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Areas of Major Interests:

Labour Economics, Development Economics, Applied Microeconometrics, and International Trade

Educational Qualification:

Commonwealth PhD Scholar, GDI, the University of Manchester, the UK **2021** *(–cont.)*
Master of Social Science (M.S.S.) in Economics, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh. **2014** **3.94/4.00**
Bachelor of Social Science (B.S.S.) in Economics, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh **2013** **3.92/4.00**

Awards and Academic Achievements:

REBDC Research Excellence Award, Global Development Institute, the University of Manchester, the UK – 2022;
Commonwealth Scholarship (PhD) 2021;
Shah A. M. S. Kibria Gold Medal, 2014, for being Valedictorian in M.S.S. in Economics;
M. N. Huda Gold Medal, 2013, for being Valedictorian in B.S.S. in Economics;
Dean's Award for being Valedictorian in B.S.S. in Economics;

Professional Qualification:

PhD Candidate, Global Development Institute, The University of Manchester, the U.K. (September 2021 to date)**; Research Director (Honorary),** SANEM, Bangladesh (September 2024-); **Graduate Teaching Assistant,** the University of Manchester (January 2022-); **Casual Lecturer,** Development Economics, Development Economics and Policy, GDI (September 2023-January 2024); **Lecturer/Assistant Professor,** Department of Economics, University of Dhaka, Dhaka (24 July 2016 to date); **Research Economist (Honorary), SANEM** (1 June 2020 - to date); **Research Associate,** South Asian Network on Economic Modelling, Dhaka (1 July 2015 to 23 July 2016)

Teaching Assistant, UoM: Development Economics (Jan'25-Jun'25); Introductory Microeconomics (Sep'24-Jan'25); Development Macroeconomics (Sep'22-Jan'23; Sep'23-Jan'24), Research Skills for Development (Jan'23-Jun'23; Jan'24-Jun'24); Research Methods in Human Resource Management (Jan'24-Jun'24);

Courses Taught at the University of Dhaka: Statistical Methods (207); Intermediate Macroeconomics (204); Dynamic Optimisation (304); Development Economics (306); Urban Economics (418); Environmental Economics (409); Natural Resource and Energy Economics (410); International Trade (507);

Other Skills:

Software: Stata; R; Python
Language: Proficient in Bengali and English; Spanish (beginner) and Korean (beginner).
Professional course: Being A Leader (Graduate – December 2025).

Publications

Journals

Uddin, M., Islam, F. How would Automation Impact Employment in the Manufacturing Sector of Bangladesh? An Empirical Projection. Indian Journal of Labour Economics. 67, 1045–1071 (2024). https://doi-org.manchester.idm.oclc.org/10.1007/s41027-024-00538-w

Raihan, S., Khorana, S., & Uddin, M. (2022). "Navigating LDC graduation: modelling the impact of RCEP and CPTPP on Bangladesh". Journal of the Asia Pacific Economy. https://doi.org/10.1080/13547860.2022.2114227

Ahmmed, S. & Uddin, M. (2022). " Exploring the disparities in learning outcomes among the primary school students of Bangladesh". International Journal of Educational Development. Volume 93, September 2022, 102644. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijedudev.2022.102644

Raihan, S., Uddin, M. & Ahmmed, S. (2021) "Dynamics of Youth and Gender Divide in Technology in Bangladesh". South Asia Economic Journal. https://doi.org/10.1177/13915614211029190

Raihan, S., Uddin, M. & Ahmmed, S. (2021). "Impact of Foreign Remittances on the Household Spending Behaviour in Bangladesh". Migration and Development. https://doi.org/10.1080/21632324.2020.1870835

Uddin, M., Hasan, N., & Faruk, O. (2021). Linking China's Belt and Road Initiative with Bangladesh's S.D.G.s: Identifying Scopes and Areas of Concerns. Bangladesh Journal of Political Economy. Vol 37, Issue 1, pp. 107-146. Bangladesh Economic Association, Dhaka. http://dx.doi.org/10.13140/RG.2.2.16681.31848

