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#### **Academic Records**

**2016 Doctor of Philosophy**, Department of Geography and Environmental Sciences, Northumbria

University, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, UK

Title of PhD Thesis: Adaptation to Climate Change through Disaster Risk Reduction in

Bangladesh: Community Engagement in Local Level Intervention

Principal Supervisor: Professor Andrew E. Collins

2009 MSc in Disaster Management and Sustainable Development, Northumbria University,

Newcastle-upon-Tyne, UK | Result: Commendation (66%)

Title of MSc Dissertation: *People's Vulnerability and Adaptations to Floods: A Study on the Char-dwellers of the Jamuna River in Bangladesh* (Supervisor: Professor Andrew E. Collins)

2000 MSc in Geography and Environment (Thesis Group), Jahangirnagar University, Dhaka,

Bangladesh | Result: First Class 5<sup>th</sup> position (62%)

Title of MSc Thesis: *Process and Impact of Deforestation of Sal Forest: A Case Study of Two Mauzas in Biral Upazila* (Supervisor: Professor AKM Azizul Haque Bhuiyan)

1999 BSc (Honours) in Geography and Environment, Jahangirnagar University, Dhaka,

Bangladesh | Result: Second Class 6<sup>th</sup> position (59%)

### **Employment Records**

**Director**: Farm Technology, Irrigation & Water Resources Management Division

(24 November, 2021 – until now) Rural Development Academy (RDA), Bogura, Bangladesh.

**Lecturing** at different levels including Postgraduate Diploma in Rural Development (PGDRD) and Foundation Training Courses (FTCs), **conducting** research projects and **research supervision** for

PGD students.

**Courses Offered:** Disaster Risk Management, Climate Change Adaptation, Sustainable Development, Research Methodology.

**Director (In-Charge)** : Farm Technology, Irrigation & Water Resources Management Division

(16 January, 2021 to Research and Evaluation Division

23 November, 2021) Rural Development Academy (RDA), Bogura, Bangladesh.

**Lecturing** at different levels including Postgraduate Diploma in Rural Development (PGDRD) and Foundation Training Courses (FTCs), **conducting** research projects and **research supervision** for

PGD students.

**Courses Offered:** Disaster Risk Management, Climate Change Adaptation, Sustainable Development, Research Methodology.

**Joint Director** Project Planning and Monitoring Division (10 December, 2015 to Rural Governance and Gender Division 15 January, 2021)

Rural Development Academy (RDA), Bogura, Bangladesh.

Lecturing at different levels including Postgraduate Diploma in Rural Development (PGDRD) and Foundation Training Courses (FTCs), conducting research projects and research supervision for

PGD students.

Courses Offered: Disaster Risk Management, Climate Change Adaptation, Sustainable Development, Research Methodology. Also engaged as the **Deputy Project Director** of a government funded development project namely "Poverty Reduction of the Marginal

People under Kurigram and Jamalpur District" (KAJ Project).

**Deputy Director** Project Planning and Monitoring Division :

Rural Development Academy (RDA), Bogura, Bangladesh. (25 August, 2010 to

Lecturing at different levels including Postgraduate Diploma in 9 December, 2015)

Rural Development (PGDRD) and Foundation Training Courses (FTCs), conducting research projects and research supervision for

PGD students.

Courses Offered: Disaster Risk Management, Climate Change Adaptation, Sustainable Rural Livelihoods, Research Methodology.

**Assistant Director** Research and Evaluation Division : Agricultural Sciences Division (10 November, 2004 to 24 August, 2010)

Rural Development Academy (RDA), Bogura, Bangladesh.

Lecturing at different levels including Foundation Training

Courses (FTCs) and conducting research projects.

Courses Offered: Disaster Risk Management, Environmental Management, Sustainable Rural Livelihoods. Research

Methodology.

Also engaged as a Young Professional of a DFID funded project

namely "Chars Livelihoods Programme (CLP)".

## Awards, Fellowships, Scholarships and Grants

2019 Chinese Government Fund, Seminar on Agriculture Management for Bangladesh, Hubei Vocational College of Bio-Technology, Wuhan, China.

