



Iqbal Ahmed OBE DBA

Chairman of UKBCCI

A very happy new year to all. I wish everyone a wonderful start to the new year and hope that 2022 will bring you many blessings.

Year 2021 has flown by. Twelve months have passed, but it felt that it wasn't that long ago when I was writing my message for our new year 2021 newsletter. Sadly, we are still in a pandemic and Covid-19 continues to claim lives.

On a more positive note, the vaccination programme has been a success preventing more deaths and hospitalisations. As COVID-19 will be part of our lives for the foreseeable future, we are learning to live with the virus despite the ongoing uncertainties. By carefully managing the risk to ourselves and others we are able to continue with our daily lives and go about business as usual.

2021 is a year of many successes for UKBCCI. We have opened a few regional offices such as London, Midlands and the East of England with more to follow next year. I must appreciate and thank all the Regional Presidents and their team for making sure that the launching of and inaugural meetings in their respective regions went successfully well. Congratulations to Mr Oli Khan MBE, London Region President, Dr M G Moula Miah FRSA, Midlands Region President and Mr Siddqur Rahman Joynal, East of England Region President. I wish them success in their role and I know that with them at the helm, their regions will do well and succeed in serving the British Bangladeshi business community. I would also like to welcome to UKBCCI our new directors; Dr Josim U Ahmed & Mr Abdul Karim.

During the course of the year UKBCCI has organised and hosted networking lunches, virtual meetings and a virtual business talk. We have also signed an MOU agreement with FBCCI in November. They were attendees at the Bangladesh International Summit and part of The Honourable Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's delegation. We look forward to working with FBCCI and I am sure that this partnership will bring trade and investments in to both the UK and Bangladesh. The summit was held in London and Manchester and I was honoured to be able to participate in both; and was pleased that I was also able to entertain my UKBCCI fellow directors and the entire team to an evening meal in Vermilion in Manchester.

I thought I should share with you my participation in two other events abroad which were both great occasions to attend and participate in. One was the International investment Summit 2021 in Dhaka organised by Bangladesh

Investment Development Authority, where you can discover limitless opportunities to invest. The other was the Bloomberg New Economy Forum in Singapore. It was my third time as a participant. There were special sessions to attend and one of the sessions I attended was about "A Sustainable Future for Agriculture" and where the former UK Prime Minister Tony Blair was in attendance.

Lastly, I would like to express my appreciation and thanks to the Bangladesh High Commissioner and commercial counsellor and all our partners and supporters for their continued support and involvement. I would also like to extend my thanks to our President, Mr Nazmul Islam Nuru, fellow directors, members and the entire team of UKBCCI for their hard work and generosity in so many ways.

Thank you all for making this past year a great year. Let's make 2022 an even greater year for UKBCCI.



Nazmul Islam Nuru

President of UKBCCI

I wish you all a very happy & prosperous new year 2022.

When I started my journey as the President of UKBCCI my vision was to create more regions to increase

membership and reaching out UKBCCI's activities to wider community of United Kingdom. By the end of the year 2021 we have formally launched three full regions, London, Midlands and East of England. South East of England region is going to be launched this year.

I am delighted to extend my sincere appreciation to the London Regional President Mr Oli Khan MBE for organising the Launching Ceremony of London Region, Midlands Regional President Dr M G Moula Miah FRSA for organising the Inaugural Meeting of Midlands Region and East of England Regional President Mr Siddqur Rahman Joynal for organising the Formation & Inaugural Meeting of East of England Region. I am very much pleased to say that all the events were successfully organised to form the regional committees. On behalf of the Board of Directors I have declared & approved three regional committees in the meeting. I believe that under the Regional President's good leadership and with their skills, all regions will serve the British Bangladeshi business community and enable them to thrive further. I wish all the best and wish every success to the UKBCCI's Regional Presidents.

