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CAREER SUMMARY

Shah Ehsan Habib received his Masters in sociology from the University of Dhaka and gained his Ph.D. from the University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia in 2002. He is currently a Professor in the Department of Sociology, Dhaka University. He specializes in sociology of health and illness, health policy, AIDS Education and Prevention, adolescent and reproductive health, child health issues, including drug resistance education.

Over the past few years, he worked as an International Consultant (Team Leader) in many projects, putting his expertise in survey design and methodology, program evaluation and monitoring, data analysis, project management, and capacity building and training. Over the decade, he has designed surveys, undertaken formative and impact evaluations in Bangladesh and Nepal for DFID, UNAIDS, UNICEF, Care Bangladesh and FPAB. His long experience in survey methodology has led him to design in behavioural and socio-economic surveys, key population surveys in Bangladesh for a wide range of sectors including health, nutrition, reproductive age, women empowerment, drug education and HIV/AIDS, including other communicable diseases.

He has conducted lectures and seminars as well as supervised graduate students in the area of medical sociology, medical anthropology, maternal and child health, sexual and reproductive health, HIV/AIDS, and substance use. His prime competencies are carrying out operational research, monitoring and evaluation of projects in health related aspects especially maternal and child health, HIV/AIDS and other sexual and reproductive health issues. He has special expertise in carrying out baseline, mid-line and end line studies of projects and programmes in the field of health. He has been applying participatory, ethnographic, qualitative and quantitative research methodologies in the planning, collection, and analysis of data, writing research reports in a sample of operational research and monitoring and evaluation assignments.

He has extensive experience planning, developing and managing reproductive health projects, policy, and program development in maternal and newborn health, and reproductive health, with a particular focus on Bangladesh. He has experience in program activities, training and conducting implementation research, monitoring and evaluation, design of models of health care.

Recently his primary emphasis is on children who are infected and affected by HIV/AIDS, including surveillance in most-at-risk populations and the use of data for public health decision-

making. In recent time, he worked as a Consultant to UNICEF Regional Office in South Asia (ROSA), Nepal in a project titled: "Mapping out HIV sensitive social protection in South Asia in 4 countries (Bangladesh, India, Pakistan, and Nepal). In 2013, he worked as a national Consultant to UNICEF Bangladesh in a project titled: 'Comprehensive mapping and size estimation of children infected and affected by HIV and AIDS (CABA) in Bangladesh'. In 2010, he also acted as a Consultant to UNICEF to review the assessment on national response to the needs of children affected by HIV/AIDS in low prevalence countries in SAARC region which was commissioned by UNICEF ROSA. Additionally, in 2011, he worked as a Consultant to UNICEF Nepal, working on 'Mainstreaming women and children issues in the National HIV and AIDS strategy.' Recently he worked as a Consultant to Save the Children in Bangladesh in a project titled: 'Assessment of impact of harm reduction interventions among people who inject drugs (PWID) in Dhaka'.

Over the past few years, he has worked on the DFID/FHI/UNAIDS-sponsored HIV Behavioural Study of various high-risk groups initiated by CARE Bangladesh and Save the Children Bangladesh. He has also served as a consultant on several projects examining drug users, sex workers, disease transmission, and AIDS prevention among adults, and has published widely in AIDS, prostitution and substance misuse prevention literature. His best known work includes the study of patterns of drug use and the transmission of HIV and hepatitis C in Sydney's major areas and a comprehensive analysis of the response of the Australian government to drug users, which has been published in the *Health Education Journal* (U.K.) and the *Australian Journal of Social Issues*. His work has brought international recognition and invitations to serve as a Research Fellow in the Wentworth Area Health Service, Sydney in 2002.

He has also been working as a Consultant for PIACT Bangladesh in a GFATM project titled: "Primary Prevention and Risk Reduction through Drug Resistance Education (DRE) which is supported by the Global Fund (Package GF# 903-R6 Scaling up). In 2010 he worked as a Deputy Team leader in a project of UNDP titled: Perception of illness and health seeking behaviour of five different ethnic groups in the Chittagong Hill Tracts, Bangladesh. In 2009, he worked as a Consultant with UNODC in a project titled: Needs and Existing Gaps towards Universal Access to HIV Prevention, Treatment and Care with Special Focus to HIV-TB Services for Drug Users in Bangladesh. He has attended a course on HIV/AIDS in the 21st Century: A Medical Anthropological Perspective at Amsterdam University. He also participated in a visitor scholar program in 2006 at the Multinational Institute of American Studies at New York University, U.S.A under a Full-bright scholarship.

