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SUMMARY STATEMENT

A highly motivated academic, educationist, administrator, writer, columnist, fictionist, translator, Bangabandhu specialist, literary critic and media personality. Served with King Khalid University, KSA as a visiting professor and the Head of the Department of English from 2008 to 2013. Had been the Chair, Department of English, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh from 2004 to 2007; Student Advisor from 1996 to 1997; and the Director of Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) from 2014 to 2016. Had been the Part-time Member of the University Grants Commission (UGC) and also Member of UGC Finance Committee and now working as a member of the UGC Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Fellowship 2021 Selection Committee.

As far as analytical and creative bent is concerned, he has nine books and about a hundred articles/essays to his credit. *Postmodern Literary and Critical Theories (*Dhaka-2002), Indo-*English Literature and Others (*Dhaka-1996), The *Wounded Land, (*Dhaka-2011) and *Nineteen seventy-one and other stories*, (Dhaka-2012) deserve special mention. Edited *English Writings of Tagore* 3 Vols. (Dhaka, 2012-2013) published in commemoration of the 150th birth anniversary of the poet. The short story collection *Nineteen Seventy-One and Other Stories* was translated into Hindi and French. His short story 'Nineteen seventy-one' was published in the Journal of Postcolonial Cultures and Societies (JPCS) at Wright State University, Dayton, Ohio, USA. The

Publication Excellence Award 2018 winning internationally referred journal CLRI (Contemporary Literary Review: India) published his stories – 'Lottery', 'Locked-in Syndrome' and 'Jihad'. His story 'The virgin whore' was published in the New York and India based magazine Cafe Dissensus. Another short story 'The Disclosure' was published in the Singapore-based literary magazine KITAAB. His seminal article "A brief history of Bangladeshi writing in English" was published in the international art and literary magazine-- The Missing Slate in October 2015. A number of columns were published in the Brunei Times and the African Herald Express and many other newspapers, journals and magazines home and abroad. Academic interests include Modern and Postmodern Fiction, Colonial and Postcolonial Literatures, South-Asian Writing in English, Bangladeshi Writing in English, Literary and Critical Theories, Creative Writing and Quality Assurance Mechanism at Higher Education Institutions. Had been the General Secretary of Islamic University Teachers' Association from 2014 to 2015 and Secretary General of the Federation of Bangladesh University Teachers' Association from 2014 to 2015.

CURRENT POSITION

Professor of English, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh.

CAREER OBJECTIVE

To apply knowledge, experience and leadership skill to creating and maintaining academic excellence and quality culture at the higher education institutions (HEIs) and to ensure innovation, transparency and professionalism in education, research and administration.

EDUCATION

- Doctor of Philosophy (English), 2005, University of Pune, India.
- Master of Arts (English), 1986, University of Dhaka. Bangladesh (2nd Class, 4th Position, one of 05 toppers)
- Bachelor of Arts (Honors) (English), 1985, University of Dhaka. Bangladesh (2nd Class 18th position)
- Higher Secondary School Certificate, 1982, Rajshashi Board, Bangladesh (1st Division, 5th Position out of 20 toppers from Humanities Group in the Board)
- Secondary School Certificate, 1980, Rajshashi Board, Bangladesh (1st Division with letter grade in two papers)

