet. I think this sector has a great contribution to stabilize the economy of the country. Due to absence of bargaining agents, our labours do not get considerable salaries. Nepal, Pakistan authorities have fixed 1500 Qatar Real for their single individual labour and also nature of work. But



innumerable Bangladeshi workers are there who get only 800 to 1000 QR per month. And also their nature of work undefined. We need to send skilled workers after giving them proper training. In this regard, the government should come forward first, he adds. He still feels that there exist bureaucratic problem in Bangladesh. He thinks that there is no alternative to one stop service. We need to implement it. He further believes, "Bangladesh is like a heaven for investment. If one stop service is implemented, the overall

country's economy will change drastically." Corruption is also a key hindrance to the development of Bangladesh. it is now everywhere in government agencies. There is no accountability in the country. The governemtn is trying best to curb these problems but government can't do it alone. He thinks, we all should work together to eradicate these evils from our country. Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina announced "Zero tolerance" against corruption. He hopes that the authorities should execute this irrespective of political party or opinion. There are hundreds of thousands educational institutions in the country. Most of the institutions used to impart general or Madrash education. He thinks that educational system should be overhauled. From the beginning of the study, technical education should be imparted to the students. If the students are provided technical education properly, they can do work in abroad as skilled worker. The current government has established training institutions so that our worker can get better job in abroad after taking from these institutions. To establish digital Bangladesh is a very hard task. It is encouraging that work has begun in this regard. He hopes that Bangladesh will turn as an economic powerhouse soon. Though he stays aboard most of his time but always thinks about his motherland. He tries to brighten the image of Bangladesh through his works. He used to go to his village Sandwip whenever he gets time. He says, we shouldn't forget our roots because its our identity. ◀



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CAN BE ACCELERATED THROUGH BUILDING UP RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE WORLD

Mohd. Shahiduzzaman

President, NRB World

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Bangladesh Business Chamber of Singapore

Managing Director

Shahid Travel & Tours PTE Ltd.



Bangladesh is no longer a small country. Now she is spread across the World. Almost one crore people of Bangladesh are expatriate workers working all over the World. Bangladesh passport holders have consolidated their positions in these countries to boost up the economic activities of these Nations. Middle East, Singapore and Malaysia are prominent among those countries. Labour and Business acumen of Bangladesh expatriates are linked with the development of these countries. Mohd Shahiduzzaman is one of those proud Bangladeshi. He has established himself as a successful businessman in Singapore, a developed Nation of the World. He is the founder of Shahid Group of Companies. This group is simultaneously working in Singapore and Bangladesh in the field of travel services, tourism, service apartments trading and so many other business enterprises. Mohd Shahiduzzaman was born in Chuadanga, Bangladesh. His father is Late Haji Mohd Shamsuzzoha and mother Shahida Begum. He studied at Dhaka Residential Model School & College. He obtained his Honors & Master Degree in Psychology from university of Dhaka, Bangladesh. Mohd Shahiduzzaman was not only busy in his study while he was a student. He was the President of Chuadanga Chhatra Kalyan Samity in Dhaka for long five years. He strongly believes that the development of his Motherland and creating opportunities to serve, compatriot



Bangladeshis and also to implement is the main objective. This successful Bangladeshi, Mohd Shahiduzzaman believes that if the promising people of Bangladesh could be given right direction, then this country would be a developed Nation within ten years only. He noted that the main characteristics Bengalese are- they are very self reliant and hard working. As they can work hard their high demand is across the globe. While speaking about himself, he said that each and every person should have a high flown dream. If so, efforts will be tremendous. This will ultimately bring good result. He came to Singapore in 1995, as an Executive of a travel agency. During that time, he used to earn SGD 1500 per month. And being

a highly educated Youngman, he used to share a common room with other two persons and slept on floor mattress. To fulfill the objective of his life, he used to work 7 days of the week and almost 15 hours per day. And to save money, he used to walk to his work place at Kitchener Road in Singapore. Because he realized that only hard work could pave the way to success and prosperity. If a person could save money and particular in spending money, then he could build a business enterprise with the saved money. He started his business; SHAHID TRAVEL & TOURS PTE LTD in 2002. He became Singapore Citizen in 2004. In 2007 he establishes a lucrative service apartment business named SHAHID APARTMENTS PTE LTD. In the

same year he also opens a company named FAHMI SINGAPORE PTE LTD. In the year 2008 he establish a trading company named SHAHID INTERNATIONAL PTE LTD, which is the GSA for Regent Airways. In 2008, he has involve in electronics and computer accessories business named as ABC NETWORK PTE LTD. Over the years in Singapore Mohd Shahiduzzaman has establish himself as a renowned businessman. Shahid Group of Companies has created a good reputation in Singapore market, he has received SME PRESTIGE AWARD in 2015 and SINGAPORE 500 ENTERPRISE in 2018. In 2010, Mohd Shahiduzzaman has organize to establish a business chamber for Bangladeshi businessman who is residing in Singapore. He was the founder organizing secretary and currently he is the president of Bangladesh Business Chamber of Singapore (BDCham). He is doing community service work in Singapore since 2000, he was the president of Singapore Bangladesh Society (SBS) in 2014-2016. Currently he is playing a vital role in advisory committee of Singapore Bangladesh Society. Currently he is closely working with Singapore Business Federation (SBF) and other social organization in Singapore. Mr. Shahid is a hardworking, renowned and humble business person and committed to do social work in Singapore as well as Bangladesh. ◀





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THE CURRENT GOVERNMENT IS GIVING DUE HONOR TO EXPATRIATES WHICH IS AN INSPIRATION FOR US

Mohammad Shahjahan Meah CIP

Founding Director
NRB Global Bank Ltd

Mohammad Shahjahan Meah, a distinguished Bangladeshi entrepreneur, is a self-confident and accomplished individual who has left a significant mark on the business landscape of Oman, one of the countries in the Middle East. Born on September 8, 1958, in Gashchi village of Raozan upazila in Chittagong, Bangladesh, he hails from an aristocratic business family. His father, late Abdul Haq Matubbar, and mother, late Nafisa Begum, instilled in him values of hard work, determination, and compassion for others from an early age.

Shahjahan's academic journey began at Gashchi High School, where he completed his SSC in 1973. He then pursued his HSC degree in 1975 from Rangunia College, and his dedication to education led him to continue his studies in the same college for his graduation. However, the plight of countless unemployed young people in his country deeply affected him, prompting him to seek opportunities abroad.

In 1978, Shahjahan ventured to Oman, envisioning a better future. Working for two and a half years in Oman, he soon realized that he could make a more significant impact by becoming an entrepreneur and creating job opportunities for others. In 1981, with his youthful vigor and determination, he founded an engineering workshop, marking the beginning of his entrepreneurial journey.

Through his companies, ABROAD and Rashed Industries Ltd, Shahjahan ventured into mainstream trade and



commerce in Oman, engaging in building construction, road construction, and real estate businesses. His success not only brought him honor but also uplifted the image of Bangladesh in the international

arena.

Ever mindful of his roots and homeland, Shahjahan felt a strong connection to Bangladesh and its people. He believed that expatriates should play a role in the development of their



motherland. Hence, he and his family actively sent remittances to Bangladesh, supporting its economic growth.

In recognition of his outstanding contributions, Shahjahan was honored with the 'CIP' (Commercially Important Person) status by the Bangladesh government in 2016. This prestigious accolade acknowledged not only his achievements but also the collective efforts of his entire family. As a testament to his dedication to Bangladesh, he remained closely associated with the country's banking

and insurance sectors.

As the Founding Director of NRB Global Bank Limited, one of Bangladesh's leading fourth-generation banks, Shahjahan played a crucial role in providing employment opportunities to educated youth and catalyzing the growth of various entrepreneurs through banking investments. He also made significant contributions to the insurance sector and served as the Alternative Director of Best Life Insurance Limited.

Shahjahan's devotion to the development of Bangladesh extended

beyond finance. In addition to his businesses in Oman, he also invested in various ventures in Bangladesh. He chaired Rashad Industries Ltd., served as a Director of H.N. Auto, and held a Non-Executive Director position at Best Life Insurance Ltd. His ownership of a luxurious resort in Cox's Bazar and a well-known CNG pump in Chittagong contributed to local employment and the growth of the tourism industry.

Ever committed to the welfare of his community, Shahjahan actively engaged in philanthropic initiatives. He founded schools, mosques, madrasahs, and an orphanage in his locality, providing valuable educational and social support to those in need. His generosity and compassion earned him the love and respect of his fellow citizens.

Shahjahan's love for his family was evident, with his wife Shaheda Nur Begum and their two daughters, Umme Habiba and Umme Sumaiyah, being the pride of his life. Umme Habiba followed in his footsteps and became a doctor, while Umme Sumaiyah pursued her passion for Corporate Law and Human Rights with her PhD studies in England.

Looking ahead with optimism, Shahjahan firmly believed that Bangladesh's path to development was achievable. He recognized the significant contributions of expatriates like himself and expressed gratitude for the support and respect they received from the government. With an unwavering faith in the potential of his homeland, he envisioned a future where Bangladesh could attain the status of a developed nation through transparency, integrity, and collective efforts.

Mohammad Shahjahan Meah CIP, a visionary entrepreneur and philanthropist, has left an indelible mark on the business world, and his dedication to Bangladesh's progress continues to inspire generations. His tireless efforts and unwavering commitment to his homeland have truly brightened the image of Bangladesh and set an exemplary standard for others to follow. ◀

WE HAVE TO BE SINCERE IN ESTABLISHING A RULE OF LAW AND JUSTICE IN THE COUNTRY

Moinul Haque Chowdhury Helal

Ex-President
 Jalalabad Association of America Inc.
 Ex-President
 Bangladeshi American Association
 of Connecticut (BAAC)



Moinul Haque Chowdhury Helal is one of the Bangladeshi Americans who can smile with satisfaction by holding the country's muddy soil in his chest even living in foreign lands. He is the president of the greater Sylhet Basi in Bangladesh. He is also the President of the Bangladeshi American Association of Connecticut (BAAC). He was previously elected General Secretary of the Jalalabad Association of America for twice from 2003 to 2006.

Moinul Haque Chowdhury, a self-confident and visionary businessman, was born in 1967 in an educated aristocratic Chowdhury family of Raikhali, a traditional village in Jalalpur union under South Surma upazila in Sylhet. His father, late Shafiqul Haque Chowdhury, was the first chairman of the Swadhinata North Jalalpur Union. He was also a well-known face of Sylhet as a politician and social worker. He is one of the founders of Sylhet District Awami League. Moinul Haque Chowdhury has a rich history of family tradition. His grandfather Alhaj Suruj Ali Chowdhury performed Hajj for 4 times in 1936 and thereafter. This pious man was an established businessman in Assam, Jushhat and Darjeeling. Their predecessor, Kazi Kamaluddin Baghdadi, was a judge of the Sylhet region during the Sultanate period. His mother Faizunnesa Chowdhury Rani is a generous woman. Although Moinul Haque Chowdhury, a gifted son of aristocratic Chowdhury family of Sylhet, first started his education Jalalpu Primary School, he also got the opportunity to study at Ghatail Primary School in Tangail due to his brother's job. Moinul Haque Chowdhury also studied at Aided High School in Sylhet and passed SSC in 1985 from Jalalpur High School in Sylhet. In 1987, he obtained his HSC and honors degree in Political Science from

Sylhet MC College and post-graduate University Chittagong. While in college, he became involved in student politics, and he was elected annual secretary of the MC University College Student Parliament in 1990.

Following in his father's footsteps, he became a novice in social service. He played a major role in establishing South Surma Jalalpur Degree College. He is the Founding General Secretary of the College Establishment Committee. He was the president of Jalalpur Janakalyan Samity. He conducted Shefa Free Friday Clinic for 10 years. The handsome young Moinul Haque Chowdhury went to America in 1997. Besides his work, he was involved in various organizations and social activities. He is the President of the Jalalabad Association of America Inc. and the Bangladeshi American Association of Connecticut (BAAC). He has always played an important role in the development of the Sylhet community, including the American Bengali community. He is the elected President of Jalalabad Association of America Inc. for the year 2019-2021.

Under the leadership of this talented organizer, these two organizations have been providing assistance, awareness raising, food aid and medical care to the Covid-19 affected American Bangladeshis. Following the guidelines of the Jalalabad Association of Dhaka, they conduct the activities of the American Jalalabad Association. He and his colleagues have been working tirelessly day and night to solve the problems of the people of Sylhet.

Moinul Haque Chowdhury's wife Rimi Chowdhury is a generous woman. She is the inspiration for all her husband's social work. Rimi Chowdhury's father Advocate Azizul Malik Chowdhury is a prominent lawyer. He is the former president of the Sylhet District Bar and former general secretary of the District Sports Association and an enlightened business personality. Moinul Haque Chowdhury and Rimi Chowdhury are the proud parents of two children- Anisa Chowdhury and Nivan Chowdhury. The only desire of their life is that the children should be human beings and that the Bengali cultural atmosphere should exist in them.

Moinul Haque Chowdhury is also working as a writer and researcher. He edited the ancient history of Sylhet containing the history of Hazrat Shahjalal and Sylhet. During the conversation, Moinul Haque Chowdhury says, our birthplace is Bangladesh, our roots are there. Just as

people cannot forget their mother, neither can they forget their roots. He is very happy with the development progress of Bangladesh. But at the same time, he is embarrassed by the news of corruption, terrorism and deception. He says the people of Bangladesh must play a more humane role. We have to be sincere in establishing the rule of law and justice in the country just as we have gained reputation across the world by giving shelter to the Rohingyas. Bangladeshi-American Moinul Haque

Chowdhury, a luminary of Greater Sylhet, had many big dreams. He is hopeful that Bangladesh will be able to become a developed country considering all aspects. He along with Bangladesh community celebrates Bangladesh's Independence Day, Victory Day, Mother Language Day and Pahela Boishakh through organizing extensive events in America. He hopes that the new generation of expatriate Bangladeshis will get an opportunity to be proud of the history of the country. ◀



THE BANGLADESHI-AMERICAN HONORARY CONSUL IN CHICAGO, A DRIVING FORCE FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HERITAGE PRESERVATION

Monir Choudhury

Honorary Consul of Bangladesh
Chicago, Illinois, USA



Monir Choudhury, a talented son of Bangladesh, is now a Bangladeshi American. He is performing the duties of

Honorary Consul of Bangladesh, Chicago, USA by dint of his talent, skill and hard work. He was born in 1952, the year of the language

movement, in an aristocratic family in Sylhet. He went to Dhaka and Chittagong for higher education. He obtained a diploma degree in agriculture from Dhaka in 1968 and a bachelor's degree from Chittagong University in 1974. Monir Choudhury, an educationist, completed a course on extension and management training programs from the University of Reading in the United Kingdom in 1988.