Dr. Habib teaches a number of courses, including Research Methodology (SOC 302), Research Design and Monograph Writing (SOC 402) and Sociology of Health and Illness (SOC 513) at the graduate and postgraduate level of Dhaka University. He has been teaching Behavioural Sciences in the MPH Program at ASA University and State University respectively. He also teaches Society, Culture and Health (HEA 101) and Migration and Health (HS 515) for the MPH Program at Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB). He has published articles in journals such as *Health Education Journal* (U.K.), *the Australian Journal of Social Issues*, *International Quarterly of Community Health Education* (USA), *Southeast Asian Journal of Tropical Medicine and Public Health* (Thailand) and *Japanese Journal of Alcohol Studies and Drug Dependence*.

EXPERTISE

- Dr. Habib has expertise as an International Consultant in the following areas:
- Widely consulted nationally on reproductive health and MCH issues

- Published/co-published on a range of reproductive health and STI/HIV issues
- Extensive training and experience in survey and evaluation research, strong technical writing and presentation skills, experience in monitoring and evaluation of health, population and nutrition programs, including developing policy briefs and documents
- Monitoring and evaluate programs related to HIV and services for hard-to-reach populations
- Conduct HIV and other infections biological and behavioral surveillance among hard-to-reach
- Sampling hard-to-reach populations (i.e., people who inject drugs, sex workers and their clients, mobile/migrant populations, men who have sex with men), using Respondent-driven sampling (RDS), and other methods used in behavioural survey, communicable diseases, and other program coverage
- Population size estimations of hard-to-reach populations using multipliers, capture-recapture
- Successive sampling population size estimations, mapping and other methods
- Epidemiology, program monitoring and evaluation, design and implementation of prevention strategies, survey design, curricula development/training, supervision, management and data analysis
- Demonstrable experience in data analysis and report writing, with wide knowledge about SRH and MCH issues

List of Consultancies done with UN/International Agencies

SI	Name of the Organization	Name of the project/study	Year of completion
1	CARE Bangladesh	Drug Use and Potential Spread of AIDS: A Rapid Situation Assessment in Rangpur	2005
2	CARE Bangladesh	Drug Use and Potential Spread of AIDS: A Rapid Situation Assessment in Bogra	2005
3	CARE Bangladesh	Drug Use and Potential Spread of AIDS: A Rapid Situation Assessment in Naogaon	2005
4	CARE Bangladesh	Drug Use and Potential Spread of AIDS: A Rapid Situation Assessment in Joypurhat	2005
5	UNFPA Bangladesh	Worked as a sociologist in 2005 on the situation assessment of '7th Country Programme Action Plan (CPAP) 2006-2010' which was a Programme of Cooperation between the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh and United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)	2005
6	CARE Bangladesh	HIV-related Risk Behaviour among High-Risk Groups:	2006

		A Rapid Situation Assessment in Thakurgaon	
7	UNFPA Bangladesh	Assessment of Sexual and Reproductive Health Needs of People Living with HIV/AIDS in Bangladesh	2007
8	Save the Children (fund recipient PIACT Bangladesh)	Primary Prevention & Risk Reduction through Drug Resistance Education (DRE) and School Education through Teacher Training (GF 903 – R6 Scaling Up) and Strengthening of School Education on HIV/AIDS through Teacher Training and Primary Prevention & Risk Reduction through Drug Resistance Education (DRE) GF-903 R6	2008-2013
9	United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)	Report on the Needs and Existing Gaps towards Universal Access to HIV Prevention, Treatment and Care with Special Focus to HIV-TB Services for Drug Users in Bangladesh	2009
10	UNICEF Regional Office for South Asia (ROSA), Kathmandu	Assessment on the national response to the needs of children affected by HIV/AIDS in low prevalence countries in SAARC region	2010
11	UNICEF Regional Office for South Asia (ROSA), Kathmandu	Progress in the national response to orphans and other vulnerable children affected by HIV/AIDS in Bangladesh: The policy, planning and programming effort	2010
12	UNDP Bangladesh	Perception of illness and health seeking behaviour of five different ethnic groups in the Chittagong Hill Tracts, Bangladesh	2010
13	UNICEF Nepal	Promoting the Rights of Children and Women Vulnerable to HIV/AIDS in Nepal: A Situation Analysis	2011
14	UNAIDS Bangladesh Contract No. IC/2011/192	Study on knowledge, attitudes and practices towards HIV/AIDS-related risk factors among public and private university students in Bangladesh	2011
15	UNICEF Bangladesh Contract No. YH-501-05 – 5.2 HIV and AIDS	Formulate Bangladesh National HIV Testing Policy for Children and Adolescents under 18 years old	2011
16	Bangladesh Medical Research Council (funded under HNPSP)	Reproductive health status of female garments workers in Bangladesh: A study in Dhaka City	2012
17	UNICEF Bangladesh	Conducting comprehensive mapping and size estimation of children infected and affected by HIV and AIDS (CABA) in Bangladesh	2012-2013
18	Save the Children in Bangladesh	Assessment of impact of harm reduction interventions among people who inject drugs (PWID) in Dhaka	2013
19	UNICEF Regional Office for South Asia (ROSA), Nepal (Contract No. 43150483)	Mapping out HIV sensitive social protection in South Asia in 4 countries (Bangladesh, India, Pakistan, and Nepal)	2014
20	UNICEF Bangladesh and Nielsen Contract No.	Baseline survey to collect information on the area services, living conditions and knowledge and practices of key 'facts for life' care practices affecting	2014-2015

