

Curriculum Vitae of
Hasan Shareef Ahmed

OVERVIEW

Hasan Shareef Ahmed is the Chief of Editing and Publication in the Research and Evaluation Division of BRAC. BRAC is the largest non-governmental development organization in the world (46,636 full-time staff, 65,359 part-time primary school teachers, and 7,264 health workers as on 30 September 2009 and spent US\$ 535 million in 2008) work with people whose lives are dominated by extreme poverty, illiteracy, disease and other disadvantages. With a holistic approach, BRAC strives to bring about positive changes in the quality of life of poor people. Under his leadership since 1995, the research publications of BRAC have attained international standard. He contributed in the dissemination and advocacy of BRAC development initiatives. Before joining BRAC, he served ICDDR,B (International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research, Bangladesh) for 15 years in various capacities related to science editing, scholarly publishing, dissemination, and advocacy (1980-1994). He contributed as a National Consultant to the Sectoral Technical Committee on Health and Nutrition in the formulation of the Bangladesh National Plan of Action for Children 1997-2002. He also worked as a communication consultant to UNICEF Bangladesh on different occasions during 1994-1998. As an honorary lecturer he taught 'Communication, editing, and technical writing' in a Dhaka University affiliated post-graduate diploma course in Library and Information Science, Dhaka (1989-1993). He is a recipient of American Medical Association scholarship, IRRI scholarship, and IDRC grant. He was the founder vice-president and elected general secretary (1997-2004) of the Editing and Publication Association of Bangladesh (EPAB). He has organized a number of national level conferences, workshops, seminars, and training courses. Mr Ahmed is the founder editor of *Bangladesh Journal of Communication and Publishing* launched by EPAB. He has a good number of research publications in international refereed journals and edited volumes.

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Education

Master of Commerce (Management), 1975
Bachelor of Commerce with honours in Management, 1974
Bachelor of Law, 1981; (All degrees obtained from the University of Dhaka, Dhaka, Bangladesh)

Teaching experience

Honorary Lecturer, Jul 1989-Jun 1993

Subject: **Communication, Editing and Technical Writing**, Course: Post-graduate Diploma in Library and Information Science (9 months) Organizer: Library Association of Bangladesh, Dhaka (Affiliated with the University of Dhaka, Bangladesh)

Achievements

- Sponsored Scholar Program 2009 of American Medical Association (AMA) to participate in an international conference on peer review in Vancouver, Canada, September 2009.
- Sponsored Scholar Program 1997 of American Medical Association (AMA) to participate in an international conference on peer review in Prague, Czech Republic.
- IRRI Scholarship, 1986 (Philippines) for training on editing and publication.
- IDRC Grant, 1985 (India) for training on science editing and publishing.

National Consultant to the Government of Bangladesh

National consultant to the Sectoral Technical Committee on Health and Nutrition in the formulation of Bangladesh National Plan of Action for Children 1997-2002 (Jun 1997-Feb 1998)

Consultant to UNICEF

- Consultant to Mid-Term Review (MTR) process of UNICEF Bangladesh Country Office, Jun-Nov 1998.
- Communication Consultant (Occasional), UNICEF Dhaka, February 1995-April 1998 (Major task was reviewing, editing, and abstracting of UNICEF-funded research reports).

Conference and Training Coordinator

Initiated and coordinated the First, Second, and Third Annual Conferences of the Editing and Publication Association of Bangladesh held on 10 November 1997, 12 December 1998, and 13 May 2000 respectively, Dhaka; and BRAC Regional Dissemination Workshops in Bangladesh.

Training Coordinator, Training Course on Journal Editing and Management, 14-17 December 1998, organized by the Editing and Publication Association of Bangladesh, Dhaka.