Uddin, M. & Hasan, N. (2019). "A Microeconometric Analysis of Youth NEET in Bangladesh: What Factors Affect to be "Not in Employment, Education, or Training". Dhaka University Studies Vol. 72: pp. 87-111

Books and book chapters

Fielding, D., Raihan, S., Imai, K., Das, U., & Uddin, M. (2024). "The COVID-19 Pandemic, Post-Pandemic Challenges, and Poverty Dynamics in Bangladesh: Evidence from a Longitudinal Household Survey." SANEM Publications, Dhaka

Raihan, S., Bidisha, S. H., Uddin, M., Jonaed, M. & Ahmed, M. T., (2022). COVID-19 Impact on Poverty Dynamics in Bangladesh: An Analytical Investigation, SANEM Publications.

Khondker, B., & Uddin, M. (2021). Industry Sector of Bangladesh: Developments in the Last 50 Years. In Rahman, S. M. M. (Ed.). Bangladesh: 50 Years of Transformation Since Liberation. Asiatic Society of Bangladesh. Dhaka.

Raihan, S., Uddin, M., Ahmed, M.T., Nahar, M.A., & Sharmin, E. (2021). "COVID -19 Fallout on Poverty and Livelihoods in Bangladesh: Results from SANEM's Nation-wide Household Survey" (November-December 2020). SANEM Publications, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Razzaque, A. Khondker, B. Uddin, M. & Rahman, J. (2018). "Towards an Effective and Integrated Labour Market Information System for Bangladesh". International Organisation for Migration. Dhaka.

Razzaque, A. Eusuf, A. Uddin, M. & Rahman, J. (2018). "Leather and Leather Goods Exports from Bangladesh: Potentials, Problems and Priorities". In A. Razzaque (Ed.) "Navigating New Waters: Unleashing Bangladesh's Export Potential for Smooth L.D.C. Graduation" (pp. 229-266). Bangladesh Enterprise Institute (B.E.I.). Dhaka

Raihan, S., & Uddin, M. (2018). "How do Education and Skill development affect the Transition from 'Good-enough' Job to 'Decent' Job?" In S. Raihan (Ed.), Structural Change and Dynamics of Labour Markets in Bangladesh: Studies on Labor and Employment (pp. 85-94). Springers. Singapore

Raihan, S., Rahman, M. M., Afroze, A., & Uddin, M. (2018). "How does Remittance affect Labour Force Participation behaviour and Employment Choice in Bangladesh?" In S. Raihan (Ed.), Structural Change and Dynamics of Labor Markets in Bangladesh (pp. 105-115). Springers. Singapore

Policy papers and technical reports

Raihan, S., Uddin, M., Hossain, I., Sharmin, E. and Aahad, M. A. (2023), "Expanding Private Investment in Bangladesh in the Context of LDC Graduation", A report prepared for the Economic Relations Division, Ministry of Finance, the Government of Bangladesh. SANEM Publications, Dhaka.

Raihan, S., Bidisha, S. H., Uddin, M., Ahmed, M. T., Nahar, M. A. & Ahmmed, S. (2022). Impact of COVID-19 on Labour Market and Migration in Bangladesh: Results from SANEM's Nationwide Employment Survey Conducted in January-February (2021). SANEM Publications. 57 p.

Kabir, M., Uddin, M., & Razzaque, A. (2020). Workfare Programmes and Skill Development in Bangladesh: Evidence and Policy Implications. In Compendium of Social Protection Research in Bangladesh (pp. 299-366). Dhaka: General Economics Division (G.E.D.), Bangladesh Planning Commission.

Razzaque, A., Uddin, M., Ehsan, S. M., & Barua, S. (2020). Harmonisation of Small Social Security Programmes: Issues and Policy Options. In Compendium of Social Protection Research in Bangladesh (pp. 367-484). Dhaka: General Economics Division (G.E.D.), Bangladesh Planning Commission.

