



MD. RAKIB HOSSAIN, ndc, Secretary to the Government, has been working as Rector of Bangladesh Public Administration Training Centre (BPATC), the apex training institute of the country, since 29 July 2019. He is a Member of Bangladesh Civil Service (Administration) cadre.

Mr. Hossain is a career civil servant having expertise and experience ranging from policy formulation and performance management in the core to training & consultancy in implementation both in home and abroad. He was actively involved and immensely contributed in policy & reform initiatives among which Career Planning Policy, Sorkari Chakri Ain-2018, Public Administration Award (PAA), Citizen Charter and strengthening service delivery through merging cadres are worth mentioning. Sensitizing the momentum of National Training Council (NTC) and Public Administration Training Policy (PATP) was one of his prime focuses during his prior appointment as additional secretary in the Ministry of Public Administration.

Mr. Hossain had his footprints of success in various capacities in different important ministries as well as *on lien* in the Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID). He is generally acclaimed for his contributions in policy formulation and innovative activities as well as his commitment and responsibility towards his duties.

He was awarded with Bachelor (honors) and Master Degrees from the University of Dhaka in the year 1982 and 1983 respectively. He obtained his second Masters in Public Administration from the University of Canberra, Australia in 1993, National Defense Course (NDC) in 2015 along with a Masters in Security and Development Strategy (MSDS) from University of Professional (BUP), Dhaka.

He attended quite a good number of professional trainings, seminars and conferences in international arena among which the latest one was a blend of professional and intellectual cross-cut at Harvard Kennedy School, Harvard University USA; contributed as a member of international delegations; had a number of articles published and widely known as a scholar in the arena of training and governance.

He maintains a strong network for academic exchange with the foreign universities in the countries like USA, UK, Australia, Malaysia, Thailand, Hongkong, China, and so on. He also made a good rapport with the academicians and practitioner including ‘AstanaHub’ through 7th International Conference on Public Administration and Development (ICPAD) held at BPATC from 5-8 February 2020 that was centered and flourished under his leadership.

Mr. Hossain had the opportunity to travel quite a number of countries in the world among which Australia, China, Denmark, France, Hongkong, India, Iran, Japan, Malaysia, Myanmar,

Netherlands, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, South Korea, Sweden, Thailand, the UK, the USA and Vietnam etc. are worth mentioning which surely sharpened and widened his vision through international and cross-cultural exposures.

This visionary, hardworking, dynamic and committed civil servant, as Secretary to the Government of Bangladesh & Rector, BPATC has been steering and significantly promoting all three mandates namely Research, Consultancy, and Training of this center successfully amid all hurdles and challenges.