

**Record of Activities of JBCCI**

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01.07.2018 JBCCI represented by the Adviser to the Board Mr. Akhtaruzzaman, Secretary General Mr. Tareq Rafi Bhuiyan (Jun) and Director Mr. AK Mizanur Rahman paid tributes to the victims of the Holey Artisan Tragedy by placing a flower bouquet at a makeshift memorial in Gulshan, Dhaka. The picture came out in the Financial Express the next day.



Photo: Mr. Akhtaruzzaman, Adviser of JBCCI, Mr. Tareq Rafi Bhuiyan (Jun), Secretary General of JBCCI and Mr. A.K. Mizanur Rahman, Director of JBCCI at Holey Artisan premises on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

01.07.2018

The news of the new Board of Directors of JBCCI came out in several local dailies.



Photo: the New Board of Directors of JBCCI for July 2018-June 2020 along with Past Board of Directors of JBCCI for April 2016-July 2018 took a group photo. Mr. Takashi Shimokiyoda of Embassy of Japan and Mr. Taiki Koga of JETRO were also present there.

#### **Web Links:**

Financial Express: [http://epaper.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/?archiev=yes&arch\\_date=01-07-2018](http://epaper.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/?archiev=yes&arch_date=01-07-2018)

Daily Samakal: <http://epaper.samakal.com/nogor-edition/2018-07-01/15>

Daily Ittefaq: [http://epaper.ittefaq.com.bd/?archiev=yes&arch\\_date=02-07-2018](http://epaper.ittefaq.com.bd/?archiev=yes&arch_date=02-07-2018)

BDNews24: <https://bdnews24.com/business/2018/06/29/japan-bangladesh-chamber-elects-new-board-of-directors>

02.07.2018

A circular received from BAAS on a Training program in Japan on "Business Innovation & Organizational Development (BIOD)" was circulated among the members for their kind information.

08.07.2018 The 95<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting of JBCCI was held at JETRO Dhaka and this was attended by 9 Directors and the Adviser of the new Board of JBCCI for July 2018- June 2020. Four Standing Committees were formed in this meeting.

08.07.2018 A circular received from BAAS on a Training Program in Japan on "Design Management" was forwarded to the members of JBCCI for their kind information.

09.07.2018 The minutes of the 94<sup>th</sup> Board meeting of JBCCI (held on 24.06.2018) was forwarded to the members of JBCCI for their kind information.

12.07.2018. The 53<sup>rd</sup> issue of the JBCCI Newsletter was sent to the members and other relevant organizations for their kind information.

17.07.2018. The unpaid members of JBCCI were requested by a circular to pay the membership fee for FY-2018 at an early date.

19.07.2018 The minutes of the 95<sup>th</sup> Board meeting of JBCCI held on 08.07.2018 was circulated among the members of JBCCI for their kind information.

22.07.2018 JBCCI sent a congratulatory message to H.E Mr. Matsushiro Horiguchi (a former Ambassador of Japan to Bangladesh) on his receiving the "Order of the Sacred Treasure" from the Emperor of Japan.

22.07.2018 JBCCI sent a request letter to the Chairman of NBR for issuing the new SRO for Tax Deduction at source on Sales Remittance against export of RMG and other products at the rate of 0.7% for FY 2018-19.

26.07.2018

A very nice reply received from H.E. Mr. Matsushiro Horiguchi was circulated among the Directors of JBCCI for their kind information.

04.08.2018

JBCCI sent a congratulatory message to Dr. Kabir Ahmed, Managing Director of the Conveyor Group and a Director of JBCCI, on his getting the Master Class Certificate in Shipping and Ports Management from London Graduate School and Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) from Commonwealth University, both on 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2018.



Photo: Dr. Kabir Ahmed, Director of JBCCI and managing Director of Conveyor Group at the Award Giving Ceremony in UK.

06.08.2018

A program organized by Japan Bangla Peace Foundation named "Hiroshima Day -2018" with a theme titled as 'No more Hiroshima-no more Nagasaki, a tragedy never to be repeated'. Mr. Tareq Rafi Bhuiyan (Jun), Secretary General of JBCCI attended the Program as a Special guest along other prominent figures of Bangladesh.



Photo 1&2: Mr. Tareq Rafi Bhuiyan (Jun), Secretary General of JBCCI at the "Hiroshima Day-2018" program as a Special Guest.

09.08.2018

The SME Support Committee of JBCCI had its first meeting with Dr. Kabir Ahmed in the chair. The committee discussed on how to promote and support the SME sector of Bangladesh.

12.08.2018

The 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Steering Committee for the ICOSA visit was held at JETRO Dhaka office and this was attended by 11 members and 2 advisers.



Photo 1 & 2: Steering Committee Members along with Advisers during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of ICOSA Study Tour.

14.08.2018

JBCCI Secretariat sent a request letter to the unpaid members to clear the membership dues for FY-2018

26.08.2018

The minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the ICOSA Steering committee was forwarded to the concerned members of JBCCI for their kind information.

27.08.2018

An e-mail along with a published article received from Uttara Motors Ltd. was forwarded to the members of JBCCI for their kind information.



**“ETHICS UNDERLIES SUCCESS.”**

An Bangladesh's economy grows rapidly, Masud Khan is at the helm thanks to unwavering loyalty, honesty and pride in his business.

**M**asud Khan is a distinguished man with an unwavering sense of ethics. As Chairman and Managing Director of Uttara Group of Companies, he is known for his unwavering integrity, honesty and dedication.

"I am motivated by my father, the founding Chairman, and my late father-in-law and previous Chairman, Md. Masud Khan, for shaping me into what I am today," says Khan. "From the beginning, I have followed their business ethics and spirit of honesty, integrity, transparency and commitment."

