

Curriculum Vita of Dulal Chanadra Biswas

I. Personal Data:

Name : **Dulal Chanadra Biswas**
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II. Education:

- Name of the Degree** : Ph.D
Year : 2017
Institution : University of Rajshahi
Research Title : Community Radio and Social Change: Bangladesh Experience
- Name of the Degree** : Masters in Mass Communication and Journalism.
Year: 1986 (Exam. held in 1989)
Institution : Dhaka University, Dhaka
Result : Second position in the First Class.
Major area of study : Communication Theories, Media Management, Communication Policy and Planning, Reporting and Editing, Advertising and Public Relation, Communication Research Methodology
- Name of the Degree** : Bachelor of Arts. Year: 1985 (Exam. held in 1987)
Institution : Dhaka University, Dhaka
Result : First position in the Second Class.
Major area of study : History and Concepts of Communication and Journalism, Interpersonal Communication, Mass Communication, Reporting, Editing, English Literature, History of Bangladesh, Contemporary Bangladesh and World Affairs.
- Name of the Degree** : Higher Secondary School Certificate Examination (H.S.C)
Year: 1982

- Institution** : Govt. K. C. College, Jhenidah, Jessore Education Board
Result : First Division.
Major area of study : Bangla, English, Economics, Political Science, History, Logic.
4. **Name of the Degree** : Secondary School Certificate Examination. Year: 1980
Institution : Khalfalia Milon High School, Shailkupa
Education Board : Jessore
Result : First Division.
Major area of study : Bangala, English, Elective Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology.

III. Summary of Professional Experience:

A. Teaching in University:

Courses Taught: Communication and Culture in Bangladesh, Development Communication, Communication and Society, Mass Communication, Social and Economic Institutions, English Language, Bangla Language, Contemporary Bangladesh and World Affairs, Advertising and Copy Writing, Media Appreciation and Communication Research Methodology.

Course Developed: Communication and Culture in Bangladesh, Politics Power and Media, Media Appreciation, Media and Contemporary Social Challenges in Bangladesh.

Positions held:

1. Worked as the Director General of the Press Institute of Bangladesh.
2. Working as an Associate Professor at the Department of Mass Communication and Journalism in the University of Rajshahi, Bangladesh.
3. Worked as an Assistant Professor at the Department of Mass Communication and Journalism in the University of Rajshahi since October 4, 1997 to May 25, 2009.
4. Worked as the Coordinator of 'Post-Graduate Diploma in Civic Journalism' a DANIDA funded project, being implemented at the Department of Mass Communication and Journalism in the University of Rajshahi since June 1, 2005.
5. Worked as the Chairman of the Department of Mass Communication and Journalism in the University of Rajshahi from May 5, 2003 to May 4, 2006.
6. Worked as a Lecturer at the Department of Mass communication and Journalism in the University of Rajshahi from 1994 to 1997.
7. Worked as a House Tutor of Sayeed Amir Ali Hall of Rajshahi University.
8. Elected Syndicate Member, Rajshahi University, Rajshahi.

Supervision of M. Phil Theses:

1. Effectiveness of Electronic Media for Sustainable Agricultural Development: An Investigation into TV Programs.
2. The Role of NGO Communication in Promoting Rural Health: A Study on Some Selected Villages in Bangladesh.
3. The Role of Urdu Newspapers in the War of Liberation of Bangladesh.

Supervision of Master's Theses:

- a. Communication of Culture: A Study on the Role of the Campus Based Cultural Organization of Rajshahi University.
- b. The Role of Mass Media in Arsenic Mitigation: A Study on a Village in Bangladesh.

- c. Perception of Effectiveness of Communication Media and Messages Used by BRAC: A Study on a Village in Bangladesh.
- d. Effectiveness of Communication Media and Messages Used by Grameen Bank: A Study on a Village in Bangladesh.
- e. The Role of NGO Communication in Promoting Rural Health: A Study on a Village in Bangladesh.
- f. Effectiveness of Health Messages Broadcast by Bangladesh Betar: A Study on Audiences of a Village in Bangladesh.
- g. Effectiveness of Health Messages Broadcast by Bangladesh Television: A Study on Audiences of a Village in Bangladesh.
- h. Gender Mapping in Internet Use: A Study on Online Women in Bangladesh.
- i. Uses and Gratifications of the Internet in Bangladesh: A Study on Internet Users in Rajshahi City.
- j. Reflections of Children on the Screen: A Study on the Child Related Programs of BTV.
- k. Political Economy of Mass Media in Bangladesh: A Study on NTV.
- l. Portrayal of Adibashis in Mass Media in Bangladesh: A Study on Some Selected Dailies.
- m. Communication for Social Change in Bangladesh: A Study on a Village.
- n. Climate Change Communication in Bangladesh: A Study on a Vulnerable Area.