Razzaque, A. Khondker, B. Eusuf, A. Uddin, M. & Rahman, J. (2019). "Rohingya Refugee Crisis: Socioeconomic Impacts on the Host Community". UNDP, Dhaka.

Working papers/ conference proceedings/forthcoming/in peer review:

Uddin, M. (2024). "What Factors Affect Households' Decision to Be a New "International Migrant Household" in Rural Bangladesh? Evidence from a Unique Panel Data". Proceedings of the 7th International Conference on Economics and Social Sciences (2024), ISSN 2704-6524, pp. 474-500.

Raihan, S. Uddin, M., Khan, S. (Forthcoming). *What drives firms to innovate? Empirical evidence from firm-level cross-country panel data.* Accepted in the Indian Journal of Labour Economics.

Uddin, M. Hasan, N. (2023). How do institutions affect bilateral trade? Evidence from Structural Gravity Model. Bureau of Economic Research Working Papers, University of Dhaka, Dhaka, Bangladesh. Currently in journal peer review.

Uddin, M., & Nishat, R. (2022). Does Training Affect Employability and Earnings of Youth? An Empirical Investigation in the Context of Bangladesh. 61st Labour Economics Conference: Summaries of Conference Papers (pp. 103-104). New Delhi: Indian Society of Labour Economics. *In peer review*

Khan, S., Raihan, S., & Uddin, M. (2019). The Journey Towards Innovation: What Influences the Decisions of Firms. 61st Labour Economics Conference: Summaries of Conference Papers (pp. 9-10). New Delhi: Indian Society of Labour Economics.

Activities/Leadership projects

I have organised several cultural events and academic conferences. Some are as follows:

GDI Seminars on Development Economics (Sep 2024-): Brown bag seminars; Role – Co-organiser

Brush Away the Stress (£997 secured from the SEED school fund): Session on art as a form of mental relief for the PhD students; Role - Lead organiser

GDI Students for Palestine Conference 2025: Scheduled for September 2025 (secured £4,997 from the GDI Innovation Fund): Role - Lead organiser

GDI Cultural Night 2022, 2024: A cultural night for all GDI PhD students and staff; Role - Lead organiser

GDI Football Match 2022: A football tournament for all GDI students and staff; Role - Lead organiser

GDI Halloween Game Night 2022: A cultural night for all GDI PhD students; Role - Lead organiser

SEED PGR Conference 2022: Role - Lead organiser

BER International Economists Conference 2019 (raised $10,000 from the World Bank, $6000 from the ILO): Role - Lead organiser

SANEM Annual Economists Conference 2016, 2017, 2025: Role – co-organiser

SANEM International Conference for Development Economics 2021: Role – co-organiser

Selected Research Experience and Affiliated Projects:

FCDO funded the GDI-SANEM Project on "How did the COVID-19 pandemic affect the multidimensional poverty in Bangladesh: Evidence from a unique longitudinal data" (July 2023-March 2024). Co-investigator and Research Assistant. Role: literature reviews, data collection, data analysis, and reporting

ILO's project on "Collection and compilations of data on macroeconomic policy response to the COVID-19 crisis". Consultant. Role: Data collection and compilation and writing reports.

Asian Development Bank's project on "Supporting Technical Education and Skills Development Facility" (December 2020-September 2021). National Economist. Role: Quantitative forecasting, sectoral consultation, and report drafting.

SANEM project with the World Vision Bangladesh on "Measuring the Economic Impact of Women Economic Empowerment" (October 2020 – July 2021): Research Economist. **Responsibilities:** managing researchers, conducting the survey, analysis, and report writing.

"National Hman Development Report" for Bangladesh (Aug-Dec 2020) – UNDP Bangladesh. *Research Assistant. Responsibilities:* Data analysis and report writing

SANEM project with the Fair Wear Foundation on "Research to measuring the additional cost of production due to COVID-19 and the envisaged resulting impact on the product prices" (November-December 2020). Research Economist. **Responsibilities**: Devising the questionnaire, supervising the researchers, data analysis and report writing.