2019 Malaysian Technical Cooperation Programme (MTCP) Fellowship, Sustainable Rural Development for SIDS and Asian Countries, INFRA, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2016 APO-CIRDAP Fund, International Workshop on Agricultural Insurance Systems, Manila, Philippines.

IRG-Project Fund, The 2014 Summer Institute of Disaster and Risk Research, Beijing 2014 Normal University, Beijing, China.

2014 Northumbria PGR Bursary, The 2014 Summer Institute of Disaster and Risk Research, Beijing Normal University, Beijing, China.

ANDROID Residential Doctoral School (RDS) Scholarship, Disaster Resilience 2013 Workshop, Limassol, Cyprus.

Northumbria PGR Bursary, 4<sup>th</sup> UNISDR Global Platform Meeting, Geneva, Switzerland. 2013

2013 European Commission Conference Award, International Conference on Global Change and Resilience, Mendel University, Brno, The Czech Republic.

2013 DelPHE Project Conference Award, International Conference on Disaster Education and

Community Resilience, Bindura University, Zimbabwe.

2013 Seminar Travel Grant, International Seminar on Climate Change and Sustainable

Development, Maharajah Sayajirao University of Baroda, Gujarat, India.

**2011 Northumbria PGR Bursary**, Dealing with Disasters Conference 2011, Glamorgan

University, Cardiff, Wales, UK.

2010-2013 RCCI – Northumbria University Doctoral Studentship, Doctor of Philosophy,

Northumbria University, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, UK.

2008 Northumbria PGR Bursary, Dealing with Disasters Conference 2008, Glamorgan

University, Cardiff, Wales, UK.

2007-2008 CLP-DFID UK Masters Fellowship, MSc in Disaster Management and Sustainable

Development, Northumbria University, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, UK.

2007 XIDAS Seminar Travel Grant, National Seminar on Ecotourism & Sustainable

Development, Xavier Institute of Development Action and Studies (XIDAS), Jabalpur,

India.

**2007 CLP Conference Grant**, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sustainability Conference, Madras University, Chennai, India.

**1997-2000 University Merit Scholarship**, Jahangirnagar University, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

1996-1997 University Entrance Scholarship, Jahangirnagar University, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

1989-1991 Government Primary School Merit Scholarship, Bangladesh.

## **Consulting Assignments and Project Activities**

## 1. Poverty Reduction

**Project Period:** June, 2019 – August, 2021 **Project Category:** Poverty Reduction and

Sustainable Development

**Position:** Deputy Project Director

**Position Type:** Long Term

**Project Title:** Poverty Reduction of the Marginal People under Kurigram and Jamalpur District

(KAJ Project)

Client: Rural Development Academy (RDA),

Bogura

**Funding:** Government of Bangladesh (GOB)

Acted as the **Deputy Project Director (DPD)** for the government financed KAJ Project. The major objectives of the project are: (a) creating new employments for the extreme poor and the marginal people; (b) increasing income of the extreme poor through skilled development trainings, and asset and technology transfer; and (c) improving socioeconomic conditions (i.e. health, nutrition, safe water, sanitation, social awareness, women's empowerment) of the project beneficiaries. The project has been conducted in eight Upazilas (sub-districts) of Kurigram and Jamalpur districts. The total beneficiaries of the project are 33,000.

The conducted tasks for the project were to: (a) administer and monitor project activities at local level; (b) coordinate with the concerned ministries, Upazila officers and LGI representatives; (c) conduct baseline survey for selecting appropriate beneficiaries; (d) organise meetings for transferring assets to the beneficiaries; and (e) conduct skilled development trainings, meetings, seminars and symposiums.