PROFESSIONAL, ADMINISTRATIVE AND OTHER EXPERIENCES

1. Former Vice-Chancellor, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh, 21 August 2016 to 20 August 2020.

2. Former Dean, Faculty of Arts, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh, April 30, 2021 to April 29, 2023.
3. Professor: 13 June 2013 to 20 August 2016, Department of English, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh.
4. Professor: 6th October, 2008 to 12th June 2013, Department of English, Bisha Faculty of Science and Arts, King Khalid University, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
5. Professor: 1st September 2005 to 5th October 2008, Department of English, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh.
6. Associate Professor: 5th August 2000 to 31st August 2005, Department of English, Islamic University, Kushtia , Bangladesh .
7. Assistant Professor: 31st July 1993 to 4thAugust 2000, Department of English, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh.
8. Lecturer: 31st July 1990 to 30th July1993, Department of English, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh.
9. Chairman, Department of English, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh: 22nd July 1991 to 31st September1991; 1st October 1996 to 10th November 1996; 21st April 2004 to 1stJanuary 2007.
10. Chairman, Department of English, Bisha Faculty of Science and Arts, King Khalid University, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia: 2009--2010.
11. Student Advisor: 5th November 1996 to 5th November 1997, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh.
12. Platoon Under Officer (PUO) of Islamic University BNCC (Bangladesh National Cadet Corps): 10/04/1995—02/10/2008.
13. Director, Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Islamic University: 13 October 2014 to 21 August 2016.
14. Involved in different capacities with Bangladesh Public Service Commission.
15. Expert Member of the Selection Boards for the selection of Professors, Associate Professors, Assistant Professors and Lectures in the Department of English at Jessore University of Science and Technology.
16. Expert member of the Selection Board of Professors and associate professors of the Department of English at Patuakhali University of Science and Technology.
17. Expert member of the Selection Board of the Department of English at Pabna University of Science and Technology.
18. Expert member of English department lecturer selection board at Noakhali Science and Technology University.
19. Expert member of the upgradation committee of the Department of English at Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Science and Technology University, Gopalganj.
20. Expert member of the selection board for the selection of assistant professors and lecturers in English Discipline at Khulna University.
21. Chancellor nominated Expert Member of the Selection Boards for the selection of Professors and Associate Professors in English Discipline at Khulna University from September 7, 2022 for 3 years.
22. Expert member of English department lecturer selection board at Begum Rokeya University, Rangpur.

23. Expert member of English department teachers selection board at Pundra University of Science and Technology, Bogra from 1/12/2022 to 30/11.2024.

24. Quality Assurance (QA) Expert, Reviewer of Project Proposal and External Peer Reviewer of Self-Assessment Report (SAR).

25. Member, Board of Governors, Islamic Foundation Bangladesh, 21 August 2016 to 20 August 2020.
26. Government-nominated member of the Syndicate, Jatiya Kabi Kazi Nazrul Islam University, Trishal, Mymensingh—from 02 March 2017 to 01 March 2018.

27. Former Member of Trustee Board, Bangladesh Research and Education Network (BdREN).
28. Government-nominated member of the Syndicate, Rabindra Maitree University, Kushtia—from 13 November 2018 to 20 August 2020.
29. Part-time member of the University Grants Commission (UGC) from 5 October 2019 to 20 August 2020.
30. Member of the Finance Committee of University Grants Commission until 20 August 2020.
31. Member of the University Grants Commission Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Fellowship 2021 Selection Committee.
32. Member of the University Grants Commission Post-Doctoral Fellowship Rules Upgradation Committee

33. Member of the International Publication and Translation Sub-Committee under Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Birth Centenary Celebration National Implementation Committee.
34. Member of the Executive Committee of School of Studies under the Arts and Humanities School at Khulna University for two years from 15 November 2020.

35. Quality Assurance Expert Member of External Peer Review Teams and attended the 3-day External Peer Review Programmes in many departments at different universities of Bangladesh throughout the year 2016.

36. Resource person for the Online Teachers Training Program of English organized by Bangladesh National University.

37. National University nominated expert member of the principal and vice principal recruitment boards at many affiliated colleges.

TRAINING

1. Completed an e-Learning QM (Quality Management) Course at King Khalid University, KSA in 2013.

2. Attended a Training Programme on Using e-Learning Management System at King Khalid University, KSA in 2013.

3. Attended a Professional Development Training Programme on "Quality Assurance in Higher Education" during 23rd March 2015 –1st April 2015 at AIT (Asian Institute of Technology), Thailand.

4. Attended a Peer Reviewers 'Training Workshop at University Grants Commission Dhaka on 30-31 August 2015.

5. Attended Web-based Project Monitoring Information Management System (PMIS) Training at Rajshahi University on 24 November 2015.

