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Education

Current: PhD Student (2nd year), Department of Criminology, Law and Justice, University of Illinois at Chicago, USA (as part of the Program, I am also a teaching assistant in CLJ 101)

Previous: MA (Research) in Human Rights, Development and Social Justice, 2010-11

International Institute of Social Studies, Erasmus University Rotterdam, The Netherlands (MPhil Equivalent Degree of University of Dhaka)

Master of Laws: Specialization in International and Comparative Law, 2006-07

Department of Law, University of Dhaka, Dhaka 1000, Bangladesh

- Academic distinctions: 1st class (2nd position)

Bachelor of Laws, 2002-06

- Academic distinctions: 1st class (8th position)

Referred Journal Publications:

1. Rahman, K.F., & Arefin, N., (2022). 'Deradicalisation' Regulations and Violation of Human Rights: A Few Instances from China and Sri Lanka, *Dhaka University Law Journal*, 33(1), pp.57-72. <https://doi.org/10.3329/dulj.v33i1.61509>
2. Rahman, K. F. (2022). Ensuring Victims' Participation in the Criminal Justice of Bangladesh. *International Journal of Criminology and Sociology*, 11, 82–90. <https://doi.org/10.6000/1929-4409.2022.11.10> (Impact Factor: 0.40)
3. Rahman, K.F., (2021). Challenges in Seeking Gender-Based and Reproductive Health Justice: A Case of Rohingya Women and Girls in Bangladesh, *Journal of Social Sciences and Humanities Review (JSSHR)*, 6(4), pp.170-186. <http://doi.org/10.4038/jsshr.v6i4.100>. Available at: <https://jsshr.sljol.info/articles/abstract/10.4038/jsshr.v6i4.100/> (Published from: University of Ruhuna, Sri Lanka)

4. Rahman, K.F., (2019). The socio-psychological aspects of women's involvement in terrorist activities in Bangladesh, *Dhaka University Studies*, 2(1), pp.32-45.
5. Rahman, K.F., (2019). Focus on Domestic Violence in Bangladesh: A Study from Criminological Perspectives. *Journal of International Women's Studies*, 20(3), pp. 98-115. Available at: <https://vc.bridgew.edu/jiws/vol20/iss3/10> (Published from Bridgewater State University, USA) (Impact Factor: 0.44)
6. Rahman, K.F., (2016). Repatriation of Trafficked Victims in Bangladesh: Prospects and Challenges. *Bangladesh National Human Rights Commission Yearbook*, pp. 408-479.
7. Rahman, K.F.,(2014). Understanding 'Child Rights Programming' with a special focus on Children as Partners to Development in Bangladesh. *Bangladesh Law Association Journal*, 1(2), pp. 25-43.
8. Rahman, K.F., (2013). Women Trafficking in Bangladesh: Responses to combat trafficking with reference of The Human Trafficking Deterrence and Suppression Act. *Jagannath University Journal of Law*, 1(1), pp. 165-180.
9. Rahman, K.F., (2012). Agrarian Reforms and Farmers Suicide in India: Human Rights Issues and Concerns. *Northern University Law Journal*, 1(1), pp.49-62.
10. Rahman, K.F. & Khatun, M.T., (2012). Domestic Violence against Women in Bangladesh: A Critical Analysis from a Socio-legal Perspective. *Bangladesh e-Journal of Sociology*, 9(2). pp.19-30.
11. Rahman, K.F., (2010). Linkages between Right to Development and Rights based Approach: An Overview. *Northern University Law Journal*, Dhaka, 1(1), pp.100-115.

