Curriculum Vitae (CV) of

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Synopsis of my Career:

With over three decades of dedicated service within UN Agencies, INGOs, and NGOs, I have consistently championed the cause of women's rights and gender equality at both the national and grassroots levels in Bangladesh. My extensive experience spans strategic planning and fundraising initiatives aimed at empowering women, implementing rights-based programs, and analyzing the intricacies of children and women's rights within the context of the CRC, CEDAW, and Bangladesh's constitution. I have actively contributed to advancing gender equality across various sectors, including TVET and WASH, leveraging a rights-based approach to drive impactful change and promote inclusive development. Through my multidimensional expertise, I have played a pivotal role in shaping policies, programs, and advocacy efforts that uphold the principles of gender equity and women's empowerment in Bangladesh.

Professional Skills

Program planning & fundraising, Capacity building, Monitoring & Evaluation, Study & Research, and Negotiation.

IT Skills

MS Office, Web Research, Data Analysis and Digital Marketing.

Work History

Till to date

Feb 2022- Consultant

Creative Services Limited

- Conducted a Market Trend Assessment Study for Oxfam's Digital Vocational Education and Training (DiVET) program, focusing on enhancing the livelihood opportunities of vulnerable youth, women, and marginalized groups through digital skills training.
- Conducted a Mid-Term Review of the country strategic plan (2022-2024) for **Save the Children** International Bangladesh office, with a particular

emphasis on assessing the integration of children & women's rights and gender equality objectives.

- Led a Resource Mobilization Audit and developed a Resource Mobilization Strategy for YPSA (Young Power in Social Action), a national NGO in Bangladesh funded by GECERF, Switzerland, with a focus on advancing women's rights and gender equality initiatives through PVE.
- Conducted a Fundraising Audit and developed a Fundraising Strategy for **RUPANTAR**, a national NGO in Bangladesh funded by **GECERF**, Switzerland, with a specific focus on supporting projects promoting women's rights and gender equality through PVE.

April 2020- Curriculum Specialist

June 2022

Center for Occupational Research & Education (CORE)

- Conducted thorough literature reviews and research on education policy and Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET), with a focus on gender mainstreaming and inclusive practices.
- Gathered, processed, and analyzed data from diverse sources, including national education databases and labor market surveys, to inform evidence-based policy recommendations.
- Presented research findings effectively at workshops, meetings, and training sessions, ensuring key gender-related insights were integrated into discussions.
- Designed comprehensive curricula for various educational programs, including long courses, short courses, and modular courses, with a specific emphasis on gender equality and inclusivity.
- Developed Training of Trainers (ToT) programs to enhance educators' capacity in delivering gender-sensitive instruction, and prepared curriculum materials for Dhaka Technical Teachers' Training Institute (DTTTI) under the Bureau of Manpower & Employment (BMET), Government of Bangladesh.

April 2017- Director (Fundraising)

March 2020 RISDA-Bangladesh

- Led the preparation of comprehensive situation analyses for programs/projects, integrating a focus on women's rights and gender equality to guide organizational policy advocacy, interventions, and development efforts.
- Developed project proposals for potential donors, emphasizing priorities aligned with gender equality objectives.
- Created communication and information materials for the head office, highlighting women's rights issues, establishing partnerships/alliances, and supporting fundraising efforts for programs and emergency interventions.

• Ensured effective implementation of project activities through regular field visits, with a specific emphasis on monitoring gender-responsive approaches and outcomes.

