# PROFILE OF MINISTERS The Daily Star



#### Matia Chowdhury

Newly appointed Agriculture Minister Matia Chowdhury was born on June 30, 1942 at Pirjopur district.

As a student of Eden Girls' College in Dhaka she involved herself in student politics, becoming Vice President of the Students' Union in 1963.

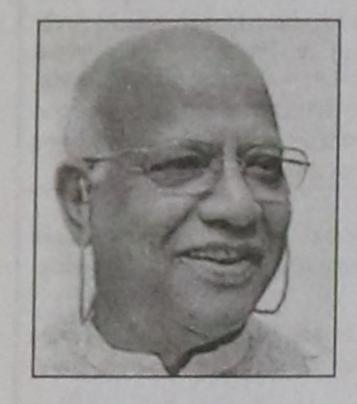
In 1967, Matia, popularly known as 'Daughter of Fire'

joined the East Pakistan Awami Party and became a member of its working committee. Between 1970 and 1971, she was an active participant in the Bangladesh's independence struggle, campaigning, lobbying, and nursing the wounded.

In 1971, she became Organising Secretary of Awami League (AL). She was arrested several times during the period of late president Ziaur Rahman and former president HM Ershad.

In 1996, she was elected a lawmaker and took the charge of the Ministry of Agriculture and Food under the Awami League government.

Matia has pledged to the people of Nakla and Nalitabari to meet the demands of them with highest priority. She would build up Pichhlakuri bridge over Isamati River and permanent step to prevent wild elephants' attack in the hilly areas of Nalitabari.



#### **AMA Muhith**

Born in Sylhet, newly appointed Finance Minister AMA Muhith obtained his BA honours in English Literature in 1954 and MA from Dhaka University in 1955.

Muhith joined Pakistan Civil Service in the following year. During his service life he studied at Oxford University during 1957-58 and at

Harvard University during 1963-64.

He joined the language movement at its initial stage during 1947-1948 in Sylhet. He was a member of the Central Committee for the Language Movement.

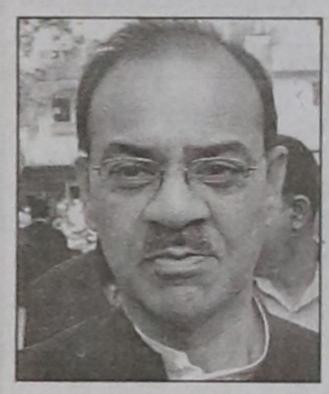
Muhith served as the general secretary of the central committee of the Pakistan Civil Service Association during 1960-1969. In 1966, he was honoured with the Tamgha e Khidmat award by the Pakistan government.

He joined the Pakistan Embassy in the USA as Economic Councilor in 1969. He participated in the Liberation war. He took over as the chief of Bangladesh mission in Washington in 1971.

He was appointed the first planning secretary in January 1972 and after three months he was sent to Washington to work as the economic minister. He also served as charge de affairs there for some time till joining as the Alternate executive director of the World Bank. In 1977 he returned to the country and joined as the secretary of External Resources Division.

Muhith resigned from the government job in December in 1981. He joined General Ershad's cabinet in 1982, and resigned in November 1983. He then left for the USA where he stayed for years: Muhith served for the Asian Development Bank in 2000 and in 2001.

The pledges Muhith made include preventing unplanned urbanisation and saving the environment of the area and taking steps to shift the Sylhet Central Jail from the city heart to another place to build up recreation park.



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### Col Faruk Khan

Born in Dhaka on September 18 in 1951, newly appointed Commerce Minister Col (retd) Faruk Khan was elected lawmaker for three times in a row since the 7th parliamentary elections in 1996.

Col Faruk started his professional life as a commissioned officer in the then Pakistan Army. He completed

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his graduation from Pakistan Military Academy and masters in Defence Studies from Defence Services and Staff College in Mirpur. He also received higher education in defence related subjects from the United States.

Faruk, also the industries and commerce secretary of AL, worked as a member of the parliamentary standing committees on government institutions affairs and youth and sports minis-

Elected from Gopalganj-1, he pledged to the people that he would protect Vatiapara riverbank area and construct a bridge at Kalna which would ease the road link from Dhaka to Khulna and Mongla.

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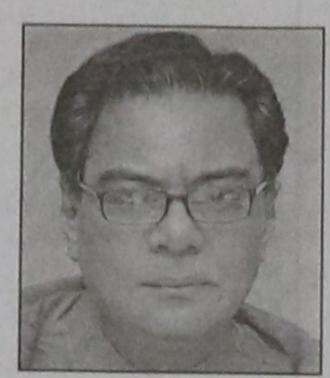
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#### Syed Ashraful Islam

Newly appointed Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives Minister Syed Ashraful Islam, was born in 1952 in the Mymensingh town.