Book Chapters:

1. Rahman, K.F. & Arefin, M.N. (2025). Juvenile Justice in Bangladesh. In Hossain, M., Kashem M.B., and Rahman, M.A. (eds.), *Criminology and Criminal Justice in Bangladesh*, Dhaka: Bangladesh Society of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Dhaka, Bangladesh.
2. Rahman, K.F., Arefin, M.N. (2024). Crime and Securitization Conundrums in the Rohingya Camps. In: Ahmed, K., Islam, M.R. (eds) *Understanding the Rohingya Displacement. International Perspectives on Migration*. Springer, Singapore. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-97-1424-7_10
3. Rahman, K.F., (2019). Prevention Of Drug Addiction in Bangladesh: Challenges and A Way Forward. In Dr. D. Ramakrishnan (Ed.), *Prevention of Crime and Control Strategy in the Contemporary World and a Way Forward*. Conference proceedings of the Indian Society of Criminology, Tamilnadu, India.
4. Rahman, K.F. & Akhter, K.K. (2015). Fighting Against Religious terrorism in Bangladesh: Are Crime Prevention Strategies Fundamental? In M. Rahman (Ed.), *Human Rights and Terrorism* (pp.92-101). Dhaka, Bangladesh: ELCOP.

5. Rahman, K.F., (2013). Addressing blocks for 'Rights-based' Protection: the case of Climate Change induced Displacement in Bangladesh, In M. Rahman (Ed.), *Human Rights and Climate Justice* (1st ed., pp. 51-64). Dhaka, Bangladesh: ELCOP.
6. Rahman, K.F., (2012). Islamic Headscarf Ban in Europe: Questioning the Intersection between Religious Freedom and Gender Equality under Human Rights Conventions, In M. Rahman (ed.), *Human Rights and Critically Disadvantaged People* (1st ed., pp. 193-206). Dhaka, Bangladesh: ELCOP.
7. Rahman, K.F., (2010). Exploring the Discourse: A Child Rights Perspective to Climate Change In M. Rahman (ed.), *Human Rights and Environment* (1st ed., pp. 213-224). Dhaka, Bangladesh: ELCOP.

Seminar/Conference presentation

1. Presenter: American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, 13-16 November, 2024, San Francisco, USA, Tittle: Crime and Securitization Conundrums in the Rohingya Camps.
2. Presenter: University of Kolkata Monthly Talk, May 2, 2024, Kolkata, India, Tittle: Women of Color in Prison in the USA: Understanding from a Lens of Critical Legal Feminism
3. Presenter: 8th International and 12th Biennial Conference of Indian Society of Victimology, 3-5 November, 2022 organized by the Rajiv Gandhi National Law University Punjab, India, Tittle: Rape in Contemporary Bangladesh: Youth Proneness, Challenges and Way Out
4. Presenter: 8th International and 12th Biennial Conference of Indian Society of Victimology, 3-5 November, 2022 organized by the Rajiv Gandhi National Law University Punjab, India, Tittle: Rape in Contemporary Bangladesh: Youth Proneness, Challenges and Way Out
5. Presenter: Asian Society of Criminology Conference, 20-23 July, 2022 organized by the Asian Society of Criminology and Gujarat National Law University, India, Tittle: Victims Participation in the Criminal Justice System of Bangladesh: A Way Forward
6. Presenter: Workshop on Punishment in Global Peripheries: Contemporary Changes and Historical Continuities, 23 - 25 June 2021, the Global Criminal Justice Hub of the Oxford Centre for Criminology (United Kingdom) and the Programa Delito y Sociedad, Universidad Nacional del Litoral (Argentina). Tittle: Assessing the scope of community correction in Bangladesh in light of the cultural political economy of punishment
7. Presenter: World congress on Criminology on Science, Technology and Teaching in Criminology: Researching, Investigating and Preventing Crime, 28-30 October 2019, organized by International Society of Criminology, Doha, Tittle: Female Terrorism in Bangladesh: Trends and Prevention
8. Presenter: 41st All India Criminology Conference, 1-3 February, 2019, organized by the Indian Society of Criminology and Madurai Kamaraj University, Tamil Nadu, Tittle: Prevention of drug addiction in Bangladesh: Challenges and a way forward
9. Presenter: International Conference on Drug Abuse Prevention and Treatment in Asia, 7-12 November, 2018, organized by the Asian Association for Substance Abuse Research, University of Macau, Title: Prevention of drug abuse in Bangladesh: Why doesn't the law provide effective and sustainable solutions?

