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Ayesha Qureshi MBE (Editor)

We are delighted to be celebrating the fifth annual edition of the British Bangladeshi Power & Inspiration.

Each year, we aim to highlight the people who hold the pulse of the community, keep us moving forward and who demonstrate the strength of our collective future. The full list features leaders, innovators and emerging talent from the fields of business, technology, politics, media, public service and the arts. We are particularly proud that we now have three female members of parliament on the list, just one sign of the level of progress that has been made in a short amount of time.

The Person of the Year is awarded for exceptional achievement, and this year, there can only be one recipient who we have all watched, talked about, admired and taken to our hearts.

We started out with a five year plan. Within this period with your help, support and encouragement we have created a prestigious publication where the places on the list are coveted.

The launch of the list creates a ripple of excitement that lasts throughout the year. The 2015 launch video and the website have been viewed tens of thousands of times and the list has received huge amounts of exposure through social media and the press around the world. There is now a network of BBPI Alumni who are a body of strength and a credit to our community and the country. So now, we are ready to celebrate our fifth anniversary with the launch of the 2016 list and the unveiling of the BBPI Foundation.

The BBPI Foundation will deliver financial, networking and mentoring support to talented young British Bangladeshis from disadvantaged backgrounds. A motivating force behind the creation of BBPI was the opportunity for one generation to leave a legacy for the next. The BBPI Foundation is the means by which we can achieve this and our legacy will be the empowerment of the next generation.

The BBPI Foundation, like the BBPI list, can only be a success if we have your support.

Thank you to our first BBPI Foundation Ambassadors who have shown incredible belief in us and have started us on the next phase of this journey. We hope you will join us too by committing your skills, services and finances to the BBPI Foundation so we can take the project through the next five years and beyond.

FOREWORD

Together we will break boundaries and encourage achievement at the next level.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the BBPI 2016 headline sponsors: Thames Water and Human Appeal. Your support and those of all our supporters is immensely appreciated. Thanks also to Murad Qureshi AM, for hosting the 2016 launch at London's Living Room.

Abdal & Ayesha
February 2016



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ARTS << CULTURE

SHAPLA SALIQUE

Musician

Known for her unique soulful voice, her music is a blend of Bengali folk, jazz, pop, funk and soul. In demand across the globe, Shapla has played the Royal Albert Hall, the palace of Westminster, the Southbank, Barbican and many more.

Alumni



NAZ CHOUDHURY

Flex FX

The most successful Bollywood artist in the UK, Naz has performed live on the BBC, at the Nobel Peace Prize Concert and to sell-out crowds at the O2 arena.

Alumni



ZIA HAIDER RAHMAN

Novelist

Winner of Britain's oldest literary prize, the James Tait Black award and recipient of critical acclaim for his first novel, In the Light of What We Know, a story encompassing issues from war in Afghanistan to the banking crisis.

Alumni



AKRAM KHAN MBE

Choreographer

One of the most in demand choreographers in the world, Akram has received numerous international awards and his tours reach many cultures and people across the globe. He is currently adapting his Olivier award winning work, Desh, for children and creating a new show Mahabharata.