Apart from the regional meetings it's been a hectic year for UKBCCI. I must say, it was a great honour that we welcomed the delegation of FBCCI, headed by the President Mr Md Jashim Uddin, as entourage of the Hon'ble Prime Minister of

UKBCCI

Patron:

H.E. Saida Muna Tasneem
High Commissioner of Bangladesh to UK

Board of Directors

Iqbal Ahmed OBE DBA, Chairman
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Kamru Ali, Director of Financial Affairs
Oli Khan MBE FRSA, Regional President, London
Dr M G Moula Miah, FIH, FRSA
Regional President, Midlands
Md Siddqur Rahman Joynal
Regional President, East of England
Showkat Aziz Russell, Regional President, Bangladesh
Saiful Alam, Director of Membership
Barrister Anawar Miah, Director of Legal Affairs
Rohema Miah, Director of International Trade Affairs
Farzana Hossain Neela FRSA
Deputy Director of International Trade Affairs
M A Gani, Director
Anis A Khan, Director
Harun Miah, Director
Pabel Kadir Chowdhury, Director
Abdul Karim, Director
Dr Josim (Josh) U Ahmed, Director

Associate Member

Johnson Wong

Lifetime Member

Azad Ali

Bangladesh and sign the MOU agreement to show that as NRB's we are not only citizens of this great nation but we are all working hard to represent Bangladesh too. UKBCCI had also organised the Meeting with Mr Atiqul Islam, Honourable Mayor of Dhaka North City Corporation.

101 Club Networking Lunch with UKBCCI Directors which was hosted by Kamru Ali, Finance Director of UKBCCI held in August at Woolston Manor Golf Course, Abridge Road, Chigwell.

London Regional President Mr Oli Khan MBE also organised Business Networking and "Virtual Iftar" (Breaking Fast) event in April.

The pandemic caused massive dislocation among small businesses just weeks after its onset. Even the pandemic still rages, the success of the vaccination program and government's effort to save lives and specially support to the Businesses that overcoming the great challenges. The UKBCCI organised Virtual Business Talk on Government's support to help restart and reinvent businesses and Post-COVID Business Recovery in July. Paul Scully MP, Minister for London and Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Minister for Small Business, Consumers and Labour Markets) was the Chief Guest of the event. Her Excellency Saida Muna Tasneem, Bangladesh High Commissioner to UK & Ireland & Foysal Choudhury, Member of the Scottish Parliament were the special guests. I would like to send my sincere thanks to the Bangladesh High Commissioner and commercial counsellor for their support in every courses we needed.

I would also like to welcome our two new Directors Dr Josim (Josh) U Ahmed & Mr Abdul Karim to our esteemed organisation who served as corporate members of UKBCCI.

I would also like to thank all my colleagues for their hard work and passion to promote UKBCCI. I would like to request all Directors / members must play their part in securing sustainable solutions so the UKBCCI's success remains a positive one for all.

We welcome our new Members:

Regular:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Shamim Chowdhury of Arabesque Lounge • Mr Mohammed Abdul Olly of Axis Solicitors • Mr Mohammed Siraj Ali of Bombay Palace • Barrister Sham Uddin of Sham Uddin • Mr Md Abu Bakkar Siddique of Advance Energy Solution Ltd • Mr Mohammed Ashikur Rahman of Mishtidesh Ltd • Mr Kaysur Uddin of Balti Village • Mr Shahriar Ahmed of Simply Move • Mr Kamal Ahmed of Spice Society | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Ashdur Rahim of Ashdur Rahim & Co • Humayun Rashid of AROMA • Mr Shahidur Rahman Choudhury of K A Group • Mr Tanhar Ahmed of Coffee Pot • Mr Shahin Uddin of ABS Solicitors LLP • Mr Tahir Khan of Saffron Restaurant • Mr Bashir Ahmed of Sonargaon Restaurant • Mr Foysol Ahmed of New Akash Restaurant • Mr Kaseem Razaul of Meah Indian Restaurant | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Atikur Rahman of Gram Bangla • Mr A F M Hamid Ullah of Yorkshire Properties Investment LTD • Mr Muhammad Saiful (Shipu) of Guru Tandoori • Mr Mohammed Nazim Uddin of Skyline Cargo and Travels Ltd • Mr Bazlur Rashid (Salim) of Rack and Bone • Mr Maruf Ahmed Chowdhury of Total Taxation Accountancy Services • Mr Muhidur Rahman of Kiplings Tandoori |
| | | Student:
Nishat Choudhury of The Guard House |



Mr Abdul Karim



Dr Josim (Josh) U Ahmed

New Directors:



I attended a 2 day investment summit on 28-29 November 2021 at the Radisson in Dhaka marking the Golden Jubilee of Bangladesh joined by our Chairman Mr Iqbal Ahmed OBE, President Mr Nazmul Nuru and Former (Founding) President Mr Bajloor Rashid MBE. The Summit was formally inaugurated by the Hon'ble Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and guests attended from all over the world with the event being taglined: "Limitless Opportunities" prevailing in "Sonar Bangla" Bangladesh today.