	Nielsen_BD/SR-019/14	health and nutrition of children and women in 3 districts (Netrokona, Bandarban, Cox's Bazar)-J2.880159	
21	Care Bangladesh (Contract No. BGD 01-0000004468)	Baseline Research/Situation Assessment of 'OIKKO' Project	2016
22	Family Planning Association of Bangladesh	Endline evaluation of advocacy for the 'SRHR education by Teachers' (ASET) project	2016

EDUCATION

PhD in Sociology (2002)

School of Sociology

The University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia

(Dissertation: Challenges and Risks: Harm Reduction, Risk Practices and the Transmission of Hepatitis C in Sydney)

Post-graduate Diploma in Development Planning (1994-1995)

Academy for Planning and Development, Nilkhet, Dhaka

Ministry of Planning, Government of Bangladesh

Master of Social Science (MSS) in Sociology (1988-1989)

University of Dhaka

Bachelor of Social Science (BSS Hons.) in Sociology (1986-1988)

University of Dhaka

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Sociology of Health and Illness, Research Methodology, Social Theories, Diaspora and cultural studies

FELLOWSHIPS

2006 - Participated in a visitor scholar program in 2006 at the Multinational Institute of American Studies at New York University, U.S.A under a Full-bright scholarship.

2008 – Awarded Nuffic Scholarship and attended a course on HIV/AIDS in the 21st Century: A Medical Anthropological Perspective at Amsterdam University.

RELEVANT SKILLS

My diverse local and overseas employment experience has challenged my ability to accept and adapt in order to remain a productive member of the International workforce. My main areas of research over the past decade are medical sociology, drug resistance education, social policy issues related to social protection of children affected by HIV and AIDS, and AIDS Education and Prevention. Over the past five years, I have been working mainly on medical sociology and social policy research projects, particularly issues related to CABA, AIDS, hepatitis C, drug education and policy issues related to national HIV/AIDS strategic plan. The details of completed projects are found in the publications section.

CURRENT POSITION

2013-present

Professor

Department of Sociology
University of Dhaka, Bangladesh

2005 – 2013

Associate Professor
Department of Sociology, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh

2005 – present

Adjunct Faculty
School of Environmental Science & Management
and Centre for Health, Population and Development
Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB)
Baridhara, Dhaka

2005 – present

Adjunct Faculty
Master of Public Health Program
State University of Bangladesh, and
ASA University, Bangladesh (since 2012).

PAST APPOINTMENT

1995–2005

Asst. Professor/Associate Professor
Department of Sociology, University of Rajshahi

2002

Research Fellow
Drug and Alcohol Medicine Department
Wentworth Area Health Service
Nepean Hospital, Penrith, Sydney, Australia

1998 –2002

Tutor
School of Sociology
The University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia

1997-1998

Researcher
New South Wales Users and AIDS Association (NUAA)
16 Lesswel St. Bondi Junction, NSW 2022, Australia

1993-1994

Lecturer in Sociology
School of Social Sciences, Humanities & Languages
Bangladesh Open University, Gazipur, Dhaka, Bangladesh

1993

Researcher
Proshika - A Centre for Human Development
Mirpur, Dhaka, Bangladesh

1993

Branch Manager
Rural Livelihood, Self-Employment, Technology, Education & Communication Centre (RULSTECC)
Department of Youth Development, Ministry of Youth and Sports, Dhaka, Bangladesh

OTHER PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Member, Social Research Committee, New South Wales Users & AIDS Association (NUAA),
Sydney, Australia (1997- present)

PUBLICATIONS

Book

Habib, S. E. (2009). *Challenges and Risks: Harm Reduction, Risk Practices and the Transmission of Hepatitis C in Sydney*. Germany: Lap Lambert Publishing.