Monir Choudhury, who was politically aware from an early age, took part in the anti-government movement at different times during his student life. He jumped into the movement as a BCL leader at the time of the mass uprising of 1969. He played an important role in the independence of Bangladesh in 1971. His family had a tradition and culture to take part in the welfare of the people. These qualities also motivate him to work for justice from an early age. As a result, he set out to build himself up in this way. Just as he was a novice in the service of the people in the country, he has been working in the same way abroad.

This luminary of the time has been living in the United States for more than 32 years. He holds Bangladesh in his heart at every moment. As a result, he worked with deep passion for the development of the Bangladeshi community in America. His experience as an agriculturist is quite rich. He has served as the SDO and District Superintendent under the Ministry of Agriculture for more than 12 years. He has also served as



a Asian Advisory Council Member of Secretary of State of Illinois. He has performed his duties properly and still continues to do so.

This developmental expatriate personality of Bangladesh is deeply involved with the Bangladesh community all the time. He has served as President of the Bangladesh Association of Greater Chicagoland (BAGC) for twice. He took several steps to take the Bangladesh community forward in the field of education and culture. He has been working to give an opportunity to the new generation of Bangladeshi Americans to know the history and heritage of their motherland, the culture of independent Bangladesh acquired through the war of liberation, the spirit of liberation war by observing Ekushey February, Independence Day, Victory Day and Pahela Baishakh there.

Bangladeshi Americans are being given the opportunity to learn about the history and heritage of their motherland. He thinks, Bangladesh is a unique country in terms of tradition. This country has a lot of potential and has an enriched ancient tradition. He is also instrumental in teaching immigration rules to newcomers. Two

roads in Chicago have been named Sheikh Mujib Way and FR Khan Way through initiatives taken by the Bangladesh Community. He has also played a special role naming these streets. Bangladesh Day Parade has been held in Chicago since 1997 on his initiative.

Monir Choudhury has established an institution in Kulaura of Moulvibazar district to spread education in Bangladesh. He has received the Asian American Coalition Award from Chicago and an award from

the Secretary of State of Illinois for Community Services.

Monir Choudhury, a believer in the spirit of liberation war, thinks that we were able to gain independence because we had a brave leader like Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. He says, the people of Bangladesh, wherever they are, should be proactive in building Bangabandhu's Sonar Bangla and the present government of the country should cooperate in every possible way. ◀





Munshi Badiuzzaman

Managing Director
Tania Group of Companies
Executive Committee Chairman & Director
Pay Union BD Limited
Managing Director
Strategic Enterprises Pvt. Ltd.
Chairman, Advance Home Pvt. Ltd.

SUCCESS CANNOT BE BOUGHT BUT TO BE EARNED WITH STRONG EFFORT, FOCUS AND CONSISTENCY OF WHAT YOU DO AND DO IT WITH YOUR BELIEF TO ACCOMPLISH AT THE END OF THE DAY

Munshi Badiuzzaman, a renowned name in the business industry for more than three decades, spreading its business horizon in Singapore, Bangladesh, Dubai, Malaysia and India. A prevalent figure in the financial sector, Mr. Zaman has been successful in diversified arenas of businesses and equally contributed towards the society, people's welfare and greater contribution to nation and its people.

Unlike lots of entrepreneurs, Mr. Zaman climbed up the ladder of success and achievement through intense hard work, dedication and timeliness. Since the age of 20, he has dreamt of building the blocks of businesses and successfully oriented towards the glorious journey and affiliations in the business industry.

Graduated from the famous University of Dhaka, Mr. Zaman extended his business internationally while being the Managing Director of different companies in Singapore, under Tania Group of Companies- Tania International, Tania Development and Rajib Enterprises- all of which created

the brand name known to many globally. The spread of business ranged from Financial Services, Healthcare, Real-estate and Consultancy Services, Export-import-Trading businesses and many joint venture high-scale projects- which are being prominently rolled out beyond Singapore and other countries in the Asian region.

Mr. Zaman never felt deprived of losing hopes even in difficult times in his business journey. He has always overcome the business and financial obstacles with positivity, confidence, high energy and regrouping strategy to create new opportunity in the businesses. His focus and determination are as strong as to perform to the highest standard and possess strong leadership skills. He is the Director of NRB Bank in Bangladesh and also holds prominent position as the Chairman of Executive Committee of this growing financial institution. He also holds the position as the Executive Chairman of Ubercare, a Healthcare brand in India under Uber Inc Medical Services Pvt Ltd. The Ubercare portfolio includes India's 3rd



largest Public Private partnership project in Maharashtra with 32 hospitals, out of which the Plot project is up and running for over 5 years in Pune Aundh Civil hospital.

Ubercare Diagnostics portfolio includes Sapphire Hospital, Thane-Mumbai; Saboo Siddique Hospital, Mumbai, BSES MG Hospital in past along with two stand alone Diagnostic centers. In a new foray, Ubercare has startee Wellness Skin chain with the first units in Mumbai and Pune. His vision for healthcare delivery to the last mile is being planned for Bangladesh, his motherland and his dream is on developing similar model for 64 district hospitals in Bangladesh.

His Bangladesh business also spreads in the industry of Real-estate development, management and consultancy services in the sector. He is the Chairman of Advance Homes, a renowned real estate developer, Rehab Member in Bangladesh; Executive Chairman of Pay Union-providing cutting edge technology in agency banking module and automation in financial sector; he is also the Executive Director of Strategic Enterprise in Bangladesh which deals with export-import of raw materials from around the globe and participate in major tenders in the country. Mr. Zaman always prioritizes the time and significantly contributes

to the society. Development of schools, madrasa and helping the needy people in homeland Bangladesh has always been a priority. He believes that even being Non-resident Bangladeshi and spreading businesses in other countries, he always encourages to support local people and focus on their well-beings. He has also groomed up his next generation by building a solid platform in the businesses as well as giving learning and experience edges to his sons Ehsanuzzaman and Najib Zaman, who are also the Directors of his Companies an leading from the front.

Mr. Zaman believes that success cannot be bought but to be earned with strong effort, focus and consistency of what you do and do it with your belief to accomplish at the end of the day. Being an influential NRB business figure, he would like to encourage all upcoming entrepreneurs to groom with confidence and focus on success by dedication and honesty. Mr. Zaman wishes FOBANA Convention 2019 a great success and hope it works strongly to be a greater platform for upcoming young enthusiast entrepreneurs. ◀





**BANGLADESH WILL BE BUILT
AS A BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY
WHICH WILL BE FREE FROM
CORRUPTION, IRREGULARITY
AND INJUSTICE**

Nahidul Khan

President

Khan Management Inc

Food and Fuel Company LLC

Khan Investment LLC

Bengal Partner Inc

Executive Secretary, FOBANA

Those Expatriate Bangladeshis who could brighten the image of Bangladesh abroad through establishing business and industrial estates, Nahidul Khan, a business entrepreneur personality, is one of them. He is an inhabitant Duluth from Georgia State, United States of America. This fair looking handsome entrepreneur is the President of Khan Management Inc. Food and Fuel Company LLC, Khan Investment LLC and Bengal Partner Inc. Nahidul was born in a respectable Muslim family of Munshiganj District. He was a student of KK Government Institution; He studied two years college for his HSC, Haraganga College Munshiganj, Bachelor of

Arts. Major: Economics. Minor: Political Science, under University of Dhaka. When expatriate Bangladeshis are earning their livelihood by doing so-called odd jobs, Nahidul is fortunate enough. He is an investor in Real Estate and entrepreneur in a country like USA. The Real Estate which he owns is called Khan Investments LLC. He has provided home, land and apartments to innumerable people by this time. Many Expatriate Bangladeshis consider him as a real well-wisher, the reason is Nahidul has created opportunity for them to live in their own habitats. Nahid Khan's Major Business includes commercial real estate investment and stock

market investment. Specialized in gas station & small shopping centers, his business model is to buy distressed & closed commercial property and renovate or rebuild, then lease those or sell for profit. His wife Nasima Khan is a Lover of beauty and an ultra-modern woman. They have built a garden of 'Rajanigandha' in their courtyard. This gives the beauty and good smelly fragrance. The whole courtyard is over flown with the fragrance of Rajanigandha flowers in the evening. Such Sweet perfume enchants everybody. Though Nahidul lives abroad but his mind is always at home. He comes often to Bangladesh when time and



opportunity permits. He is engrossed in many social welfare activities of his Locality at home. He is an educationist. He always financially contributes to School, College, Madrasah and Mosque and helps disadvantaged persons. He is doing

business in different States of USA including Ohio and Columbia in particular. A dreamer and self-reliant Nahidul Khan is very uncompromising when the question of quality comes up, He through his Bengal Partners Inc. products has

made available in USA and marketing there. This brightens Bangladesh image in the USA day after day. Nahidul is also working for Bangladesh community in the State of Georgia. About 35 to 40 thousand expatriate Bangladeshi lives in the Georgia State. Dreamer entrepreneur Nahidul through his 'Management Inc, has been training up Bangladeshis youngsters in various professions. So when a person doing so called Odd job gets only 1200/1500, US\$ per month but professionally skilled one gets US\$ 20 to 25 thousand per month. Nahidul is a self-reliant man. Right time, right action, he always maintains. Socially conscious Nahidul Khan is hopeful that Bangladesh will be built as a beautiful country which will be free from corruption, irregularity and injustice. ◀



THE INSPIRING JOURNEY OF NAZ ISLAM, NORTHAMPTON'S PHILANTHROPIC CULINARY AMBASSADOR

Naz Islam

Member for Data Protection

South Northants Conservative Association

Owner and CEO

Pioneer International Students

Councillor at Upton Parish Council



A philanthropist, businessman, entrepreneur, and community activist, Naz Islam has dedicated his life to making Northampton a better place. His family is from Bangladesh, but he was born and raised in Northampton. He is someone who has committed his life and his business to the town and has given a great deal back to the people of Northampton.

Since the age of 15, Naz has worked in the booming restaurant business in Northampton. For the past 20 years, he has been the owner of the wildly popular Saffron restaurant in Castilian Street, which has won numerous Northamptonshire Food and Drink Awards. It was also named the UK's top curry house in 2016 when it took home the prestigious Tiffin Cup at the House of Commons. He pioneered an apprenticeship program with Northampton College, providing a platform for young chefs to showcase their skills in the Saffron kitchen while also giving them a real-life taste of the working world. Naz has long fought for the rights of Southeast Asian restaurants, and he has urged the government to allow Bangladeshi workers the chance to find work in the UK. He makes a compelling argument for easing immigration laws so that skilled chefs can enter the country to fill a skills gap in kitchens, which is causing many restaurants in the industry to close.

As a long-time member of the Conservative Friends of Bangladesh, the Bangladeshi Caterers Association (BCA), and the Northampton British Bangladeshi Business Chamber, Naz believes that diversity is important and is proud of his heritage. He organizes flag-raising ceremonies at the University of Northampton three times a year to commemorate important events in the Bangladeshi

calendar, such as Victory Day, Language Day, and Independence Day, which are attended by community leaders from across the country.

In order to foster community cohesion and integration between Northampton's ethnic minority communities, Naz organized the "Asia Cup" in 2014. In 2021, BAME teams competed in a national seven-a-side tournament at the University of Northampton to promote multiculturalism and raise money for a Bangladeshi orphanage. In addition, from 2012 to 2020, he organized and successfully hosted Iftar dinners for all major faiths to celebrate the end of Ramadan in Northampton.

Naz is a strong supporter of local charities and is always looking for ways to help the most vulnerable members of society. Over the past 25 years, he has helped raise more than £95,000 for charities by organizing dozens of fundraisers through his restaurant, including hosting the annual Mayor's Charity Dinner.

Every Christmas, he donates food to homeless shelters and food banks. He is an active member of the town's Bangladeshi community and is constantly looking for ways to "give back" to the place he calls home. In recognition of his contributions to the community, Naz received an honorary degree from the University

of Northampton. He was honored with the 2013 Northampton "Heart of the Community" award by the mayor of the city. He was also a recipient of the High Sheriff of Northampton award in 2020 for his significant contributions to the community.

Naz has made a significant difference in people's lives and assisted children with disabilities by helping to fund and manage a family-run international orphanage and school in one of Sylhet's poorest neighborhoods. As the Conservative Friends of Bangladesh's secretary, he helped organize Westminster MP visits to the area in 2015, 2017, and 2019. As a result, the government invested £87 million to support the Rohingya refugee operation in Cox's Bazar.

Until now, Naz has hosted a number of fundraising dinners and events at his restaurant, frequently assisting neighborhood schoolchildren in raising funds for international trips where they help fund infrastructure projects like constructing schools and hospitals in underdeveloped nations. As the proprietor of the acclaimed Saffron, Naz serves as the public face of a place that has long served as the hub of the community. Despite having an abundance of stock, his restaurant was temporarily closed during the pandemic. In order to provide the most vulnerable members of society with access to a hot meal, he donated the produce

to the Hope Center and the Northampton Night Shelter. He also provided and delivered more than 12,000 free meals to the medical staff at Northampton General Hospital as a way of saying thanks for their efforts during the worst of the crisis. When his restaurant, Saffron, remained open for takeout during the initial lockdown and provided all NHS employees and members of the emergency services with a 50% discount.

Local MP Andrew Lewer, former Northampton Mayor Brian Sargeant, and former High Sheriff of Northamptonshire Paul Parsons have all commended Naz for his work during the pandemic. In recognition of his community service throughout the pandemic, he received the 2020 British Curry Award for "Outstanding Service" in December. In recent years, he has received invitations to Buckingham Palace, Downing Street, the House of Lords, and Sandringham in honor of his volunteer work in the community and to meet Queen Elizabeth II, Prime Ministers, Lords, Ministers, and the British Army.