10. Presenter: 2nd International Conference on Rohingya: Politics, Ethnic Cleansing and Uncertainty, 1-2 September, 2018, organized by the Department of Criminology, University of Dhaka Bangladesh, Title: Challenges in seeking Reproductive Health Services: A case of Rohingya Women and Girls in Bangladesh
11. Presenter: 4th Women's Studies Conference, 3-5 May, 2018, organized by The International Institute of Knowledge Management, Srilanka, Title: Domestic Violence in Bangladesh: Analysis from a Criminological Perspectives
12. Chair: 10th Global Studies Conference, June 8-9, 2017, organized by Global Studies Network and National University of Singapore, Singapore, Session: Gender in Global Context
13. Presenter: 10th Global Studies Conference, June 8-9, 2017, organized by Global Studies Network and National University of Singapore, Singapore, Title: Repatriation of Trafficked Victims in Bangladesh: Prospects and Challenges
14. Chair: World Congress on Criminology, December 15-19, 2016, organized by International Society of Criminology, Global Jindal University, Haryana, India, Session theme: Role of Non-Governmental Organizations and Extremist Groups
15. Presenter: World Congress on Criminology, December 15-19, 2016, organized by International Society of Criminology, Global Jindal University, Haryana, India, Title: Trends and Causes of Recent Religious Extremism in Bangladesh
16. Presenter: Teaching Seminar on "Refugee issues and Human Rights", July 20-21, 2013, organized by Empowerment through Law of the Common People and UNHCR, Dhaka, Title: "Conceptualizing Refugee, Asylum-seeker and Principle of Non-refoulment in International Law"
17. Presenter: Seminar on "Reviewing Aspects of Legal Education in Bangladesh", March 9, 2012, organized by School of Law, BRAC University, Dhaka
18. Presenter: Teaching Seminar on "Child Rights in Bangladesh", November 2-3, 2009, organized by Faculty of Law, University of Dhaka and UNICEF, Title: "Proposed Syllabus of the Certificate Course on Child Rights in University of Dhaka"
19. Presenter: Workshop on "Building Capacity of Women Lawyers", April 20-21, 2008, organized by Bangladesh National Women's Lawyer Association, Title: "Obstacles of Legal Practicing of Women in Bangladesh."
20. Presenter: 1st Moot Court Workshop, July 12-13, 2007, organized by Faculty of Law, University of Dhaka and School of Law, Cardiff University, United Kingdom, Title: "Negotiation: Its Prospects and Challenges in ADR system in Bangladesh"

Research/consultancies Experience

- Principal Investigator in the project of Role of Community Policing in Prevention of Substance Abuse in Bangladesh funded by the University Grants Commission, Bangladesh (September 2021-August 2022)
- Principal Investigator in the project of Youth Gang Violence in the Metropolitan Cities in Bangladesh funded by the University Grants Commission, Bangladesh and University of Dhaka (September 2021-August 2022)
- Team leader in the project of ‘Understanding Youth as Perpetrators and Victims of Sexual Violence’ funded by the Bangladesh Mahila Parishad (August 2021- December 2021)
- Team leader in the project of ‘Sensational Deaths Incidents and Blow Back on Police Image: An Analysis on Causes and Consequences’ funded by the Bangladesh Police Headquarters, Bangladesh (November 2020 to May 2021)
- Co team leader in the project of Baseline Study Prevention of Extremism in Bangladesh through Community Policing’ funded by the Asia Foundation, Bangladesh (July 2020 to September 2020)
- Expert in the project of ‘Training on Sustainability Related Capacity Building among the Mid - Level Managers of RMG Sector, Organized by Department of Criminology, University of Dhaka, University of Kassel, Germany and ICDD and supported by GIZ (April 2019 to July 2019)
- Consultant and Trainer on issues of occupational health safety, fire safety, productivity, communication and dialogue, empowerment of female workers in ALDI Factory Advancement Project and child care center issues in ALDI AFA Plus Project, Conducted by Sustainability Agents, Berlin (The contact was valid from June 2014 to June 2018)
- Researcher, “Repatriation of Trafficked Victim: Problems and Challenges”, National Human Rights Commission, 2015, Dhaka
- Researcher, “Manual on Refugee issues in Bangladesh for Law Professionals”, ELCOP (funded by UNHCR), 2013, Dhaka
- Research Assistant, “Good Governance in Bangladesh: A key to Democracy”, Funded by Law Review, University of Dhaka, 2009, Dhaka
- Research Assistant, “Reviewing the Building Construction Code from the Human Rights perspective”, Funded by Law and Mediation Centre, 2007, Dhaka.
- Research Assistant, “Legal aid and Services’ Impact Study in District Level”, Funded by Bangladesh National Women’s Lawyer Association, 2005, Dhaka