Alumni

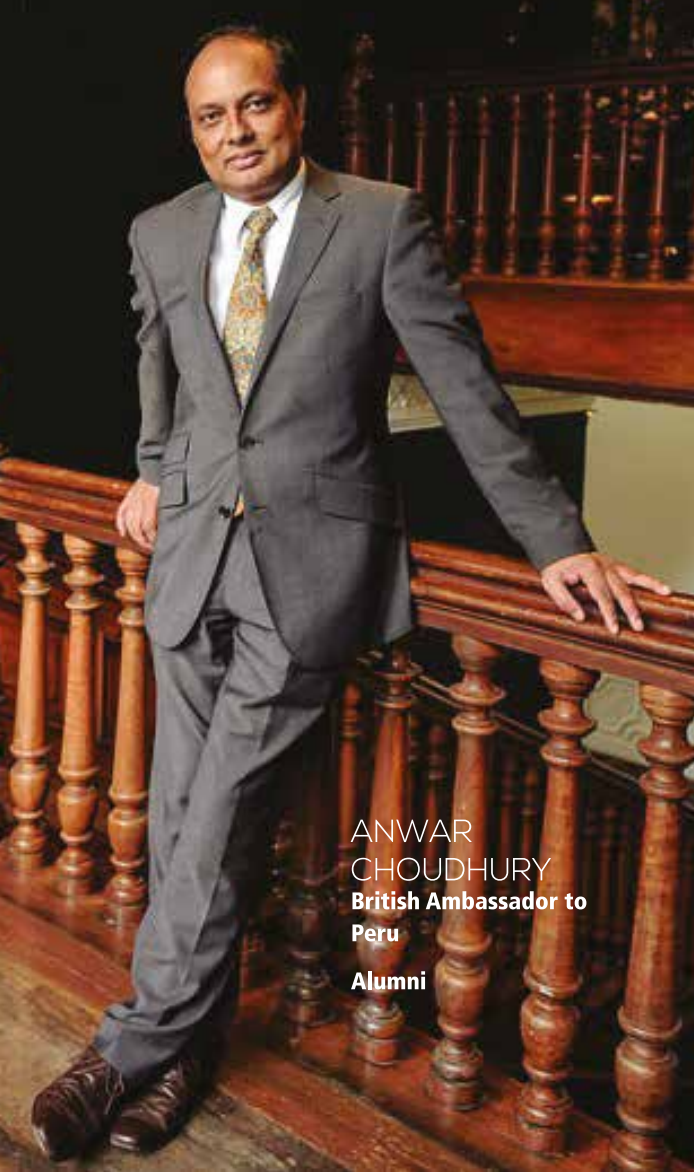


AMINA KHAYYAM

Amina Khayyam Dance Co

Amina's work celebrates the majesty of the Kathak style of Bangladeshi dance, through performance and teaching, her focus is on telling stories that impact marginalised women.

New Entry



ANWAR CHOUDHURY
British Ambassador to Peru
Alumni

THE AMBASSADORS



ASIF AHMAD
British Ambassador to the Republic of the Philippines
Alumni

INNOVATION



FARZANA KAZI-HOSSAIN
Recipe Architects

Making a move away from a very successful career in architecture, Farzana is creating a blend of healthy gluten and dairy free comfort foods suitable for diabetics, with patented recipes unique to the market.

New Entry



SYED AHMED
Managing Director, Savortex

With an impressive client list, this award winning British technology company is using patented technology to develop the next generation of low cost "green" hand dryers.

Alumni



MR SHAFI AHMED
Colorectal Cancer Lead at Barts Health NHS Trust and Associate Dean at Queen Mary University of London, Barts and The London School of Medicine and Dentistry

A highly experienced general and colorectal surgeon at Barts and the London NHS trust, the youngest person ever to be elected onto the prestigious Council of the Royal College of Surgeons of England and the first to perform live-streaming of an operation using Google Glass, which was watched live by 13,000 students around the world.

Alumni

IN THE MIDDLE EAST



MUSFIOUE AHMED
Senior Manager, EY Management Consultant at Ernest & Young

Operating across the Middle East region on global digital transformation initiatives.

New Entry



CAPTAIN AKBOR UDDIN KHAN
Pilot, Etihad Airlines

A commercial airline pilot for flag carrier and the second-largest airline of the United Arab Emirates, Akbor flies major routes around the globe and also pilots the prestigious Airbus A380 aircraft.

Alumni



SHAHEEN HAQUE
Middle East Territory Manager at Interactive Intelligence Inc

Shaheen has overseen impressive growth throughout the Middle East for this global provider of cutting edge technology services for telephony, contact centre and business automation.

New Entry



SUHAIL MIRZA
Partner, Watson Farley & Williams

Suhail is involved in the full spectrum of corporate and commercial work in the Middle East, his experience includes advising clients active in the utilities, transport, telecoms and financial sectors.

New Entry



SHAREENA ALI
Director-International PR at Atlantis The Palm

Responsible for developing the international PR strategy for Atlantis, The Palm, Shareena manages celebrity stays and international press visits and leads on major promotions, filming and special events.

New Entry



SHAH QURESHI
Head of the Employment, Bindmans LLP

Specialising in advising individuals on employment rights and regulatory issues, Shah has a particular interest in whistle blowing and discrimination law.

Alumni



KHASRUZ ZAMAN
Simmons & Simmons LLP

Previously Global Head of M&A Legal at Barclays, Khasruz has extensive experience of advising on a broad range of corporate transactions within the UK and abroad and a strong track record of acting as legal adviser to boards and senior management.

New Entry



AMINA ADAMS
Senior Employment Counsel, Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP

A senior employment lawyer who has worked for leading US and UK Law firms advising top multinationals clients and high-net worth individuals across a broad range of industry sectors.

New Entry



AZAD ALI
Solicitor, Shearman & Sterling LLP

Highly experienced senior lawyer in Financial Regulation, in both UK and EU, covering a wide range of sectors and markets.