WORKSHOP/SEMINAR/CONFERENCE

1. Attended a National Workshop on HEQEP Achievements 2015 on 12 November 2015 in Bangabandhu International Conference Centre (BICC) Dhaka.

2. Attended a Project Proposal Review Workshop on 08 December 2015 at University Grant Commission Dhaka.

3. Attended a two-day long (15/4/2016-16/4/2016) International Seminar on Folklore organized by Rajshahi University Folklore Department as the chief discussant in a paper reading session.

4. Attended the 1st South and Southeast Asian Rectors Forum held in Yunnan University, Kunming, China from 23/11/2017 to 27/11/ 2017.

5. Attended the two-day International Literary Conference on the theme 'South Asian Literature Now' organized by Bangla Academy on 22-23 January 2018 and participated in the panel discussion on the translation of South Asian Literature.

6. Attended a day-long symposium on 'Teaching of English Pronunciation in Bangladesh: Issues and Practices' held on 14 January 2017 organized by the Department of English, Daffodil International University, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

7. Organized the First Dhaka Translation Fest (DTF) 2018 held at Bangla Academy, Dhaka on 26 October, 2018, moderated several sessions, presented papers and participated in panel discussions.

8. Organized the 2nd Dhaka Translation Fest (DTF) 2019 held at Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy, Dhaka on Friday 25 October, 2019, moderated several sessions, presented papers and participated in panel discussions.

9. Attended the Dhaka Lit Fest (DLF) 2019 held on 7-9 November 2019 and moderated a session titled “Bangabandhu in his own words”.

10. Attended the 46th Conference of Asia Pacific Advanced Network (APAN) held in Auckland, New Zealand from 5th to 9th August 2018.

11. Attended the 8th Convocation of University Islam Sultan Sharif Ali (UNISSA), Brunei Darussalam as a special guest held on 17 September 2018.

12. Attended the 2nd South and Southeast Asian Rectors Forum held in Yunnan University, Kunming China from 9 to 11 December 2018.

13. Attended the International Conference on Dialogue of Asian Civilizations (CDAC) held in Beijing, China from 15 May 2019 to 15 May 2019.

14. Attended legal clinical programmes of Blum Legal Clinic under Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, Northwestern University, Chicago, USA held from December 2, 2019 to December 7, 2019.

15. Attended the daylong “Training Workshop on External Quality Assessment Process” held on 3 March 2020 organized by Bangladesh Accreditation Council (BAC).

16. Attended the International Webinar on ―Fighting against COVID-19 in the Campus‖ held on 20 May 2020 organized by South and Southeast Asian University Network (S &SE ASIAN UN), Yunnan University, China and presented the keynote paper titled “Online Teaching during COVID-19 Outbreak.”

17. Attended an online International Faculty Development Programme (IFDP)-jointly organized by Dr. D. Y. Patil Institute of Management and Entrepreneur Development, Pune and Gramonnati Mandal’s Arts, Commerce and Science College, Pune, India on 31 May 2020 and presented the keynote paper titled “Innovative Teaching Pedagogy and Igniting Students ‘Interest through Virtual Mode for Higher Education Institutions."

18. Attended an international webinar organized by the Faculty of Entrepreneurship and Business, University Kelantan Malaysia (UKM) held on 19 August 2020, and presented the keynote speech on “The new norms in higher education amid pandemic Covid-19”.

19. Attended a 3-day International Virtual Conference on Gender Studies (16-18 September 2020) organized by Cape Comorin Trust and Lavender Literary Club India and presented a paper on ‘Psychological abuse against women and judicial relief’.

20. Attended the 5th Yunnan Virtual Conference on International Exchange of Professionals organized by S&SE ASIAN UN held on 20 November 2020.

COUNTRIES VISITED

USA, China, New Zealand, Turkey, Saudi Arabia, Thailand, Malaysia, Brunei, India

PUBLICATIONS

a) <u>Books: Analytical and creative writings</u>

1. *The Dying Homeland*, a collection of essays in Bengali, Dhaka-1996.