Professional training

- **Gender and Sustainable Development**, organized by BRAC, Dhaka, 19-22 July 1999.
- One-week attachment with the **British Medical Journal (BMJ)**, London, UK, 4-8 Nov 1991.
- **5-week training on science editing at the Appropriate Health Resources and Technologies Action Group (AHRTAG)** (publisher of Dialogue on Diarrhoea), London, UK, 30 Sep-1 Nov 1991.
- **Editing and Publication Training Course** organized by the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI), Los Baños, Philippines, 17 Feb-22 May 1986.
- **Production of Scientific Publications, Editorial Techniques, and Sales Promotion**, organized by the Publications and Information Directorate, Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), Govt. of India, New Delhi, India, 3 Mar-16 Apr 1985.

Job experience

Present

Chief, Editing and Publication

Research and Evaluation Division (RED), BRAC, 12 January 1995-present

Editor, *Nirjash*

(A Bangla compendium of selected BRAC research reports), April 1995-present

Editor, BRAC Research (The annual report of Research and Evaluation Division (RED), BRAC), 1995-present

Editor, *RED Update*, quarterly newsletter of BARC/RED, Mar 2002-present.

Founder Editor, Bangladesh Journal of Communication and Publishing (BJCP), a half-yearly peer-reviewed journal published by EPAB (now suffering a backlog in publication)

Honorary Managing Director and Company Secretary, Book Promotion Limited, Dhaka (a family business)

Previous

Consultant Rapporteur

Cordaid Partners' Meeting held on 02 November 2009 in Dhaka, Bangladesh. Organized by Cordaid, The Netherlands.

Civil Society Workshop on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights: Lessons Learned and Way Forward held on 13-15 October 2009 in Dhaka. Organized by Family Planning Association of Bangladesh on behalf of the Dutch SRHR Alliance.

Workshop on the CORDAID partners' orientation on community managed disaster risk reduction. Organized by Cordaid, The Netherlands, 20-24 January 2008.

Workshop on HIV/AIDS Mainstreaming in NGOs in Bangladesh. Organized by the HIV/AIDS and STD Alliance Bangladesh (HASAB), Supported by Oxfam Novib, 22-24 May 2007.

Job experience (Contd.)

Previous

International exchange meeting on unreachable marginalized groups and national conference on mainstreaming the extreme poor: a challenge for the new millennium. Organized by NADEP, Bangladesh and Cordaid, The Netherlands, 20-22 March 2005.

Associate Editor, *Glimpse* (bi-monthly newsletter of ICDDR,B) for 10 years, Jun 1986-Dec 1995

Managing Editor of *ICDDR,B News* for 5 years (1990-1994).

Senior Publication Officer, ICDDR,B, Dhaka, for 5 months (10 Feb-24 Jul 1994).

Publication Officer, ICDDR,B, Dhaka, for 15 years (7 Jan 1980-10 Jan 1995).

Circulation Manager of *Shasthya Sanglap* (the quarterly Bangla newsletter of ICDDR,B) for 3 years (1992-1994).

Acting Managing Editor of the *Journal of Diarrhoeal Diseases Research* (JDDR) now JHPN, for 12 years from inception (Sep 1983-Jun 1994).

Executive Director, Book Promotion Ltd.

(A printing and publishing company), Dhaka, for 3 months (Aug-Oct 1979).

Managing Editor, *The Daily Millat* (An English daily), Dhaka for 9 months (Nov 1978-Jul 1979).

Research Investigator in the project on "Small manufacturing enterprises development", Bureau of Business Research, Faculty of Commerce, University of Dhaka, Dhaka, Bangladesh, for 4 months (22 May-30 Sep 1978).

Company Secretary, Book Promotion Ltd., Dhaka, for 2 years (Jul 1975-Jun 1977)