Alumni

CITY LAW



CIVIL >> PUBLIC SERVICE



MURAD QURESHI AM
London Assembly Member Labour

Alumni



RUZINA HASSAN
Director of UK Trade and Investment, Bangladesh

Previously head of Press and Public Affairs for the British Embassies in Abu Dhabi and Dubai, Ruzina's current role is to maximise business opportunities between the UK and Bangladesh in sectors such as garments, seafood, ceramics, pharmaceuticals and software development.

New Entry



HALIMA BAGUM
Regional Director, Education, East Asia, at British Council

Halima's experience spans international development, programme management, advocacy, and strategic research. She is responsible for shaping the British Council strategies for education in 14 countries in East Asia.

Alumni



AKTAR CHOUDHURY
Operational director for planning & regeneration, Brent Council

His proudest achievement has been delivering the new Brent Civic Centre consolidating the council's workforce into a single, multi-purpose, intelligent, well-designed building bringing positive impact to staff and the community, breathing new life into the Wembley regeneration area.

New Entry



NAFIZA ANWAR
Clinical Site Manager, Maternity Services at University College London

Senior nurse in the maternity services team at UCLH committed to providing safe, high-quality midwife-led services, accessible and equitable care to women and their families.

New Entry



DARA ISLAM
Ombudsman, Financial Ombudsman Service

With a distinguished career at the bar as a senior crown prosecutor, Dara is now responsible for making final decisions in the cases referred to the Financial Ombudsman Service where adjudicators have not been able to resolve the matter through the services dispute resolution process.

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PASHA
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President

Representing 12,000 restaurants across the UK which employ more than 90,000 people and with an estimated yearly turnover of £4 billion, the BCA has just celebrated its 10th annual award ceremony.

Alumni



British Curry Awards

ENAM ALI MBE
Founder

Termed the "Curry Oscars" by the Prime Minister, Enam has created a highly anticipated event in the annual awards calendar.

Alumni



Curry Life Magazine

SYED BELAL
 AHMED
Editor

Regarded as an authoritative and independent voice of the Curry Industry in Great Britain, Belal has spearheaded the 'Taste of Britain Curry Festival' in India as part of Curry Life's strategy to promote British curry around the world.

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British Bangladeshi Caterers Association (BBCA)

EAFOR ALI
 SHAHANOOR
 KHAN

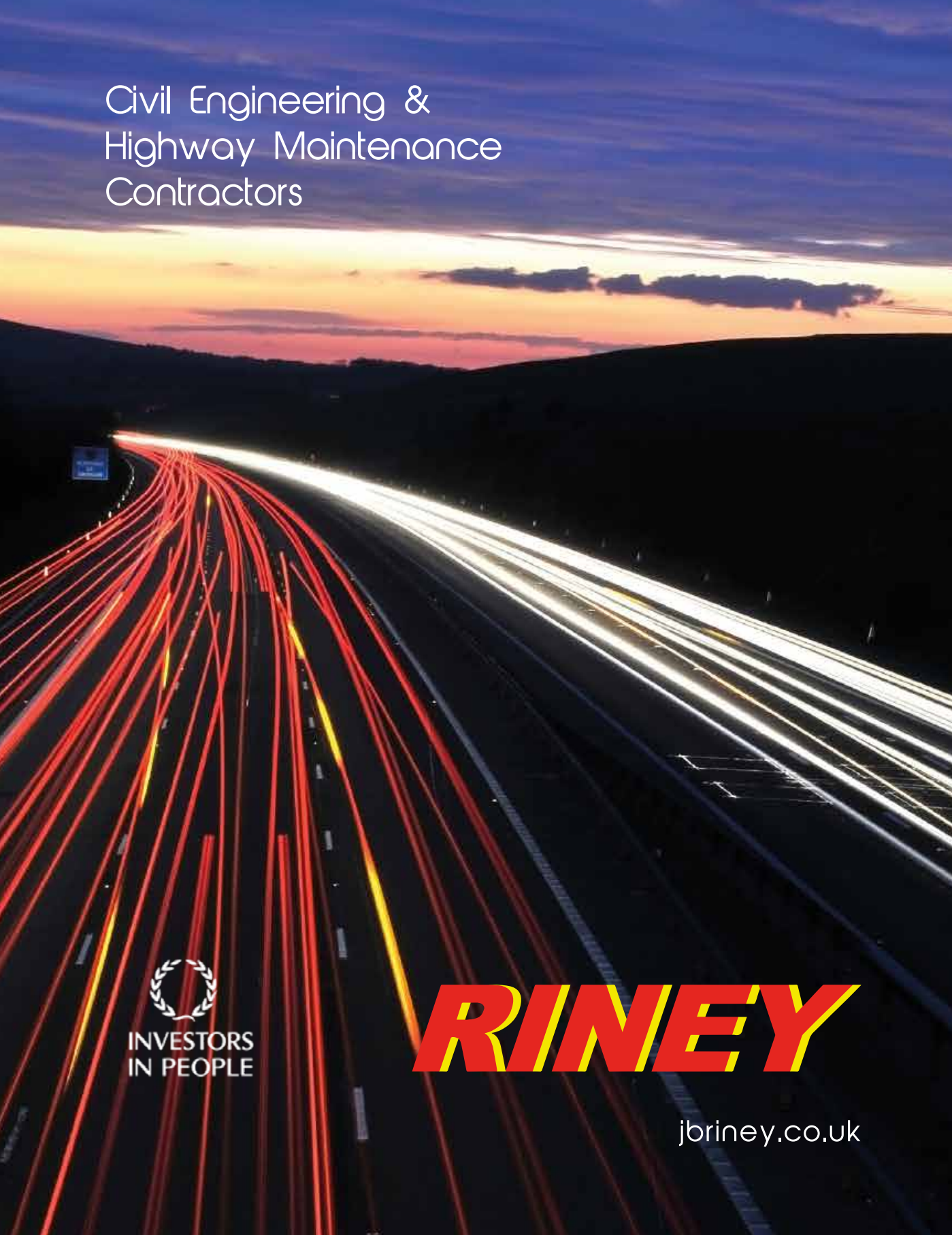
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Executive Committee