2. *Indo-English Literature and Others,* a collection of literary and critical essays in Bengali, Dhaka-1996.

3. *Today's Folktale*, a collection of short stories in Bengali, Dhaka-1997.

4. *Deconstructing Thoughts*, a collection of critical essays in Bengali, Dhaka-2001.

5. *Postmodern Literary and Critical Theory*, a book on literary and critical essays in Bengali, Dhaka-2002.

6. *The Wounded Land,* a collection of socio-political and cultural essays in English, Dhaka-2011.

7. *Nineteen seventy-one and other stories*, a collection of short stories in English, Dhaka-2012.

8. *Bangladesh: Contemporary Society-Politics, a* collection of columns. Dhaka: Agamee Prakashan, 2019

9. *The Making of Mujib:* An intellectual biography of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman published by Bangla Academy in 2022.

10. *Adhunikottor Sahitya-Paath* (Postmodern Literary Reading), Ekushey Book Fair 2026

11. Edited books: *English Writings of Tagore* (3 Volumes) Pathak Shamabesh-Dhaka (2012-2013).

b) <u>Articles: Research</u>

1. "Postcolonial Writing & Nirad C. Chaudhuri: An Introduction'', Critique, vol.1, 2003, Department of English Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh.

2. *"Theme of Exile in the Old English Poems: The Wanderer* and *The Seafarer*", Islamic University Studies, vol.7 No 2. Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh.

3. "Rethinking Nirad C. Chaudhuri", Critique, vol.2, 2004, Department of English, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh.

4. "Beowulf: The Making of an Epic'', Islamic University Studies, vol.8 No1.Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh.

5. "William Golding 's Pincher Martin and Manik Bandopadhya's Bhiku: Two Existentialist Heros'', Islamic University Studies, vol.10 No1.Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh.

6. "Influence of Twentieth Century English Poetry on Modern Arabic Poetry: Especially on its Form and Style'', Islamic University Studies, vol.8 No1.Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences ,Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh.

7. "Nirad C. Chaudhuri 's Contribution to Indo-English Prose with Reference to The Autobiography of an Unknown Indian". Islamic University Studies, vol.5 No1.Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh.

8. "Terry Eagleton and Marxist Criticism". Islamic University Studies, vol.5 No2. Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh.

9. "Islamic University, Bangladesh: Its Past, Present and Future". Islamic University Studies, vol.6 No1. Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences, Islamic University, Kushtia.

10. "Feminist Criticism: A Contemporary Approach to Critical Inquiry". Islamic University Studies, vol.6 No2. Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh.

11. "Chaucer and Modernism: A Critical Analysis''Islamic University Studies, vol.7 No1.Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh.

12. "New Criticism: Emergence and Development'', Islamic University Studies, vol.10 No.2.Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh

13. " Commercialization of Bengali Literature: A Critique", Islamic University Studies, vol.11 No.1.Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh.

14. "The Problems of English Language Acquisition an Learning among Students in Bangladesh: A Study of the Sociopolitical and Sociolinguistic Realities‖, Islamic University Studies, vol.11 No.2.Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh.

15. “Psychological Abuse against Women and Judicial Relief in the Context of the Subcontinent”, Bangladesh Institute of Legal Development (BiLD) Law Journal, ISSN 2518-6523, October 2020.
16. “Bangabandhu and Postcolonial Nationalism”. Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Birth Centenary Volume. Edited by Sheikh Hasina, published by National Implementation Committee. 2021.