International Journals

Habib, S. E. (2003). Understanding the context of risk practices among intravenous drug users: implications for hepatitis C prevention. *Australian Journal of Social Issues*, Vol. 38, No. 1, pp. 1-18.

First author (2003). Hepatitis C and injecting drug use: the realities of stigmatisation and discrimination. *Health Education Journal* (U.K.), Vol. 62, No. 3, pp. 256-265 (with L. Adorjany).

Habib, S. E. (2003). Reducing HIV-related risk behaviour among injecting drug users: the harm reduction model in Bangladesh. *Indian Journal of Community Medicine*, Vol. 29 (4), pp. 175-178.

First author (2001). Drug use and social circumstances: A study among different target groups in northwest Bangladesh. *Japanese Journal of Alcohol Studies and Drug Dependence*, Vol. 36, No. 2, pp. 107-123 (with A. Q. Bhuiyan, K. T. Hossain and F. Lovejoy).

First author (2001). Hepatitis C prevalence and risk behaviour of injecting drug users in Sydney: A continuing concern. *Southeast Asian Journal of Tropical Medicine and Public Health* (Thailand), Vol. 32, No. 4, pp. 1-12 (with F. Lovejoy and C. Aspin).

First author (2000-2001). Risking the future: unprotected intercourse and AIDS knowledge among female commercial sex workers in central Bangladesh. *International Quarterly of Community Health Education* (U.S.A.), Vol. 20, No. 3, pp. 265-280 (with A. S. M. Amanullah, F. Lovejoy and A. Daniel).

Local Journals

Habib, S. E. (2016). Working conditions of Bangladesh readymade garment industry: A study of female garment workers in Gazipur city. *Journal of the Institute of Bangladesh Studies*. (in press).

Habib, S. E. (2013). Knowledge, beliefs and practices about HIV/AIDS among students in Bangladesh: A case study of two universities. *Social Science Review*, Vol. 30, No. 2, pp. 317-334.

Habib, S. E. (2012). The National Response to Vulnerable Children Affected by HIV and AIDS: Review of Progress and Lessons Learned in Bangladesh. *Perspectives in Social Science*, Vol. 10 (October), pp. 49-62.

Habib, S. E. (2012). Perception of Illness and Health Seeking Behaviour of Tripura Ethnic Group in Chittagong Hill Tracts. *Journal of Social Science*, Vol. 1, No. 1, pp. 37-61.

First author (2009). Drug Use and the Vulnerability of Young People to HIV/AIDS: A Need for a Drug Resistance Education Program in Bangladesh. *Social Science Review*, Vol. 26, No. 2, pp.72-90 (with A.K.M. Jamal Uddin and Saidur Rashid).

Habib, S. E. (2008). Sexual and Reproductive Health Needs of People Living with HIV/AIDS in Bangladesh. *Social Science Review*, Vol. 24, No. 2, pp. 22-27.

Habib, S. E. (2006). Improving sexual and reproductive health among street-based female sex workers: Some observations from northern Bangladesh. *Bangladesh Sociological Studies*, Vol. 2, No. 1, pp. 57-77.

Habib, S. E. (2005). Sexual behaviour and HIV knowledge among long-distance truck drivers and rickshaw pullers in northern Bangladesh. *Bangladesh Sociological Studies*, Vol. 1, No. 2, pp. 70-88.

Habib, S. E. (2003). A Study on Drug Use: Age of Initiation among Young Students of Dhaka City. *Social Science Review*, Vol. 20, No. 2, pp. 161-170 (with K. Hasan and Nuruzzaman).

Habib, S. E. (2000). AIDS knowledge, condom use and sexual issues among commercial female sex workers in Bangladesh. *Social Science Review*, Vol. 17, No. 2, pp. 147-159 (with A. S. M. Amanullah and K. Hasan).

Published Reports

Habib, S. E. (2005). *Drug Use and Potential Spread of AIDS: A Rapid Situation Assessment in Rangpur* (ISBN: 984-32-2353-5). Dhaka: CARE Bangladesh, HIV Program.

Habib, S. E. (2005). *Drug Use and Potential Spread of AIDS: A Rapid Situation Assessment in Bogra* (ISBN: 984-32-2352-7). Dhaka: CARE Bangladesh, HIV Program.

Habib, S. E. (2005). *Drug Use and Potential Spread of AIDS: A Rapid Situation Assessment in Naogaon* (ISBN: 984-32-2355-1). Dhaka: CARE Bangladesh, HIV Program.

Habib, S. E. (2005). *Drug Use and Potential Spread of AIDS: A Rapid Situation Assessment in Joypurhat*. (ISBN: 984-32-2354-3). Dhaka: CARE Bangladesh, HIV Program.