Publications

Original papers

1. **Ahmed HS**, Hadi A, Choudhury N. Authorship conflict in selected research institutions in Bangladesh: an exploratory study in Bangladesh. *Learned Publ* 2010 (In press).
2. **Ahmed HS**. My golden memoirs at ICDDR,B. ICDDR,B alumni reunion 25 February 2010. Dhaka: ICDDR,B Alumni Association, 2010:36-8.
3. Pasha A and **Ahmed HS**. Editorial (In Bangla). *In: Ahmed HS (Editor). Nirjash* 2009 Dec;19:1-6.
4. **Ahmed HS**. Editor-author conflict from the editor's perspective. *European Sci Editing* 2007;33(2):47-9. (http://www.ease.org.uk/pdfese/ESE_may07.pdf)
5. **Ahmed HS** and Pasha A. Impact of regional problems of public importance on BRAC programmes: opinion of BRAC field staff (In Bangla). *In: Ahmed HS (Editor). Nirjash* 2006 Dec;16:29-47.
6. Pasha A and **Ahmed HS**. From Shalla to Africa: advancement of BRAC (Editorial) (In Bangla). *In: Ahmed HS (Editor). Nirjash* 2006 Dec;16:1-6.
7. **Ahmed HS**. An international exchange meeting and a national seminar were held to find out strategies to include extreme poor people in the mainstream development (In Bangla). *Nirjash* 2005 Sep;15:15-21.
8. Pasha A and **Ahmed HS**. International year of microcredit 2005 and millennium development goals (Editorial) (In Bangla). *In: Ahmed HS (Editor). Nirjash*. Dhaka: BRAC, 2005 Sep;15:1-8.
9. **Ahmed HS**. Does peer review process exist in developing-country journals?: the Bangladesh experience. *J Scholarly Publ* 2003;34(4):236-46.
10. **Ahmed HS**. How to make developing country journals more attractive to western readers/subscribers (Editorial). *Bangladesh J Commun Publ* 2002 Dec;1(2):77-80.

Publications (contd.)

11. **Ahmed HS**. Launching a new journal in Bangladesh: is it necessary? (Editorial). *Bangladesh J Commun Publ* 2002 Jun;1(1):1-3.
12. **Ahmed HS**, Ullah AKMA, Chowdhury AMR. Taking research to non-researchers: the case of a research compendium of BRAC. *Bangladesh J Commun Publ* 2002 Jun;1(1):4-17.
13. **Ahmed HS**. Getting the most out of words: the tasks of an editor and the techniques of editing. *In: Qader MT (Editor). Public relations and publication. Dhaka: Bangladesh Institute of Communication Studies and Public Relations. 2002 (Apr):419-38.*
14. **Ahmed HS**, Chowdhury AMR, Khan MSI, and Ullah AKMA. Sustainability of scientific journals in the developing world with special reference to Bangladesh. *J Applied Communications* 1999 Dec;83(4):23-42.
15. **Ahmed HS**. Current status of scientific journals published in Bangladesh. *J Scholarly Publ* 1998 Oct;30(1):38-46.
16. **Ahmed HS**. Printing technology: history and development. *Tathyamela* 1992 Oct-Dec;1(1): 22-4.
17. **Ahmed HS**, Molla AM. Rice-based oral rehydration. *J Diarrhoeal Dis Res* 1987;5(1):1-6.

BRAC internal research reports (Unpublished)

18. **Ahmed HS** and Hossain KB. Three decades of BRAC: a progressive transformation [In Bangla]. Dhaka: BRAC, 2003. 13p.
19. **Ahmed HS**, Ullah AKMA, Chowdhury AMR. Taking research to non-researchers: the case of a research compendium of BRAC. Dhaka: BRAC, 1999. 18p.
20. **Ahmed HS**. Peer Review in Bangladesh: An Analysis from Journal Perspective. Dhaka: BRAC, 1999. 11p.

