KHANDAKAR IFFAH

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Education

Master of Social Science in Economics, University of Dhaka

Expected Year of Graduation: December 2023 Current CGPA: 3.75

Bachelor of Social Science in Economics, University of Dhaka

Year: 2022 CGPA: 3.67

HSC, Agricultural University College, Mymensingh

Year: 2017 GPA: 5.00

SSC, Agricultural University High School, Mymensingh

Year: 2015 GPA: 5.00

Experience

A2i, Bangladesh

Research Intern / MAY 2022 to September 2022

• Conducted extensive literature review for the analytical framework of the "Equality through e-Quality" report

- Assisted in drafting background papers on information asymmetry and service delivery
- Developed communication materials and assisted in the overall coordination of the project

BRAC International, Bangladesh

Communications Intern / May 2021 to December 2021

- Produced and edited content for BI Annual Report 2020 and BI website
- Actively contributed to generating day-to-day communications materials

The Financial Express, Bangladesh

Content Contributor / September 2020 to December 2021

• Wrote and copyedited op-eds for the Economic Trends and Insights section

Bangladesh Agricultural University, Bangladesh

Research Assistant / March 2021 to April 2021

• Assisted in a research project on Demand and Willingness to Pay for Safe Broiler Chicken: An Inquiry into Consumers' Preference in Labelling and Certification

South Asian Network on Economic Modelling, Bangladesh

Enumerator / November 2020 to December 2020

• Conducted a countrywide household survey on the impact of COVID-19 in Bangladesh

Star Weekend, The Daily Star

Intern / April 2019 to November 2019

• Assisted in background study and data analysis of crossfire killings, illegal shipbreaking, unjustifiable time extensions of government-sanctioned development projects, and fire safety issue.

Research Experiences

"Exploring the Puzzle of Good Governance and International Trade in South Asia: An Empirical Analysis"

18th South Asian Economics Students' Meet, Kathmandu, Nepal | March 2023

"Understanding the Rural-Urban Divide in Health Seeking Trajectories: Evidence from Bangladesh" Honours Monograph | December 2022

"e-Quality Index: A Framework for the Holistic Assessment on Digital Development"

Equality through e-Quality Research, a2i, Bangladesh | May 2022 - September 2022

Newspaper Articles

"E-provisioning: A pathway to equality"

The Business Standard | August 2023 | Link

"DNCC adapts the "NORM" model for normalising mask use"

The Financial Express | May 2021 | Link

"Why student loans still don't work in Bangladesh"

The Financial Express | Novemver 2020 | Link

Volunteering/Other Activities

Economics Study Center, University of Dhaka

Office Administration and Events Secretary / November 2020 to March 2022

- Worked as event transcriptionist, wrote press releases and compiled reports
- Compiled information on current economic issues and contributed to making videos,
- infographics, and articles for the Facebook page, ESC blog, and annual publications
- Assisted in organizing events such as Bangladesh Economics Summit

Pashe Achhi Initiative, Bangladesh

Volunteer / May 2020 to December 2022

- Managed social media account; recorded and tracked orders on the database
- Assisted in Project Gronthmongol and Project Shurokkha

Economics Cultural Club, University of Dhaka

Information and Research Secretary / January 2019 to November 2020

- Researched and compiled information for different events and social media posts
- Generated ideas for cultural programs and actively contributed in event organizing

<u>Skills</u>

- Writing and Proofreading
- Skilled in Google Suite, MS Word, PowerPoint, Excel and STATA
- Proficiency in Adobe Illustrator and Canva
- Presentation and Public Speaking
- Organization and punctuality
- Teamwork and Adaptability

Languages

• Fluency in Bangla and English

<u>Awards</u>

Best Paper | 18th South Asian Economics Students' Meet, Kathmandu (2023)- Theme: International Trade

Second Runners-up | Ecolade (2019) - Intradepartmental poster competition on refugee crisis

National Scholarship | SSC (2015)

References

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