In Northampton, he continues to work hard to promote the town center and improve the living conditions for everyone. Naz Islam is happily married to Monica and has two sons, Mukit and Nahim. He has lived in Northampton all his life and is dedicated to its betterment. ◀



THE MAIN CHARACTERISTICS OF BENGALLEES ARE SELF RELIANT AND HARD-WORKING

Nizam Chowdhury
 Chairman
 Global Islami Bank



Nizam Chowdhury, a Bangladeshi born American has been immensely contributing to the economic development of his motherland, Bangladesh. He is an entrepreneur and Founding Chairman of the recently established NRB Global Bank Limited. This is a glowing example and recognition of high sprit of patriotism of expatriate Bangladesh of the recent times.

Internationally noted businessman, Nizam Chowdhury was born on 14 February 1956 in a respectable Muslim family in Feni district. His father is Late Shamsul Islam Chowdhury and mother Late Saleha Khatun. Nizam Chowdhury was a highly meritorious student. He obtained his SSC from Sharsadi High School in 1976, HSC from Feni Government College in 1978 and BA (Hons), MA in History from Dhaka University in the year 1981 & 1982 respectively.

After 10 years of his Dhaka University life now he finished his PHD Degree Doctor of Business Administration (DBA). On completion of his study, he worked in a private organization. His served at PMP International Company as the Assistant General Manager where he supervised International Export-Import of the company during the tenure of 1984 till 1988. Afterwards he served Wells Fargo Bank USA as loan consultant during 1990



till 1998. Since 1990 till today, he is the President of Trade Balance US Corporation. This noted entrepreneur established Worldwide Energy Source LLC of which he is the President. And in the same year he established NRB USA Inc. and assumed the responsibilities of its Chairmanship. He is performing as the Director of Max Power Limited. To attain professional zeal, he received 'Anti Money Laundering' training organized by New York State Banking Division. This highly educated and aristocratic Businessman Nizam Chowdhury used to dream to do something for the economic development of this country. As he said- It was our dream to establish a bank for the economic development of my motherland with the help of Bangladeshi expatriates residing in different countries

of the world. Finally, the dream has an existence now, which is 'NRB Global Bank Limited'. We have started our journey with the desire to serve the people at home and abroad with the latest technology and improved banking services. We want to make the banking a 'great experience', which is our motto. We want to contribute in the economic development of Bangladesh significantly. Approximately 55% of total population in Bangladesh has come under banking even after four decades. So, the maximum portion is still far away from banking. Our mission is to reach them with improved services bringing them under banking. It seems that many Non-Resident Bangladeshi (NRB) people are little confused to invest in Bangladesh although they have huge fund to do so.

NRB Global Bank Limited is assuring them about their investment in Bangladesh, which will create huge employment opportunities. This bank has started its journey with 'state of the art technology' to facilitate its customers feeling at home and having a 'great experience' in banking. This is the first bank in the fourth generation banks to start with 'Priority Banking' captioning the name, 'NGB Gold Banking'. NRB Global Bank Limited has been established to meet up the local demand using the foreign remittance sent by the NRBs, who are working very hard in abroad. This bank is to safeguard the depositor's money as the custodian and also to return it to them with a better value. Keeping all these in mind, I, along with some renowned NRBs, with the due approval of the regulatory bodies, established NRB Global Bank Limited to become the pioneer leading from the front in the economic development of Bangladesh. This bank is providing timely, efficient & innovative banking services with its well-equipped employees and also trying heart and soul to fulfill its shareholder's desire.

NRB Global Bank Limited has a credit policy to give its customers world class services at the earliest. It will lend money after having 'zero confusion'. We are not to compromise with our services, which will give our customers a "great experience". In order to keep up the trend of banking, NRB Global Bank Limited is going to introduce wide range of ATMs, Mobile Banking, Internet Banking, Agent Banking, Credit & Debit cards etc, within the shortest possible time. We are very aware to reach our customers throughout home and abroad with wide range of branches. We also wanted to open branches in such a way that we can follow the Bangladesh Bank's 1:1 branch policy as well as assure banking for those approximately 45% unbanked population. Moreover, we are to have a unique culture and different mode of banking satisfying our customer's. We are not looking at making profit only; we are to serve the society. Our CSR activities will be done in such a way so that it will cover maximum portion of people in the undeveloped society. Nizam Chowdhury's wife is Danny Chowdhury. They are blessed with two sons- Nihad Chowdhury and Navid Chowdhury. ♦

A BEACON OF PRIDE FOR BANGLADESHIS IN NEW YORK AND BEYOND"

Nurul Azim
 Founder
 Eastern Investor Inc. USA



Nurul Azim is one of those youth who has made Bangladesh to feel proud of his activities in abroad. Hailing from Cox's Bazar, famous for its longest unbroken sandy sea beach, he is very close to Bangladeshis living in New York of United States of America. Wherever there are Bangladeshis, the

active handsome youth Nurul Azim is found there. He has not only engaged himself in social service and various socio-cultural events of the Bangladeshi community, but is also a successful entrepreneur and businessman. He has taken up the real estate investor business as a profession. He is the founder and

president of Eastern Investors Inc. in New York. He has also achieved considerable success in buying and selling private auction houses, public houses, bank owned houses, short sale properties. His philosophy in business is to inspect, observe and make quick decisions on buying and selling, i.e. gives more importance to



actions than words. As a result, he has established a better image in this regard. He is well known for his cooperation and patronage in any kind of social activities and events of

the Bangladeshi community in New York. As a result, he has become a very popular personality at this young age. It can be seen, starting from Fobana convention to show-time

music's 'Dhalliwood Award', in addition to banquets, road fairs and the inauguration of any event, he also sponsors various social iftars and doa mahfils organized in the holy month of Ramadan.

Nurul Azim is a tasteful person. His washed-out modern clothes have become a symbol of Bangladesh's continuous development image. Foreigners can realize that Bangladesh is no longer a poor country. It is now on the path of development. Nurul Azim has also shown great talent as a student during his student life. He holds a bachelor's degree from City University, New York. He is associated with the Democratic Party in America. ◀

**WORLD-RENOWNED
CULINARY STAR,
SOCIAL ACTIVIST,
AND PROUD
AMBASSADOR
OF BANGLADESH"**

Oli Khan MBE

Guinness World Record Holder for
Largest Onion Bhaji in The World
Former Secretary General, BCA
Director, UKBCCI
President, London Region
Founder & President
MDC



One of the world's brightest Bangladeshi stars in the food industry is Oli Khan MBE, who is widely acclaimed for simultaneously setting the Guinness World Record for the world's largest 'Onion Bhaji'. After his success, he has been interviewed by the world's biggest media such as BBC, CNN, ITV, FT, SKY News and the Guardian. This is good news for the Bangladesh community in the Bengali speaking world. Oli Khan MBE is a distinguished Director

and President of the London Region of UK Bangladesh Catalysts of Commerce & Industry (UKBCCI). He is the founder and vice president of the British Bangladeshi Business Forum. He is the Founder and President of Moulvibazar District Council (MDC) in UK. He is the former Secretary General of BCA. World renowned culinary star Oli Khan is a prominent Rotarian. He is associated with Rotary Club since 2016. He has been a Paul Harris Fellow as an Honorary Rotarian since March 2022. He has been

playing an important role in Europe since 2019 as the former brand ambassador of AgroEuropa Super Pollus King Pollo. Oli Khan MBE, a self-confident and dedicated social development personality, is a Life Member of Bangladesh Centre in London and London Bangla Press Club since 2015. He has been honoured as a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts, UK since 2014. He has been a Life Member of the Royal British Legion since 2009. This culinary

artist is a key note speaker at the Restaurant & Takeaway Innovation Expo. He made a significant contribution as a Governor of Woolenwick Infant and Nursery School from 2012 to 2016.

Oli Khan MBE was born in a noble family of Pathantula village of Rajnagar upazila of Moulvibazar. His father Haji Md. Ayub Ali Khan was a social worker. Oli Khan has earned the distinction of being awarded the title of Member of the British Empire (MBE) by the British Empire for his work achievements and outstanding contribution to social development activities. He is a well-known and respected figure in London's Bangladeshi community. He helps Bangladeshis in organizing any event and helps in various ways. He has been invited to speak as a guest lecturer at various universities and colleges in the UK, including the University of Lincoln. By doing this, the participants also get a chance to know about Bangladesh.

Oli Khan MBE, FRSA and PHF believes, "Hard work is essential to success but specific goals and plans are definitely needed."

He believes, "Hard work is more important than luck."

Oli Khan received the MBE (Member of the British Empire) medal and honor from HRH Prince Charles in February this year. At that extraordinary and emotional moment, Ali Khan prayed to the Most Merciful God that he may get the opportunity to work for the welfare of the people of the country and the world throughout his life. He said, not for getting anything, I am happy to work for the welfare of people since my childhood. He held the Guinness World Record for the largest onion fry simultaneously at 175.48 kg (386 lb) on 5 February 2020, which was broadcast live by the BBC.

As a social worker during the crisis of Covid-19, Oli Khan MBE donated and delivered food aid to various hospitals in London, including the Luton Vaccination Centre. He encouraged and inspired doctors, nurses and volunteers in many ways. He found out and delivered free food to the Bangladeshi community who were in food crisis. He organized a free medical camp by bringing doctors from Dhaka to provide health and medical services



to the backward people of Pathantula village of Moulvibazar. His nephew Doctor Lucky Islam is assisting in this matter.

Oli Khan MBE is a kind hearted man. He is one of the proud children of Bangladesh. He represented his country everywhere through his actions.

Oli Khan MBE feels proud of the current development of Bangladesh. He said that the main wealth of Bangladesh is the people of the country. These people are playing an important role in the development of those countries by working in different countries of the world. He said with pride, Bangladesh was a very poor country in the past. But now it has changed drastically as Bangladesh is planning to become a high-income country by 2041 after attaining the upper-middle-income country status by 2031.

Oli Khan MBE is very happy and excited to be able to build one of the largest bridges in the world like Padma Bridge by himself. However, he said, this development of Bangladesh would have been more if the amount of corruption in the country could be reduced. In this context, he said, the reputation of the country is ruined and the image is damaged because of a few corrupt people. He felt that the government should take strict action against the irregulars and corrupt people. Oli Khan MBE provided overall assistance in various events to highlight Bangladesh in London, especially Language Martyrs' Day, Independence Day, Victory Day, Pahela Baishakh, Eid festivals etc. He said, "Wherever we live in the world- our root is Bangladesh. We are Bangladeshi but Bangladeshi British." ◀



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**NOT ONLY PRODUCTION
EMPHASIS SHOULD BE
LAID ON MARKETING
AND BRANDING**

Engineer Parvez Tamal is one of the many educated, talented and self-confident entrepreneurial businessmen of Bangladesh who has been able to establish himself in the business arena in different countries. This young visionary entrepreneur is currently a citizen of the Russian Federation. Parvez Tamal, a Russian engineer of Bangladeshi origin, is currently the chairman of NRBC Bank Limited, one of the country's largest private banks. He is also the Chairman of Russia-Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Parvez Tamal, a son of the country's renowned freedom fighter family, is also the General Secretary of Bangabandhu Parishad Russia and a general body member of the Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industries (FBCCI). Parvez Tamal holds a post-graduate degree in Information Technology & Statistics from Moscow State University of Economics, Statistics & Information (MESI). He made significant improvements in business through the Logistic hub in Finland and later in the real estate and other businesses. And then he gained a reputation as an established businessman.

Despite receiving higher education, this talented expatriate businessman of the time completed his business professional courses from various academies in 2009, especially HP, Microsoft, IBM, CISCO and established Oldi Group, which is now the market leader in the Russian IT sector.

A prolific entrepreneur, Engineer Parvez Tamal is not only a giant businessman in IT sector, but also an important entrepreneur in the Russian real estate sector. He has also earned a reputation as a Household Product and Logistics Consultant in the real estate sector. He has been involved with many business firms in the European Union and Russia and has been successfully doing business in manufacturing, branding and real estate business.

Regarding education in Russia, he says that the social system which Bangabandhu wanted to establish in Bangladesh, it is exist in Russia. I went there to study because I nurtured the



ideological thinking of Bangabandhu. I studied energy engineering and later IT there. He says that politics is a kind of social responsibility. I am a man close to politics. I have been working for the people since I was associated with Bangabandhu Parishad.

He says, more than 11 million Bangladeshis are doing business or work in abroad. But their income is not that much due to lack of skills. Though expatriates in the Philippines are one-third portion of total number, but their income from remittance is three to four times more than that. He thinks, skilled and trained people should be sent abroad.

Regarding the establishment of NRB Commercial Bank Ltd., Parvez Tamal says, Hon'ble Prime Minister Bangabandhu's daughter Sheikh Hasina has created milestones in the country's economy by giving the opportunity to expatriate entrepreneurs to set up banks. The bank has provided employment directly to about 1600 educated people as well as employment of several lakhs people through various business activities and business

establishments funded by the bank. He says, the bank provides loans to small and medium traders and farmers as well as industries. This is creating a huge number of new entrepreneurs and employments.

He further says that the bank has been playing an important role in establishing Digital Bangladesh through NRBC Bank Home Loan-999, Remittance Services, Cash Transaction Facility, Fund Transfer, Utility (Gas, Water and Electricity) Bill Receipt, BRTA and VM Registration Fee Receipt, Debit and Credit Card Services, Internet Banking service. To get these services, mobile apps 'NRBC Planet' have been launched. In addition, the customer can easily send money from his account to any bKash number through this planet.

Regarding the defaulted loans, this bank entrepreneur makes it clear that strict laws need to be enacted to stop this culture. Defaulted borrowers need to stop traveling abroad, take steps to stop them from investing in other countries. They have to be socially degraded. Then of course it will be possible to stop the default loan

culture. "We need to focus not only on production, but also on marketing and branding," says Parvez Tamal, an educated and international entrepreneur. Branding needs to be created so that the world can see the products of Bangladesh and it will also brighten the image of Bangladesh. He is hopeful that the second generation educated and IT savvy boys and girls will be able to play a role in marketing and branding.

