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### **EDUCATION**

December 2015 Master of International Public Health

(date conferred) Sydney School of Public Health, Faculty of Medicine and Health

The University of Sydney

May 2014 Bachelor of Medical Science, Immunobiology Major

(date conferred) Faculty of Science, The University of Sydney

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

## International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)

Dhaka, Bangladesh

Senior Program Manager

& Deputy Chief of Party, Feed the Future Bangladesh Research Activity

Sep 2023 – present

 Since September 2023, working as the Senior Program Manager in the Poverty, Gender, and Inclusion Unit at the International Food Policy Research Institute. Perform dual role of Deputy Chief of Party for the USAIDfunded Feed the Future Bangladesh Research Activity.

Country Coordinator, CGLAR Initiative on Rethinking Food Markets

Sep 2022 – present

Since September 2022, also acting as the Country Coordinator for CGIAR's Rethinking Food Markets
Initiative. Involved in liaising across work packages on areas of collaboration and interfacing with relevant
stakeholders. Member of the research team for work package 1 (on global value chains), studying cluster
farming interventions in the export-oriented shrimp value chain in Bangladesh.

Senior Research Analyst Research Analyst Apr 2022 – Aug 2023

Dec 2016 - Mar 2022

- Involved in a multi-country study of the impact of Covid-19 on value chains in Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, and Uganda. Surveyed 3,342 small and medium enterprises in the rice, fish, and shrimp value chains over two rounds across 55 districts in Bangladesh. Co-authored a report on the study's findings submitted to USAID in December 2021. Presented the study's findings regarding Covid-19 impacts on business continuity and factors associated with resilience at (1) the 31<sup>st</sup> International Conference of Agricultural Economists (ICAE), (2) a consultation workshop with industry stakeholders and policy specialists organized in partnership with the Bangladesh Shrimp and Fish Foundation (BSFF), and (3) the 10<sup>th</sup> Sri Lankan Economic Research Conference (SLERC) in January 2022. The study's findings on the factors associated with enterprise resilience in the fish and shrimp value chains were published in the South Asia special issue of the Applied Economic Perspectives and Policy journal in March 2023.
- As part of the Integrated Food Policy Research Program (IFPRP)—a World Bank-funded project of the Bangladesh Ministry of Food—executed the Bangladesh Millers' and Traders' Survey in 2018, the largest nationally representative survey of the rice value chain in the country. The study covered a total of 798 rice millers in 32 districts, 866 traders in 36 districts, and 627 households in 6 districts. Co-authored two working

- papers that have since used this survey's findings, investigating (1) estimates of private sector rice stocks, and (2) the impact of price stabilization policy instruments on the rice market. The findings of both studies were presented to policymakers in mid-2020.
- In 2017, led a census of public foodgrain storage infrastructure in Bangladesh as part of the IFPRP. The first of its, kind, the census covered all 653 functional and non-functional storage facilities under the purview of the Ministry of Food, employing civil engineers to assess existing conditions and generate repair estimates. Published a working paper and presented the findings to relevant policymakers in March 2018.
- In 2017, co-authored a working paper assessing the magnitude of grain losses in the Bangladeshi public foodgrain distribution system. Designed and implemented the corresponding survey of 164 public foodgrain storage facilities in all 64 districts of Bangladesh, collecting both primary and secondary information on storage losses and grain management operations. Presented the findings to a forum of policymakers in June 2020.

## BRAC James P Grant School of Public Health, BRAC University

Dhaka, Bangladesh

Senior Research Associate

Jul 2015 – Nov 2016

- Led the WASH-Nutrition correlation study, a UNICEF-funded study investigating the prevalence and factors associated with nutritional outcomes among under-five children in Bangladesh. Involved in proposal writing, study design, data analysis, survey management, and reporting.
- Co-authored a peer-reviewed article on urban-rural and sex differentials in tuberculosis mortality in Bangladesh as part of a study funded by the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (GFATM). Responsibilities also included data analysis, writing, and survey management.
- Involved in data analysis and report writing for the level 3 monitoring of UNICEF's Child Protection Programme.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