#### 2. Agricultural Development

**Project Period:** August, 2018 – October, 2018 **Project Category:** Agricultural Value Chain

**Position:** Consultant

DAI applied a market systems approach to agricultural value chains in Bangladesh's southern delta, home to 30 million people where poverty and malnutrition are acute and persistent, agricultural productivity is low, and farmers are not linked to markets. Funded under the Feed the Future initiative, this project strengthened 10 AVCs through a range of tools, platforms, and

**Position Type:** Short Term

**Project Title:** Agricultural Value Chain (AVC)

Project

Client: Data Management Aid (DMA)

Funding: Feed the Future initiative, USAID and

Development Alternatives, Inc. (DAI)

# 3. Food and Nutritional Security

**Project Period:** August, 2018 – September, 2018

Project Category: Food and Nutritional

Security

Position: Consultant

**Position Type:** Short Term

Project Title: Feed the Future Bangladesh Rice

and Diversified Crops (RDC) Activity

Client: Data Management Aid (DMA)

Funding: Feed the Future (USA)

## 4. Agricultural Development

**Project Period:** August, 2016 – September, 2016

Project Category: Agricultural Value Chain

**Position:** Consultant

**Position Type:** Short Term

**Project Title:** Agricultural Value Chain (AVC)

Project

Client: Data Management Aid (DMA)

Funding: Feed the Future Initiative, USAID and

Development Alternatives, Inc. (DAI)

agreements to implement large-scale, systemic interventions. Agreements with 25 of the most influential private sector firms and organizations in the agricultural sector were forged. Through these agreements, AVC leveraged private sector interests and investment opportunities to drive more inclusive growth. The conducted tasks for the project were to: (a) organise meetings at local level stakeholders; (b) conduct focus group discussion (FGD) sessions with crop-specific farmers; and (c) analyse collected data and prepare report under the Annual Performance Survey 2018.

Bangladesh Rice and Diversified Crops (RDC)
Activity funded by the USAID to improves food
security through facilitating systemic changes that
increased rural incomes. It was a five years' project
from July 13, 2016 to July 12, 2021. The USD 24.5
million initiative targeted 500,000 farmers from the
FtF zone in south-western Bangladesh. RDC catalysed
market system changes that promoted a diversified
farm management approach focused on intensified
production of rice and production of higher-value,
nutrient-rich crops, improve food security and
nutrition. Diversified crops that RDC initially target
included: maize, oilseeds (mustard, sunflower, ground
nuts and sesame) and pulses (lentils and mung bean).

The conducted tasks for the project were to: (a) organise meetings at local level stakeholders; (b) conduct focus group discussion (FGD) sessions with crop-specific farmers; and (c) analyse collected data and prepare evaluation report.

Like the Annual Performance Survey 2018 of Agricultural Value Chain (AVC) Project, acted as a Consultant for the Annual Performance Survey 2016. The conducted tasks for the project were to: (a) organise meetings at local level stakeholders; (b) conduct focus group discussion (FGD) sessions with crop-specific farmers; and (c) analyse collected data and prepare report under the Annual Performance Survey 2016.

5. Social Safety Net

**Project Period:** July, 2012 – September, 2012

Project Category: Vulnerability Assessment

and Social Safety Net **Position:** Consultant

**Position Type:** Short Term

**Project Title:** Impact of Vulnerable Group

Development (VGD) Programme

Client: Ministry of Women and Children Affairs,

GOB

The Government of Bangladesh has been implementing different types of social safety net programmes (SSNPs) including Vulnerable Group Development (VGD) programme in the country since its independence. VGD covers around 750,000 ultrapoor women across the country. It aims to reach the ultra-poor rural women with complementary inputs to be self-reliance through improving their nutritional status and livelihoods. The programme is being coordinated by the Ministry of Women and Children Affairs and implemented by the Department of Women Affairs with the support of UNWFP, the European Commission and the governments of

Funding: Government of Bangladesh (GOB)

Australia, Canada, Germany and France.

RDA, Bogura conducted the impact evaluation of the programme cycle 2009-2010. The conducted tasks for the project were to: (a) plan for fieldwork in seven districts and prepare survey instruments; (b) conduct questionnaire survey, focus group discussion (FGD) and participatory rural appraisal (PRA) sessions and case studies; and (c) analyse collected data and prepare evaluation report.

The UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) funded project comprised an in-depth comparison of the acculturation experiences of multiple generations of British Bangladeshis settled in Northeast UK and London, and its sequelae for mental and physiological wellbeing. The purpose of this cross-regional study was therefore to compare acculturation and related wellbeing of migrant Bangladeshis in: 1) a densely settled minority context (London), and 2) a sparsely settled context (NE UK). Through questionnaires, interviews, and focus group discussions data was collated and analysed data regarding migration history, acculturation, perceived discrimination, lifestyle and self-reported wellbeing of these UK British-Bangladeshis.

The conducted tasks for the project were to: (a) organise meetings at local level stakeholders; (b) conduct questionnaire survey, focus group discussion (FGD) and participatory rural appraisal (PRA) sessions and case studies; and (c) analyse collected data and prepare project reports.

The Developing Partnerships in Higher Education (DelPHE) project supported partnerships between universities and other higher education institutions across the world. The aim of the programme was to contribute to achieving the United Nations Millennium Development Goals. Zimbabwe's Bindura University made great strides in their community through the DelPHE project. Having been involved with DelPHE since 2010, Bindura University partnered Northumbria University (UK) and BRAC University (Bangladesh). The three worked on a disaster management project which has changed the landscape and approach to disasters in Zimbabwe.

The conducted tasks for the project were to: (a) organise several meetings in UK and Bangladesh, and an international conference in Zimbabwe; and (b) conduct in-depth interviews in Muzarabani, Zimbabwe.

This main aim of the project was to assess how health influences vulnerability to major disaster events. This was to contribute to a goal of poverty and disaster risk reduction through improved health security. The following overall research objectives were developed centred on the case of Bangladesh to: (a) identify how health security influences vulnerability and resilience to disasters; (b) assess how health security monitoring

### 6. Migration and Culture

**Project Period:** April, 2014 – June, 2015

Project Category: International Migration and

Acculturation

**Position:** Research Assistant (Part Time)

Position Type: Long Term

**Project Title:** Differential Acculturation and Its Impact on Wellbeing among Bangladeshi Migrants in the North-East and South (London), UK

**Client:** Department of Anthropology, University

of Durham, UK

Funding: Economic and Social Research

Council (ESRC), UK

### 7. Disaster Resilience

**Project Period:** January, 2013 – March, 2013 **Project Category:** Disaster, Vulnerability and Resilience

Resmence

**Position:** Research Assistant (Part Time)

**Position Type:** Short Term

**Project Title:** Disaster Education for Community Resilience in Zimbabwe and Bangladesh

Client: Development Partnerships in Higher Education (DelPHE) Project, BRAC University (Bangladesh), Northumbria University (UK) and Bindura University of Science Education (Zimbabwe)

Funding: DFID and British Council

#### 8. Disaster Resilience

**Project Period:** July, 2008 – September, 2008 **Project Category:** Health Security and Disaster

Resilience

**Position:** Research Assistant (Part Time)

**Position Type:** Short Term

**Project Title:** The Meaning of Health Security for Disaster Resilience in Bangladesh: a health security framework for disaster risk reduction

Client: Northumbria University, Newcastle-

upon-Tyne, UK

Funding: Economic and Social Research

Council (ESRC), UK

#### 9. Sustainable Rural Livelihoods

**Project Period:** January, 2005 – August, 2007

**Project Category:** Poverty Alleviation,

Sustainable Livelihoods and Rural Development

**Position:** Young Professional **Position Type:** Long Term

Project Title: Chars Livelihoods Programme

(CLP)

Client: Maxwell Stamp PCL

**Funding:** Government of Bangladesh (GOB), DFID (UK) and Australian Aid (Australia)

can facilitate early warning and preparedness against changing thresholds of disaster risk; and (c) evaluate which approaches to health security enable people to monitor resilience as an aid to mitigating the impact of disaster events.

The conducted tasks for the project were to: (a) organise several meetings in UK and Bangladesh; and (b) translate several documents including field interviews from Bangla to English.