But Uttara's success story didn't happen overnight. Working at home a long journey since 1974, Masud Khan's success is the result of a long-term vision and a strong commitment to the national economy. In 1999, Masud Khan made his debut with the creation of Bangladesh, a country that rapidly earned success because of its rapid development and a GDP above most per cent.

Bangladesh has the eighth highest population in the world and has recently seen a developing country status. With its aim to become recognized as a middle income status by 2021 and a developed status by 2043, the country is well on its way thanks to a remarkably healthy foreign exchange reserves, food security and an increasingly significant leadership. Despite all this development, it remains an emerging market.

It is in the country that Masud Khan has dedicated his business career. With the growth in Bangladesh's economy, Uttara saw opportunities to emerge: infrastructure, jobs for skilled workers, and a decrease in dependence on imports.

**The house offering the largest range of automobiles in Bangladesh**

Uttara Motors Limited (UML) - flag bearer of Uttara Group of Companies (UGC) - is engaged in the sales and marketing of Suzuki vehicles throughout the country via its nationwide sales, service & spare parts network.

**UML is the Sole Distributor of Suzuki Motor Corporation (Japan) in Bangladesh**

www.uttaramotorsLtd.com

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According to Masud Khan, who's age has reached a great stage in his career, experience, an Uttara's current business policy and objective processes continue to drive, quality service and support. And as he says, he believes that customer programs, integrity and honesty will lead to growth and success.

All Uttara employees endeavor to not only meet customer expectations, but to exceed them. "It's our aim to provide the highest quality products and services to our customers," says Masud.

"To build the dream for Bangladesh's prospering future, we have to be a credible part of the nation. From here, Uttara will support the nation, and Uttara, in customer programs, will be

meeting Masud's own standards and standards, he has plans to expand Uttara's distribution network and expand across the country, in anticipation of continuing market growth.

"In the next few years, the Bangladesh motorcycle market should reach one million units," he says. "When we get into manufacturing, our cars will be substantially reduced, the real price will be lower, and we can enhance the buying capacity of the people, which will increase the market size."

By the end of the year, Uttara is hoping to manufacture its own automobile and establish a presence in various parts. Back as expansion will likely provide some opportunities for Bangladesh's young workforce, and help drive the economy.

**WHAT MATTERS**

Masud's loyalty and national pride has enabled his long career, while his drive to help build Bangladesh's economy has pushed many of his choices. The business strategy laid weight on his plans for expanding his business. He's the proud of Bangladesh's contribution as a UIC manufacturer, doubling more than a million (100,000) motorcycles in the local vehicle market.

"Masud believes that these values permeate in their people, changing times are the right time. Keeping pace with the needs of a technology-driven society, the company is constantly making positive capabilities and defining new business opportunities.

"We want to give a global business honor. While we are eager to reach the pinnacle of success, we don't want to forget who we are and where we come from," he says.

"I believe every individual has a desire to be part of a great organization, but the responsibility of a leader is to develop an effective method for recruitment to ensure potential in the people, who are the building blocks of Bangladesh. In the end, there is no alternative to success."

Photo: An article published on South Asia Edition of CEO Magazine, Singapore.

03.09.2018

The SME Support Standing Committee of JBCCI had its 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting at the Corporate office of AK Khan & Co. Ltd. this was attended by five members.



Photo: SME Support Committee members during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Committee.

06.09.2018

A 13-members delegation from Rikkyo University of Japan led by Prof. Dr. Tetsuo Mizukami visited JBCCI office for an "Exchange of Opinion" meeting. Honorary Executive Director of JBCCI Dr. AKM Moazzem Hussain and Director Mr. Masud Karim attended the visitors and JABA Tour Ltd. kindly provided their classroom for holding the meeting.



Photo: Delegation Team of Rikkyo University, Japan took a group Photo with Dr. AKM Moazzem Hussain and Mr. Masud Karim of JBCCI.



09.09.2018

The 96<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting of JBCCI was held at JETRO Dhaka office and this was attended by 9 Directors and Adviser to the Board.

This Board Meeting was followed by the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the SME Support Standing Committee which was attended by 6 members.

15.09.2018

The Secretary General Mr. Tareq Rafi Bhuiyan (Jun) attended the Closing Ceremony of the "50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of BAAS" at Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel.

16.09.2018

Mr. AKM Mizanur Rahman, Director of JBCCI has been accredited by United Nations as Advisor, Global Economist Forum a General Permanent Member Organization of United Nations.



18.09.2018

The video link (YouTube) of the following programs was circulated among the members for their kind information:-

- a) "Ekushey Business" of Ekushey TV of 10<sup>th</sup> September which was participated by Mr. Tareq Rafi Bhuiyan (Jun), the Secretary General of JBCCI.



Web link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PzUjEiZsQdc&feature=youtu.be&app=desktop>

- b) "Bola Na Bola" of Nagorik TV of 17<sup>th</sup> September which was participated by Mr. Akhtaruzzaman, Adviser to the Board of JBCCI.



Web link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HZ3CBOWR2wI>

22.09.2018

The minutes of the 96<sup>th</sup> Board meeting of JBCCI was forwarded to the members and other relevant organization for their kind information.

23.09.2018

A circular received from FBCCI on "Invitation to attend the 32<sup>nd</sup> CACCI conference to be held in Istanbul on 23-24 November 2018" was forwarded to the members of JBCCI for their kind information.

30.09.2018

The 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Steering Committee for the ICOSA study Tour was held at JETRO Dhaka Office and this was attended by 14 members.



Photo: Steering Committee Members during the 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of ICOSA Study Tour.