Dedicated to promoting and protecting British Bangladeshi Caterers with a united and powerful voice.

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DELWAR HOSSAIN
Managing Director, Adrem Group

From working for Norman Foster to leading his own firm, Del is a design and creative industry expert dedicated to supporting the next generation of architects and industry bodies.

Alumni



ABDUL THAHID
Assistant Director, Deloitte Real Estate

A Project Manager with international experience in a wide variety of built environment projects ranging from leisure centres, Government capital investment schemes and office fit outs through to more unique events such as the Horse Guard Parade venue for the London 2012 Olympics.

New Entry



SAIF UDDIN
Development Manager at Balfour Beatty Investments

A property development professional delivering complex mixed use regeneration schemes, currently working on a transformational regeneration project positioned within the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, a place of world-class venues and facilities.

New Entry

BUILT ENVIRONMENT

NAZMA UDDIN
Project Monitoring Surveyor at McBains Coope

Nazma has already worked with leading UK Construction and Management companies, providing project and construction management services in both the private and public sectors, she is the winner of the Project Management prize in the prestigious Duke of Gloucester's Young Achievers Scheme.

Alumni



FINANCE

BLISS DIXON
COO,
BankToTheFuture.com

Bliss co-founded Bnk To The Future, a global online investment platform where each investment opportunity has a 'crowd' of interested investors which has raised millions in a alternative finance investment for companies around the world.

New Entry



AREF KARIM
**Chief Executive Officer
of Quality Capital
Management (QCM)**

From managing multi billion dollar portfolios to setting up his own hedge fund, Aref is a highly respected financier.

Alumni



SULTAN
CHOUHURY
**Chief Executive Officer
and Director, Al Rayan
Bank**

Leading Britain's only fully Sharia-compliant retail bank, Sultan has attracted more than 50,000 customers with an ethical approach to banking.

Alumni



PROFESSOR
MOORAD
CHOUHRY
**Chief Executive, Habib
Bank AG Zurich, UK**

Previous experience across Investment, Corporate and Retail Banking, Moorad is a recognised Industry thought-leader and leading academic in Treasury Risk Management.

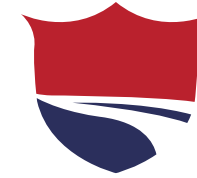
Alumni



NOHSHAD SHAH
**Managing Director,
Goldman Sachs**

A distinguished career in the finance industry with major investment banks including Deutsche Bank, responsible for interest rate product sales across the EMEA region.

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SHAMIM MIAH
Member of Youth
Parliament for Leeds

With a rousing speech from the dispatch box on a visit to the House of Commons on racism and religious discrimination, Shamim a rising star in the political arena, regularly meeting with politicians, running campaigns, holding debates and ensuring the views of young people are listened to by decision makers.

New Entry



ZEENAT ISLAM
Barrister, 25 Bedford
Row

Zeenat is a super bright talented young lawyer specialising in criminal defence cases. She is the founder & director of YOU*th Inspire, an award winning educational initiative working with young people giving them a platform for civic participation, personal development and social activism.

