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2016-present

#### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

Brac Institute of Governance and Institution, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Research Fellow April 2020-present

#### **EDUCATION**

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA

Ph.D. student, Department of Applied Economics

Research Fields: Applied Microeconomics, Development Economics,

and Labor Economics

Master of Public Policy, Humphrey School of Public Affairs 2016

University of Dhaka, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Master of Social Science, Department of Development Studies 2013

Bachelor of Social Science, Department of Development Studies 2012

#### RESEARCH OUTPUTS

#### **Working Papers**

- [1] "Remitting Religiosity: Evidence of International Migrants Changing Norms in Their Home Country" July 2020. (*Revise and Resubmit, Journal of Population Economics*)
- [2] "Can Soil Test Results Influence Farmers to Use Fertilizer Efficiently? Experimental Evidence from Bangladesh" with Sabrin Beg & Mahnaz Islam. June 2020
- [3] "How do Small Formal and Informal Firms in Egypt Compare? An Analysis of Firm Characteristics and Implications for Formalization Efforts" with Caroline Krafft, Ragui Assaad, & Maakwe Cumanzala. May 2020.
- [4] "Introducing the Egypt Labor Market Panel Survey 2018" with Caroline Krafft & Ragui Assaad. October 2019. Working Paper No. 1360. The Economic Research Forum, Cairo, Egypt.

#### Work in Progress

- [1] "Targeted Teaching to Improve Learning in Secondary School" with Sabrin Beg, Anne Fitzpatrick, Jason Kerwin, & Adrienne Lucas
- [2] "Using Quality and Branding Information to Improve Revenue of Grape Producers in China" with Kenn Chua, Qingxiao Li, & Xiaoli Yang
- [3] "Technology Based Schooling" with Paul Glewwe, Zhigang Li, Prashant Loyalka, & Uttam Sharma
- [4] "The Welfare Consequences of Employer Responses to COVID-19" with Laura Boudreau & Rachel Heath

#### Non-economic Publications

[1] N. A. Khan, S. Tehjib, **K. W. Rahman** (2017). State Forestry and Community Alienation in the Chittagong Hill Tracts. In *Life in Peace and Conflict: Indigeneity and State in the Chittagong Hill Tracts*. New Delhi: Orient BlackSwan.

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA

Graduate Research Assistant for Professor Ragui Assaad	Summer
I perform analysis on the labor market and demography of Egypt using labor	2018-Spring 2020
force surveys, labor market panel surveys, and population and establishment	
censuses.	

Graduate Research Assistant for Professor Janna Johnson I worked on census undercount using the US population census and the American Community Survey (ACS). Fall 2015-Spring 2016

### Swisscontact, South Asia Regional Office, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Research Associate

I worked on an exploratory research, funded by the UKAID, to identify

2017-August
2017

the scopes, opportunities, and threats to commercializing agriculture of Bangladesh. I designed and conducted the surveys, analyzed the data, and co-authored the final report.

# International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), Dhaka, Bangladesh

Intern for Policy Research and Strategic Support Program (PRSSP)

I performed the primary analysis of the second wave of Bangladesh Integrated
Household Survey (BIHS).

May 2015–August
2015

# **International Finance Corporation (IFC)**, World Bank Group, Dhaka, Bangladesh

# Short Term Temporary I did a cost-benefit analysis of bio-gas plants in poultry and dairy firms funded by IFC. September 2013–June 2014

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA

Instructor

PA 5521 Development Planning & Policy Analysis Spring 2018

**Teaching Assistant** 

APEC 5031 Methods of Economic Data Analysis Fall 2018

(*Instructor*: Steve Miller)

APEC 3001 Applied Microeconomics: Consumers, Producers, and Mar-

kets (Instructor: Jason Kerwin)

PA 5521 Development Planning & Policy Analysis (Instructor: Ragui As-

saad)

PA 5021 Economics for Policy Analysis and Planning I (*Instructor*: Audrey Fall 2015

Dorelien)

#### **CERTIFICATES & WORKSHOPS**

2019 Preparing Future Faculty (PFF) Program, University of Minnesota; Becker Friedman Summer School in Price Theory, University of Chicago

#### **SEMINAR & CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

- 2020 Canadian Economics Association Conference (Canceled due to COVID-19); Western Economics Association International Conference (In-person conference canceled due to COVID-19)
- 2019 Midwest International Development Economics Conference; IUSSP Research Conference on Population, Poverty and Inequality; Applied Economics Students' Seminar Series
- 2018 Trade and Development Seminar, Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota; Midwest International Development Economics Conference

#### **AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS**

Center for International Food and Agriculture Policy FellowshipSpring 2020, SpringDepartment of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota2019Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.

G. Edward Schuh Fellowship Fall 2019

Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.

Applied Economics Graduate Program Fellowship 2016-2017

Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.

# **AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS (cont.)**

Freeman Stassen Award for International Activities Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.	2016
Hubert H. Humphrey-UK Commonwealth Dean's Scholarship Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.	2014-2016
Bangladesh Bank Governor's Scholarship Department of Development Studies, University of Dhaka Dhaka, Bangladesh.	2010, 2011
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#### **GRANTS**

CIFAP Travel Grant (\$900)	2019
Applied Economics Travel Grant (\$800)	2019
J-PAL Post-Primary Education Initiative (\$50,000)	2018

#### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Referee for American Journal of Agricultural Economics

# **PROFESSIONAL** Membership

American Economic Association; Agricultural & Applied Economics Association

# **SOFTWARE SKILLS**

STATA (advanced), R (intermediate), LATEX (advanced)

# **LANGUAGES**

Bangla (native); English (fluent)

#### **CITIZENSHIP**

Bangladesh