Parvez Tamal says that Bangladesh is going to become a middle-income economy today as a result of proper initiatives of the current government. Bangladesh has already achieved self-sufficiency. Bangladesh has already earned the capability of financing in projects worth Tk 40,000-50,000 crore like the Padma Bridge. This has been possible due to the efficient and courageous leadership of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina. According to him, Bangladesh will be able to become a developed country very soon if corruption in the country is reduced, transparency and accountability in government activities are established. ◀

IF ONE ACQUIRES THE PRODUCTION-BASED EDUCATION LIKE IN USA, HE OR SHE DOESN'T NEED TO DO ODD JOBS

Quamrul Mina
CEO
Pragma Systems



With the passage of time, reliance on technology is on the rise across the globe. In the tech-driven world, all technologists, who have become proficient in various fields, are leading the world. Quamrul Mina is one of the Bangladeshi American software entrepreneurs. He is the Chief Executive Officer of Pragma Systems Inc., an infrastructure and security software company based in Austin, Texas, USA. The flagship software of Pragma was duly honored to receive the Approved Product List (APL) status by the United States Government. Through this, software expert Quamrul Mina has not only honored himself, but also brightened the image of

Bangladesh and Bangladeshi Americans. Quamrul Mina is a technology entrepreneur. He is well-known as a highly skilled software architect and developer. He was the chief designer of a significant number of products from a wide range of commercially successful companies around the world including IBM, Tivoli and HP. He has led large software teams at IBM, HP/Tandem and Novell to create many widely used commercially successful software products. Quamrul Mina stood first in SSC and second in HSC from Residential Model School in Bangladesh from Dhaka board with record marks in SSC. He was offered Wien Scholarship in USA

and he did his Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science from Brandeis University in the United States and a Master of Science in Computer Science from Rutgers University in the USA. A creative software architect, Quamrul Mina has a vast knowledge on software development, networking and software security. He has sincerely performed his duties wherever he got chance. Prior to co-founding Pragma Systems in Texas, he worked at Bell Labs, Touch Communications, Novell and IBM Almaden Research Center in San Jose, California, and was able to play a key role in the development of these organizations' software teams.



He has played a key role in the development of the most widely used software in the world such as Novell Network, TCP/IP, Appletalk, IBM NetView, Tivoli TME, HP OpenView and Microsoft SSH for Windows. World's most popular Telnet server, SSH server for Windows are also his creation with his team in Pragma.

An enthusiastic IT expert Quamrul Mina is a member of the Austin Technology Council and a Charter member of TiE Austin. He is associated with a number of professional, social and Bangladesh community-based organizations. This technologist always has Bangladesh in his heart. He believes, the development of Bangladesh can be accelerated fast if technology sector is developed at the grassroots. He calls on the government to focus on computer driven education rather than current general

education. He says, "Even with the highest degree from universities, Bangladeshis have to 'odd job' in America. But if one acquires the production-based education, like in USA, he or she doesn't need to do odd jobs." He believes,

Bangladeshi engineers have proven themselves worldwide and Bangladesh will continue to grow even faster if technology driven education is made more wide-spread and free up to High School level. ◀



CULTURE STRENGTHENS TIES BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES AND ADDS A NEW DIMENSION TO BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

Rafikul Islam Mia Arzoo, CIP
 President, BONANZA, Moscow, Russia
 Vice Chairman, NRBC Bank Bangladesh
 Vice President, NRB CIP Association

Rafikul Islam Mia Arzoo CIP, an expatriate from Moscow, Russia, is one of the luminaries of Bangladesh. This talented engineer living in Moscow is a prominent entrepreneur. He is the founder and president of HSC Bonanza one of the leading business firms in Russia. Engineer Rafikul Islam Mia Arzoo is the sponsoring director of NRB Commercial Bank Ltd of Bangladesh and is currently the Chairman of its Audit Committee. Born on July 1, 1963 to an aristocratic family in Kalimahar of Pangsha in Rajbari, Bangladesh. He passed his SSC in 1979 and HSC in 1981 with flying colours. His higher education days were spent in Russia at the Georgian Polytechnic Institute of Russia in the year 1988. He founded JSC Bonanza and became dealers of renowned electronics products like Sony, Panasonic, Pioneer, Kenwood, LG, Sharp, Philips etc amassing a good number of dedicated customers. On the other hand JSC Bonanza also



invests in real-estate capital market etc. The company employs more than 500 people. Arzoo has served as President of



the Russia -Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce & Industry for three times. He has invested in his motherland by building a 120,000 sq ft 6 storey building at Gazipur which can accommodate 3000 people. He also owns a building at Uttara which is rented to Labaid

Diagnostic Centre. He has invested in Bangladesh Bank Premium Bond and Wage Earner Development Bond and NITA account. He has received the 'Remittance Award' from the Government of Bangladesh in 2015 as an important remittance sender in the

country. He was chosen as a CIP for investing in the Bond Sector of Bangladesh Bank. At Kalimahar, his home town, he has introduced scholarships for meritorious poor students. This college has been registered as the highest ranking college in Rajbari. ◀

AVS EMERGES AS A POPULAR AND FAMED COMPANY ACROSS THE WORLD

Rafiq Khan

President

AVS Group USA, Inc.

Managing Director

AVS Real Estate



Rafiq Khan, a visionary and self-confident Bangladeshi American, is the founder and president of AVS Group. This group is a full service architectural & digital signage and fixtures manufacturer that not only offers the finest quality craftsmanship, dynamic customer service, and the best competitive solution in the USA, but also throughout the entire world. The entrepreneur and owner of this group, Rafiq Khan, is an expert individual in modern business culture. He has more than 25 years of experience in visual work, graphic design, and project management. Hardworking and industrious, Rafiq Khan is involved in each activity from the beginning to the end of any job. As a result, he has acquired a special insight about the work concerned. Thus, Rafiq Khan has become a creative careerist. He is

also the Chairman of AVS Signage & Visuals, Bangladesh, as well as the founder and president of the AVS Foundation. Rafiq Khan started his visual business career in the 1990s as an advertising agency owner and art director. In the early 2000's, he joined as vice president of a large visual and signage company in New York City, where he served for 11 years. He was responsible for operation of the business there. As a result, he gained the opportunity to gain extensive experience and skills. In 2012, he founded an organization called Architectural Visual Solution (AVS) well known as AVS Signage & Visuals. AVS has gained popularity as a reputed organization. In recent years, AVS started investing in the real estate business in America, primarily in New York, under the business name AVS Real Estate. AVS Real Estate has

already invested and developed several properties in Queens and Long Island area. Rafiq Khan is the Vice President and his wife, Molly Khan, is the President of the company. AVS is also the manufacturer and supplier of AVS brand LED module lights, LED strip lights and LED drivers for signage, display, and architecture. AVS LEDs and power supply/drivers are energy efficient and UL certified in the United States of America and Canada. Furthermore, Rafiq has also developed his own brand of large format CNC router machine, called AVS CNC. This brand of CNC router can cut/engrave shapes with a wide range of materials such as wood, acrylic, PVC, aluminum, brass, bronze, etc. Rafiq Khan is very enthusiastic and hard-working individual who has already earned much praise for his quality work and fast service. He has



been involved in this industry after taking formal education. He has completed UL University courses in electric signs, LED signs, HID signs, Neon signs, Incandescent signs, Section signs, Fluorescent signs, and much more. He completed the Flow Master CAD programming and Direct Drive Pump HP Maintenance for

world's leading waterjet cutting machine and the Trumpf's ToPs 100 programming for world famous lasercutting machine. He also successfully completed super wide format VUTEk printing machine operation and maintenance training. Rafiq Khan is also an expert in various fields of industry such as Standard

Applications and Software, especially Adobe Creative Clouds, Corel Draw Graphic Suites, AutoCAD, Autodesk inventor, and other CNC CAD/CAM Software. He also has extensive experience in Prepress processes, PostScript fonts, and illustrations. He is also an expert in Image quality solutions, color management, project management and computer networking and solving problems. Rafiq is also extremely knowledgeable about a variety of materials and has extensive vendor resources. Rafiq Khan has received training from the US Department of Labor and OSHA Compliance on safety and health measures. He has also gained knowledge over the construction sector. He is a skilled and authorized member of the Secure Worker Access Consortium (SWAC).

AVS Group works with the best quality architects, contractors, and designers to ensure the best quality product materials or construction for its customers. To do this they used to monitor the overall artwork in detail and act according to the customer's requirements and budget to ensure the best results with right solution. The services that AVS provides include the use of dimensional characters and logos, illuminated signboards, tabletops, and floor displays. They do various kinds of printing and different sizes of signboards including laser cutting. They make eye-catching signboards and carvings efficiently. In other words, AVS has no equal in making signboards attractive for any product. They make murals, barricades, architectural signboards, directional signboards, souvenirs, shop front signboards, illuminated and non-illuminated signboards, dimensional letters, and logos. The firm has been able to gain an important position in the established fields of signage, displays, fixtures arenas well as in real estate in United States. ◀



THERE IS NO OTHER ALTERNATIVE TO HARD WORK

Raihan Zaman

CEO & Founder
Utshob Group





Every human being dreams about change, no matter whether that change is a small one or something close to a huge stride towards the future. All one needs is the will to succeed and the spirit that greases one's effort to scale the ladder of success. These are words mouthed by one of the most successful expatriates living in the USA, namely, Raihan Zaman. Known for his dedication and perseverance, he is the founder of one of the fastest growing e-commerce site, utshob.com.

I have been quite popular when I began as a sales representative of Hillside Honda in New York. Now I am one of the most successful entrepreneurs. Riding on my previous reputation, I embarked on this project of utshob.com, which is now considered the most reliable platform by many. This new outfit couldn't have come into being without the sacrifices we had made, said Raihan.

Raihan Zaman is more popular than his unique enterprise. He is the icon of North America whose name has forever been etched into the community's collective consciousness. He is well-known in New York as a promoter of culture. He has been behind so many programs and events, always sponsoring them to benefit the huge expatriate community living there, that his name has become part and parcel of the cultural life in New York. These are programs that work as a

connecting cord between erstwhile home they had left behind and the new home they embraced.

In 2017, utshob.com has completed its 12 year run and after that it has grown further spreading its wings to ensure services to all and sundry. The idea, now, is to take the course of Amazon, Raihan points out. Raihan Zaman was born in Chattogram, Bangladesh, and has lived in New York since arriving in the United States as a student in 1993. He is one person whose prolonged stay in the US has not changed him much. That he still feels a strong affinity with Bangladesh and Bengali culture is a well-known fact. He has been representing South Asian migrants in America as an Advocate of their rights. His efforts in working for the betterment of the people who reached the shore of the Atlantic from the countries of South Asia seeking prosperity also include support to ensure sustenance of their social-cultural identity and education. He is an indefatigable worker-thinker of the digital era who has been working to ensure unity and reorganization of the South Asian migrant communities.

The tragic events of September 11, 2001, led to immigration restrictions. And due to the tightening of applications process, many of the immigrants found themselves trapped in the system. Millions were left in the lurch, as they

were unable to obtain legal status. No longer able to travel freely or open bank accounts, they were left with limited means to purchase essential items or gifts for those who lived back home—loved ones they desperately wanted to support but couldn't. Moved by the plight of these people, particularly those from South Asia and with an additional focus on Bangladesh, Raihan founded utshob.com in 2005.

The name of the unique e-commerce site derives from the Bengali word that translates to 'Celebration'. And it has certainly been a cause for celebration among those who can now buy goods without the need for a credit or debit card, and send them to family and friends back in Bangladesh and other points across South Asia. In addition to the online store, physical outlets are available in Queens, Brooklyn and the Bronx, each of which has a substantial Bangladeshi population. Word of utshob.com spread like wildfire, quickly making it a household name among Bangladeshi people across the United States, Canada and Australia. Today, after more than ten years in operation, utshob.com offers more than 30,000 products from 600 vendors worldwide, and processes more than 10,000 orders for its customers each day.

But Raihan's worthy endeavors have not stopped there. Since the launch of utshob.com, he has championed a wide range of causes benefiting the people of Bangladesh. utshob.com continually provides generous sponsorship to Bangladeshi events across New York and the United States— including, since 2015, FOBANA. In addition, Raihan has founded several other organizations whose goal is to further Bangladeshi arts and entertainment, finance and job creation, education and crucial awareness efforts. And in October of 2016, Raihan proudly launched partner site utshobbd.com— an online portal which now allows consumers in Bangladesh itself to return the love by sending staples and gifts to their own loved ones all over the World. Expansion of utshob.com is also underway. I am always immersed in work. He believes, there is no other alternative to hard work. One must also continue building the cobweb of one's dreams. This is the key to success, say Raihan. After 20 or so years, Raihan Zaman is still dreaming of bigger achievements. He is of the opinion that if the next generation is to succeed in making their dreams come true, they too need to work relentlessly. ◀

LEADING THE CHARGE FOR AN ENVIRONMENT-FRIENDLY BANGLADESH AND COAL-FREE WORLD

RAIHANUL ISLAM CHOWDHURY (MBA, CPA)

Global Climate Activist
 Executive Director
 Coal Free World (USA)
 Executive Member
 Sierra Club- Beyond Coal USA

Raihanul Islam Chowdhury, a luminary Bangladeshi American, has already emerged as an enlightened figure, social activist and environmentalist movement leader in the international arena besides business world. He was born in 1955 in a prominent political and educated elite family of Chattogram. Even though he was born in a noble family, he is known to everyone as a modest and polite person since childhood. His father Khan Bahadur Badi Ahmed Chowdhury was a public-spirited leader. He was elected MLC in Bengal Presidency in 1930 and MLA in 1940. His father played an important role in the development of Chattogram at that time.

Raihanul Islam Chowdhury has been talented and energetic since childhood. From his school life he was involved in sports and social activities besides studies. He passed SSC in 1972 and HSC from Chittagong Commerce in 1974. He received B.Com (Hons) in 1978 and M.Com in 1980 from University of Chittagong. Raihanul Islam Chowdhury, a youth bright and talented student, migrated to America to pursue higher education. He received MBA in 1983 there and Certified Public Accountant Certificate from AICPA USA in 1984 which is equivalent to Chartered Accountant Certificate in England. As the son of an elite and popular politician father, Raihanul Islam has politics in his blood. He was active in student politics and it is mentionable that he was the foremost student leader in the field of Chattogram student politics at that



time. He was a well-known face of the Commerce College due to his political activities. He was the

elected leader of the college student body. Later, while studying at the university,



he was elected the Vice-President of Alaol Hall Sangsad of Chittagong University. Thus he began his political career. But he never harmed his studies for political reasons. Rather, he was always focused on his studies. After graduation, he joined a health service organization in America and served as Chief Financial Officer (CFO) for over 38 years. He is known as one of the pioneers of environment friendly race and fund raising program in America. He has been working continuously

with the low-income people of USA as a social worker. He has a strong will to serve people. He got it from his politician father. Wherever Raihanul Islam Chowdhury stays, he stands beside the distressed, helpless and poor people. During the Covid-19 pandemic, he sent food and relief items to the distressed and helpless people in different areas of Chattogram. He provided various health supplies to prevent coronavirus pandemic. Apart from this, Raihanul Islam

Chowdhury is involved in various international environmental movements. In particular, he is a pioneer in the movement to build a coal-free world.