Supervision of Research monograph at Graduate level:

So far supervised 250 research monographs at the graduate level.

B. Development Sector:

1. Worked as the Information Officer in the Christian Commission for Development in Bangladesh (CCDB) a leading national NGO from 1991 to 1993.
2. Worked as the head of the research wing of the Christian Commission for Development in Bangladesh (CCDB) from 1993 to 1994.
3. Worked as the Public Relations Officer in Caritas-Bangladesh from 1990 to 1991.
4. Worked as a consultant for Water and Sanitation Program South Asia World Bank and developed sanitation communication strategy for Bangladesh.
5. Worked as a consultant for NGO Forum for Drinking Water Supply & Sanitation, Dhaka Bangladesh in their efforts to devise advocacy strategy for secondary school children.
6. Worked as a Junior Sociologist in the project Land Water Interface; a collaborative research venture undertaken by the Newcastle University, ODA (UK) and the Rajshahi University, Bangladesh.
7. Worked as a consultant for ACD (Association for Community Development), Rajshahi in 2000-2001.
8. Worked as a consultant for CCD (Center for Communication and Development) and CARE-Bangladesh in 2004-2005 and developed strategy for HIV/AIDS Communication for the northern districts of Bangladesh.
9. Worked as a consultant with CDA (Community Development Association), Dinajpur in a research project in 2007.
10. Worked as a consultant for CCD for its advocacy program to raise indigenous voice in Mass media in Bangladesh..
11. Worked as a consultant for ACD (Association for Community Development) Rajshahi 1996 to 1998.

C. Research Projects:

- a. The Role of Mass Media in Arsenic Mitigation in Bangladesh: A Study on Some Selected Villages.
- b. Power Sharing and Grass-roots Women Empowerment by UP Women Members: A Study on Some Selected Areas in Bangladesh.
- c. Factors Affecting Voting Decision in Bangladesh: A Study on Some Selected Northern Areas in Reference to the 8th Parliamentary Election.
- d. HIV/AIDS Communication in Bangladesh
- e. Interface between Right to Food and Right to Information
- f. Sanitation in Rural Bangladesh: A Study on Two Villages

D. Experience in Media:

1. Worked as the sub-editor of a Weekly `Akhoni Shomoy`
2. Worked as trainer of journalism and media courses organized by the Press Institute of Bangladesh (PIB), Bangladesh Center for Journalism and Development Communication (BCDJC) and Center for Communication and development (CCD).

IV. Professional Training:

- a. Completed a training course on Media and Democracy organized by DANICOM and Danish Government in Copenhagen in Denmark.
- b. Completed a one-month training course on Disaster Management organized by the International University of Business, Agriculture and Technology (IUBAT), Bangladesh.
- c. Participated in a series of training courses organized by CCDB on People's Participatory Planning Process (PPP) and Human Potential Enhancement (HPE). Experts from Germany, and India conducted these training courses.
- d. Participated in a training course on Organizational Development (OD) jointly organized by CCDB and Coady International, Canada and was conducted by an expert from Canada.
- e. Attended a training course on participatory monitoring and evaluation, organized by CCDB and facilitated by an American expert.

V. Participation in Conferences, workshops and Paper Presentation:

- a. Participated in an international symposium on Participatory Action Research in Health Promotion in Liverpool, UK organized by the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine and African Medical Research Foundation and presented a paper.
- b. Attended a meeting organized by DIA and ICCO, two Dutch international funding organizations to share experiences on People's Participatory Planning Process (PPP) practiced by some NGOs in Bangladesh.
- c. Attended a sharing session on PPP with the Middle East and the South Asia Desk and the Consultancy Desk of the EZE in Bonn, Germany.
- d. Participated in the Asian Conference on Ecology and Development organized by the Christian Conference of Asia in Thailand and presented a paper.
- e. Participated in a workshop in Nepal organized by three organizations-UMN-Nepal, CASA-India and CCDB-Bangladesh on Environment and Disaster Mitigation and presented a paper.
- f. Presented a paper in a seminar on the Role of Communication in Disaster Mitigation organized by the World Council of Churches, held in Hyderabad, India.