Edited Books

Co-editor (2004). *Commercial Sexual Behaviour and Risk Factors in Bangladesh: An Investigation of Female Sex Workers in Bangladesh*. University of Rajshahi, Department of Sociology/DFID: Higher Education Link Programme (with K. T. Hossain and M. H. Imam).

Co-editor (2004). *Women, Gender and Discrimination*. University of Rajshahi, Department of Sociology/DFID: Higher Education Link Programme (with K. T. Hossain and M. H. Imam).

Co-editor (2003). *Women, Health and Poverty*. University of Rajshahi, Department of Sociology/DFID: Higher Education Link Programme (with K. T. Hossain and M. H. Imam).

Article in a Book

Habib, S. E. (2004). 'AIDS, Sex Work and Gender: Reaching Female Sex Workers in Bangladesh'. In K. T. Hossain, M. H. Imam & S. E. Habib (Eds.), *Women, Gender and Discrimination* (pp. 155-170). University of Rajshahi, Department of Sociology/DFID: Higher Education Link Programme (with K. T. Hossain & M. H. Imam).

Habib, S. E. (2003). 'Sexual Behaviour Patterns of Clients of Female Sex Workers: Results from a Sydney Study'. In K. T. Hossain, M. H. Imam & S. E. Habib (Eds.), *Women, Health and Poverty* (pp. 79-95). University of Rajshahi, Department of Sociology/DFID: Higher Education Link Programme.

UNPUBLISHED RESEARCH REPORTS

Habib, S. E. (2016). Baseline Research/Situation Assessment of 'OIKKO' Project. Dhaka: Care Bangladesh.

UNICEF (2014). HIV Sensitive Social Protection Measures in South Asia: A Mapping in Bangladesh, India, Nepal and Pakistan. Kathmandu: UNICEF Regional Office for South Asia.

Habib, S.E., Hawlader, S. and Hussain, N. (2014). Assessment of impact of harm reduction interventions among people who inject drugs (PWID) in Dhaka. Dhaka: Save the Children.

Habib, S. E. (2013). Comprehensive mapping and size estimation of children infected and affected by HIV and AIDS (CABA) in Bangladesh. Dhaka: UNICEF Bangladesh.

Habib, S. E. (2012). Knowledge, attitudes and practices on HIV/AIDS among public and private university students in Bangladesh. Dhaka: UNAIDS Bangladesh.

Habib, S. E. (2011). Formulating HIV Testing Policy for Children and Adolescents in Bangladesh: A Review of Current National Response. Dhaka: UNICEF Bangladesh.

Habib, S. E. (2011). Promoting the Rights of Children and Women Vulnerable to HIV/AIDS in Nepal: A Situation Analysis. Kathmandu: UNICEF Nepal.

Habib, S. E. (2010). Assessment on the national response to the needs of children affected by HIV/AIDS in low prevalence countries in SAARC region. Kathmandu: UNICEF, Regional Office for South Asia.

Habib, S. E. (2010). Progress in the national response to orphans and other vulnerable children affected by HIV/AIDS in Bangladesh: The policy, planning and programming effort. Kathmandu: UNICEF, Regional Office for South Asia.

Habib, S. E. (2010). Perception of illness and health seeking behaviour of five different ethnic groups in the Chittagong Hill Tracts, Bangladesh. Dhaka: UNDP (with A. F. Hasan et al.).

Habib, S. E. (2009). Report on the Needs and Existing Gaps towards Universal Access to HIV Prevention, Treatment and Care with Special Focus to HIV-TB Services for Drug Users in Bangladesh. Dhaka: United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC).

Habib, S. E. (2007). Assessment of Sexual and Reproductive Health Needs of People Living with HIV/AIDS in Bangladesh. UNFPA, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Habib, S. E. & Islam, F. (2007). People's empowerment through decentralised knowledge development and management: A Practical Action research project on knowledge poverty. Dhaka: Practical Action.

Habib, S. E. 2007. Baseline Survey for the 7th Country Program Action Plan (CPAP): 2006-2010. Dhaka: UNFPA, NIPORT MOHFW and PIACT Bangladesh. (with A.S.M. Amanuallh)

Habib, S. E. (2006). HIV-related Risk Behaviour among High-Risk Groups: A Rapid Situation Assessment in Thakurgaon. Dhaka: HIV Program, CARE Bangladesh.

Habib, S. E. (2002). Challenges and Risks: Harm Reduction, Risk Practices and the Transmission of Hepatitis C in Sydney (Unpublished PhD Thesis). University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia.