## Journal articles

- **Kabir, Razin Iqbal**, Muhammad Nahian Bin Khaled, Sudha Narayanan, and Shahidur Rashid. 2023. "Shocks and the determinants of resilience: fish and shrimp value chains in Bangladesh after Covid-19." *Applied Economic Perspectives and Policy* 45 (4): 2078-2093. 1-28. doi: 10.1002/aepp.13356.
- Sarker, Malabika, Fahmida Homayra, Lal B. Rawal, **Razin Kabir**, Afzal Aftab, Rahmatul Bari, Agnes Dzokoto, Estifanos Biru Shargie, Shayla Islam, Akramul Islam, and A. H. M. Mahbub Latif. 2018. "Urban-rural and sex differentials in tuberculosis mortality in Bangladesh: results from a population-based survey." *Tropical Medicine and International Health* 24 (1): 109-115. doi: 10.1111/tmi.13171.
- Hossain, Mohammad Didar, Afzal Aftab, Mahmudul Hassan Al Imam, Ilias Mahmud, Imran Ahmed Chowdhury, **Razin Iqbal Kabir**, and Malabika Sarker. 2018. "Prevalence of work-related musculoskeletal disorders (WMSDs) and ergonomic risk assessment among readymade garment workers of Bangladesh: a cross sectional study." *PLoS ONE* 13 (7): e0200122. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0200122.
- Hossain, Mohammad Didar, Helal Uddin Ahmed, M. M. Jalal Uddin, Waziul Alam Chowdhury, Mohd S. Iqbal, Razin Iqbal Kabir, Imran Ahmed Chowdhury, Afzal Aftab, Pran Gopal Datta, Golam Rabbani, Saima

Wazed Hossain, and Malabika Sarker. 2017. "Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) in South Asia: a systematic review." *BMC Psychiatry* 17: 281. doi: 10.1186/s12888-017-1440-x.

## Discussion papers

Minot, Nicholas, Shahadat Hossain, **Razin Kabir**, Paul Dorosh, and Shahidur Rashid. 2024. "Assessing the impact of rice price stabilization policies in Bangladesh: Results from a stochastic spatial equilibrium model." [Draft IFPRI Discussion Paper, March 2024]. Washington DC: International Food Policy Research Institute.

### Working papers

- Kabir, Razin Iqbal, Sudha Narayanan, Ben Belton, Ricardo Hernandez, and Mohammad Mahfujul Haque. 2023. "Shrimp value chains in Bangladesh: a scoping study of possible research interventions." CGIAR Research Initiative on Rethinking Food Markets, Initiative Note No. 8. Washington DC: International Food Policy Research Institute. doi: 10.2499/p15738coll2.136869.
- Minot, Nicholas, Shahadat Hossain, **Razin Kabir**, Paul Dorosh, and Shahidur Rashid. 2021. "Rice price stabilization in Bangladesh: Assessing the impact of public farm-gate and consumer price stabilization policy instruments on the overall grain market and developing policy orientations with a greater role for the private sector." IFPRP Working Paper 11. Washington, DC: International Food Policy Research Institute. doi: 10.2499/p15738coll2.134539.
- Dorosh, Paul, Nicholas Minot, **Razin Kabir**, and Shahadat Hossain. 2021. "Private sector rice stocks in Bangladesh: Estimates from the Bangladesh Millers' and Traders' Survey (MATS) 2018." IFPRP Working Paper 6. Washington, DC: International Food Policy Research Institute. doi: 10.2499/p15738coll2.134538.
- Rashid, Shahidur, and **Razin Kabir**. 2021. "Public sector foodgrain storage losses in Bangladesh: An assessment of current losses and the identification of solutions to reduce them." IFPRP Working Paper 5. Washington, DC: International Food Policy Research Institute. doi: 10.2499/p15738coll2.134542.
- **Kabir, Razin**, Mohammad Yunus, Tofazzal Hossain, and Shahidur Rashid. 2019. "Public food grain storage facilities in Bangladesh: an assessment of functionality, repair needs, and alternative usage." IFPRP Working Paper 2. Washington, DC: International Food Policy Research Institute. doi: 10.2499/p15738coll2.133106.

#### **COMPETENCIES**

**Statistical packages** Stata, R, Python, SAS, and SPSS

Languages English (fluent), Bangla (native), French (limited)