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WORK EXPERIENCE

Bangladesh Institute of Social Research Trust

January 2025- Present

Research Fellow, Economic Division

Dhaka, Bangladesh

- Led completion of a research project on climate-induced migration for BRAC, overseeing survey design, field supervision, data analysis, and report writing.
- Mentored a team of 3 interns and 2 fellow junior researchers in developing research proposals and implementing studies.
- Secured competitive consultancies from UNDP Bangladesh, including \$120,000 for an e-Parliament Feasibility Study and \$19,850 for a gender analysis of the waste value chain in Chattogram, Cox's Bazar, and Tangail, through competitive proposal development.

Work on Climate

July 2024 – January 2025

Quantitative Researcher, Impact Research Team

Remote

- Assisted the team lead in designing the survey tool to meet quarterly survey targets.
- Supported survey implementation by developing sampling strategies, administering surveys, and coordinating distribution to 3,000 recipients via email and 31,000 via Slack.
- Performed quantitative analysis of survey data, including data cleaning and summarization in Google Sheets, to address key research questions.

Bangladesh Institute of Social Research Trust

June 2023- December 2024

Research Associate, Economic Division

Dhaka, Bangladesh

- Executed four research projects, including studies on community-based child protection mechanism for TdH Netherlands and 4IR readiness of Polytechnic Institutes for the Social Science Research Council, contributing to methodology development, data collection, analysis, and reporting.
- Coordinated the End-line Evaluation of BRAC's GRESP in the Chittagong Hill Tracts, facilitating an eight-day training for 42 enumerators, managing logistics across all Upazilas of Bandarban, and monitoring real-time data collection to assess program outcomes.
- Secured a \$20,000 research grant from Bangladesh Police through a successful grant proposal.

Change Initiative

May 2022- June 2023

Research Assistant

Dhaka, Bangladesh

- Completed five research and consultancy projects, including assessments for Water Integrity Network and European Climate Foundation, assisting PI in data cleaning & analysis, policy analysis, and report writing.
- Drafted survey tools and developed ODK forms for data collection, enhancing efficiency and accuracy across all projects.
- Organized the Dhaka Renewable Energy and Finance Talk (DREFT), facilitating international discourse on renewable energy financing, with participation from over 300 stakeholders.
- Secured a \$15,000 consultancy project from OXFAM Bangladesh through a competitive proposal, leading to a comprehensive study on climate risk insurance.

Department of Economics, Comilla University

June 2020- April 2022

Graduate Research Assistant

Cumilla

Supervising Professor: Dr. Kazi Mohammed Kamal Uddin

- Contributed to a research project focusing on economic growth and external financial means of implementation, assisting PI in literature review, methodology development, data analysis, and report writing.
- Published three research articles in peer-reviewed journals, expanding academic contributions and visibility.
- Developed course materials and instructed STATA and R training sessions over two semesters, enhancing students' analytical skills.
- Mentored two graduate students in econometrics, data analysis, and academic writing, supporting their thesis development and successful defense.

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS

Masters of Social Science in Economics

2020

Comilla University (Thesis based) | CGPA: 3.54/4

Cumilla, Bangladesh

Bachelor of Social Science in Economics

2019

Comilla University | CGPA: 3.66/4

Cumilla, Bangladesh

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS (MOST RECENT)

[2025] Nexus between Infrastructural Development and Economic Growth: Evidence from Bangladesh through ARDL and NARDL. *Journal of Tropical Futures*. 2 (1), 37-53.

[2024] Exploring the Dynamics of Economic Instability: An Analysis of the Interplay between Consumer Spending, Consumer Confidence, and Macroeconomic Factors. *International Journal of Empirical Economics*. 3 (1), 1-25.

To access the full list of publications please visit: [Google Scholar Profile](#)

SOFTWARE SKILLS

E-views, SPSS, STATA, R (Basic), Kobo Toolbox, Survey CTO, ODK (XLS), ArcGIS (Basic) and Github