Bangladesh inspires to become an upper middle income country by 2031 and a developed country by 2041. With a rising per capita income of \$2,500, the purchase capacity of people has increased significantly in a country with an enormous domestic market consisting of 170 million people. This suggests a significant opportunity for us NRB's to invest in Bangladesh during this window. At the Birth of Bangladesh in 1971, the country had a GDP of \$8.8 billion. Today, Bangladesh's GDP has grown 46 times to \$410 billion with the foreign exchange reserve at \$46.5 billion. The average life expectancy has increased from 46 years to 72 years and in terms of women empowerment, Bangladesh is positioned first in South Asia and ahead of USA globally according to the World Economic Forum.

Bangladesh is establishing 100 economic zones across the country which are investor friendly with a range of incentives & tax benefits and has significant cost advantages in respect of labour and utilities compared to neighbouring counties in the region.

Mr Iqbal Ahmed OBE was a panel speaker at the Summit and gave a very inspiring speech to investors in the Agribusiness sector and said that "Agriculture is the future business of Bangladesh" referring to food exports in particular and echoing what the Hon'ble Prime Minister said at the Investment Summit in London on 4th November 2021. At the end of the second day of the Summit, Bangladesh received a whopping \$2.7 billion worth of investment proposals, half of which came from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia investing in the Power and Energy sector. There are of course ample of opportunities for NRB's to invest in Bangladesh. In total there are 11 sectors the government is putting forward for investment in particular these include blue economy, healthcare and pharmaceuticals, transport and logistics, capital market, power and energy, the fourth industrial revolution, financial services, agribusiness, leather and leather goods, apparel, electrical and electronics manufacturing.

The UKBCCI has close ties with BIDA and other government agencies in Bangladesh. Over the last couple of years, I have engaged directly with BIDA, The British High Commission and Government Ministries. I encourage members who wish to invest in Bangladesh to engage and utilise the expertise of these organisations who can provide invaluable advice and guidance which can be hugely useful if you are thinking of setting up a business in Bangladesh.

Tariq Ali

Joint Secretary - UKBCCI London Region

Message from London Region:



UKBCCI London Region is a very thriving region, as being the President of London Region, I am honoured to serve the British Bangladeshi business across wider city of London. Our formal Inaugural Ceremony was held on 13th September 2021 with over 250 guests from various business group from London despite being COVID-19 in place. In presence of special guests were Lord Rami Ranger CBE, Cllr Ahbab Ahmed, Speaker of Tower Hamlets, S M Jakaria Haque, Commercial Counsellor, Iqbal Ahmed OBE, Chairman of UKBCCI, Bajloor Rashid MBE, Founder President of UKBCCI, Nazmul Islam Nuru, President of UKBCCI, Anwar Chowdhury, former British High

Commissioner to Bangladesh, Cllr Motin Uzzaman, Deputy Mayor of Tower Hamlets Council, Cllr Parvez Ahmed, former Mayor of Brent Council, Mahee Ferdous Jalil, Founder of Channel S, Dabirul Choudhury OBE, Subrina Husaain, CEO of NTV Europe, Pasha Khandakar MBE, Former President of BCA, M A Munim, BCA President, Mitu Chowdhury, Secretary General of BCA, Syed Nahas Pasha and Belal Ahmed, Chief Editor of Curry Life Magazine, Zakir Khan, Director of Community Affairs, Canary Wharf Group, Abdal Ullah founder of Power 100, Munsur Ali, film maker, Samson Sohail, Sales Director of Cobra, distinguished directors, members of UKBCCI and many more.



Our Executive Committee members are very dynamic & successful business entrepreneurs, with their expertise in different fields we shall make the London Region flourish in near future. We have currently held several meetings with our regional members and we have some great idea to take forward the London Region further.

We have attended the Bangladesh business summit held in Queen Elizabeth-2 centre in London.

Our aim for the future:- To work with other UKBCCI Regional Committee to promote UKBCCI in wider business community in the UK.