He said, while the Global North has benefited from various benefits, the underdeveloped countries of the third world, including Bangladesh, are suffering. But the Global North has promised to support the environmental development of all these countries, but it is not protecting it. At the Paris conference, they promised \$100 billion in aid, but they have yet to deliver it.

Environmentalists and politicians agreed that if this aid isn't provided, the globe would slowly become uninhabitable.

Raihanul Islam Chowdhury is a big fan of rebel poet Kazi Nazrul Islam's environmental work. He is attracted by reading his 'Roz Qayamat' or 'Praloydin'. This environmental leader addressed the COP-26 Conference Scotland in the movement to build a coal-free world.

He said Kazi Nazrul Islam had warned us about the hostile environment hundreds of years ago.

He said, "We have to build an environment-friendly world to live in a united way and to leave a beautiful world for the future generations."

Raihanul Islam Chowdhury, a world-renowned leader of the environmental movement, urged everyone to be aware of environmental issues in Bangladesh.

He said, although the current economic development of the country is promising, it ought to benefit all, not just a few. In the last 50 years most of the economic development in the world exacerbated the gap between rich and poor.

"Our Land is fertile" Chowdhury said, Awareness of the environment should be enhanced. The government should be more proactive in the environmental movement.

Raihanul Islam Chowdhury is optimistic that Bangladesh will transform into a developed country where environmental impact will be minimal and the rich-poor gap will shrink. ◀



S A K Ekramuzzaman

Managing Director
RAK Ceramics Ltd.

RAK CERAMICS, PIONEER IN CERAMIC BUSINESS IN BANGLADESH

Mr. S A K Ekramuzzaman is the pioneer to make tiles & sanitary ware available in Bangladesh & most famous for bringing worlds best ceramic tiles brand, RAK ceramics to Bangladesh which is contributing to the development of livelihood of people by crating job opportunity & business.

During his days in UAE Mr. S A K Ekramuzzaman established his relationship with RAK UAE as a distributor. He shared his thoughts with HH Sheikh Saud Saqr bin Mohammad Al Qasimi, Chairman of RAK Ceramics, UAE and currently ruler of Ras Al Khaimah, UAE to come up with a venture in Bangladesh, the land where he have been born & bought up. HH Sheikh Saud Saqr bin Mohammad Al Qasimi agreed to come up with the venture of RAK Ceramics Bangladesh in partnership with SAK Ekramuzzaman, investing TK 1500 million in 1998. The path to ceramics industry was thus paved in Bangladesh with a legacy of RAK Bangladesh. There began the journey of his entrepreneurship, which he had valued all the way through. The corporate landscape of Bangladesh was not very welcoming then but he took the challenge to break the status quo and set trends and standards in business.

RAK Ceramics is one of the largest ceramics' brands in the world. Specialising in ceramic and gres porcelain wall and floor tiles and sanitaryware the company produces 123 million square meters of tiles and 5 million pieces of sanitaryware per year at its 22 state-of-the-art plants across the United Arab Emirates, India and Bangladesh.

Headquartered in the United Arab Emirates, The Company serves clients in more than 150 countries through our network of operational hubs in Europe, Middle East and North Africa, Asia, North and South America and Australia. Across its global operations the company employs approximately 12,000 staff from more than 40 nationalities. RAK Ceramics helps to create icons, marvels and its products feature in some of the most iconic buildings in the world. The company is known for its wide range of products range and ability to produce bespoke ranges for both small and large scale projects, enabling our clients to



bring their ideas to life. The company always takes care of all the details, however it large or small. RAK Ceramics has emerged as the first company in Bangladesh the ceramics industry. The company takes its environmental responsibility seriously, pledging a commitment to protect and preserve the environment. The company's sanitary ware complies with the quality criteria detailed under BDS 1162:2012. Both tiles and sanitary ware products are BSTI-approved. RAK Ceramics now has a Joint venture plant in Morbi since 2017.

Along with a green field plant in North India, it has been operating since early 2018. The company also actively enhancing its footprint by opening Company Owned Orientation Centers, opening Exclusive and Privilege Dealer outlets and seeping further into Multi-Brand Outlets across the country. RAK Ceramics is a publically listed company on the Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange in the United Arab Emirates and on the Dhaka & Chittagong Stock Exchange in Bangladesh and as a group have an annual turnover of

approximately US\$1 billion. The company has a primary listing on the Dhaka Stock Exchange, and its operations date back to the year 2000, with incorporation in 1998. The structure of the business in its current state is representative of a UAE-Bangladesh joint venture project.

SAK Ekramuzzaman was born in 1957 in the central east of Bangladesh. The third child of an aristocratic family in Chaportala village under Nasirnagar Upazila of Brahmanbaria - he was raised with 3 brothers and 4 sisters.

SAK Ekramuzzaman takes the pride of being the highest taxpayer of the country in 2014-2015 and 2015-2016, the year when Bangladesh was declared to be one of the fastest economies in the world. He received the prestigious "Bangladesh Bank Remittance Award" in 2013.

SAK Ekramuzaman says, RAK Ceramic expands its business all over the world & RAK ceramics Bangladesh is one of the major contributor to the group. The venture is also playing a vital role to the housing development of Bangladesh since its inception. Now tiles & sanitary ware become the unavoidable part of any building, no one thinks his house to be completed if beautiful tiles & sanitary ware do not line its floors & walls to get international look & feel. ◀

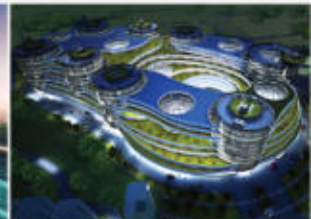


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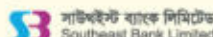
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TRANSFORMING HEALTHCARE WITH COMPASSION AND INNOVATION AT TOWN-MD"

Sam Rahat Muqtadir
CEO
TOWN-MD

The Visionary Pioneer in Healthcare Advocacy and Dedicated Philanthropist Sam Rahat Muqtadir stands at the forefront of modern healthcare innovation, a visionary leader who has not only revolutionized the healthcare landscape but has also demonstrated an unwavering commitment to philanthropy and community development. As the Chief Executive Officer at Town-MD, Executive Director and Managing Partner at Accelerated Surgical CNTR, Barnert Surgical CNTR, and Atlantic North Surg Ambulatory, and Executive Director at MILLENNIUM HEALTHCARE LLC, Muqtadir has left

an indelible mark on the industry, spearheading advancements in patient care and accessibility.

At the wheel of Town-MD, Muqtadir has exemplified a steadfast commitment to the mission of providing quality healthcare at affordable costs. His leadership has ushered in a new era of patient-centric healthcare, where state-of-the-art outpatient services are delivered in an environment that is safe, convenient, and compassionate. The spectrum of services offered at Town-MD ranges from Urgent/Immediate Care and Ambulatory Surgical Care to Primary

Care, Pain Management, and Physical Medicine & Rehab. Muqtadir's keen understanding of the evolving healthcare landscape has enabled Town-MD to adapt to both technological advancements and societal changes, ensuring that patients receive the best care possible.

The genius Muqtadir's journey to becoming a trailblazer in healthcare began with a strong educational foundation. He pursued Healthcare studies at Cornell University in 2014, setting the stage for a career dedicated to healing and service. His commitment to professional growth is evident in his pursuit of a



Master of Public Administration (Public Administration) from JJC, City University of New York, followed by another Master of Public Administration, this time with a focus on Legal Studies and Management, from the same institution. His expertise in areas such as Leadership, Practice Management, and Health Policy positions him as a multifaceted leader capable of navigating the complex healthcare landscape.

The compassionate Muqtadir's impact extends beyond the confines of the healthcare industry. His role as the Vice-President of The Rotary Foundation showcases his dedication to creating positive change in the community. Being recognized as a Paul Harris Fellow speaks volumes about his commitment to service. This prestigious award is bestowed upon individuals who have made substantial contributions to The Rotary Foundation, thereby making a significant difference in the lives of people. Muqtadir's contributions reflect not only his financial support

but also his dedication to uplifting and empowering individuals.

The kind hearted Muqtadir's philanthropic endeavors also shine through his support for "The Optimists-Education For Children." This initiative resonates deeply with his belief in equal educational opportunities for all. By sponsoring a child's education, Muqtadir is actively working to break down barriers that hinder underprivileged children from pursuing their dreams. He understands that education is not just a tool for personal growth, but a means to uplift communities and drive societal progress.

In the dynamic world of healthcare, where innovation is paramount and compassion is the driving force, Sam Rahat Muqtadir has carved a distinctive path. His role as a visionary CEO, dedicated philanthropist, and compassionate community leader showcases his multifaceted approach to creating a better world. Through Town-MD, he has transformed healthcare delivery, ensuring that quality care is accessible to all, irrespective of

economic disparities. His educational journey and expertise reflect his commitment to professional growth and excellence. Muqtadir's empathy extends beyond his professional pursuits. His involvement with The Rotary Foundation and "The Optimists-Education For Children" underscores his belief in service as a catalyst for change. His legacy is one of compassion, innovation, and a resolute determination to leave the world better than he found it.

In addition, Mr. Sam Rahat Muqtadir showcases another facet of his personality as a fervent singer. He possesses a deep passion for performing Rabindra Sangeet, a genre of Bengali songs with cultural and philosophical significance, accompanied by the harmonium, a musical instrument. This creative pursuit further reflects his multifaceted nature and his dedication to artistic expression alongside his diverse interests in healthcare advocacy and philanthropy.

In summation, Sam Rahat Muqtadir stands as a visionary leader propelled by innovation and compassion. His enduring legacy, firmly rooted in healthcare advocacy and philanthropy, is exemplified through his patient-centric approach as CEO of Town-MD. Bolstered by a diverse educational background, he adeptly navigates the intricacies of healthcare. Muqtadir's altruistic endeavors, including his role as Vice-President of The Rotary Foundation and support for "The Optimists-Education for Children," underscore his commitment to community upliftment and empowerment. His artistic pursuits in Rabindra Sangeet further highlight his multifaceted nature. He is a paragon of dedication and foresight whose narrative underscores the potential for individual efforts to drive transformative change towards a brighter collective future. ◀

WE KNOW HOW TO TRANSFORM CHALLENGES INTO OPPORTUNITIES

Prof. Sanawar Choudhury
FCA, PhD, Chartered Accountant
Entrepreneur - Academician – Philanthropist



In a complex world where decisions often gets bogged down in layers of bureaucracy and good ideas often wither and die, Dr Sanawar Choudhury has always proven to be the exception to the rule. He makes things happen, infusing those around him with infectious energy and passion empowering colleagues to think big, innovate ideas and arrive at transformational solutions. Sanawar stretches goals with such

intensity and focus that anything but success is unthinkable.

Sanawar started his journey in 1975 when he was at the age of 9. He came to the UK to join his father (late) Al-Hajj Mohammed Shafiqul Islam Choudhury, accompanied by his mother (Late) Al-Hajj Shamsun Nehar and only sibling brother, Soiful.

He received his formal education was in the UK. He completed a BA (Hons)

Degree in Accounting and Finance in 1989, qualified as a Chartered Accountant with PriceWaterhouseCoopers in 1992. He was awarded a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Accounting from the University of Exeter (EXON, 2005) – amongst the many accolades he has received from both the profession and industry throughout his conspicuous career.

In 2001, Sanawar settled his young family



in Dhaka and joined Bangladesh Bank as a World Bank Consultant advising on corporate reporting, foreign exchange management and internal control, working with the then Governors of Bangladesh Bank, Dr Fakhruddin Ahmed and Dr Salehuddin Ahmed. In 2006 he returned to the UK with his wife Nasima, daughter Nazma and sons Shaheenur, Shajahan and Shafiul.

During his extensive career Sanawar has undertaken strategic consultancy assignments both in the UK, Europe and the Middle East, working mainly in the Financial Markets and Corporate Reporting. Sanawar currently runs a number of successful businesses that extend from Professional Training to Warranty to Car Supermarket to Hospitals to Property. Professionally, he is senior

partner of, probably, the largest Chartered Accountancy firm of Bangladeshi origin in the UK, RCi Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors.

As social activist and notable philanthropist, Sanawar has extensive social projects in both the UK and in Bangladesh, funded through his Choudhury Foundation. Current projects include educational establishments in Sylhet and his village home in Khashila, Jagannathpur. He always tries to stand by the needy people. He thinks, if the backward section of the society is engaged largely in the mainstream development process, the country can gain momentum to accelerate the economy.