Feb. 2013- Director

March 2017 Islamic Aid Bangladesh

- Spearheaded program planning and fundraising efforts, with a particular focus on initiatives promoting women's rights and gender equality.
- Ensured the timely implementation of planned activities, overseeing all aspects of project execution to align with organizational goals.
- Maintained meticulous paperwork, ensuring completeness for submission to the NGO Bureau and donors, with a keen eye on compliance and transparency.
- Developed and implemented specific guidelines to streamline project implementation processes, enhancing efficiency and effectiveness.
- Directed the preparation of comprehensive progress and donor reports, highlighting the impact and outcomes of women-centric programs.
- Actively engaged in liaison activities and participated in Bangladesh and international forums for fundraising purposes, advocating for initiatives supporting women's rights and gender equality.
- Cultivated and maintained strong networks with NGO, government, and donor organizations, fostering collaborative partnerships to advance women's empowerment.
- Implemented rigorous monitoring mechanisms to assess the appropriateness, effectiveness, and impact of program implementation, utilizing suitable tools to drive continuous improvement.

July 2006- Director

- Dec. 2012 Dhaka Central Polytechnic Institute
 - Collaborated with organizational leadership and teaching staff to develop and implement strategies promoting women's rights and gender equality within operational frameworks.
 - Provided oversight of day-to-day operations, offering corrective feedback and guidance to ensure alignment with objectives related to women's empowerment.
 - Established strategic partnerships and fostered connections with industries to enhance learning outcomes tailored to 21st-century skills, with a specific focus on promoting gender inclusivity.
 - Utilized professional networks and tapped into the industry knowledge of teachers to integrate gender-sensitive approaches into educational initiatives, fostering an environment conducive to women's rights and gender equality.

Jan. 1990- Project Coordinator

May 2006 United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)

Collaborated with Government Ministries/Departments in Bangladesh to strategize and assess UNICEF-funded initiatives, emphasizing Women's Rights and Gender Equality across diverse sectors including Water & Environmental Sanitation, Primary Education, Children & Women's Health, and Child Protection.

- Conducted field monitoring visits to ensure project alignment with gendersensitive objectives, analyzed data to track progress, and facilitated postdistribution monitoring to address gender disparities.
- Contributed to comprehensive project reporting and end-line assessments, focusing on gender-specific outcomes and impacts.
- Identified key insights and lessons learned, crafting case studies to highlight qualitative achievements in promoting Women's Rights and Gender Equality within project frameworks.
- Assisted in the establishment and oversight of project beneficiary feedback mechanisms, ensuring inclusivity and responsiveness to gender-related concerns.
- Played a pivotal role in communication strategies and reporting mechanisms, emphasizing the importance of gender-inclusive narratives and outcomes.

Education

July 1987-	Master of Social Science (MSS) in Political Science
June 1989	University of Dhaka
July 1990-	Bachelor of Law (LLB)
June 1991	Dhanmondi Law College under the University of Dhaka
July 1991-	Post Graduation Diploma in Human Resources Management
June 1992	(PGDHRM)
	Institute of Personnel Management Bangladesh

Training Received

TVET Leadership Programme	UNESCO-UNEVOC, Bonn, Germany	2023
Climate Reality Leadership Corp	The Climate Reality Project, USA	2021
Better Development: A Justice Based	United Edge Services Ltd., UK	2019
Approach		
MS Project Management	BUET	2015
Advanced Training on Gender	UNICEF	2006

Countries of Work Experience

Have work experience in Bangladesh (urban, rural and refugee camp). Visited various Countries for the purpose of study, training, workshop and seminar.

Main Studies/Researches Conducted

- Multiple Indicators Cluster Survey (MICS) on Child Survival and Development under UNICEF & Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics.
- Study on Education System in Bangladesh through Mosque based Maktab.
- Role of School Management Committee in Primary Education.

Membership with Professional & Social Institutions/Associations

Member	UNEVOC TVET Leadership Programme, Germany
Member	UNESCO-UNEVOC TVET Forum, Germany
Life Member	Institute of Personnel Management, Bangladesh (IPM)
Member	Bangladesh Society for Human Resource Management (BSHRM)
Member	Institution of Diploma Engineers' Bangladesh (IDEB)
Chairman	Lead Education Foundation, Dhaka
Chairman	Creative Services Limited, Dhaka

Certification:

I, the undersigned, certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, this CV correctly describes myself, my qualifications and my experience.

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Signature Md. Barkat Ullah Date: 12/03/2024