SANEM project with USDA on "The Economic Impact of G.E. Crops Imported into Bangladesh" (October 2020-March 2021). Research Economist. **Responsibilities**: supervising the researchers, quantitative analysis, and report writing.

SANEM survey with the Asia Foundation "Carrying out Business Confidence Survey in Bangladesh" (July 2020 - June 2021): Research Economist. **Responsibilities:** Managing field survey, overviewing data cleaning and data analysis, and report drafting.

SANEM project with the Action Aid, Bangladesh on "Research on Technology Inclusivity: Gender and Youth perspective" (June-August 2020): Research Economist. **Responsibilities:** managing researchers, analysis, and report writing.

RAPID project with UNDP on "Conducting and preparing 2 Social Protection Research and 1 Social Protection Diagnostics: Small Programme Harmonisation; Workfare programmes and the Labour Market; and Urban Diagnostics." (16 August – 14 November 2019): Research Consultant. **Responsibilities:** conducting field survey, data cleaning and data analysis, conducting stakeholder consultations, and report writing.

P.R.I. Project with UNDP on "Midterm Implementation Review of NSSS" (31 December 2018 to 30 April 2019): Research Consultant. **Responsibilities:** data analysis, conducting stakeholder consultations, and report writing.

Project with UNDESA on "Strengthening national policy capacities for jointly building the Belt and Road towards the Sustainable Development Goals (S.D.G.s)." (29 October 2018 to 5 April 2019): National Consultant. **Responsibilities:** organising workshops, data mining and quantitative analysis, and report writing.

International Economics Consulting Ltd Project with the Oxford Policy Management (O.P.M.) on "Trade-Mark East Africa (TMEA) Evaluation: Trade and Growth Impact Study." (1 January 2019- 1 July 2019): Research Associate to the Econometrian. Responsibilities: data collection, developing structural gravity model, econometric simulation exercises, data analysis, and drafting the report.

P.R.I. Project with UNDP on the "Assessment of The Impact of The Rohingya Crisis in Cox's Bazar (And Bandarban) District(s)" (23 May 2018 to 31 July 2018): Research Consultant. **Responsibilities:** research design, questionnaire development and survey management, over-viewing data processing and data analysis, and report writing.

Project with I.O.M. on the "Towards Development of a Labour Market Information System (LMIS)" (31 August 2017 to 31 January 2018): Consultant Economist. **Responsibilities:** modelling research design, conducting interviews with relevant stakeholders, over-viewing data collection, and conducting F.G.D.s, data analysis, and report writing.

B.E.I. Project on "Leather and Leather Goods Export from Bangladesh: Potentials, Problems, and Priorities" (1 September 2017 to 28 February 2018): Senior Research Associate. **Responsibilities:** data analysis, field visits, stakeholder consultation, and report writing.

B.E.I. Project on the "Trade Diagnostics Studies" (1 September 2017 to 28 February 2018): Senior Research Associate. **Responsibilities:** data analysis, stakeholder consultation, and report writing.

SANEM's project with I.L.O. on the "Application of Migration Policy for Decent Work for Migrant Workers: Strengthening the Complaints Mechanism of Migrant Workers for their better protection and reinforce recruitment mechanism" (7 May 2017 – 7 October 2017): Preparing questionnaire stakeholder consultation, over-viewing data collection and conducting F.G.D.s, data analysis, and report writing.

SANEM's project with ILO, Geneva, and Better Work Bangladesh on the "Quantitative Impact Assessment of Better Work Bangladesh" (August 10, 2015 – July 31, 2018): Preparing questionnaires and writing reports.

SANEM's project with IDRC, Canada, on "Changing Labour Markets in Bangladesh: Understanding Dynamics in Relation to Economic Growth and Poverty" (July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2016): Preparing and handling data, conducting data analysis, and writing reports.

