

Ramendra Nath Biswas, a career civil servant and currently a Secretary to the Government, joined Bangladesh Public Administration Training Centre (BPATC) as **Rector** on 02 Jan 2022.

Prior to joining BPATC, Biswas worked as a *Member* of Planning Commission, Ministry of Planning. Before this role, he served in Finance Division, Ministry of Finance in various capacities—*Senior Assistant Secretary* through *Additional Secretary*. He also spent more than a decade in the field administration working in Dhaka Divisional Commissioner's Office as a *Senior Assistant Commissioner* and Shariatpur District Administration as an *Assistant Commissioner*.

As a member of the BCS Administration Cadre (9th Batch), Biswas has been involved in designing and implementing public policies since 1991. Gained through civil service career spanning over 30 years, he has to his credit a wide range of experience covering public administration, public financial management, development planning and training. In his longest stint of nearly 20 years in Finance Division, he had been a member of the national budget preparation team specializing in budgeting, macro-fiscal policy analysis and forecasting, debt management, development financing, project management, training, and academic and corporate governance.

He holds *BSS (Honours)* and *MSS* degrees in economics from the University of Dhaka and *MSc in Development Economics* from the University of Birmingham (UK). He participated in many professional training programmes at reputed institutions including Asian Institute of Technology (Thailand), Asia-Pacific Finance and Development Institute (China), Carleton University (Canada), Duke University (USA), GRIPS (Japan) and University of the Philippines.

The leading courses he attended at the IMF Regional Training Institute (Singapore) that shaped his career in public financial management include *Financial Programming and Policies*, *Macroeconomic Diagnostics*, *Macroeconomic Impact of the Budget*, *Macroeconomic Management and Fiscal Policy* and *The Systems of Macroeconomic Accounts Statistics and Linkages*.

Biswas was a member of the *Royal Economic Society* (UK) in 2008-2018 and is a Life Member of *Bangladesh Economic Association*. During 2010-2019 period, he was a regular trainer of FEEM, BMS and ABM courses at the Institute of Public Finance Bangladesh (IPF). He extensively made presentations in various ministries/organisations/institutions.

He served the Senate(s) of Dhaka University and Jahangirnagar University as a *Member* nominated by the Government. He also sat on the *Boards of Directors* of Bangladesh Institute of Capital Management (BICM), Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation (BPC), Coal Power Generation Company of Bangladesh Limited (CPGCBL) and Jiban Bima Corporation (JBC).

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