Edited books, reports, and proceedings

21. **Ahmed HS** [Editor]. Proceedings of the partners' meeting of OxfamNovib for preparing Bangladesh country strategy 2011-2015. Worked as a Consultant Rapporteur and prepared for OxfamNovib, The Netherlands, January 2010. 24p.
22. **Ahmed HS** [Editor]. Proceedings of the Cordaid partners' meeting, 02 November 2009. Worked as a Consultant Rapporteur and prepared for Cordaid, The Netherlands, November 2009. 27p.
23. **Ahmed HS** [Editor]. Proceedings of the CORDAID partners' orientation on community managed disaster risk reduction. Worked as a Rapporteur and prepared for CORDAID, The Netherlands, 2008. 64p.
24. **Ahmed HS** [Editor]. Proceedings of the Workshop on HIV/AIDS Mainstreaming in NGOs in Bangladesh. Worked as a Rapporteur and prepared for HIV/AIDS and STD Alliance Bangladesh (HASAB), Supported by Oxfam Novib, 2007. 29p.
25. **Ahmed HS** [Editor]. Proceedings of the international exchange meeting on unreachable marginalized groups and national conference on mainstreaming the extreme poor: a challenge for the new millennium. Worked as a consultant and prepared for CORDAID, The Netherlands, 2005. 49p.
26. **Ahmed HS** [Editor]. Towards a profile of the ultra poor in Bangladesh: findings from CFPR/TUP baseline survey. Dhaka and Ottawa: BRAC and Aga Khan Foundation Canada, 2004. 200p.
27. **Ahmed HS** and Siddiqui HM [Editors]. BRAC University annual report 2002. Dhaka: BRAC University. October 2003. 37p.
28. Ahmed SM and **Ahmed HS** [Editors]. Experiences of deluge: flood 1998. Nov 1999. 92p. (BRAC Research Monograph Series No. 15)

Publications (contd.)

29. **Ahmed HS**, Mahbub A and Husain S. Proceedings of the joint RED-RDP meeting on sharing of Research Results. 20 Oct 1996. Dhaka: BRAC.1996. 12p.
30. Khan MSI, Matin MA, Islam I, Ali MM, **Ahmed HS**, Chowdhury MA (compilers). Directory of Asian diarrhoeal disease scientists and practitioners. Dhaka: International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research, Bangladesh, 1985. 167p.

Newspaper and Newsletter articles

31. **Ahmed HS**. People's sufferings due to politics: some expectations and some suggestions (In Bangla). *Jai Jai Din* (Supplement on Politics and Society) 10 Oct 2006:13-5.
32. **Ahmed HS**. Alternative stream and the reaction of the government party (a reader's view). *Prothom Alo* 30 Mar 2004.
33. **Ahmed HS**. Linking research with action: a new vista through regional workshops. *Access* 1999 Jul;31:9-10.
34. **Ahmed HS**. A simple solution: teaching millions to treat diarrhoea at home [a book review]. *Access* 1996 Oct:4.
35. **Ahmed HS**. A precondition for industrial development. *The Bangladesh Observer* 09 Aug 1977.

Editor of series publications

36. BRAC Research (annual report of BRAC Research and Evaluation Division) since 1995.
37. *Nirjash* (A Bangla compendium of selected BRAC research reports), since April 1995.
38. Bangladesh Journal of Communication and Publishing. Vol. 1 (2002), Nos. 1-2, Vol. 2 (2003), No. 1.
39. RED Update, quarterly newsletter of BARC/RED, since Mar 2002.

Conferences, Seminars and Workshops attended

Attended a number of national and international conferences, seminars, and workshops both at home and abroad, and presented research papers.

Contribution as resource person/faculty

Presented a number of seminars and lectures as a resource person on medical/scientific writing, editing and scholarly publishing, and research and publication ethics.

Professional membership

- Member, Bangla Academy (The national academy for improvement of Bangla language)
- Founder vice-president (1987-1996) and life member, Editing and Publication Association of Bangladesh (EPAB)
- Member of the Executive Committee, Pally Bikash Kendra, Dhaka, 2007 - (a local NGO)
- Member of the General Body, Pally Bikash Kendra, Dhaka, 1999-2007 (a local NGO)
- General Secretary, Editing and Publication Association of Bangladesh, 1997-2004
- Life member, Bangladesh Population Association, 1984
- Life member, National Management Association, Bangladesh, 1988
- Member of the Programmes Committee, The Management Professionals Association, Madras, India, 1985-1990

Travel abroad

Canada, China, Czech Republic, Ethiopia, Hong Kong, India, Kenya, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, United Kingdom, and USA.