The Chars Livelihoods Programme (CLP) worked with extreme poor households living on island Chars in north western Bangladesh, and aimed to improve the livelihoods of over one million people. The CLP was jointly funded by UKaid through the Department for International Development (DFID) and the Australian Government (Australian Aid) through the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), sponsored by the Rural Development and Co-operatives Division of the Government of Bangladesh's Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Co-operatives, and implemented through Maxwell Stamp Plc. The CLP (CLP-1) ran between 2004-2016 under two phases, and worked on the chars of the Jamuna River in the districts of Kurigram, Lalmonhirat, Nilpharmari, Rangpur, Gaibandha, Bogura, Sirajgonj, Jamalpur, Tangail and Pabna. CLP-1 and CLP-2 targeted 55,000 and 78,000 of the poorest households, respectively.

The conducted tasks for the project were to: (a) conduct questionnaire survey, focus group discussion (FGD) and participatory rural appraisal (PRA) sessions and case studies; (b) analyse collected data and prepare project reports; (c) monitor project activities at village level; and (d) coordinate with project personnel.

### **Extra-Curriculum Activities and Memberships**

Member, Committee for Courses, Dept. of Geography and Environment, Pabna University of Science and Technology (PUST), Pabna, Bangladesh | 2022 – until now

Focal Point Person, National Integrity Strategy (NIS) Affairs, RDA, Bogura, Bangladesh | 2022 – until now

Executive Editor, Bangladesh Rural Development Studies (Journal of RDA), RDA, Bogura, Bangladesh | 2021 – until now

Member, Research Committee, RDA, Bogura, Bangladesh | 2021 – until now and 2005 – 2009

Member, Training Committee, RDA, Bogura, Bangladesh | 2021 – until now

Chairperson, Research Committee, RDA, Bogura, Bangladesh | 2021

Chairperson, Publication Committee, RDA, Bogura, Bangladesh | 2021

Focal Point Person, Annual Performance Agreement (APA) Affairs, RDA, Bogura, Bangladesh | 2020 – 2021

Focal Point Person, SDG Affairs, RDA, Bogura, Bangladesh | 2019 – until now

Focal Point Person, Bangladesh GIS Platform (BGISP), RDA, Bogura, Bangladesh | 2019 – until now

Lifetime Member, Bangladesh National Geographical Association (BNGA), Bangladesh | 2019 – until now

Editor, RDA Newsletter, RDA, Bogura, Bangladesh | 2017 – until now

General Secretary, RDA Officers' Association, Bogura, Bangladesh | 2016 – 2021

Affiliate Researcher, Disaster and Development Network (DDN), Northumbria University, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, UK | 2013 – until now

Member, Focal Point Operational Co-ordination Group (FPOCG), Comprehensive Disaster Management Programme (CDMP), Bangladesh | 2009–2010

Assistant Presiding Officer, Upazila Parishad (Sub-District Council) Election 2008, Bangladesh | 2008

Assistant Presiding Officer, National Parliament Election 2008, Bangladesh | 2008

Volunteer Ambassador, Royal Geographic Society (RGS) at Northumbria University | 2008

Member, Gender and Disaster Network (GDN) | 2007 – until now

Affiliated Member, Disaster and Development Centre (DDC), 2007–2013

External Supervisor, Discipline of Urban & Rural planning, Khulna University, Khulna, Bangladesh | 2006

Sports and Cultural Secretary, RDA Officers' Association, RDA, Bogura, Bangladesh | 2006-2007

Secretary, Faculty Council, RDA, Bogura, Bangladesh | 2005 & 2010

Member, RDA Officers' Association, RDA, Bogura, Bangladesh | 2004 – until now

Faculty Member, Faculty Council, RDA, Bogura, Bangladesh | 2004 – until now

Class Representative, Department of Geography & Environment, Jahangirnagar University | 1998-1999