He is a member of many British Bangladeshi organisations including as a Vice President of the British Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry. He deeply feels about his motherland. He says, we have challenges like many other countries. But, we know how to transform challenges into opportunities. He is hopeful that Bangladesh will lead the world sooner or later. ◀



MR. SHAFIQ'S 45-YEAR ODYSSEY IN SPACE CONSULTING, SATELLITE INNOVATION, AND GLOBAL BUSINESS LEADERSHIP"

Shafiq Ahmad Chaudhuri
Managing Partner
SPI Team Leader
Bangabandhu Satellite Program



Mr. Chaudhuri is the Managing Partner at Space Partnership International (SPI), where with over 45 years of corporate experience, he is focused on delivering Space related Consulting Services. He was SPI's Team Leader for the \$300M Bangabandhu Satellite Program; comprising feasibility study, slot selection, business plan development based on regional market, satellite specification, preparation of tender documents, tender evaluation with Client BTRC, vendor selection, launcher selection

and overall program supervision. The BS-1 satellite was launched on May 11, 2018, and is in service delivering TV, DTH and VSAT. Mr. Chaudhuri held senior management positions, was responsible for product development for satellite & terrestrial communications, broadband wireless, worldwide sales and distribution channels and customer care operations at General Electric Co., COMSAT Corporation, Mobile Tele systems, Inc. (MTI) and Taylor McKenzie, Inc., and was credited for sales of products

and services exceeding \$300m. At COMSAT, he was responsible for the development of TDMA, VSAT and Mobile Satellite products and services. In 1988, as a founding member of MTI, where he was the VP Marketing, Sales & Service, Mr. Chaudhuri pioneered the transportable Inmarsat system that was used by US, Allied Forces and CNN. Prior to joining SPI, Mr. Chaudhuri was Vice President Americas, Nomad Digital, Ltd. (UK), the world's leader in mobile broadband communications for the transportation sector and



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closed a \$39M deal with Amtrak, for W-Fi on trains nationwide. He was credited by Amtrak for the design and installation of Wi-Fi in 2008, on President Obama's whistle stop train. Prior to Nomad Digital, he was an ICT and broadband consultant; President, OmniSat Communications, Inc. where he was responsible for building a new satellite operating Co; Sr. VP at Taylor McKenzie, Inc., where his team provided solution to

clients on IT services, telecom fraud prevention, marketing strategies, US EX-IM and VC financing. Mr. Chaudhuri is seasoned in Corporate Management, International Business Development and Sales & Marketing and has successfully conducted business in over sixty-six countries, worldwide. Mr. Chaudhuri has diversified interests and investments in renewable energy programs (solar), eTax filing

(BDTax.com.bd) and NHP clinical research & multi-patient Ventilator design (JoMoCo-amr.com), startups like; GenesisAI, Hyllo, Future Cardia, 2020gene, Health Point Plus and so on. He is also involved in next generation HTS and EO satellites. Mr. Chaudhuri holds an MSEE in Communications from The George Washington University, B.Sc. (Honours) EEE degree from The University of Birmingham, UK; and a Certificate on Negotiations from Harvard. He is Chairman of FinTech Global, LLC and BDTax.com.bd; Board Member of JoMoCo, Inc.; Former Chairman of Mobile Satellite Users Assoc. (MSUA), past Member of US Dept. of Commerce Export Council; and a founding Board Member of USBAC, an NGO advising The Bangladesh Caucus at US Congress on policy relating to Bangladesh. ◀

A professional portrait of Dr. Shah Jaheer Ahmed, a bald man with black-rimmed glasses, wearing a dark blue suit jacket, a white dress shirt, and a red patterned tie. He is looking directly at the camera with a slight smile. The background is dark and out of focus.

CANADA IS THE BEST COUNTRY TO RAISE YOUR FAMILY AND A PRICELESS ASSET FOR YOUR NEXT GENERATION!

Dr. Shah Jaheer Ahmed

Chairman
Shah & Associates; South International
Canada

Shah Jaheer Ahmed is one of the entrepreneurs who are brightening the image of Bangladesh by creating opportunities for Bangladeshis to live in foreign lands. He is playing an important role in assisting the people of Bangladesh to immigrate to Canada. Shah Jaheer Ahmed

came to Canada in the early 1990's and settled there after seeing the country's diverse community, high standard of living, human behavior, laws, judicial independence and so on. He then founded Shah & Associates to assist and preach the knowledge of immigration those interested in moving from

Bangladesh and settle there.

Shah Jaheer Ahmed came to Bangladesh in 1994 and established a subsidiary of Southeast International and Shah & Associates. This adept and intelligent man has helped countless Bangladeshis to immigrate to Canada and continues to do so. At first many



did not believe that there were many immigration opportunities in Canada. In the beginning, he used to give advice and guidance on how to prepare for the IELTS test from the time he started making the application. This would have been very helpful in getting their visas. For this, he used to organize seminars in Dhaka, Chittagong, Khuna, Rajshahi and present the rules of immigration to Canada.

In the beginning, he had to work hard and struggle alone. In Toronto, he has put in immense effort to become successful and help his clients move to such a beautiful country like Canada. After 25 years, with honesty and perseverance he is now one of the most prominent businessmen in Bangladesh.

By dint of hard work by him and his team, their company Shah & Associates and Southeast International Immigration have been established as "The trusted name for Canadian Immigration in Asia"

Shah Jaheer Ahmed, Chairman, Shah & Associates, says that there is a golden opportunity for Bangladeshi businessmen to become permanent residents in Canada. He says that even if anyone has assets of 2 Millions CAD in Bangladesh, He or She can apply under the Canada Investor program, he/she can become citizens with their families under this program through a very simple and transparent process.

Now the question may arise why would you want to live permanently in Canada and become an immigrant? This is because this country in North America is rated by the United Nations. There are opportunities for higher education, Free health care and other provincial benefits. The biggest thing is that people want security, freedom in law and

justice system. These exist in this country. Therefore, after creating this opportunity, people from many countries of the world have been showing more interest to become immigrants in this country.

With a population of just over three million people, compared to Canada's huge 10 million square kilometers, about 300,000 people from around the world are trying to immigrate to Canada every year with various immigration opportunities. Not only the people of the third world but also the people of rich countries are getting the assurance of a secure life by becoming immigrants to this developed country. Immigrants can come to Canada if they are proficient in investor, entrepreneur, self employed and any of the prescribed professions.

However, Southeast International is doing the job with such speed and fidelity. It is the only firm that does not charge in advance for doing this work. Jaheer Ahmed adds that this second-largest country has a secure society, excellent law and order situation, improved medical care, integrated banking system, education, and access to privacy.

Canada is also called a country of Land of immigrants and opportunities. Immigrants to Canada are living in equally improved health care and pollution-free environments. Canada is a member of the G-8 group of the world's richest countries. Canadians as a nation are the most highly educated. Shah Jaheer Ahmed thinks that Canada is the best country in the world to raise a family. The country has its own resources, as well as The United States, Mexico the country's largest trading partner.

The North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) also provides an easy opportunity to do business in this region to 500 million people.

The 'Investor Program' can be applied only to those businessmen who have assets of two Millions Canadian Dollars. And are interested in investing 1.2 Millions Canadian Dollar in Canada, and this amount can be financed from Canadian financial institutions. Who has 2 years of successful business or management experience he/she can apply under this program. It is notable that the property of husband and wife will be considered as valuation in total.

The following special services are provided to a successful entrepreneur who is older, has less educational qualifications or is less proficient in English for immigration to Canada in Investor Program.

A) Financial Assistance: Provide financial assistance to fulfill the conditions for paying 1.2 Millions dollar to the Government of Canada for an immigrant application.

B. File Review: All the documents required for the application of the applicants in the Investor Program are submitted after examination. No fee is charged for this.

C) Assist applicants in preparing for interview in investor category. Classes are taken but no fee is charged.

Dr. Shah Jaheer Ahmed and his associates, including his son who is now standing by his father and the people of Bangladesh think that the more people should consider Canada as their second home, to secure their and the next generations future. Such migration will boost both (Canada & Bangladesh) economies generating remittances, spread of ideas and consumerism. The relation of Bangladesh will be even stronger in the developed world including Canada. Whether you are a student, skilled worker or business person, Canada is the right choice. ◀

EACH AND EVERY HUMAN BEINGS AS THE GIFTS OF GOD TO THIS PLANET

Shah Nawaz MBA

Editor & Publisher, Weekly AajKal
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 (HHA/PCA aid Training School)
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 New York Bangla TV Inc. (NB TV)
 Weekly Ittefaq Inc. (A Weekly News Paper)
 Shah Nawaz Brokerage Inc.
 SSRR Properties, Inc.
 President
 New York Bangladeshi American Lions Club



Shah Nawaz, a social worker, Print-N-Electronic Media personality, an outstanding philanthropist, an activist and a successful businessman by profession. Having the gifted passion of music, sports and learning, he did his Masters in Economics from the University of Dhaka, Masters in Business Administration from the Institute of Business Administration (IBA, Dhaka Univ.) with an ultimate goal to leave the world better than what he found at his School-college-University student-hood. Keeping the same goal to help have a better world for the people across the globe, Shah Nawaz turned every possible stones to equip himself and manage personal, social and business dynamics. Shah Nawaz did his Post Graduation in Personal Management, mastered himself

in certain fields of sports and oriental music. For a better understandings and communications amongst the people and the organograms of the society, Shah Nawaz learned over six languages apart from his mother language Bangla and travelled the countries that relates to the mission, vision of the social works and businesses he does. Shah Nawaz is the name of a friend in New York who extends his helping hands 24/7 to every cause that Americans and South Asians need to bridge the gaps between the communities in general and the Bangladeshi Americans in particular. Shah Nawaz is an activist, a silent community developer. His social activities and developmental works helped every individual and businesses he came across. His wide-range of experiences of success in social, business, community

and family life has enriched Bangladesh over three decades and now enriching the communities in America in general, especially the communities of south Asian immigrants. He has been the pivotal figure in organizing the events for the south Asians where over hundreds of small and medium-sized businesses got together and did business transactions of over hundred millions dollars each time he organized. Shah Nawaz, President of JBBA, the largest Bangladeshi-American business entities of Jackson Heights have organized several festivals in the Boroughs of Queens, Brooklyn and Manhattan, where over twenty thousand immigrants turned in and did both business and enjoyed entertainments. Shah Nawaz, the President of New York Bangladesh Lions Club did many



philanthropic activities and helped people in need. Nawaz never wanted to be in the media and let his friends, acquaintances and associates know of his services and contributions. Apart from all his personal contributions in helping his friends and neighbors, Shah Nawaz distributed couple of thousands of glass frames to the poor and needy glass users in New York, gave away over thousand blankets during severe winters. He organized blood drives and flu-shot programs through the NY-Bangladesh Lions Club. As an anti-terrorist campaign activist, Shah Nawaz did and continues to do everything within his reach and capacities. As the US Embassy personnel Mr. Julhas Mannan was killed in Bangladesh, Mr. Shah Nawaz took the key role in having a strong protest to condemn the wrong-doers with a demand to punish the responsible with capital punishments. Mr. Nawaz did it through the Human Rights organization World Human Rights and Development, WHRD.

Mr. Shah Nawaz, a strong believer of world-wide human rights, have taken several initiatives to bring justice to the sufferers of Rohingyas of Myanmar and sending help teams from New York to go

and help the victims through several Not-For-Profits and the Red Crescent in Bangladesh.

Mr. Nawaz, sees each and every human beings as the gifts of God to this planet. He dedicated his time, labor and possible financial assistance to the mentally, physically disabled and the gifted kids with autism. He has been a saint to the members of several organizations like "ASHA" and "South Asian Organization of Disabled".

Mr. Shah Nawaz is the public Ambassador of Bangladeshis to the mainstream US communities and the elected officials. Nawaz's involvement in having maximum votes from the community to their elected officials in NYC is always appreciated by the elected officials. Mr. Nawaz has been a key figure in building awareness and helping citizens to vote has helped the neighborhoods to have their desired representative, assemblymen, councilmen and state senators elected to have their basic demands fulfilled. Congressman Joseph Crowley, Yvette D. Clarke, Senator Jose Peralta, Councilman Daniel Dromm, Queens Borough President Melinda Katz, Assemblyman David Weprin are few who got the services during their elections and

fund raisings. The Omni-smiling Shah Nawaz brings lights and warmth to the dire neediest. The homeless people and their kids in NY and back in Bangladesh see their children and sick family members through Shah Nawaz. Mr. Nawaz has helped them with possible clothing, toys, books, financial help, if possible, to bring the happiness they deserve as an equal member of this planet Earth, the only habitat of the human beings and the millions of known and unknown species.

Shah Nawaz radiates happiness and positive vibes. In a world with numerous negativities, Shah Nawaz does every little thing to spread happy positive vibes to all around him. He mingles, talks, exchanges his cultural and traditional heritages with others around him. To keep himself full of happy vibes and keep himself surrounded by positive aura, he learns the rich music, culture and traditions of the world and enriches with the music of the land he was born in, Bangladesh. He is a continuous learner of music of Bangladesh. Mr. Shah Nawaz is a friendly father of a son "Sadman Nawaz" and a daughter "Sadia Nawaz" lives in Queens with his wife, a true life-partner, a popular singer Rano Nawaz. ◀



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Bangladeshi Expatriate's Community Building Around The World
Visiting Professor, Tohto College of Health Sciences, Japan
Chairman
Medicare Japan
Founder
Japan Bangladesh Hospital-JBH, Japan.



Sheikh Aleemuzzaman is a medical doctor by profession. After completion of HSC from Jhenidah Cadet College and MBBS from Rajshahi Medical College in Bangladesh, he flew to Japan as a Monbusho Scholar in the year 1989. On completion of Ph.D. from Nihon University School of Medicine (Tokyo), he joined the same university as a member of the faculty of Pathology. Later he joined the Tohto College of Health Sciences (Japan) and presently holds the position of visiting professor. His research areas are- 'Epidemiology of Hepatitis in Bangladesh' and 'Introduction of Japanese Healthcare in Bangladesh'. He has long term clinical experience both in Japan and Bangladesh. He has been a subject of Marquis 'Who is Who in medicine and healthcare around the world' in 2009.

Recently, he has focused more on Bangladesh to enhance Bangladesh-Japan bilateral cooperation in the healthcare sector. He is engaged in various healthcare projects, including JICA projects. In 2013, he established Medicare Japan (MJ) a healthcare provider organization for community people, to introduce Japanese style health screening system (Ningen Dock) as a standard model for prevention of non-communicable diseases in Bangladesh. 'Dr. Sheikh', as he is

popularly known in Japan, has been a very successful community organizer. In 1998, he led the establishment of an NPO named Japan Bangladesh Society (JBS). Under his able leadership, 'Tokyo Boishakhi Mela (Festival)', the largest expatriate event is being held every year at Tokyo, since 2000. He proposed and initiated to build a Shaheed Minar at Tokyo and responding to the initiative, The People's Republic of Bangladesh came forward to build a Shaheed Minar at the venue of Tokyo Boishakhi Mela, in the year 2005. The Tokyo Shaheed Minar is the first one to be directly built by Bangladesh on a foreign land.

Aleemuzzaman, a prolific writer, has authored a number of books. He was a pioneer in introducing Science Fiction to Bangladeshi readers, debuting through the book 'Shondhani' in 1985, published from the popular 'Sheba Prokashoni' of Bangladesh. He also published numerous articles in English and holds the Level 1 Japanese language Proficiency Certificate. As a philanthropist, he established the Japan Bangladesh Hospital (JBH) for economically unprivileged people of the community, in Khulna City of Bangladesh, in the year 1999. ◀



THE MEMBER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE KEEPING AN EAGLE EYE ON BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

Shelim Hussain MBE

Chairman & Managing Director
Euro Foods UK



Shelim Hussain MBE, born 20 February 1973, is a Bangladeshi-born British entrepreneur, and founder, chairman and managing director of Euro Foods.