c) Select Column

1. “Trends of hybridization in Bangla”. The Daily Star. February 21, 2011. (https://archive.thedailystar.net/suppliments/2011/feb_21/page3.html)
2. “Bangla a UN language”. The Daily Star. February 21, 2012. (https://www.thedailystar.net/suppliments/2012/21st%20February%202012/page7.htm)
3. “Tipaimukh dam and Indian hydropolitics”. FORUM, Volume 6 Issue 01| January 2012 (https://archive.thedailystar.net/forum/2012/January/tipaimukh.htm)
4. “Securing contribution of non-resident Bangladeshis”. 20th Anniversary Suppliments Archive. The Daily Star. (http://archive.thedailystar.net/suppliments/2011/anniversary/part5/pg7.htm)
5. “The Palestinian journey towards statehood”. The Daily Star. October 16, 2011. (https://www.thedailystar.net/news-detail-206664)
6. “The birth of Dhaka Translation Fest (DTF)”. Dhaka Courier. November 09, 2018. (http://dhakacourier.com.bd/news/Society/The-birth-of-Dhaka-Translation-Fest-(DTF)/738)
7. “Dhaka Translation Fest Declaration, 2019.” The Daily Star. November 23, 2019. (https://www.thedailystar.net/literature/news/dhaka-translation-fest-declaration-2019-1830787)
8. “Establishing International Publication and Translation Institute in Bangladesh”. Dhaka Courier. November 08, 2019.(http://dhakacourier.com.bd/news/Society/Establishing-International-Publication-and-Translation-Institute-in-Bangladesh/1845)
9. “New possibilities in Bangladesh-India relations”. The Daily Observer. December 01, 2014. (https://www.observerbd.com/2014/12/01/57972.php)
10. “Dialogue of Asian civilizations: Uniting Asia and beyond”. Dhaka Courier.May 31, 2019. (https://dhakacourier.com.bd/news/Society/Dialogue-of-Asian-civilizations:-Uniting-Asia-and-beyond/1399)
11. “Rabindranath and Bangladesh: The umbilical cord”. The Daily Star. March 08, 2015. (https://www.thedailystar.net/rabindranath-and-bangladesh-the-umbilical-cord-23438)
12. “Tagore poetry in English”. The Daily Star. September 17,2011. (https://www.thedailystar.net/news-detail-202755)
13. “The plague of COVID-19”. NEW AGE. April 5, 2020 ((https://www.newagebd.net/article/103804/the-plague-of-covid-19)
14. “Pandemic and education: In quest of a viable alternative”. Dhaka Courier. June 5, 2020. (https://dhakacourier.com.bd/news/Column/Pandemic-and-Education:-In-Quest-of-a-viable-alternative/2460)

15. “Virtual learning is no longer the future—it’s here”. The Daily Star. June 4, 2020. (https://www.thedailystar.net/opinion/news/virtual-learning-no-longer-the-future-it-here-1908433)
16. Rohingya crisis and politics of dispossession”. The Daily Sun. August 31, 2017. (https://www.daily-sun.com/printversion/details/251630/Rohingya-Crisis-and-Politicsof-Dispossession)
17. “Commercialization of Bengali Literature: Mercenary writers and publishers”. The Daily Star. August 16, 2008. (https://www.thedailystar.net/news-detail-50589)
18. “No second Savar! The promise of our May Day!” The Daily Observer. May 03, 2015. (https://www.observerbd.com/2015/05/03/86666.php?fb_comment_id=1316281241773895_1316498551752164)
19. “In remembrance of the Shahbag Movement”. The Daily Observer. February 28,2016. (https://www.observerbd.com/2016/02/28/138732.php)
20. “The dignity of the varsity dons in Bangladesh”. The Daily Observer. July 12, 2015. (https://www.observerbd.com/2015/07/12/99313.php)
21. “Bangladesh and the blue economy”. The Daily Observer.June 21, 2015. (https://www.observerbd.com/2015/06/21/95321.php)
22. “Language and literature: The Siamese twins”. The Daily Observer. November 29, 2015. (https://www.observerbd.com/2015/11/29/123246.php)
23. “The bibliophile's paradise”. The Daily Observer. The Daily Sun. January 17, 2016. (https://www.observerbd.com/2016/01/17/131430.php)
24. “Poet Belal Chowdhury: Our Grand Old Man of Poesy”. April 27, 2018. (https://www.daily-sun.com/post/305171/Poet-Belal-Chowdhury:-Our-Grand-Old-Man-of-Poesy)
25. “The musical messiah and our sweetest songs”. The Daily Star. October 20, 2012. (https://www.thedailystar.net/news-detail-254490)
26. “Nazrul… in our times” The Daily Star. May 24, 2013. (https://www.thedailystar.net/news/nazrul-in-our-times)
27. “A tribute to Poet Rafiq Azad”. The Daily Observer. March 20, 2016. (https://www.observerbd.com/2016/03/20/142371.php)
28. “Who is afraid of Taslima Nasrin”. The Daily Star. November 27.2010. (https://www.thedailystar.net/news-detail-163770)
29. “Shooting the songbirds”. The Daily Observer. Out of the box. November 08, 2015. (https://www.observerbd.com/2015/11/08/119606.php)
30. “Health of legal aid services in Bangladesh”. The Daily Observer. October 27, 2014. (https://www.observerbd.com/2014/10/27/50997.php)
31. “Chutnification of music”. The Daily Observer. March 08, 2015. (https://www.observerbd.com/2015/03/08/76627.php)
32. “The crowded planet and the fate of mankind”. The daily Observer. 11 January 2015. (https://www.observerbd.com/2015/01/11/65731.php)
33. “Killing of progressive intellectuals: Angst of time”. The Daily Observer. November 24, 2014. (https://www.observerbd.com/2014/11/24/56521.php)
34. “One Year of Gulshan Café Attack”. The daily Sun. July 6, 2017.(https://www.daily-sun.com/printversion/details/238429/One-Year-of-Gulshan-Caf%C3%A9-Attack)

