

Session 03: Panel Discussion 02

Topics/Title: Research to Practice: Reality and Expectation

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OSH RESEARCH CONFERENCE 2025

**Safe Work, Sustainable Future:
Bridging Research & Practice in OSH**

 Date: 02 August, 2025  Time: 09.00 am

 Venue: NOSHTRI Auditorium, Rajshahi

Chief Guest

Brigadier General (R.) Dr. M Sakhawat Hussain

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Special Guest

Mr. A H M Shafiquzzaman

Secretary
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Guest of Honor

Dr. Rehana Khanam

Lt. Col. (retd.)

Ms. Zaheda Parveen

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Mr. Khondoker Azim Ahmed ndc

Divisional Commissioner
Rajshahi

Chair

Mr. Omar Md. Imrul Mohsin

Inspector General
Department of Inspection for Factories and Establishments

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PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

- 08.00 - 09.00 : Refreshment & Registration
09.00 - 09.05 : Welcome speech by JIG, NOSHTRI
09.05 - 09.10 : Speech by ILO Representative
09.10 - 09.15 : Speech by Divisional Commissioner, Rajshahi
09.15 - 09.25 : Speech by Ms. Zaheda Parveen, Secretary, Cabinet Division
09.25 - 09.35 : Speech by Dr. Rehana Khanam Lt. Col. (retd.)
09.35 - 09.45 : Speech by Mr. A H M Shafiquzzaman, Secretary, MoLE
09.45 - 10.00 : Speech by Brigadier General (R.) Dr. M Sakhawat Hussain, Honourable Adviser, MoLE and MoS
10.00 - 13.00 : Session on Scientific Paper Presentation
13.00 - 14.00 : Lunch & Prayer Break
14.00 - 16.00 : Panel Discussion on OSH Research: Trend, Challenges & Opportunities in Bangladesh
16.00 - 16.50 : Panel Discussion on
OSH Research and Practices: Reality and Expectations
16.50 - 17.00 : Open Discussion
Thanks giving and Closing remarks by Chair

Technical Session Brief



Session 01: Scientific Paper Presentations

Speakers and Topics

Mr. N.H.M. Kamrujjaman Serker, PhD

Professor
Department of Civil Engineering Rajshahi
University of Engineering & Technology (RUET)
Title: Workplace Safety Assessment in Building
Construction: A Case Study in Rajshahi City

Mr. Lim Yin Cheng, DrPH

Medical Lecturer and Occupational and Public Health Physician
Department of Social and Preventive Medicine
Faculty of Medicine, University of Malaysia, Malaysia
Title: Development of Respirator Fit Test Panel
Representing the Population of Malaysia

Mr. Raju Ahmed

Assistant Inspector General, DIFE
(Currently on deputation)
PhD student, Department of Occupational and
Environmental Health, University of Iowa, Iowa, USA
Title: Potential use of personal ionizers to reduce
occupational exposure

Ms. Afrin Nur

B. Pharm student, Department of Pharmacy
Diseases, Southeast University
Title: Prevalence of Work- Related and
Injuries among Informal Workers in Tejgaon

Mr. Hayatun Nabi, PhD

Assistant Professor, Department of Public Health,
North South University
Title: Low back pain among professional bus drivers:
a cross-sectional study from Bangladesh

Mr. Mohammad Delwer Hossain Hawlader, PhD

Associate Professor, Director, NSU Global Health
Institute, North South University
Title: Occupational factors associated with low back
pain among Bangladeshi online professionals

Mr. Abdul Kaium

Deputy Inspector General, NOSHTRI
Title: Safety climate and stakeholders' engagement:
An exploratory analysis from the apparel industry

Mr. Md Matiur Rahman

Joint Inspector General, DIFE
Title: Occupational Hazards in Lead-acid Battery
Factories in Bangladesh: Assessing Excess
Heat, Noise, Chemical Exposures, and Health
Impacts on Workers

Mr. Hasnat M Alamgir, PhD

Professor and Director, Institute of Research and
Training, Southeast University
Title: Worker empowerment in Bangladesh: The
European and North American initiatives for
the garment industry.

Mr. Ahmed Hossain, PhD

Professor, University of Sharjah,
United Arab Emirates
Title: Telephone Telemedicine for Improving
Hypertension Follow-up in Working-Age
Adults: Implications for Occupational Health
Programs

Ms. Bilkis Banu, PhD

Associate Professor, Department of Public Health
Independent University, Bangladesh
Title: Exploring Occupational Behaviors and
Influencing Factors Among Sanitation Workers
in Bangladesh: A Cross-Sectional Study Using
a Mixed-Methods Approach



Session 02: Panel Discussion 01

Topic/Title: “Research on OSH, Trend, Challenges & Opportunities in Bangladesh”

Moderator

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