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## EDUCATION

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### University of Dhaka

*Master of Social Science in Economics.*

Result Published February 2024

*Dhaka, Bangladesh*

Relevant courses: Panel Data and Non-Linear Econometrics, Time-Series Econometrics, Advanced Macroeconomics, Advanced Microeconomics, International Trade.

### University of Dhaka

*Bachelor of Social Science in Economics.*

Result Published January 2023

*Dhaka, Bangladesh*

Relevant courses: Intermediate Econometrics, Cross-Section Data Analysis, Dynamic Optimization, Statistical Methods, Mathematics- Linear Algebra, Calculus.

## EXPERIENCE

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### Center for Policy Dialogue (CPD)

*Programme Associate*

May 2024- Present

*Dhaka, Bangladesh*

- Analyzing global & local macroeconomic variables, their changes & possible policy implications.
- Analysis of Bangladesh's political economy, budget, monetary & fiscal policies, development expenditure.
- Working on a project associated with Center for Global Development (CGD), titled- "How relevant is the MDB Reform Discourse for Southern MDBs? Evidence from Country Level Practices."

### BRAC Institute of Governance & Development (BIGD)

*Young Research Fellow*

September 2023- January 2024

*Dhaka, Bangladesh*

- Rigorous four-month fellowship program for economics researchers in quantitative as well as qualitative methodologies, with participation in day-to-day research projects as a trainee research associate.
- Research project participation-
  - Designing a project to implement a country-wide Cluster-Randomized Control Trial (C-RCT) on providing microfinance loans for tertiary level students.
  - Field visits, conducting IDIs & transcription work for a early-childhood development (ECD) project on childcare-center intervention for low-income working mothers, funded by the 'Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation'.
  - Preparing IRB applications, project instruments (brochures, videos), concept notes, questionnaires, translations, transcription & presentations.
  - Literature review & data analysis for projects and preparing proposals.
- Training includes-
  - Basic statistics, advanced econometrics, and impact evaluation methods such as- Regression Discontinuity, Fixed-effect analysis, Instrumental Variable, Difference-in-Difference.
  - Data management and analysis using STATA & MS Excel.
  - Data collection techniques with Survey CTO. The program also included- data auditing, field plans, enumerator training, data labeling & backchecking using STATA.
  - Specialized report writing course, training on research communication & ethics.
  - Research methodologies such as randomized control trials (RCT), basic sampling, and survey instrument development were covered.
  - Qualitative research instrument development including- Focused Group Discussions (FGD), In-depth-interview (IDI), Key Informant Interviews (KII).
  - Mixed method analysis and application of qualitative & quantitative research instruments in the field.

## BRAC Institute of Governance & Development (BIGD)

Research Intern

Nov 2021- Jan 2022

Dhaka, Bangladesh

- Conducted primary research for the “Digitalization, Institutions & Economics: New Frontiers in Service Delivery” conference.
- Collected data, compiled reports and reviewed relevant literature for various papers.

## The Daily Star

Research Intern

February 2019- April 2019

Dhaka, Bangladesh

- Conducted research work for the “Star Weekend” segment; focused on deep dives into particular stories.
- Responsibilities consisted of data collection, summarization and documentation.
- Contributor to the weekly segment “Toggle” which focused on technology & lifestyle.

## RESEARCH

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### Publications

- Shock Adjustment of Remittance Recipient and Non-Remittance Recipient Households - *6th SANEM Annual Economists' Conference & Undergraduate Monograph [paper]*
- Migration Decision in Areas Prone to Climatic Shocks & Poverty - *18th South Asian Economics Students Meet Conference [paper]*
- The Role of Remittances in Financial Inclusion: A Fixed-Effect Instrumental-Variable Analysis- *Master's Thesis [paper]*

## PRESENTATIONS

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*6th SANEM Annual Economists' Conference, February 2023 [Slides]*

*18th South Asian Economics Students Meet Conference, March 2023 [Slides]*

## TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

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<b>Survey Programming</b>	SurveyCTO
<b>Data Analysis/Visual</b>	Stata, Excel
<b>Referencing tool</b>	Zotero
<b>Database</b>	SQL
<b>Version Control</b>	GitHub
<b>Typesetting</b>	L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X
<b>Language</b>	Bengali (native), English(fluent)

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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### Pashe Achi Initiative

2020 to Present

Volunteer

- Non-profit organization focused on implementing welfare projects for poverty-stricken people.
- Participated in hand-on field work related to logistics, distribution and awareness-creation.

### Economics Study Center

2018 to 2020

Associate Member

- Drafting communication instruments (blogs, policy briefs, leaflets etc.) for club website & conferences.
- Organizing conferences, workshops & other research dissemination events.
- Contributed to background research, literature review, documentation for publications.

## REFERENCES

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