35. “Down with rapes and rapists”. The Daily Sun. September 7, 2017.(https://www.daily-sun.com/arcprint/details/252786/Down-with-Rapes-and-Rapists-/2017-09-07)

36. “Live and let live”. The Daily Observer. May 24, 2015. (https://www.observerbd.com/2015/05/24/90423.php)

37. “An anatomy of Rajon killing.” The Daily Observer.July 22, 2015. (https://www.observerbd.com/2015/07/22/100487.php)

38. “Enemies of women.” January 24, 2016. (https://www.observerbd.com/2016/01/24/132658.php)

39. “Four score not enough!” The Daily Sun. June 26, 2016. (https://www.observerbd.com/2016/06/26/158212.php)

40. “Why write fiction in English.” The Daily Observer. August 23, 2015. (https://www.observerbd.com/2015/08/23/106511.php)

41. Chutnification of music”. The Daily Observer. March 8, 2015. (https://www.observerbd.com/2015/03/08/76627.php)

42. “Valentine’s Day and an anatomy of Love”. Daily Sun. February 14, 2018. (https://www.daily-sun.com/post/288819/Valentine%E2%80%99s-Day-and-an-Anatomy-of-Love)

43. “The genius of Humayun Ahmed”. The Daily Star. June 9, 2012. (https://www.thedailystar.net/news-detail-237497)

44. “The germ of militancy in Bangladesh.” The Daily Observer. June 5, 2016. (https://www.observerbd.com/2016/06/05/154779.php)

45. “Communication and collaboration in higher education” Dhaka Courier. December 28, 2018. (http://dhakacourier.com.bd/news/Society/Communication-and-collaboration-in-higher-education/893)

46. “Corona-phobia: Times of Stress and Angst”. The Daily Sun. March 31, 2020. (https://dhakacourier.com.bd/news/Column/The-impact-of-COVID-19-on-higher-education-in-Bangladesh/2397)

47. “Building a Global Community with a Shared Future for Mankind”. The Daily Sun. May 24, 2019. (https://www.daily-sun.com/post/394893/Building-a-Global-Community-with-a-Shared-Future-for-Mankind)

48. “The impact of COVID-19 on higher education in Bangladesh”. Dhaka Courier. May 08,2020. (https://dhakacourier.com.bd/news/Column/The-impact-of-COVID-19-on-higher-education-in-Bangladesh/2397)

49. “A Man in Forty Million Bengalis”. The Sentinel Assam. November 08,2020. (http://epaper.sentinelassam.com/ArticlePage/APpage.php?edn=Melange&articleid=THESENTI_MILA_20201108_11_1&fbclid=IwAR1qbXHAiWLKRG70zf3gQgb-ZQbatFdHUB9LEYZ4LQFXaeTkGBvZUqTtrJ8)