- g. Presented the keynote paper, 'A Conceptual Framework for Effective HIV/AIDS Communication in Bangladesh' at a seminar organized by CARE, Bangladesh held in Dhaka, Bangladesh on October 5, 2004.
- h. Presented the keynote paper, 'Mass Media and Good Governance: A Bangladesh Related Discourse' at a seminar organized by Voice, BNNRC and UNESCO in Dhaka.
- i. Participated in Broadcasting and Development Media South Asia Workshop jointly organized by IDS, PROSHIKA and BCDJC .
- j. Presented the keynote paper in the Seminar on Strengthening Development Communication between Government and Stakeholders on June 25, 2009 organized by the Press Information Department of the Government of Bangladesh.
- k. Presented the keynote paper, 'Writing the Mind of the Curricula: Re-visioning Mass Communication and Journalism Education in Bangladesh organized by Mass Communication and Journalism Department, RU.
- l. Presented the keynote paper 'Killing of Bangabandhu and its Impact on Socio Political and Cultural Planes in Bangladesh' in a seminar organized by Progressive Teacher's Alliance Believing in the Values and Conscience of the War of Liberation, RU.

VI. Publications:

- a. A book titled 'Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in School Textbooks in Bangladesh: A Conceptual Framework of Contents and Chapters', published by NGO Forum for Drinking Water Supply & Sanitation, Dhaka Bangladesh (in Bangla).
- b. "Towards a sustainable and participatory rural development: recent experiences of an NGO in Bangladesh", in Participatory Research in Health/ Issues and Experience, edited by Korrie De Koning and Marion Martin, Zed Books Limited, London and New Jersey, 1996.
- c. Two articles -- Investigative Reporting and Interpretative Reporting -- in a book titled Anusandhani Sangbadikota, published by CCHRB.
- d. A chapter on Interpretative Reporting in a Reporting Handbook, published by SHED Dhaka.
- g. AIDS Journalism: Process and Procedures (in Bangla), a manual to be published by Centre for Communication and Development, Bangladesh.
- h. 'Anthropological Roots of the People in Bangladesh' A Review of Expert Comments and Leading Research Findings, Published by Caritas Journal, Volume: 21: 1991.
- i. Media and HIV/Aids, A monograph Published by CCDB in 1992.
- j. Premise and Promises of People Participatory Process in Bangladesh, Published by CCDB in 1993.
- k. Media Education and Environment, Published in CCDB Journal in Volume: 7 in 1993.
- l. Successful Health Communication Campaigns in Bangladesh: Assessment of ORTCC and EPICC to be published as a monograph by WSP, World Bank Bangladesh:
- m. Sanitation Communication in Bangladesh: And Analysis of Dynamics and Dimensions to be published by WSP, World Bank Bangladesh.
- n. A book titled 'Reporting Disaster', published by Press Institute Bangladesh (PIB), Dhaka Bangladesh (in Bangla).
- o. A book titled 'Agricultural Journalism', Dhaka Bangladesh (in Bangla).
- p. A book titled 'Opposing the Liberation War in Newspaper: The Killers' Tellings Tyrannies Treasons in 1971', published by Press Institute Bangladesh (PIB), Dhaka Bangladesh (in Bangla).

Works in Progress:

- a. Ideological Mapping of Mass Media in Bangladesh.
- b. A book on State, Media and Civil Society in Bangladesh.

VII. Organizational Affiliation:

- a. Ex-member, Bangladesh Chatra League and elected Literary Secretary of the Central Student's Union of the Govt. K.C. College, Jhenidah.
- b. Member of the Steering Committee of the Teacher's Alliance Believing in the Values and Conscience of the War of Liberation, RU.
- c. Member 'India Bangladesh Friendship Society'
- d. Executive Committee Member, Community Development Association Dinajpur.
- e. Member, General Committee, Society for Environment and Human Development (SEHD) Dhaka

VIII. Language:

- 1 Mother language : Bengali- Fluent in both written and spoken
- 2 Other Language known : English –Fluent in both written and spoken

IX. Computer Skills: Strong computer literacy including Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft PowerPoint and Internet browsing.**Reference:****1. Prof. Dr. A. A. M. S. Arefin Siddique**

Ex-Vice Chancellor
The University of Dhaka

2. Prof. Dr. Abdul Khalek

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Ex-Vice Chancellor, Rajshahi University

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