Ashraful is an MA and is a businessman by profession. He was involved in politics

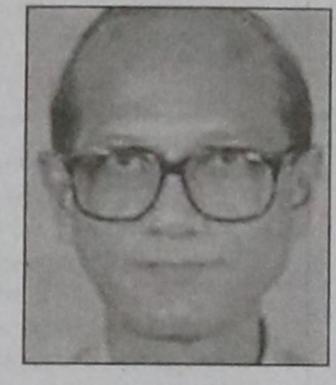
from the student life. He became the general secretary of greater Mymensingh district Chhatra League and assistant publicity secretary of the central unit.

He also worked as the acting general secretary of Awami League (AL) after the arrest of its general secretary Abdul Jalil. Now he is working as the spokesman of Awami League.

He is the son of Syed Nazrul Islam, acting president of the then Mujibnagar government in 1971.

Ashraful went to the United Kingdom after the killing of his father in prison along with three other national leaders in 1975. He came back to Bangladesh in 1996 and was elected lawmaker from Kishoreganj Sadar in the 7th national elections. He was elected a lawmaker in the 2001 election too. He worked as a member of the parliamentary standing committee on foreign

His electoral pledges include building up developed road and rail link from Dhaka to Kishoreganj.



#### Nurul Islam Nahid

Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid was born in Beanibazar upazila in Sylhet on July 5, 1945.

He studied in Sylhet MC College and Dhaka University.

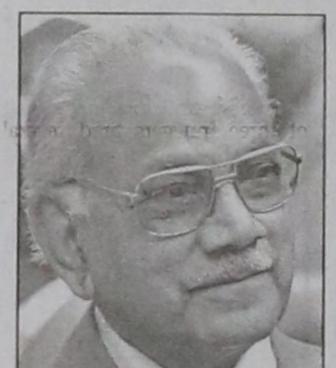
Nahid was an elected president of Bangladesh Chhatra Union in 1970 and a founding president of Jubo Union in 1976. Nahid became general secretary of

Communist Party of Bangladesh in 1991 He joined Awami League (AL) in 1994.

Nahid was elected lawmaker from sylhet-6 constituency as a candidate of AL in 1996. He served the parliamentary committee on education ministry as a chairman during the last AL govern-

He participated in the 55th general assembly of the United Nations as a member of Bangladesh team.

Nurul Islam, who was elected from Sylhet-6 constituency, pledged to the people that he would ensure arranging gas pipeline in the area and supply of electricity in important villages.



#### **AK Khandaker**

Newly appointed Planning Minister Air Vice Marshal (retd) AK Khandaker completed his graduation from RPAF College in September in 1952. He served in Fighter Squadron till 1955 and became Flying Instructor. He was at Pakistan Air Force (PAF) Academy till 1957.

He served as Flight Commander at Flying Instructors' School till 1958. Later, he became Flight Commander at Jet Fighter Conversion Squadron where he served till 1960.

He was Squadron Commander at PAF Academy till 1961. Afterwards, he became Squadron Commander of Jet Fighter Conversion Squadron where he served till 1965. He served as Officer Commanding of Training Wing at PAF Academy in 1966.

AK Khandker was president of PAF Planning Board till 1969. Later, he was posted at Dhaka as Second-in-Command of PAF Base in 1969. He took part in the War of Liberation and served as Deputy Chief of Staff of Bangladesh Liberation Forces. He represented Bangladesh Liberation Forces at the surrender ceremony of Pakistani forces in Dhaka on December 16, 1971.

He was Chief of Air Staff, Bangladesh Air Force from 1972 to 1975. He served Bangladesh Biman as chairman from 1972 to He was a minister of planning ministry from October 1986 to

March 1990. AK Khandker has been leading the Sector Commanders'

Forum as its chairman for two years which created public awareness for trial of war criminals.

He pledged to local people in his constituency that he would try his best to solve the problem of river erosion in the area.



### Abdul Latif Siddiqui

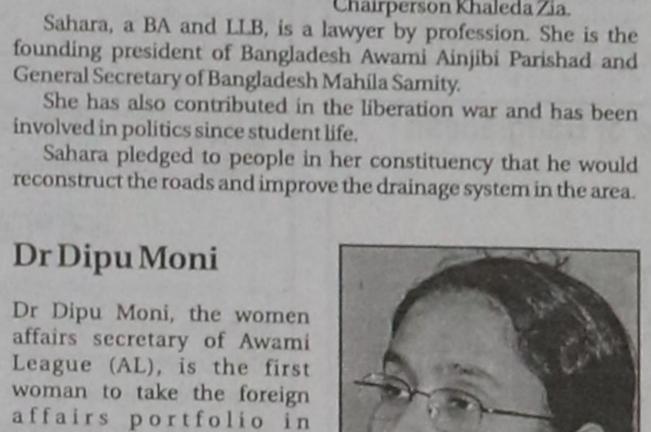
1943.

