H.E. Mr. Shahabuddin Ahmed

Ambassador of Bangladesh to Japan

H.E. Mr. Shahabuddin Ahmed was born in 1960 in the district of Bhola, Bangladesh. He joined the Bangladesh Civil Service in 1986 and served in different capacities in Bangladesh, both in the field administration and in the Ministries/Divisions, before he was promoted to the rank of Secretary in 2017. He carried out his duties as the Secretary of the Ministry of Food for about two years until December 2019 and then was appointed as the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Bangladesh in Tokyo. In the earlier stage of his career, he served at various places including the offices of the Deputy Commissioner of Dhaka and Bogura, the Cabinet Division and the Finance Division.

During his 33-year long career he spent more than 20 years at the Finance Division and developed himself as an expert on public financial management. During his tenure there, he played a key role in numerous national budget preparations and was closely involved with various initiatives related to financial management reforms.

Before joining the civil service, he obtained B.Sc. (Hons.) in 1981 and then M.Sc. in 1982 in Soil Science from Dhaka University. Later, he also obtained MS degree in Development Finance from the University of Birmingham, UK.

His education and professional career were complemented by several training and conference/seminar attended both at home and abroad including the course on Public Accounts and Audit held in 1997-98 at the Chartered Institute of Public Accounts and Finance in the UK, the training on Financial Programming and Policies held in 2004 at the IMF Institute in Pakistan, the course on Development Program held in 2006 at the Asian Institute of Technology in Bangkok, workshop on Transport Infrastructure as Instrument for Economic and Social Development held in 2010 in China, FAO Conference held in 2018 in Italy, FAO Food Safety Conference held in 2019 Ethiopia, course on Strengthening Public Policy, Service Delivery and Negotiation Capacity held in 2016 at the Duke University of the USA, exposure visit on Public-Private Partnership held in 2016 in France and the Netherlands, course on Leadership in Crisis held in 2019 at the Harvard Kennedy School of the USA, the FAO/WHO/AU International Forum on Food Safety and Trade held in Switzerland and the Policy Dialogue and Integrated Food Policy Research Program held in 2019 in the USA and Canada.

He has extensive travel experiences in different regions of the world.

He is married to Mrs. Shahina Akhter and blessed with a son and two daughters.

Greetings of the Ambassador to the expatriate Bangladeshis living in Japan