Hussain was born in Bangladesh and was brought to the United Kingdom by his uncle and aunt in 1985. After a year of living in London, his uncle moved to Cardiff in 1986, when he was 11, and he was enrolled at Cathays High School.

At the age of 17, Hussain started working as a waiter at the Indian Ocean restaurant in Gabalfa. Around 1991, at the age of 18, when the local prawn supplier went out of business, having seen a gap in the

market, Hussain took £20 worth of fuel and the money to buy six cases of prawns – and sold them. He started his business while working evenings as a part-time as a waiter in the restaurant and studying at college for his A Levels at Coleg Glan Hafren. He saw an opportunity in the market for prawn supply and started off by selling a few boxes of frozen prawns with his friend, delivering them at night while continuing with his education during the day. He started the business with an initial capital of only £20. The annual turnover for his business is around £80 million as of 2010.

In 1993, Hussain formed Euro Foods (UK) and the company has grown

rapidly since. He employs over 200 staff and has food processing units in Newport, Barking and Sunderland. Hussain is the chief executive of Newport-based Euro Foods which has an annual turnover of £80m, as well as a £20m subsidiary empire in Asia. He also has a new plant and four factories in Bangladesh, and has started a subsidiary in New York City. He also has invested in property development business in Wales. At present he is founder, chairman and managing director of the following companies: Euro Foods (UK) Ltd, S & B Developments Ltd, SRS Poultry Ltd (commencing late 2003), Eurasia Food Processing (BD) Ltd



(Bangladesh), Euro, Linen Service (UK) Ltd, Horizon Seafood Ltd, Saidowla Enterprise, Euro Foods (BD) Ltd & Rosemco foods Ltd (BD). All of factory setup by latest machine and as per HACCP rule.

In 2003, Hussain was appointed a Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE) in the 2003 New Year Honours for his services to business in Wales. In 2003, he won the Eastern Eye Young Achiever Award that was presented by Prince Charles, The Prince of Wales, and he was nominated for Young Achiever at the Asian Jewel Awards. In 2005, he won the AoC Gold Award for Further Education Alumni. In 2011, he was

awarded the Personality of the Year at the British Curry Awards, presented on video message by David Cameron.

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BANGLADESHI ENTREPRENEUR SHOHEL CHOWDHURY DRIVES JAPAN- BANGLADESH TRADE SUCCESS AND EDUCATION ADVOCACY

Shohel Chowdhury
President
M.J. Auto Japan Ltd.
JAPANESE CAR EXPORTER



Shohel Chowdhury is one of those Bangladeshis who are contributing hugely in the trade and economy of Japan, the world's richest and most advanced technology country. He is an exporter of Japanese cars. He is the President of MJ Auto Japanese Limited.

Shohel Chowdhury was born in Narsatpur village under Begumganj upazila in Noakhali district. His father's name is Shafiq Chowdhury and mother's name is Jahanara Akhtar. Since childhood, Shohel Chowdhury had a dream to study abroad. He got admission in East West University after passing SSC in 1994 and HSC in 1996. In 1998, he went to Japan for pursuing higher education. Besides education purpose, he also went to change his luck as there are plenty of job opportunities for working people in

Japan. He went to Japan with such a thought. He took the initiative to learn Japanese language after going there.

He attended a language school in Sendai, Miyagi Prefecture. He then obtained a four-year bachelor degree in business administration from a university. While studying there, he worked at a restaurant. After completing his studies, he took a job in an IT company. He worked there for two years. Later he served in the export department of a trading company. In this he gained a lot of experience in export. He developed himself as an entrepreneur by serving for about seven to eight years. In 2012, while working there, he started preparing on thought of setting up a company. In 2014, he founded MJ Auto Japan Limited, a car exporting company. He started exporting cars to several countries including

Bangladesh, United Arab Emirates, India. By dint of honesty and good behavior, his business continued to flourish. His work experiences in the field led him to success. In a very short time he was able to establish himself in this business.

He came to the country in 2012 and got married Cumilla's Shahnara Akhtar. His wife holds a B.Sc degree. He brought his wife to Japan in 2013 and is serving as the director of the company. The couple is blessed with a son Haiyan, who is a student of class three, and a daughter Mahira, who is studying in a play group. Shohel Chowdhury, a handsome young man, Japan's prominent car exporter, thinks about the development of country and its people even though he is abroad. He thinks that Bangladesh is his root because it is his birthplace. He is happy with the recent development

of Bangladesh. But to him, people's money for infrastructural development alone cannot accelerate social development. For this we want 100% education and it should be applied technical education by using education a person will get opportunity to work in country and abroad. He said the Government of Meiji Japan realized in 1870 that education was the key to development. And that government has prioritized technology in education. Although Japan was destroyed in World War II, it has risen again with full vigor. The country became independent through the liberation war. There are entrepreneurs, businessmen & secretaries on the one hand and on the other hand, there are rickshaw pullers and wheelbarrow drivers who have no education. As a result, income inequality is high.

Shohel Chowdhury said, during the era of Hazrat Muhammad (pbuh), women used to trade in Arabia. Today the economic condition of the country is changing as country's women are getting education and entering the workforce. Today, girls are coming forward to take education, it is very good sign for the country. Once upon a time there was no advanced technology in the world, now people of a remote have access to this.

He said, our Bangladesh is establishing the rule of law, the administration run according to the constitution of the country. The



Bureaucrats of the country should act as per the constitution of the country to eradicate irregularities from the country.

Shohel Chowdhury is keen to bring foreign investors to Bangladesh. He is happy with the construction of Padma Bridge. He thinks that after the construction of this bridge, Government has started to plan on what kind of business and trade initiatives can be taken in those areas. There will be improvement if there are roads, proper supply of gas and electricity etc. An investment-oriented environment

should be created in potential areas for foreign entrepreneurs. Japan's young Bangladeshi entrepreneur Shohel Chowdhury is waiting for the day when Bangladesh will be developed at all levels and all the people will work after taking technical education. Shohel Chowdhury said, if proper education can be given, then it will be possible to establish Bangladesh as the most developed country in the world with this manpower. He is involved in several development initiatives in his area. He helps the needy and poor students of the area. ◀



A VISIONARY LEADER, PHILANTHROPIST, AND BUSINESS LUMINARY PAVING THE WAY FOR BRITISH BANGLADESHI COMMUNITY SUCCESS

Syedur Rahman Ranu

President
 British Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce & Industry
 Founder president
 Rajnagar Welfare Society
 Chairman
 Adnan Investment LTD
 Vice Chairman
 Guild of Bangladeshi Restaurateurs
 Managing Director
 MRK Developments Ltd.



An esteemed figure in the British Bangladeshi community, Syedur Rahman Ranu, has achieved remarkable success in both the business and social sectors. Presently, he serves as the founding president of the Rajnagar Welfare Society, vice chairman of the Guild of Bangladeshi Restaurateurs, and managing director of MRK Developments Ltd.

Mr. Rahman's journey began in the village of Taharlamu, Rajnagar, in Moulvibazar, where he was born to Al Haj Habibur Rahman (Tara Miah). He completed his high school education at Rajnagar Portious High School and his further education at Moulvibazar Government College. With his parents, he relocated to the UK in 1977, and in 1978, he began working in the catering business. His chain of restaurants in the UK has since aided him in cementing his reputation for excellence and quality with years of hard work.

The catering industry was just the beginning of Mr. Rahman's entrepreneurial spirit. He also ventured into the property market in



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Bangladesh as the managing director of MRK Developments Ltd. This company has worked on numerous projects in Sylhet and Dhaka to fulfill his dream of helping his homeland develop modern and affordable housing solutions. Along with being a successful businessman, Mr. Rahman is also a prominent member of the community and is actively involved in a number of organizations that support the British Bangladeshi community. In 1998, Mr. Rahman became a director of the British Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry; since then, he has held positions as vice president, director general, deputy director general, and president. He is currently the organization's president. Previously, he was involved in the Greater Sylhet Development Council in the UK. Mr. Syedur Rahman Ranu's

dedication to charity and philanthropy stands as a testament to his compassionate nature and commitment to improving lives. Beyond his achievements, his philanthropic endeavors have left an indelible mark on the landscape of Bangladesh. Recognizing the potential within the underprivileged, he has facilitated the education of numerous talented but financially challenged students, thereby opening doors of opportunity that would have otherwise remained closed. His impact extends beyond education, as he has played a pivotal role in the development of educational institutions, places of worship, and community hubs like schools, colleges, and mosques in Bangladesh. Through these efforts, he has contributed to fostering growth, unity, and social development in the region. Mr.

Rahman's unwavering dedication to charitable causes continues unabated, his generosity serving as a beacon of hope for various humanitarian initiatives. Currently residing in Royal Ascot, Berkshire, alongside his family, Mr. Rahman's pursuits go beyond philanthropy. With a penchant for traveling and a keen interest in politics, he exemplifies a well-rounded personality driven by curiosity and a desire to understand the world deeply. His journey, marked by success and altruism, serves as an inspiration to those aiming to create a positive impact on society. In a world often characterized by self-interest, Mr. Syedur Rahman Ranu's life showcases the profound change one individual can effect through compassion, dedication, and a commitment to the betterment of humanity. ◀

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FROM CULTURAL BRIDGE TO SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Tahmid Moin
 Managing Director
 JBBR Recruiting, Japan

Tahmid Moin, a distinguished Bangladeshi-Japanese business leader, has left an indelible mark on the global business landscape. His remarkable career, spanning various industries, is characterized not only by remarkable success but also by a steadfast commitment to social responsibility. Tahmid Moin now stands nominated for the prestigious Best Social Responsibility Award of the Year by Business America.

Born and raised in Bangladesh, Tahmid Moin's journey began with an innate curiosity and determination. His early education in Bangladesh provided a strong foundation for his future endeavors. He then pursued higher education in Japan, a nation renowned for its technological prowess. Tahmid graduated with honors in business administration, gaining both academic knowledge and a deep understanding of Japanese culture and business practices.

Settling in Japan, Tahmid Moin established JBBR Recruiting, a recruitment agency connecting Japanese companies with international talent. Under his leadership, JBBR Recruiting excelled in bridging cultural



divides and garnered recognition for its excellence in cross-cultural collaboration. Tahmid's unique background as a Bangladeshi-Japanese business icon made him an

effective cultural bridge between Japan and other countries. He played a pivotal role in fostering international partnerships and promoting diversity in Japan's corporate



landscape. While building successful ventures, Tahmid remained committed to social responsibility. He believed businesses should positively impact the communities they operate in. Under his guidance, JBBR Recruiting initiated several corporate social responsibility (CSR) programs. One notable initiative, "Skills for Tomorrow," provided vocational training to underprivileged youth in Japan, addressing both individual empowerment and the job market's skill gap. Environmental sustainability was also a priority for Tahmid. He implemented eco-friendly practices, setting an example for businesses in Japan. Empowering women in the workplace was another facet of Tahmid Moin's social responsibility agenda.

Recognizing the gender disparity in Japanese leadership, he launched initiatives to promote gender diversity and empower women in the workforce. The "Women in Leadership" program offered mentorship and career development opportunities, breaking down gender barriers and fostering inclusivity. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Tahmid's leadership shone through. He initiated the "Hope for Tomorrow" program, providing aid to vulnerable communities in Japan and Bangladesh, reaffirming his commitment to social responsibility in adversity. Tahmid's efforts earned him global recognition, including the "Global Philanthropy Award" from the United Nations and the title of "Cultural Ambassador"

from the Japan-Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce. Nominated for the Best Social Responsibility Award, Tahmid Moin's journey from Bangladesh to Japan, and his subsequent rise as a visionary business leader and philanthropist, embodies the essence of the award. His commitment to bridging cultural divides, empowering women, and giving back to society sets a powerful example for the global business community. Tahmid Moin's legacy will inspire future generations of leaders to prioritize not only financial success but also the betterment of society. His nomination for the Best Social Responsibility Award reaffirms that business excellence and social responsibility are intrinsically linked on the path to a better world. ◀

**BANGLADESHI PEOPLE ARE LABORIOUS,
HONEST AND THEY HAVE THE ABILITY TO
TURN THE COUNTRY AS DEVELOPED ONE**

Tanveer Mahmood
President & CEO
AIMEX LLC



Tanveer Mahmood is a successful self-made Bangladeshi American entrepreneur. He is the President of AIMEX LLC., one of the world's reputable defense articles suppliers to the U.S. Armed Forces, Foreign Military and Government agencies. Mr. Mahmood has been recognized as the industry leader early stage of his life with over 20 years of experience in the defense industry. Mr. Mahmood also made a tremendous business success in infrastructure, especially in Energy sector all over the World.

Tanveer Mahmood was born and raised in Bangladesh. He attended St. Gregory's High School, Notre Dame College, before completing his Undergraduate Degree in Bachelor of Commerce (Hons) in Marketing and Master's degree in Commerce at University of Dhaka, Bangladesh. He completed his Second Master's Degree program with Masters of Business Administration (MBA) in International Business from Long Island University, C.W. Post Campus, New York.

Mr. Mahmood exhibited entrepreneurial ambitions and a leader at a young age. While in high school and college, he was a leading as President of various organizations. He was also the President of Leo Club of Dhaka Greater Metropolitan for many years. He was the recipient of many Honorable Awards during his academic years and has emerged as a gem among the many students in his college. With a strong passion for advanced education in Business, Mr. Tanveer Mahmood moved to New York City, early 90s.

After MBA program Mr. Mahmood worked many years in the defense industry. Guided by the principles of hard work, perseverance and a faith in God, Mr. Mahmood started his own journey with AIMEX LLC with an office in Wall Street, New York. AIMEX core business supplies of ammunition, weapons system, Artillery, surveillance system, surveying system, spare parts for Tanks, C130 and various other aircrafts, vessel and land system. Under Mr. Mahmood's outstanding leadership, AIMEX was awarded by the United States Department of Commerce for 'Export Achiever' in the global marketplace. The award was presented in a large ceremony by Congresswoman Carolyn B. Maloney from the State of New York organized by U.S. Department of



Commerce. With a vision to create a better world, Mr. Tanveer Mahmood launched his business in the infrastructure industry focusing on Energy sector in Middle East, Africa and Asia and brought Energy solution to help solving an energy crisis in those regions. Mr. Mahmood is Partners with Members of Dubai Ruling Family, Royal Family Members in the Middle Eastern Nations as well as

successful and influential individuals and entities from other parts of the World. Accompanying his extraordinary achievement in the defense and infrastructure industries, Mr. Mahmood has cultivated and nurtured close relationships with senior officials in both the Legislative and the Executive Branches of U.S. Government. With a keen understanding of the dynamics of the U.S.

