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The Honourable Prime Minister appointed Dr. Rashed Al Mahmud Titumir as Adviser for the Ministry of Finance and Planning. He is also Professor of Economics and former Chairman, Department of Development Studies, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh. He served on the Board of the central bank of Bangladesh. His career spanned a variety of settings, including government, think-tanks, international organisations and media, besides academia.

Dr. Titumir uniquely combines academic acumen and strategic leadership. A highly published economist, with command over theory and praxis, he is an institution builder, demonstrated by transformative change management in complex settings from grassroots to national to international levels.

He holds Ph.D. in Economics from the SOAS, University of London, M.Sc. in Development and Financial Economics from the Royal Holloway, University of London, Certificate in Trade Policy and Commercial Diplomacy from the Universities of Carleton and Ottawa, BSS (Hons.) in economics from the University of Dhaka, and Higher Secondary School and Secondary School Certificate from Jhenidah Cadet College.

Dr Titumir provided advisory services to governments on multilateral negotiations such as WTO, UNFCCC, UNCBD. He contributed as a member of committees of experts of different UN bodies. As a senior staff member and a senior advisor, he worked with international organisations, civil society and NGOs in multicultural, multinational and diverse environments at home and abroad.

He has extraordinary private sector experience as an Independent Director in publicly traded companies in financial sector, including heading Board committees relating to governance, risk, investment and audit.

Dr. Titumir is on boards of different organisations and is the founding Chairperson of the Unnayan Onneshan, a multidisciplinary independent think-tank. He is a founding Director of Monsoon Asia Foundation. He was Vice Chairperson of Asia Regional Committee of IUCN and Chairperson of Bangladesh National Committee of IUCN.

He served on the Syndicate, the decision-making body of a university, and was Joint Secretary General of Bangladesh Federation of University Teachers' Association. He also taught at the Royal Holloway, University of London and the Bangladesh Open University. He was Distinguished Fellow of reputed think-tanks.

His books exhibit interdisciplinary foundations of development: 'Fiscal and Monetary Policies in Developing Countries: State, Citizenship and Transformation' (Routledge); 'State Building and Social Policies in Developing Countries: The Political Economy of Development' (Routledge); 'Why Agriculture Productivity Falls: Political Economy of Agrarian Transition in Developing Countries' (Purdue University Press); 'Natural Resource Degradation and Human-Nature Wellbeing: Cases of Biodiversity Resources, Water Resources, and Climate Change' (Springer Nature); 'Numbers and Narratives in Bangladesh's Economic Development' (Palgrave Macmillan); 'Fifty Years of Nation Building: Political Economy of Bangladesh's Development (UPL)'; 'Sundarbans and its Ecosystem Services: Traditional Knowledge, Customary Sustainable Use and Community Based Innovation' (Palgrave Macmillan); and 'COVID-19 and Bangladesh: Response, Rights and Resilience' (UPL).

He writes for, and comments in, media of home and abroad.