New Entry



SOTEZ CHOWDHURY
Community Organiser,
London Citizens /
Development at Tech
City Stars

His role as an organiser is to assist people to work collectively to address social problems, develop and support them to achieve what they want to achieve and empower the leaders of the future.

New Entry



NIZAM UDDIN
Mosaic Head of
Communications at
Business in the
Community

Part of HRH The Prince of Wales's initiative to create opportunities for young people of all backgrounds growing up in the most deprived communities, Nizam has a strong interest and background in social mobility, particularly around access to higher education.

New Entry



SHANAZ BEGUM
Executive Assistant to the
Headteacher, Mulberry School

Shanaz is the embodiment of the mantra "anything is possible" and an exemplary mentor to the students she supports every day. Her most high profile achievement to date has been overseeing the Michelle Obama visit to Mulberry School and the reciprocal invitation to the White House for a group of young women from the school.

New Entry

MPS >> PEERS



RUSHANARA ALI
MP
Bethnal Green and Bow
(Labour)

Alumni



TULIP SIDDIQ MP
Hampstead and Kilburn
(Labour)

Alumni



RUPA HUQ MP
Ealing Central and Acton
(Labour)

Alumni



BARONESS
POLA UDDIN
Life Peer

Alumni



NETWORK >> ASSOCIATIONS

Conservative Friends of Bangladesh

MEHFUZ AHMED
ABDUS HAMID
ENAM UL
CHOWDHURY
Executive Members



Active in its aims of promoting the culture, successes and values of British Bangladeshis through the Conservative party, CFoB has also hosted a number of events to bring closer relations between Bangladesh and the UK.

New Entry



London Bangla Press Club

MOHAMMED
NOBAB UDDIN
President

The press club has brought together media organisations in print, publishing, television and radio to represent the interests of the Bangladeshi media in the UK.

Alumni



Emerald Network

ROOFUL ALI
Founder

Established as the longest and leading Muslim professional Network of its kind, Emerald has membership spanning diverse professions and locations, beyond the UK.

Alumni



The UK Bangladesh Catalysts of Commerce & Industry (UKBCCI)

BAZLUR RASHID
MBE
President

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Presenter of
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Bangla Show

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NINA HOSSAIN
Journalist and
Newsreader at London
Tonight, ITV

Alumni



**RESHMIN
CHOWDHURY**
Presenter BT Sport

Having previously worked for the BBC and Real Madrid TV, Reshmin now presents the daily SportsHub news on this increasingly popular channel.

New Entry



SHELINA BEGUM
Chief Business Journalist

Shelina runs The Asian News, an online publication found at theasiannews.co.uk. She also covers business for the Manchester Evening News and Greater Manchester Business Week.

New Entry



AHMED HUSSAIN
BBC Radio 1

High flying producer on 1Xtra, the Asian Network and the Trevor Nelson show on BBC Radio 1.

Alumni



LISA AZIZ
Journalist and News-
reader, LBC Radio

Alumni



**DR JUNAID
ZAMAN**
Fulbright Scholar at
Stanford University

Recipient of the inaugural Fulbright British Heart Foundation Award to perform clinical trial of new treatments for ventricular fibrillation and sudden cardiac death.

New Entry

MEDICAL RESEARCH



**DR MIRATUL
MUQIT**
Wellcome Trust Senior
Research Fellowship in
Clinical Science and
Programme Leader,
University of Dundee

Within reach of discovering the causes of Parkinson's disease, Miratul is at the forefront of research in this field with ground-breaking discoveries.

Alumni



DR MAHI MUQIT
Consultant Vitreoretinal
Surgeon, Moorfields Eye
Hospital

Actively involved with research into diabetic retinopathy screening pathways and is currently involved with two innovative international diabetic retinopathy screening projects based in Bangladesh and Indonesia.

Alumni

**PROFESSOR
NAZNEEN
RAHMAN**
Institute Of Cancer
Research

One of the countries leading clinical scientists, developing creative techniques to understand and beat cancer.

Alumni





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POLICY ADVISERS >> COMMENTATORS

ED HUSAIN
Senior Advisor and
Director of Strategy,
Tony Blair Faith
Foundation

A senior adviser at the Tony Blair Faith Foundation and an adjunct senior fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations, specialising in Islamist movement, the Middle East and counter-terrorism policy.

Alumni

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**DIA
CHAKRAVARTY**
Political Director,
Taxpayers Alliance

A regular on Question Time and other political and news outlets, Dia is known for putting the pressure on politicians.

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PEOPLE TO KNOW



AHMED US SAMAD CHOWDHURY JP
Community Activist

A highly regarded and prominent advocate of the British Bangladesh community, widely recognised for his charitable work and community activism.