#### **Research Publications**

- (19) Ahmed, R., **Mohammad, S. M.,** Coalee, U. M., & Mahmud, K. H. (2023). A GIS and remote sensing based multicriteria analysis for identifying potential agricultural land: A case study on Savar Upazila, Bangladesh. *Bangladesh Rural Development Studies*, 26(1), 13-26.
- (18) Mahmud, M. R., **Mohammad, S. M.,** & Munna, H. I. (2023). Live and livelihoods in wetland waterlogging: Study from southwest Bangladesh. *Bangladesh Rural Development Studies*, 26(1), 39-47.
- (17) Jahan, N., & **Mohammad, S. M.** (2022). *Community radio in rural development of Bangladesh: Analysing the social media content of Krishi Radio* 98.8 FM. Rural Development Academy, Bogura.
- (16) Siddiqui, M., & **Mohammad, S. M.** (2021). *River Korotoa and its surrounding lives: Past and present* (in Bangla). Rural Development Academy, Bogura.
- (15) **Mohammad, S. M.** (2017). Community response to Sidr and Aila: A comparative study on cyclone survivors in Bangladesh. *Bangladesh Rural Development Studies*, 20(1), 39-49.
- (14) Jahan, N., Rahman, M. M., Amin, M. N., **Mohammad, S. M.,** & Islam, M. R. (2017). *Feasibility study on poverty free Kurigram district* (in Bangla). Rural Development Academy, Bogura.
- (13) **Mohammad, S. M.,** & Mohammad, S. S. (2016). Changing pattern of rural livelihoods in Bangladesh: An impact study on the Hatikumrul–Bonpara Highway in Chalan Beel. *Bangladesh Rural Development Studies*, 19(1), 49-58.
- (12) **Mohammad, S. M.** (2015). Local environmental exposure and community vulnerability to climatic hazards in Bangladesh. *Bangladesh Rural Development Studies*, *18*(1), 105-117.
- (11) **Mohammad, S. M.** (2015). *Role of women in disaster preparedness and response: Cases of cyclone Sidr of 2007 and Aila of 2009.* Rural Development Academy, Bogura.
- (10) **Mohammad, S. M.** (2014). Understanding disaster impacts through a gendered lens: A study on the char-dwellers of the Jamuna river in Bangladesh. *Bangladesh Rural Development Studies*, 17(1), 63-74.

- (9) Rahman, M. M., Amin, M. N., Anowar, M. M., Mohiuddin, M., & **Mohammad, S. M.** (2014). *Impact of Vulnerable Group Development (VGD) Programme*. Rural Development Academy, Bogura.
- (8) **Mohammad, S. M.,** & Collins, A. E. (2013). Disaster risk reduction in Bangladesh as an adaptation strategy for climate change. In S. Perera, H. J. Henriksen, A. Revez, & I. Shklovski (Eds.), *Proceedings of the First ANDROID Residential Doctoral School Work Package III*, 93-101. https://www.preventionweb.net/files/35236\_36497finaproceedingsrds20131.pdf
- (7) **Mohammad, S. M.,** & Collins, A. E. (2013). People's perception on climate change and adaptation strategies: A comparative study from Bangladesh. In R. Stojanov, Z. Žalud, P. Cudlín, A. Farda, O. Urban, & M. Trnka (Eds.), *Global change and resilience: From impacts to responses Proceedings of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Global Change and Resilience Conference*, 55-60. <a href="http://www.czechglobe.cz/media/filer\_public/03/75/0375ec0d-92c4-45ac-ab60-d1bfab76ced1/conference-proceedings.pdf">http://www.czechglobe.cz/media/filer\_public/03/75/0375ec0d-92c4-45ac-ab60-d1bfab76ced1/conference-proceedings.pdf</a>
- (6) **Mohammad, S. M.,** & Collins, A. E. (2013). A socio-economic geography of disaster and development at Char Sthal Noahata, Bangladesh. In S. A. Singh, A. Phadke, V. Kurhekar, S. Roy and P. K. Savanur (Eds.), *Proceedings of UGC Sponsored Two Day International Conference on Geography of Change: Contemporary Issues in Development, Environment and Society*, 113-124. https://www.vpmthane.org/comm/Geography\_of\_Change\_Proceedings\_Jan.2013.pdf
- (5) **Mohammad, S. M.** (2012). Livelihood strategies to environmental disasters: A qualitative study on the flood victims from the Jamuna river basin in Bangladesh. *The Sylhet International University Studies*, 3(1), 61-72.
- (4) **Mohammad, S. M.,** & Mohammad, S. S. (2012). *Impact of the Hatikumrul-Bonpara Highway on rural livelihoods of the Chalan Beel*. Rural Development Academy, Bogura.
- (3) **Mohammad, S. M.** (2010). Globalisation and environmental sustainability: An overview of coastal Bangladesh. *Bangladesh Rural Development Studies*, 13(1), 43-64.
- (2) **Mohammad, S. M.** (2008). Impact of deforestation on environment: A case of the Sal forest in Dinajpur. *Bangladesh Rural Development Studies*, 12(2), 31-42.
- (1) **Mohammad, S. M.** (2008). Madhupur Eco-Park: Sustainable or vulnerable context of livelihood. In S. L. Raj, SJ & U. C. Saha (Eds.), *Ecotourism and Sustainable Development*. XIDAS Publications.