Habib, S. E. (2002). A continuing concern: Hepatitis C prevalence and risk behaviour of injecting drug users in Sydney. COMPOSITE Postgraduate Conference Proceedings, School of Sociology, the University of New South Wales, Sydney.

Habib, S. E. (1998). Hepatitis C prevalence and risk behaviour among the injecting drug users in Sydney City. New South Wales Users & AIDS Association (NUAA), Bondi Junction, Sydney, Australia.

Bhuiyan, A. Q., Hossain, K. T. & Habib, S. E. (1996). A rapid assessment study on Bangladesh drug abuse situation (Rajshahi site). United Nations International Drug Control Program (UNDCP), Dhaka, Bangladesh.

PROSHIKA (1993). Impact Assessment Methodology for Proshika Kendra. Report prepared jointly by the Research, Evaluation and Monitoring unit of Proshika and the Horizon Pacific International (HPI) Canada.

Habib, S. E. (1992). The Role of Awami League in the Political Development of Bangladesh (1971-75). (Unpublished Masters Thesis), Department of Sociology, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh.

ARTICLE/THESIS REVIEWS

- Worked as an examiner for a Doctoral thesis submitted in the Faculty of Health Sciences, The University of Sydney (January 2010).
- Worked as a reviewer for the 12th and 13th World AIDS Conferences held in Geneva (1998), and Durban (2000) respectively. I have reviewed 40 abstracts in the category of Epidemiology, Prevention & Public Health as well as in Social & Behavioural Science. Also, I

was invited by the International Scientific Review Committee to review abstracts for the 14th International World AIDS Conference held in Spain in July 2002.

CONSULTANCIES/RESEARCH WORK

- Baseline Research/Situation Assessment of 'OIKKO' Project (funded by Care Bangladesh, December 2015-February 2016).
- Baseline survey to collect information on the area services, living conditions and knowledge and practices of key 'facts for life' care practices affecting health and nutrition of children and women in 3 districts-Netrokona, Bandarban, Cox's Bazar. (UNICEF Bangladesh and Nielsen, November 2014-January 2015).
- 'HIV Sensitive Social Protection Measures in South Asia: A Mapping in Bangladesh, India, Nepal and Pakistan' (UNICEF Regional Office for South Asia, Nepal 2014).
- 'Assessment of impact of harm reduction interventions among people who inject drugs (PWID) in Dhaka' (Save the Children in Bangladesh, June-December 2013)
- 'Comprehensive mapping and size estimation of children infected and affected by HIV and AIDS (CABA) in Bangladesh' (December 2012-January 2013, UNICEF Bangladesh)
- Study on knowledge, attitudes and practices towards HIV/AIDS-related risk factors among public and private university students in Bangladesh (UNAIDS Bangladesh Contract No. IC/2011/192) (November-January)
- Formulate Bangladesh National HIV Testing Policy for Children and Adolescents under 18 years old (YH-501-05 – 5.2 HIV and AIDS) (November-December 2011).
- Consultant: 'to determine progress on implementation of the orphaned and vulnerable children policy and planning effort index in South Asia' (September-December 2010).
- Deputy Team Leader: Perception of illness and health seeking behaviour among five different ethnic groups in the Chittagong Hill Tracts (Project No. BGD/02/006-CHTDF) funded by UNDP (December 2009-June 2010).
- Consultant: "Primary Prevention and Risk Reduction through Drug Resistance Education (DRE) and School Education through Teacher Training" which is supported by the Global Fund (Package GF # 903-R6 Scaling up), and being implemented by PIACT Bangladesh (February 2008 – to date).
- Consultant: "People's empowerment through de-centralized knowledge development and management (Ref No. BL01)". This project was initiated by Practical Action Bangladesh (January-March 2007).
- Consultant: "Baseline Survey for the 7th Country Program Action Plan (CPAP) 2006-2010", a program of cooperation initiated by UNFPA and Government of Bangladesh" (August 2006 – January 2007).
- Consultant: "Rapid Situation Assessment on HIV/AIDS-related High Risk Behaviour in Thakurgaon, funded by CARE Bangladesh" (October-December 2005).
- Consultant: "Rapid Situation Assessment (RSA) on HIV/AIDS Vulnerable Groups in Rangpur, Bogra, Naogaon and Joypurhat, funded and initiated by HIV Program, CARE Bangladesh" (July 2004 – March 2005).