Alumni



DR MUHAMMAD ABDUL BARI MBE
Community Activist

An educationalist, community activist, author and parenting consultant in the British Muslim community. He has served East London's diverse communities in various capacities for three decades.

New Entry



ROHEMA MIAH
PR Consultant

A specialist political consultant who bridges the gap between clients and the decision-making process. Rohema is an experienced advisor having worked with a number of senior politicians, pressure groups and industry bodies.

New Entry



DR KOWSAR HOQUE
Kennington Tandoori

Situated across the river, within easy reach from the Houses of Parliament, Kowsar's reputation amongst his high profile customers has led to his Kennington Tandoori to become the only restaurant to have ever received a mention during Prime Minister's Question Time.

New Entry



IQBAL AHMED OBE
Chairman and Chief Executive, The Seamark Group

Iqbal has created a multi million pound seafood processing, restaurant and cash and carry empire with brothers Bilal and Kamal and is now playing a major role as chairman in the formation and funding of NRB Bank - a lender for non-resident Bangladeshis to invest back in their homeland and to help businesses in Bangladesh grow and access international markets.

Alumni



AMIN ALI
Red Fort

One of the most respected and experienced Asian restaurateurs in Britain; Amin has maintained the Red Fort as the go to restaurant for those who are hot in the social and political scene in London.

Alumni



BBPI FOUNDATION

empowering the next generation

Thank you to the Founding Ambassadors of the BBPI Foundation:

Iqbal Ahmed OBE	Del Hossain
Shamim Ahmed	Shelim Hussain MBE
Amin Ali	Ruhul Islam
Amirul Choudhury	Pasha Khandaker
Ahmed us Samad Chowdhury JP	Ranu Miah
Mamun Chowdhury	Iqbal Wahhab OBE
Taj Group	Naufal Zamir
Mashukul Hoque	

To celebrate our fifth anniversary,
British Bangladeshi Power &
Inspiration is delighted to
Introduce the BBPI Foundation



BBPI 2015 Alumni

Our aims and values are to:

- Promote talent, success and leadership;
- Deliver financial, networking and mentoring support to talented young British Bangladeshis from disadvantaged backgrounds enabling them to achieve to their highest potential;
- Harness the Power & Inspiration of our list alumni and network;
- Create a legacy of support from one generation to the next.

DONATION OPTIONS

The BBPI Foundation Ambassadors

The BBPI Foundation Ambassadors contribute a minimum of £1,000 and act as our Ambassadors to champion the project in their own networks.

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MAMUN CHOWDHURY
Managing Director, London Tradition

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Alumni



SHARIF BANNA MBE
CEO, Awakening Worldwide

As well as being a successful entrepreneur and CEO of a global publishing and media company, Sharif is a director of the Islamic Institute for Development & Research and an Advisory Board Member of the Research Center for Islamic Legislation and Ethics for the Qatar Foundation.

Alumni



SHELM HUSSAIN MBE
Managing Director of Euro Foods Group Limited

Named Ernst & Young's Entrepreneur of the Year 2015 for London and South, for his success in having scaled his food manufacturing and distribution business from a start-up he began aged 17 with £20 to a global firm with turnover in excess of \$200m. Shelim is also focused on his new venture – an online takeaway ordering and reservation, service Kukd.com.

Alumni



FARZANA HOSSAIN NEELA
Managing Director, Neela's Home

From small beginnings, Neela has captured the market by becoming the exclusive importer of goods and spices from Bangladesh's most sought after brands into the UK.

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RUBY HAMMER MBE
Makeup Artist

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Alumni



MESBA AHMED
**Chief Executive at
London Tigers**

Mesba set up the London Tigers football club to help keep kids away from crime. It now helps 800 youngsters across the capital.

Alumni



ZUBAIR HOQUE
**Formula 4 BRDC
Championship, Driver
with Sean Walkinshaw
Racing**

Alumni



ZIDAN MIAH
Footballer

On an incredible journey pursuing his dream to become a professional footballer, Zidan has a scholarship with the prestigious Michael Johnson Performance Centre in the USA and plays for Dallas FC. He is the winner of the Special Recognition award at the Asian Football Awards.

New Entry



**HAMZA
CHOWDHURY**
Leicester City FC

Hamza has been earning rave reviews at Leicester and is regarded as one of the best young prospects to emerge at the club in recent years.