50. “No apologies for what I have done.” The Daily Observer. October 03, 2014. (https://www.observerbd.com/2014/10/03/46788.php)
51. “Islamic University and my stewardship”. Dhaka Courier. July 10,2020. (http://www.dhakacourier.com.bd/news/Column/islamic-university-and-my-stewardship/2567)

52. “Innovation and Entrepreneurship in Our Academia”. Daily Sun. October 24, 2021. (https://www.daily-sun.com/printversion/details/583888/Innovation-and-Entrepreneurship-in-Our-Academia-)

53. “Down with Communal Violence”. Daily Sun. October 22, 2021. (https://www.daily-sun.com/post/583660/Down-with-Communal-Violence)

54. “Multiculturalism: The Ultimate Goal”. Dhaka Courier. February 26, 2021. (http://www.dhakacourier.com.bd/news/Column/Multiculturalism:-The-ultimate-goal/3232)
55. “Reflections on Immortal Ekushey”. Daily Sun. February 5, 2022. (https://www.daily-sun.com/printversion/details/603565/Reflections-on-Immortal-Ekushey)

56. “Back to Nostalgia”. The Daily Star. April 14, 2011. (https://archive.thedailystar.net/suppliments/2011/Baisakh/pg_06.htm)

INTERNATIONAL PBLICATI ONS

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2. "Eve-teasing in Bangladesh: Crime and punishment”, African Herald Express, March 14, 2012.

3. Psychological torture on women and the legal cure", African Herald Express, March 17, 2012.

4. "Population explosion and the fate of mankind", African Herald Express, April 10, 2012.

5. "Bangladesh's conquest of the sea: a daunting prospect”, African Herald Express, May10,2012.

6. "Future of literature: Global Art-Malady and its Consequences”, Lit Search, Volume 1, Number 1, December 2011: ISSN: 2277-6990(Print).

7. 'Historic 21st February and the birth of a nation' an article published in the African Herald Express.

8. “A brief history of Bangladeshi writing in English”. THE MISSING SLATE. 01 October 2015.

9."7th ICSDAP Conference on Social Unrest, Peace and Development”. Café Dissensus. September 22, 2019.

10. 'Life in the Time of Corona', Café Dissensus, 30 March 2020.

b) <u>Short Stories</u>

1. ‘The proud possessor’. The Daily Star. October 16, 2009.
2. ‘The human cow’. The Daily Star. November 06, 2009.
3. ‘Nineteen seventy-one’. The Journal of Postcolonial Cultures and Societies (JPCS) Wright State University, Dayton, Ohio, USA, Vol. 2, NO.4,2011
4. ‘Lottery’. The Contemporary Literary Review: India (CLRI), Wednesday, August 3, 2011.
5. ‘Locked-in Syndrome’. The Contemporary Literary Review: India (CLRI), June 2012.
6. ‘Jihad’. The Contemporary Literary Review: India (CLRI)-Nimba Issue 1, 2012
7. ’The virgin whore’. New York City and India based-magazine--Cafe Dissensus, 31 March 2019.
8. ’The Disclosure’. South Asian English Writing magazine—KITAAB, 12 October 2019.
9. ‘A Slice of Sky’. Contemporary Literary Review, India. eISSN 2394-6075| Vol 6, No 4: CLRI November 2019.

PUBLICATIONS ON RASHID ASKARI

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2. *Nineteen Seventy-One*: reviewed by Dr. Manohar Pawar, Professor of Social Work at Charles Sturt University, NSW, Australia, and the President of the International Consortium for Social Development and published by the International Journal of Community and Social Development (SAGE Journals). First Published December 28, 2019.
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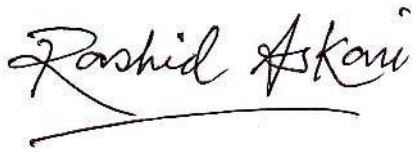

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