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Major General Md Emdad ul Bari, OSP, NDC, psc, te (retd) joined as the Chairman of Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission in September 2024. He is a telecommunication engineer with expertise in military communications, microwave radio relay, electronic warfare, and cybersecurity. Besides, his experience also includes education management and strategic studies.

Major General Bari was commissioned in the Corps of Signals of the Bangladesh Army in 1985 and retired in 2022 after serving more than thirty-six years in diverse command, staff, and instructional assignments. He commanded a signal battalion and a brigade and taught in the School of Signals and the Defence Services Command and Staff College in Bangladesh. His staff appointments in the military included the Chief Communication Officer of the Ituri Brigade under the UN Peacekeeping Mission in DR Congo; Chief of the Land Warfare Branch of Doctrine Division in the Army Training and Doctrine Command; and Deputy Assistant Military Secretary in the Military Secretary's Branch of Bangladesh Army.

While serving as the Director General of the Systems and Services Division in the Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission earlier, he spearheaded the nationwide biometric SIM verification drive, which was lauded at the World Summit on the Information Society of International Telecommunication Union. He also steered the drafting of guidelines for several new telecommunication services.

Outside the telecommunication sector, Major General Bari served as the Vice Chancellor of Bangladesh University of Professionals, a public university; the Director General of Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies, a government thinktank; and the Chief Executive Officer of Sirajganj Economic Zone Ltd., a private industrial zone. Besides, he was a Trust Bank Ltd. director and Dhaka Cantonment Girls' Public School and College Chairman.

He obtained a bachelor's degree in science, honours in telecommunication engineering, and a master's in defence studies. He is an alumnus of the University of Chittagong; the National University of Science and Technology, Rawalpindi; the National University, Bangladesh; Defence Services Command and Staff College, Mirpur; *Collège Interarmées de Défense*, Paris; and National Defence College, Mirpur.

He speaks Bangla, English, French, Hindi, and Urdu languages; and takes an interest in cycling, gardening, golf, literature, and music.