New Entry



TASMIN LUCIA KHAN
CEO of WR Entertainment

Recently announced as the chief executive of Hollywood movie studio, WR Entertainment which is due to be publicly listed on the Oslo Stock Exchange. Tasmin is leading the studio through an exciting development phase, with 10 motion pictures planned over the next 5 years, the first movie due out at the end the year, is being produced by one of Ridley Scott's favourite producers, "The Martian" producer Mark Huffam and they are also buying the Baja Studios in Mexico, where Titanic, Pearl Harbour and Quantum of Solace were all filmed.

Alumni

TECH

SHAMIM AHMED
Managing Director,
MathWorks UK

Relied upon by engineers, universities and scientists worldwide, MathWorks is the leading developer of mathematical computing software accelerating the pace of discovery, innovation, and development in automotive, aerospace, electronics, financial services, biotech-pharmaceutical and other industries.

Alumni



MOHIMA AHMED
App Developer

Mohima is a true force for change. She is trustee at Apps For Good, an award-winning, open-source education technology movement that aims to build the next generation of problem-solvers.

New Entry



TOFFAEL RASHID
Executive Vice President,
AXIATA Robi

Brand and communications lead for a major telecoms company, Toffael has presided over their most successful media campaigns in recent years.

Alumni



NAUFAL ZAMIR
Managing Director,
Zamir Telecom Limited

Zamir Telecoms offers a diverse portfolio of innovative products and services in the market and has been recognised as one of the UK's fastest growing tech companies. Naufal also funds an MBA scholarship to Oxford University's Saïd Business School.

Alumni



MASHUKUL HOQUE
Managing Director,
Sandyx Systems

The only App development and IT support services provider to host data services through its own purpose-built facilities in the UK.

Alumni



**HER HONOUR JUDGE
KHATUN SAPNARA
Circuit Judge**

The first British Bangladeshi to be appointed as a Circuit Judge, Her Honour Judge Sapnara is based in the South Eastern Circuit, East London Family Court. Her incredible achievement earned her the first ever BBPI Person of the Year title.

Alumni



**AKHLAQ
CHOUDHURY QC
Barrister / Deputy
High Court Judge**

Akhlaq is a specialist in commercial, employment, procurement, information and public law. He took silk in 2015 and is ranked as a leading barrister across many of his areas of practice.

Alumni



**MUHAMMED
HAQUE QC
Barrister**

Having just completed a rigorous and demanding selection process to be appointed a QC, Muhammed's specialist commercial litigation practice is set to grow enormously.

Alumni



**AJMALUL
HOSSAIN QC
Barrister**

Senior Advocate for the Supreme Court of Bangladesh and International Arbitrator. Ajmalul was the first QC in England of British Bangladeshi origin.

Alumni



PERSON OF THE YEAR
2016

The British Bangladeshi Power & Inspiration Person of the Year 2016 is Nadiya Hussain for her outstanding achievement as the winner of the BBC Great British Bake Off.



NADIYA HUSSAIN
Winner of the Great British Bake Off 2015

The nations baking sweetheart, The Times Magazine columnist and soon to be published author, Nadiya has delighted TV audiences as her stardom continues to grow apace.

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Alumni



SAMI SANAULLAH
Managing Director & CEO,
Travel Link
Worldwide Ltd

By providing complex journey planning, customised packages and managing the sales and reservations process for customers in a professional manner, Sami has created a niche space for his company in the very competitive travel agency market.

New Entry



MONIR AHMED
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**Programme Manager,
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Most recently at the 2015 Paris Climate Conference, Jebi supports decision-makers to design and deliver climate compatible development working in partnership in the public, private and non-governmental sectors to achieve environmental sustainability.

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**CAMILLA
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The Women's Lawyer

Camilla set up her legal consultancy with the aim of assisting women with an affordable and approachable service for family law matters, her innovative style has led to her hosting successful pop up clinics in local Tesco stores.

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The first to recognise and bring media and public attention to the human rights atrocities being committed against the Rohingya community, this dynamic and creative pair continue to champion and support marginalised communities across the world.

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**DR NA'EEM
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Having developed his concept of "skillanthropy", Na'eem continues his philanthropic work matching professional skills in student doctors to those without healthcare in the developing world.

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PIYA MUQIT
**Justice Centre Hong
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Having worked in legal practice, legal education and in policy and advocacy in both the UK and internationally, Piya is an expert in human rights, refugee and human trafficking laws and an advocate for access to justice.

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ABDAL ULLAH
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Abdal has held a number of senior executive roles across London and is a widely recognised personality in the British Bangladeshi community. Currently employed as a senior lobbyist and consultant, he was the first British Bangladeshi to serve on the Metropolitan Police Authority and the governing Council of Queen Mary, University of London. Abdal has a broad spectrum of voluntary and charitable interests including Trustee of the Thames Water Trust and the chair of the Labour Faith Network and hosts popular community TV and Radio shows.