SANEM's project with IZA, Germany, on "Reducing Extreme Poverty Through Skill Training for Industry Job Placement" (June 30, 2013 – December 15, 2016): Data cleaning and data analysis.

Conferences, Workshops and Training:

8th SANEM Annual Economists Conference 2025, 21-23 February 2025, Dhaka, Bangladesh

5th SANEM-World Bank North America Discussion Forum, May 30, 2024, Washington, D.C., USA.

4th SANEM-World Bank North America Discussion Forum, May 4, 2023, Washington, D.C., USA.

"SEED PGR Conference 2022", 5-6 May 2022, University of Manchester, UK

"61st ISLE Labour Economics Conference", 7–9 December 2019, Patiala, India

I.M.F. Academic Fellowship for attending the IMF-World Bank Annual Meetings – Washington, DC (October 12-19, 2019)

32nd Advanced Training Course on Research Methodology; 17-26 April 2019; organised by the Bureau of Economic Research, University of Dhaka. **Role: Stata Instructor**

"Understanding the Macroeconomic Implications of Belt and Road Initiative on Asian Countries" organised by the UNDP, China and UNDESA during 27-28 February 2019 in Beijing, China.

"60th ISLE Labour Economics Conference", 19–21 December 2018, Mumbai, India. Organizer: IGIDR, Mumbai and ISLE, India

31st Advanced Training Courses on Research Methodology; 2-30 October 2018; organised by the Bureau of Economic Research, University of Dhaka. **Role: Stata Instructor**

"International Conference on Achieving Youth Specific S.D.G.s: Key Challenges and Policy Responses", 23 July – 27 July 2018, Tamil Nadu, India. Organiser: Rajiv Gandhi National Institute on Youth Development

WTO/ESCAP 13th ARTNeT Workshop for Advanced Trade Policy Analysis, Bangkok, Thailand (December 18 – December 21, 2017); organised by W.T.O. and UN-ESCAP

"Tenth South Asia Economic Summit". 14-16 November 2017, Kathmandu, Nepal. Organizer: SAWTEE

"Second SANEM Training Programme on Cutting Edge Methods in Applied International Trade (27 October – 30 October 2017)", SANEM, Dhaka, Organized by SANEM. **Role: Stata and Gravity Model Instructor**

"Advocacy Dialogue to remove N.T.B.s in agricultural trade between Bangladesh and India", August 17, 2017, New Delhi, India. Organizer: Cuts International

"An Introduction to the Statistical Software for Trade Policy Analysis (1 – 8 March 2017)", BFTI, Dhaka, Bangladesh; organized by SANEM and BFTI. **Role: Instructor**

"An Introduction to the Gravity Modeling using Stata (2 – 6 April 2017)", BFTI, Dhaka, Bangladesh; organized by SANEM, BFTI. **Role: Instructor**

First SANEM Training Program on Cutting Edge Methods in Applied International Trade (5-8 August 2016), Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh; organized by SANEM. **Role: Stata and Gravity Model Instructor**

Workshop on Cutting Edge Research on Economic Growth, Dhaka, Bangladesh (February 19, 2016); organized by SANEM and DFID

Workshop on Regional Cooperation on Trade, Climate Change and Food Security in South Asia: Reflections and Way Forward, Kathmandu, Nepal (December 27- December 28, 2015); organized by SAWTEE

WTO/ESCAP 11th ARTNeT Workshop for Empirical Trade Analysis, **Bangkok, Thailand (December 21 – 24 December 2015)**; organized by W.T.O. and UN-ESCAP

3rd SARNET Training on Labour Economics: Theories, Methodologies and Research Issues, New Delhi, India (27 October – 7 November 2015); organized by Institute for Human Development, India.

SARNET Regional Conference on Labour Markets, Employment and Social Protection, New Delhi, India (24-25 October 2015); organized by Institute For Human Development, India.

8th South Asian C.G.E. Modeling Training, Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh (4 August – 8 August 2015); organized by SANEM, SAWTEE and Centre for W.T.O. studies

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