- Consultant: Provided services as a consultant to CARE Bangladesh and Marie Stopes Clinic in developing project proposal for high-risk population concerning behavioural assessment for monitoring its performances (July 2004).
- Consultant: Coalition of Local NGOs in Bangladesh (CLNB), House No. 40/1, Road No. 1, Dhap, Khalipa Para, Rangpur (2003-2005).
- Researcher: "HIV/AIDS and condom use: knowledge attitude and practice, initiated by Quest Survey Research Ltd, Dhanmondi, Dhaka, Bangladesh" (1998).
- Team member: "Evaluation of community managed water and sanitation program in rural Bangladesh" funded by DANIDA/NGO Forum, Dhaka, Bangladesh" (1997).
- Researcher: "A rapid assessment study on Bangladesh drug abuse situation: Rajshahi site, funded by the United Nations International Drug Control Program (UNDCP), Dhaka, Bangladesh (1996).

CONFERENCE/SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

'Children affected by HIV/AIDS in Bangladesh: Understanding their experiences, needs and challenges.' Paper accepted at the *12th* International Congress on AIDS in Asia and the Pacific (ICAAP 2015) for oral presentation which will take place in Dhaka, Bangladesh, from 12-14 March, 2016.

Assessing the needs and challenges of children infected and affected by HIV and AIDS in Bangladesh (Poster No. MOPE 398). Poster accepted for presentation at the 20th International AIDS Conference to be held in Melbourne, Australia from 20-25 July 2014.

'Role of civil society in the country response to HIV/AIDS'. Key note paper presented at a seminar in Dhaka organized by STI/AIDS Network of Bangladesh on May 31, 2014.

Discussant on a research paper titled: 'Steroid use, sexual risk and violence among brothel-based female sex workers in Daulatdia, Bangladesh', organized by Liberation & Empowerment: Attaining dignity & rights for sex workers and their children in Bangladesh (LEADR) project, Centre for Sustainable Development, University of Liberal Arts, Bangladesh, November 2012.

'Capacity building of local NGOs: Prevention of HIV/AIDS in Bangladesh'. Key note paper presented at a seminar in Dhaka organized by STI/AIDS Network of Bangladesh in May 2012.

Capacity building of local NGOs: Prevention of HIV/AIDS in Bangladesh. Keynote paper presented at a seminar in Dhaka (IDEB), organized by STI/AIDS Network of Bangladesh held on 22 December 2011.

"Regional consultation on progress or orphans and vulnerable children policy and planning situation effort index (OPPEI) in line with SAARC framework and M&E guide/framework. in Bangladesh". Paper presented at a workshop in Kathmandu, organized by Regional Office for South East Asia (UNICEF ROSA) in collaboration with the member states of SAARC Secretariat held from 20-21 December 2010.

"Orphaned and vulnerable children policy and planning situation effort index in Bangladesh". Paper presented at a workshop in Kathmandu, organized by Regional Office for South East Asia

(UNICEF ROSA) in collaboration with the member states of SAARC held from 23-24 September 2010.

"Gender and HIV/AIDS Prevention". Paper presented at a workshop for journalists titled: Disseminating information regarding family planning, maternal and child health, adolescent reproductive health, gender and HIV/AIDS. The workshop was held at the Directorate of Family Planning Dhaka and was organized by the Directorate of Family Planning, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare on 26 May 2010.

"Findings on the Needs and Existing Gaps towards Universal Access to HIV Prevention, Treatment and Care with Special Focus to HIV-TB Services for Drug Users in Bangladesh." Paper presented at the Capacity Building Workshop on HIV/TB Services for Injecting Drug Users and other Opioid Users, held in Dhaka which was organized by UNODC on 1-3 December 2009.

"Understanding the sexual and reproductive health needs of people living with HIV/AIDS: An empirical contribution." Paper presented at the South Asian Sociological Society (SASS) conference, held at Independent University, Dhaka on 10-11 March 2008.

"HIV Risk in Seven Areas of Bangladesh: Findings of Rapid Situational Assessment (RSA)". Presented the key findings at the seminar organised by CARE Bangladesh and Institute of Epidemiology, Disease Control & Research (IEDCR) on 10 August 2006.

Participated in the 1st Asia Pacific Institute of Addictions as an oral presenter held in Singapore from 30 May to 3 June 2004, jointly organised by Woodbridge Hospital, Singapore and co-sponsored by World Health Organisation (WHO).

"Safe Sex, AIDS and Poverty: Researching Female Sex Workers in Bangladesh". Paper presented at the seminar on Women and Development, organised jointly by the Department of Sociology, Rajshahi University and the British Council, Dhaka on December 12, 2003.

"Sexual Behaviour Patterns of Clients of Female Sex Workers: Results from a Sydney Study". Paper presented at the workshop on Women, Health and Poverty, organised jointly by the Department of Sociology, Rajshahi University and the British Council, Dhaka on January 2, 2003.