AYESHA QURESHI
MBE
Editor

Ayesha is a senior finance lawyer working for a range of clients in the City, she has extensive experience of advising banks and international borrowers both in the UK and globally. Ayesha has developed award winning corporate social responsibility programs and acts as a mentor for emerging talent in the legal profession. Ayesha was awarded an MBE in the 2006 New Year's Honours list for her unique role in the successful London Olympic bid. She was the only British Bangladeshi to present at a medal ceremony at the 2012 Games.



IQBAL WAHHAB
OBE
Panel of Judges

Iqbal is a journalist, social campaigner and serial entrepreneur. He has just celebrated the 10th anniversary of the highly successful British restaurant and bar Roast, in Borough Market and previously founded the multi award winning Cinnamon Club. Iqbal supports a number social and food initiatives, he is patron of Mum's The Chef and works with projects helping prisoners and ex-offenders get in to work. He received an OBE in the 2010 New Year's Honours list for public service and services to the hospitality industry.



SYED NAHAS PASHA
Panel of Judges

One of the most respected British-Bangladeshi journalists in the UK and the editor in chief of the Weekly Janomot, a Bangla newspaper established in 1969. Syed is also editor in chief of restaurant magazine Curry Life and UK bureau chief of the largest Bangladeshi online news agency, bdnews24.com. He is executive committee member of the Commonwealth Journalists Association, a voluntary professional association for working journalists throughout the Commonwealth. Syed Pasha is one of the founding members and former general secretary of the London Bangla Press Club, which acts as a voice for British Bangladeshi journalists, and has worked with government bodies including the Home Office and Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

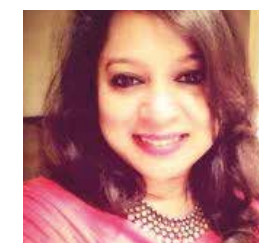
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JOHN NEWBIGIN
Panel of Judges

John is a creative and cultural entrepreneur, writer, freelance journalist and strategic consultant for the cultural industries. He is currently the Chairman of Creative England a

national agency and is on the British Council's Advisory Board for Arts and Creative Economy. John serves on a number of boards and was previously the Head of Corporate Relations for Channel 4. He has also served as the Special Adviser to the Secretary of State for Culture, Chris Smith, during which time John was closely involved in developing the UK government's policies for the creative industries. His other roles have included working as a policy adviser to Neil Kinnock. John is currently a Visiting Professor at the University of East London, as well as other international universities.



NAHIDA RAHMAN
Panel of Judges

A Senior Client Account Manager at Media Reach Advertising, Nahida has a City

finance background and acts as a trustee for the Sir William Beveridge Foundation, a UK based international charity. Nahida was one of the first British Bangladeshi women to enter into a management role for a Bangladeshi Television Channel and has since successfully led highly popular channels NTV and Channel Nine UK, respectively holding the roles of Executive Director and CEO. During that time she has introduced innovative new programming, attracted a younger viewing base and forged stronger relationships with the mainstream media.

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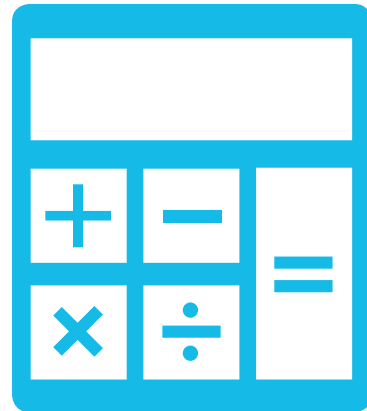


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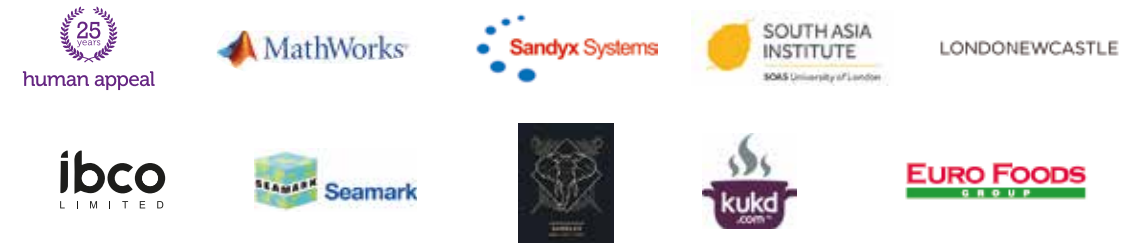


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