Government, Mr. Tanveer Mahmood with Senator John McCain, Congressman Andre Carson Senator Lindsey Olin Graham and Congressman Mike Honda on a various meetings/occasions Mr. Mahmood successfully developed strong alliances with the most important leaders of the Era. He has relations with both Republican and Democrat top Leaders and Advisors from Senate and House Armed Services Committees, Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs, Senate and House Appropriations Committees, Committee on Foreign Affairs, Committee on Energy and Commerce, House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and the Budget Committee. Mr. Mahmood is currently resides in McLean, Virginia United States with his wife who works for Federal Government and two boys one pursuing undergraduate degree in Cyber Security in Penn State University and other boy in the middle school in McLean, Virginia. Though he is living abroad but he always feels his motherland. Whenever he gets any opportunity, he always stands besides his country. He believes that Bangladeshi people are laborious and honest and they have the ability to turn the country as developed one. ◀



PEOPLE OF BANGLADESH ARE VERY HARD-WORKING AND THEY HAVE THE CAPABILITY TO MAKE A HUGE CHANGE IN THE ECONOMY OF THE COUNTRY

Capt. Tasbirul Ahmed Choudhury

Chairman & Managing Director

United Airways (BD) Ltd.

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Capt. Tasbirul Ahmed Choudhury, a shining name in the civil aviation sector of Bangladesh. Having a bright educational background in aviation technologies obtained at home and from abroad Capt. Choudhury virtually illustrated civil aviation sector of new born Bangladesh. He graduated from Oxford Aviation in the United Kingdom and also choice Aviation Academy in Florida, USA, ATPL, DCP. Airline Pilot Instructor and also Examiner Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh (CAAB). This renowned Pilot was born on May 15, 1966.

Capt. Choudhury is a Bangladeshi by birth and his tax identification numbers (TIN) 322764149619. He is a devout Muslim. Capt. Choudhury tied knot with Khandoker Taslima Chowdhury.

Capt. Tasbirul Ahmed Choudhury was born in an aristocratic family of Chandborang at Biswanath in Sylhet. Capt. Tasbirul Ahmed Choudhury is son of Late Kamar Uddin Ahmed Choudhury and Late Begum Jahanara Choudhury. He went to United Kingdom at the age of 11 with his parents on completion of O-level from Fort Loton High School, Kent, UK and A-Level from Hackney College, (Under London University) UK. Capt. Choudhury decided to become professional Airline Pilot. From 1989-90, he obtained British PPL & went to USA Florida, for further study for Commercial Pilot License & Airline Transport Pilot License, he graduated the ATP (the highest License for Pilot's) in 1996. He obtained several prestigious flying licenses from various authorities around the world. Capt. Choudhury's professional experience is given in brief. These include ATPL from Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh, ATP from FAA (USA), PPL, IMC from UK. He was also undertaken rigorous training and successfully completed training as Captain including Airbus



310-300, MD-83, DASH-100/300 (as route training instructor & examiner as DCP-A), ATR- 42-320, as Captain, L-410-UVP-E-9 as Captain & Instructor, Y-12-11, PA-30-200, PA-31-325, PA-34, PA-28-200 & 181, C-172, C-152, PA-38. He has flown over 6500 hours as Pilot in Command. He was also able to acquire vast experience in the field of General Aviation flights and Airlines. He joined Southern Aero Club at Shoreham, Sussex, UK & USA in 1990 and flew with business flights throughout UK and Europe from 1990 to 1993. Later, he moved to the USA and joined Global Air Transport & Choice Aeronautical Academy, Orlando, Florida, USA in December, 1993 and flew as Charter Pilot throughout Florida and Bahamas till February 1996. Then he decided to move back to homeland and joined as a Captain of Y-12-11 Aircraft at Aero Bengal Airlines Dhaka, Bangladesh, in 1996 (The first Private Airline of Bangladesh). Later he joined as Deputy Chief Pilot & Airline Training Pilot for L-410 aircraft at Air Parabat in Dhaka, Bangladesh. In September 2001, he joined GMG Airlines, Dhaka, Bangladesh as Chief of Flight Safety and Route Training Instructor for DASH 8 Aircraft, until start of his own venture, which is now the largest and most successful airline in the country- United Airways (BD) Ltd. The airline is having 10 Aircraft & operating in 7 International destinations & all the domestic destinations in Bangladesh. Accolades received since first flight of

United on 10th July 2007, United Airways has achieved various prestigious awards, at the House of Commons London for best Investment by the Bangladeshi British Expatriates. United Airways also received 'Deshor Kagoj Business Award-2007', 'Begum Rokeya Shining Personality Award-2007', 'Arthakantha Business Award-2008, 2011, 2012 and 2013' in Airline Sector, 'Business Express Business Award-2009', 'EBL-Monitor Domestic Airline of the Year 2010', 'NRB Investment of the Year 2010' and 'Business Asia Most Respected Company Award 2012'. This company name and address is also unique vis-a-vis distinct Dhaka office named TAC Aviation Limited located at House 7, Road No. 12, Sector-1 of the capital's suburb Uttara Model Town. The company E-mail: info@tac-aviation.com, www.tac-aviation.com Sylhet office: Torongo: 10, Lechubagan, Mozumdari, Sylhet, Tel: +880 8212830596, 2830597 the Aviation company registered number is 10630687 with Kemp House, 160 City Road, London, UK, EC1V 2NX Capt. Tasbirul Ahmed Choudhury is the owner Director of the company. His current Position is Chairman & Managing Director. Having 5 Piper PA-28-161 Aircraft at Osmani International Airport in Sylhet, Bangladesh. Its Aim is to Train and produce quality manpower such as Pilots, Engineer, Flight dispatcher, Cabin crew and other, for Local and International market as the

demand of this sector is growing globally. Lansbury-a heritage hotel located at 117, Poplar High Street, London E140AE his contract No +44203 4895050 website: www.lansburyhotel.com this hotel is now in full operation since 2016 Being inspired together, ION Television, the Granary No 80, Abbey Road Barking Located at London, 1G 11 7 BT, Website : www.iontv.co.uk Capt. Choudhury is also Vice-Chairman of the newly formed South Asian Sky Satellite TV channel. ION TV in the UK, SKY 862. Now it broadcast in the whole of Europe along with North America. Capt. Choudhury other business amalgamations which include. This creates leasing impression TAC Perfumes & Cosmetics UK Ltd. Kemp House, 160 City Road, London, United Kingdom, EC1V 2NX Chairman & Managing Director, marketing and distributing TAC Branded perfumes in UK and throughout EU countries. Different types of Cosmetics and Toiletries manufactured by TAC also will be marketed in UK and EU countries through the well-recognized network creating by this company. Capt. Choudhury now resides at the thatched House, 3 the Ridgeway, Chatham, Kent, ME4 6PD. UK. Though he is staying in abroad, he always feels his motherland deeply. He says, the people of Bangladesh are very hard-working and they have the capability to make a huge change in the economy of the country. ◀

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Dr Wali Tasar Uddin

President

European Bangladesh Federation of Commerce and Industry (EBFCI)

Dr. Wali Tasar Uddin MBE DBA is respected both throughout Europe and Bangladesh countries and the rest of the world. President of European Bangladesh Federation of Commerce and Industry, Wali is well known for his acumen in the restaurant profession. With his portfolio including the famous Verandah restaurant, Lancers restaurant and his most recent venture, Britannia Spice restaurant, Dr Uddin has extensive interests in the commercial world. Dr Uddin's contribution to the restaurant sector was recognised in 2006 with BIBA's Industry Personality of the Year award as well as the Asian Jewel Lifetime Achievement award. Dr Uddin is also an active director of the Edinburgh & Leith Chambers of Commerce, the Institute of Directors and Rotary International. Chair of the University of East London Business School Advisory Board, Wali is also a Director of the Council of the Foreign Chambers of Commerce in the UK and a founder member and Director of Britain in Europe. The Junior Chamber voted him Young Scot of the year in 1992. This success in the business world has brought recognition from many sides. In 1984, Dr Uddin was the first Bangladeshi in Scotland to be made a Justice of the Peace. In 1993, he was appointed as the first Honorary Consul-General of Bangladesh in Scotland and in 1995 he was made a Member of the British Empire for his services to race relations. He is a Fellow



of the Royal Society of Arts and, in 2003, was included in Debretts' People of Today. In 2000 he was awarded a Doctorate in Business Administration (Honouris Causa) by Queen Margaret University, Edinburgh. 2007 saw

Heriot-watt University award Wali a Doctor of Letters, D. Litt., and Edinburgh's Napier University award him Doctor of the University, D. University. Respected as a community leader in Scotland, Dr Uddin chairs the

Council for Bangladeshis in Scotland, was a founder of Edinburgh's Central Mosque and is a director of the Shahjalal Mosque and Islamic Centre. Dr Uddin is also Chairman of the Commonwealth Society of Edinburgh and the BanglaScot Foundation. He is a Director of the Edinburgh Mela, the vibrant festival founded by Edinburgh's South Asian communities, and the Edinburgh Bangladesh Samity.

In 2006 alone both BIBA and the British Curry Awards named it Best in Scotland.

Having been educated in Moulvibazar, Wali travelled to the UK in 1967 where he started working in restaurants in London and entered further education. In 1976, having gained sound experience in the catering profession, he moved to Edinburgh. President of the European Bangladesh Federation of Commerce & Industry (EBFCI) As Chairman of the Bangladesh-British Chamber of Commerce, Dr Uddin was key player in the success of Expo Bangladesh 2005 - the UK's first single country trade fair for Bangladesh. This pioneering initiative by the BBCC was to promote trade and investment between the UK and Bangladesh. A hundred companies from Bangladesh were represented alongside UK-based organisations with an interest in Bangladesh's export trade and non-resident Bangladeshi businesses in the UK. Now the EBFCI is expanding its interest into other



European countries under Dr Uddin's leadership. In Bangladesh, Dr Uddin's efforts have touched thousands of people over the years.

In 1991, following the disastrous cyclone, he was instrumental in raising over £140,000 which was used to build a concrete cyclone shelter and Baharchara-Ratnapur High School. Then in 1998 he was involved in raising over £220,000 to enable Onneyshan to oversee the construction of a model village and training centre. Dr Uddin is

also Chairman of the Sylhet Women's Medical College and Hospital, Director of Syleht Dental College & Hospital, a Trustee of the Bangladesh Female Academy and an advisor to the Atish Dipankar University of Science & Technologies in Dhaka.

Dr Wali Tasar Uddin is very friendly and energetic person. He always thinks about the welfare of other people. He says, if we want to make the world peaceful, we all should think about well-being of each other. ◀



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From a tender age, Zahangir harbored aspirations of becoming an entrepreneur and a benevolent force in the world. His inspiration was drawn from none other than the indomitable Elon Musk, whom he revered as his guiding light. In 2004, he took his first step towards this ambition by earning a B.Sc. in Computer Science & Engineering (CSE) from the prestigious Rajshahi University of Engineering & Technology. That very year marked his entry into the corporate arena as a Network Engineer at Motorola Solutions.

While at Motorola, he didn't limit his pursuit of knowledge to just technology. In a quest to broaden his horizons, he pursued a Graduate Certificate in Business from



Victoria University, underscoring his unwavering commitment to his entrepreneurial dream. With the dream of becoming a successful entrepreneur firmly entrenched in his heart, he combined his passion for communication and technology,

ushering in the dawn of TELEAUS. His invaluable corporate experience, gleaned from multinational giants like NEC, Ericsson, and nbn, furnished him with essential insights into corporate business practices and co-culture, setting the foundation for a company

with grand ambitions.

Zahangir reflects on his journey, saying, "My odyssey taught me that you must summon the courage to embark on your own path. Investing in those who matter to your business is paramount. Giving up is never an option. The highs and lows will inevitably come, but they won't linger if you hold steadfast."

He continued to stoke the fires of growth for his company, even taking on diverse roles in other leading firms to amass a treasure trove of experiences and add more arrows to his quiver.

Hailing from a non-English speaking country, acclimating to a new environment while propelling his company's growth was no small feat. He recalls, "I always harbored the desire and passion to build my own technology company, but the journey resembled a roller coaster. It didn't take me long to grasp the harsh reality. Dreaming big is easy, but making it a reality sometimes demands the impossible."

The major obstacles in his path were deciphering clients' ever-shifting commitments and articulating the company's vision and mission.

However, armed with an unshakable resolve to chase his dreams, Zahangir persevered through every challenge and emerged triumphant. He reflects, "I transformed my business into a mutually beneficial model. My company aspires to unite people from all walks of life through technology services, elevating technology to new heights. I believe it's this determination, hard work, and the unwavering support of my team that have propelled me to where I stand today."

Zahangir elucidates, "We offer a diverse array of services encompassing multi-technology design, construction, and consultancy. Our expertise extends to engineering field services, telecommunications engineering, comprehensive business solutions, bespoke business software development, spatial data engineering, geospatial engineering, professional services, vendor partnerships, and business process outsourcing through a distinctive delivery model designed exclusively for our clients." ◀

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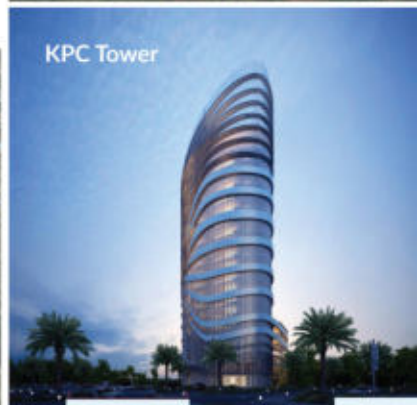
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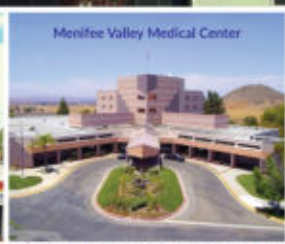
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