

***Bhashar Aapon Par, Rabindranath O Sabhaytar Sonkat* and *Quaran Sharif Sarol Banganubad* by Muhammad Habibur Rahman.**

Siddiqui, Ghulam Azam's citizenship were remarkable.

In 1996 Habibur Rahman became the chief adviser of the caretaker government and guided the nation towards a democratic path. The election under his government is considered to be one of the fairest polls ever held in Bangladesh.

Life in Literature

Habibur Rahman didn't confine himself only to the pages of legal codes and judiciary. He gave the nation a great collection of modern literature, philosophy and practical political thoughts. He authored 40 books of prose on various topics. His anthology of prose "*Prothome Matribhaha, Porbhasha pore* (First the mother tongue, then the foreign ones)" is a treasure trove for academicians working on promoting higher education in the mother tongue. In his book "*Bhasahr Apon Por*" he revealed the hidden treasures of Bengali language and described it for ordinary readers.

He also demanded practices of Bengali in the legal offices. He commented in his prose named, "*Ekushe Februarir Shuborno Joyontite*", "The dual rule system which is in full swing in our courts must be stopped now. The system of running lower court in Bengali and upper court in English is really absurd and should be stopped."

His deep knowledge of different religions and cultures made him a multi-cultural and truly secular personality. He also translated the Holy Quran into simple and easy Bengali for the readers in general. The name of this translation is "Quransutra".

Habibur Rahman also distinguished himself as a Tagore expert. His analysis on the literary works of Rabindranath Tagore is renowned for originality and unique points of view. He authored many books on Tagore's literature.

Habibur Rahman was very hopeful about the young generation of Bangladesh. His newspaper columns on various topics and articles are full of resourceful and inspiring advice for the young generation. He also authored four books of poetry.



Mme Li Jiang, Vice Governor of Yunnan Province, China taking keen interest in the book on China written by Justice Muhammad Habibur Rahman during a function arranged by BCPFA.

Recognitions

Throughout his colourful life Habibur Rahman achieved numerous awards in recognition of his invaluable contributions. For his diversified writings, he received the Bangla Academy Award in 1984. He achieved Ekushey Padak in 2007. Despite hlding high portfolios, he used to lead a very simple life. One of his friends Barrister Harun Ur Rashid said, "One day he complained to me that he sent an article to a newspaper and was upset when it carried the article, the newspaper added "Justice" before his name. He asked me "Why can't they seriously take the name of the writer without any appellations before or after the name?"

Muhammad Habibur Rahman was one of the guardians of our nation who served this country selflessly. His thoughts will guide our nation in its future path of progress and development.

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