- Research Assistant, “Community Law Reform Program”, Empowerment through Law of the Common People, 2005, Dhaka
- Research Assistant, “The Situation of Access to Information in Bangladesh”, Funded by Manusher Jonno Foundation, 2005, Dhaka

Previous Work Experience

- Assistant Professor, University of Dhaka, May 2018-September 2022
- Lecturer, University of Dhaka, August 2014-April 2018
- Residential House Tutor, Shamsunnahar Hall, University of Dhaka, February 2017- March 2018
- Lecturer, Jagannath University, Dhaka, May 2013 – August 2014
- Assistant Professor, Department of Law, Eastern University, April 2013-May 2013
- Assistant Professor and Coordinator (Post Graduate Programs), Department of Law, Northern University Bangladesh, January, 2013- March, 2013
- Senior Lecturer, Department of Law, Northern University Bangladesh, January, 2012- December 2012
- Lecturer, Department of Law, Northern University Bangladesh, May, 2009- December, 2011
- Project Assistant, Bangladesh Legal Aid and Services Trust, January 2008-April 2009
- Street lawyer (Part time), Empowerment through Law of the Common People, December 2004-December 2007

Honors and Awards

- I was offered both Bangabandhu Overseas Program Scholarship 2023-2024 and University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) Fellowship for pursuing PhD in the USA, However I humbly choose UIC fellowship.
- Speaker on TV talk shows on contemporary social and political issues
- Guest Lecturer in CID, Military Training Schools and different private universities
- Regular Contributor in the Daily Dhaka Post, Daily Star, Daily Kaler Kantha, Protidiner Bangladesh (leading English/Bengali newspapers in Bangladesh)

- Emerging Scholar Award in the Global Studies Conference in National University of Singapore, June 2017
- The Netherlands Fellowship Program under Dutch Government Scholarship, University of British Columbia graduate scholarship, Canada and University of Sydney Faculty (Australia) scholarship for undertaking master program in 2010 (I decided to go for the first one)
- All through First class (from Secondary to Masters programs)
- Best Presenter in the workshop on Public International Law in undergraduate program and on International Human Rights Law in graduate program respectively in 2006 and 2009
- Full tuition fee Scholarship in Undergraduate study at University of Dhaka
- Faculty of Law scholarship for obtaining outstanding result in LLM at University of Dhaka 2010
- I was awarded gold medal twice for holding 15th and 2nd place in order of merit in Secondary School Certificate Exam and Higher Secondary Certificate Exam respectively in 2000 and 2002
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Professional Affiliation

Member, International Society of Criminology
May 2024 - Present

Member, Bangladesh Society of Criminology
May 2017 - Present

Advocate, Dhaka Bar Council, Bangladesh
June 2009- Present

Member, Bangladesh National Women's' Lawyers Association
June 2005-Present

Community Involvement

From 2007 to 2018, I conducted "Human rights education" in the schools and colleges of my village for the aim of creating awareness among them on basic human rights related issues (such as dowry and child marriage, fundamental rights, consumers rights, right to environment etc.).

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