#### **Ongoing Research Activities**

- (4) Anowar, M. M., & **Mohammad, S. M.** (Reviewing stage). *Socioeconomic impact of rural-urban migration in north-western Bangladesh*. Rural Development Academy, Bogura.
- (3) **Mohammad, S. M.** and Mohammad, S. S. (Report writing stage). Woman Centred Disaster Risk Management and Climate Change Adaptation: Roles of Gender and Culture in Rural Bangladesh. Bogura, Bangladesh: RDA.
- (2) Siddiqui, M. and **Mohammad, S. M.** (Report writing stage). *Ichhamoti and Its Surrounding Socioeconomic Conditions* (in Bangla). Bogura, Bangladesh: RDA.
- (1) **Mohammad, S. M.** and Jahan, N. (Report writing stage) *Women Participation in Disaster Risk Reduction in Bangladesh*. Bogura, Bangladesh: RDA.

## **Non-Referred Contributions**

- (39) **Mohammad, S. M.**, Seminar on DigitALL: Innovation and technology for gender equality, 8 March, 2023, Rural Development Academy, Bogura, Bangladesh. (Convener)
- (38) **Mohammad, S. M.**, "External response to community resilience at climate induced disaster prone areas in Bangladesh", Departmental seminar lecture series of the Department of Geography and Environment, 10 February, 2022, Jahangirnagar University, Savar, Dhaka, Bangladesh. (Oral presentation)