He was elected a lawmaker from Tangail-4 (Kalihati) constituency in December 29 Jatiya Sangsad elections.

An organiser of the Liberation War of Bangladesh, Latif did his MA from Dhaka University.

He was elected a member of parliament (MP) as an Awami League candidate in 1970, 1973 and 1996 elections.

Latif Siddiqui pledged to people that he would work for development of handloom industry and help construct a railway station at Elenga in Tangail district.



affairs portfolio in Bangladesh. She studied at Dhaka

Johns Hopkins University of Public Health (MPH), and the University of London. Dipu Moni, who was

Medical College (MBBS),

elected from Chandpur-3 constituency, pledged to the people that she would carry out development programmes in the area.

She is the daughter of late MA Wadud, a close associate of Bangabandhu.

She is married to advocate Tawfique Nawaz and mother of two sons and a daughter.



#### **GM Quader**

Advocate Sahara

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March 1 in 1943.

Chairperson Khaleda Zia.

Civil Aviation and Tourism Minister Golam Mohammad Quader was born on February 24 in 1948 at West Bengal in India.

He obtained his BSC Engineering (Mechanical) from Buet in 1969.

Quader, presidium member of Jatiya Party (JP), held different important posts in several important ministries

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from 1976 to 1977. He was elected lawmaker with Jatiya Party ticket in the sev- Jubo Federation during 1977-1979.

enth and eighth parliamentary election.

Quader, elected from Lalmanirhat-3, pledged to the people that he would take effective steps to resolve the monga problem He would try to start the Mogolhat Railway Station once again to political reasons. and reconstruct the rail line.



#### Barrister Shafique Ahmed

Barrister Shafique Ahmed, who has been given the portfolio of law ministry, was born on July 16, 1937 in Comilla.

He obtained his BA (honours) and MA in geography from Dhaka University in 1958 and 1959. He obtained LLB from DU in 1963 and LLM from King's College, London

in 1967. He received his bar-at law from Lincon's Inn.

He taught in DU from 1969 to 1973. He was enrolled as an advocate in the High Court in 1967 and in the Appellate Division in 1989 as a senior advocate. He was twice elected the president of Supreme Court Bar Association where he is currently holding the position.

#### Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain

Engineer Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain, newly appointed minister for labour and employment and expatriates welfare and overseas employment, was born on September 29 in 1942.

He completed his BSc in Civil Engineering and MSc in Traffic and Highway Engineering from Buet in 1959 and 1963 respectively.

He worked as consultant in different international organisation including UNDP, ILO and WFP.

Khandaker Mosharraf was a visiting professor at Buet.

Taking steps to protect river erosion by using scientific methods and taking initiative to increase educational standard are among his electoral pledges.



#### Dilip Barua

Industries Minister Dilip Barua, general secretary of Bangladesher Samyabadi Dal, was born on February 28 in 1949. He completed his BSc

(honours) in Physics, MSc from the Dhaka University. He obtained MA, Diploma in Journalism and LLB from the same university. He was a leader of the East

and organisations. He worked in Iraq as a mechanical engineer Pakistan Students Union from 1966-1970. He was a member of the Communist Party since 1969. He was the President of the

Dilip is one of the architects of 14-party alliance.

During his long political career, he was imprisoned in 1969 as the student leader. He led underground life for several times due

#### Dr AFM Ruhul Haque

Health and Family Planning Minister Dr AFM Ruhul Haque was elected as lawmaker from Shatkhira-3 in the December 29 elections. He was born on February 11 in 1944 in Satkhira.

He passed his SSC from Nalta High School in 1959 and HSC from Notre Dame College in 1961 and then completed his MBBS from Dhaka Medical College.

Ruhul Haque was elected as vice president of Dhaka Medical College Students Union in 1967-68. He also participated in Six-point Movement led by Bangabandhu in 1966 and in the mass upsurge in 1969.

Ruhul Haque is the president of Swadhinata Chikitshak Parisad and senior vice president of Satkhira district at it of Awami League.

He is a former director of National Orthopaedic Hospital, former chairman of Orthopaedics Department of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib

domestic and international awards including Dr Bidhar. Chandra Roy International Award, Bangabandhu Smrity Gold Medal 2008, Honorary Colonel, a civil recognition of the government of Bangladesh, honorary of Bangladesh Orthopaedics Society and honorary of International College of Surgeons.

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Newly appointed Minister for Jute and Textiles, Abdul Latif Siddiqui was born at Chhatihati village in Kalihati upazila in Tangail district in



Elected from Shatkhira-3, Prof Ruhul pledged to the people that he would try and within six months.

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