"A continuing concern: Hepatitis C prevalence and risk behaviour of injecting drug users in Sydney." Paper presented at the COMPOSITE Postgraduate Conference, School of Sociology, the University of New South Wales, Sydney, held in July 2002.

"Prevalence of hepatitis C virus infection among injecting drug users in Australia". Paper presented at the Post-graduate workshop on South Asia, held at the Monash Asia Institute, Melbourne, in July 2000.

"Global perspectives on character development and family education in the 21st century." Attended the International conference on lasting love relationship paradigms held in London, U. K., in August 2000.

"Guidelines on Research Ethics regarding people who use drugs illicitly." Paper presented at the New South Wales Users & AIDS Association (NUAA), Bondi Junction, Sydney in May 1999.

"Outcomes of Harm Reduction Conference: 1998." Attended the seminar organised by the New South Users & AIDS Association (NUAA), Bondi Junction, Sydney in July 1998.

"Hepatitis C behaviour and risk factor: Implication for Interventions." Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Australian Sociological Association (TASA), held at the University of Wollongong, Australia in December 1997.

"Places and patterns of drug use among injecting drug users in Sydney." Attended the National Consultation Meeting on research into injecting drug use among Vietnamese Australians

communities organised by the Macfarlane Burnet Centre for Medical Research in collaboration with the National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre (NDARC), Sydney, in December 1996.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

- October 2013 Attended a workshop on 'Estimating impacts of HIV and AIDS programs using the AIDS Epidemic Model (AEM)' with a focus on assessing the impact of harm reduction interventions among people who inject drugs (PWID). The workshop was hosted by UNAIDS Regional Support Team for Asia and the Pacific Region in collaboration with UNAIDS Bangladesh which was held in Thailand from 7-11 October 2013.
- November 2007 Attended a two-week executive course in Medical Anthropology titled: AIDS in the 21st Century: A Medical Anthropological Perspective which was conducted by the Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences at Amsterdam University, the Netherlands.
- May 2007 Attended a one-day workshop entitled: 'An Introduction to Systematic Reviews and Meta-analysis: The Cochrane Collaboration and Evidence Based Health Care', which was sponsored by the Centre for Health, Population and Development at Independent University in collaboration with the South Asian Cochrane Network.
- June-July 2006 Successfully completed the program on American Civilisation at the Multinational Institute of American Studies, New York University, U.S.A. under a Full-bright academic exchange program.
- June 1997 Completed a training workshop on Teaching Skills offered by the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences and Faculty of Commerce and Economics, on the University of NSW campus which focused on various aspects of teaching-tutorials and group work, lectures, assessment and feedback, evaluation and presentation of lecture.
- January 1994 Attended a one month training course entitled: "Applied Sampling Survey: Methodology and Practice" conducted by Horizon Pacific International (HPI) Canada on behalf of the donor consortium of PROSHIKA and Technical Advisory Unit of Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) in Dhaka, Bangladesh
- August 1994 Successfully completed a training course on "Development and Organisation" organised by PROSHIKA
- September 1994 Attended a training workshop on "Rapid Assessment Study: Bangladesh Drug Situation" conducted by Department of Narcotics Bangladesh and United Nations International Drug Control Program (UNDCP), Dhaka.
- December 1994 Successfully completed a training course on "Fundamentals in the design of Open Learning Materials Course" held in Dhaka organised by the Bangladesh Open University and conducted by the Distance Education Division, Central Queensland University, Australia.

AWARD

- 1993 Education Minister's Award for Masters result (prize at Dinajpur district students' competition)

RESEARCH GRANT

- Grant received from Practical Action Grant, Dhaka in 2007 for the project titled: People's empowerment through decentralised knowledge development and management: A Practical Action research project on knowledge poverty.
- Grant received from UNDCP Dhaka in 1996 for the project titled: A rapid assessment study on Bangladesh drug abuse situation – Rajshahi site.

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL INSTITUTIONS

- Asia Pacific Sociological Association (Year of award: 2001)
- Australian Association for Social Research (Year of award: 1998)
- Bangladesh Anthropological association (Year of award: 1995)
- Bangladesh Sociological Association (Year of award: 1994)
- Centre for Women and Children Studies (Year of award: 2006)
- American Alumni Association for Full-bright Scholars (Year of award: 2006)
- Nuffic/Holland Alumni Network

COMPUTER SKILLS

- Microsoft Word, Excel, Access, Power Point, SPSS, Internet & E-mail

HOBBIES

- Travelling - I have travelled extensively, and the countries include: India, Singapore, Hong Kong, U.K., Netherlands, U.S.A., Canada, France, New Zealand, Australia.

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