- (37) **Mohammad, S. M.**, "River for human", Discussion on World River Day 2021, 26 September, 2021, Begum Rokeya University, Rangpur, Bangladesh. (Discussant)
- (36) **Mohammad, S. M.**, "Lives and livelihoods surrounding Korotoa river", *Seminar on 46 rivers in Panchgarh: Potentiality and plan*, 25 September, 2021, Bhumiz, Panchgarh, Bangladesh. (Discussant)
- (35) **Mohammad, S. M.**, *National workshop on integrated agricultural development for Haor livelihoods*, 23 June, 2021, Rural Development Academy, Bogura, Bangladesh. (Convener)
- (34) **Mohammad, S. M.**, "River Korotoa and its surrounding lifestyle", *Seminar on RDA Research Highlights*, 04-05 April, 2021, Rural Development Academy, Bogura, Bangladesh. (Oral presentation)
- (33) **Mohammad, S. M.**, "National disaster management strategies in Bangladesh", *AARDO-AHKNCRD* organised online training programme on "Disaster risk reduction and management", 14-18 December, 2020, Akhtar Hammed Khan National Centre for Rural Development (AHKNCRD), Islamabad, Pakistan. (Oral presentation)
- (32) **Mohammad, S. M.**, "Way forward on sustainable rural development in Bangladesh", *Malaysian Technical Cooperation Programme (MTCP) on sustainable rural development for SIDS and Asian countries*, 14-25 July, 2019, Institute for Rural Advancement (INFRA), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. (Oral presentation)
- (31) **Mohammad, S. M.**, "River Bhairab: Source and lost flow", BNGA *Regional Seminar on Delta Development Plan*, 04 April, 2019, Govt. M. M. College, Jashore, Bangladesh. (Discussant)
- (30) **Mohammad, S. M.**, "The historical river Korotoa: Its past, present and future", BNGA *Regional Seminar on Environment and Development Thoughts of Panchgarh*, 23 November, 2018, Nazrul Library Auditorium, Panchgarh, Bangladesh. (Discussant)
- (29) **Mohammad, S. M.**, "Disability, vulnerability and disaster: A case of flood 2017 in Bangladesh", 2<sup>nd</sup> international conference 2018 on disability and disaster risk management, 15-17 May, 2018, Bangabandhu International Conference Center (BICC), Dhaka, Bangladesh. (Oral presentation)
- (28) **Mohammad, S. M.**, "Chronological development of disaster management in Bangladesh", Departmental seminar lecture series of the Department of Geography and Environment, 18 March, 2018, Jahangirnagar University, Savar, Dhaka, Bangladesh. (Oral presentation)
- (27) **Mohammad, S. M.**, Kamruzzaman, M., Hossain, M. F., Fouzia, M. and Islam, M. S., "Financial inclusion and rural transformation in Bangladesh", *International training workshop on achieving sustainable development goals (SDGs): Financial inclusion and rural transformation*, 17-28 February, 2018, Bangladesh Academy for Rural Development (BARD), Cumilla, Bangladesh. (Oral presentation)
- (26) **Mohammad, S. M.**, "Rural marginalisation, local environmental exposure and community vulnerability to climatic hazards in Bangladesh", *International seminar on natural resource management*, 26 January, 2017, Institute of Bangladesh Studies (IBS), University of Rajshahi, Rajshahi, Bangladesh. (Oral presentation)
- (25) Hoq, W., & **Mohammad, S. M.**, "Agricultural insurance in Bangladesh: Prospects and challenges", *APO-CIRDAP-DAR organised workshop on agricultural insurance systems*, 28 November 02 December, 2016, Greenhills Elan Hotel Modern, Manila, the Philippines. (Oral presentation)
- (24) **Mohammad, S. M.**, "Potentials of RDA models for drought risk management under climate change in Barind Tract", *International seminar on climate groundwater and agricultural production: Barind area, NW Bangladesh*, 09 November, 2016, University of Rajshahi, Rajshahi, Bangladesh. (Oral presentation)
- (23) **Mohammad, S. M.**, "Disaster risk reduction in Bangladesh as adaptation to climate change", *International conference on climate change adaptation strategies in Bangladesh*, 14 May, 2016, Department of Agricultural Extension (DAE), Dhaka, Bangladesh. (Poster presentation)

- (22) **Mohammad, S. M.**, "Adaptation to climate change through disaster risk reduction in Bangladesh: Community engagement in local level intervention", *RDA Faculty Council Presentation*, 04 April, 2016, RDA, Bogra, Bangladesh. (Oral presentation)
- (21) **Mohammad, S. M.**, "Globalisation, environmental disasters and migration in the transformation of the cultural landscape of southwest Bangladesh", *Departmental seminar lecture series*, 06 February, 2015, Department of Geography, Northumbria University, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, United Kingdom. (Oral presentation)
- (20) **Mohammad, S. M.**, "Local environmental exposure and community vulnerability to climatic hazards in Bangladesh", 2014 Summer Institute for Disaster and Risk Research: Disaster and Risk in a Changing World, 28 July 08 August, 2014, Beijing Normal University, Beijing, PR China. (Oral presentation)
- (19) **Mohammad, S. M.,** & Collins, A. E., "Disaster risk reduction in Bangladesh as adaptation to climate change", *Northumbria University Research Conference* 2014, 21-22 May, 2014, Northumbria University, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, United Kingdom. (Poster presentation)
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