We as UKBCCI London Region is willing to work with any present government to overcome the problems like Staff shortage on hospitality sector, Immigration matters and reduced VAT rate continued until the pandemic is over etc.

We will work with the government to secure some funding for the UKBCCI London Region.

UKBCCI's main objective is our regional moto to assist inspiring entrepreneurs and businesses by offering advice, sign posting, training and networking through seminars, road shows, direct Business to Business links, programmes and projects. These are not only build up confidence in businesses and UKBCCI, but also connects with them both in the UK and Bangladesh

Oli Khan MBE FRSA

President of London Region

Message from Midlands Region



Welcome to UKBCCI Midlands Region, the Chamber that aims to represent the British Bangladeshi business community across the Midlands.

We are proud to present the Midlands Region of UKBCCI, inaugurated in April 2021, the Midlands Region is the first region officially announced by the UKBCCI Central Board and will support the vast variety of British Bangladeshi Businesses that operate in the West Midlands. The largest Bangladeshi Chamber of its kind, the Midlands Region will act as a gateway for any organisations looking to target the West Midlands Bangladeshi business community.

The Midlands region will look to work with other mainstream business chambers and help promote and build bridges between different background, culture and races within the business communities and promote more trade and business.

The Midlands Region is committed to speaking up for members and offering all members support and services in terms of business support, networking and event opportunities. The Midlands Region has a



Management Committee consisting of various experiences and will also act as a voice in the Midlands and work with local government agencies to influence decision making and policies.

The Midlands region will look to organise various networking events, business seminars and also business workshops over the year, we are looking to organise an official public launch in mid-2022. The Management Committee members attend various meeting across the region representing the UKBCCI and its members and making sure that we have the latest business news. The Committee members have represented the UKBCCI Midlands region at various meetings and events including hosting a reception for the first Bangladeshi MSP from Scotland Foyshal Choudhury in Birmingham, attending the Moulvi Bazar Annual Cricket Awards and meeting local politicians and community leaders including members of the Asian Business Chamber.

Our vision is to sign up new members across this year and make our mark in the Midlands as the best Chamber in the UK.

Dr M G Moula Miah, FIH FRSA
President of Midlands Region

Nawaz Ali
General Secretary of Midlands Region

Message from East of England Region



As the President of East of England Region I would like to welcome you all to our Region.

We have organised the Formation & Inaugural Meeting of the UKBCCI East of England Region on Monday 2nd August 2021 at Grand Park Hall, 87 Park Street, Luton LU1 3HG, guests attended from various business group of East of England. Directors & Members of UKBCCI, Commercial Counsellor of Bangladesh High Commission and media personalities were also attended the event.

We have planed to work toward all the local businesses and other organisations to work together and make younger generation to involve with UKBCCI. We are determine to fulfil UKBCCI's main objectives to establish and create the next generation of entrepreneurs and business leaders for the future. Our main objectives is to continue of membership drive and Roadshows as well networking events in early next year 2022. We had our first Regional Committee meeting which was held on 28th September 2021 at Guard house Thai Restaurant at Royston. It was a very positive fruitful meeting, we all agreed that every committee members to get at least one new members to raise more membership and promote UKBCCI in our region.

I would like to thank all of my colleagues for their support and cooperation.

Siddqur Rahman Joynal
Regional President of East of England

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UKBCCI represented at the International Investment Summit at Dhaka Bangladesh

Sunday 28 & Monday 29 November 2021
Dhaka, Bangladesh



The two day-long International Investment Summit 2021 that came to an end on 29th November could attract USD 2.7 billion worth of investment from domestic and international companies in different sectors in Dhaka.

At the concluding session of the summit, which was organised by Bangladesh Investment Development Authority (BIDA), investors from home and abroad were present.

Source: The Daily Star, 30 November 2021

The Chairman of UKBCCI Mr Iqbal Ahmed OBE DBA was one of the panel speakers in the Summit.

UKBCCI represented at the Investment Summit titled "The Rise of Bengal Tiger: Trade and Investment Potentials in Bangladesh"

Thursday 4th November in London &
Monday 8th November in Manchester



Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC), in partnership with Bangladesh Investment Development Authority (BIDA) and Bangladesh High Commission in London, organised an investment summit titled "The Rise of Bengal Tiger: Trade and Investment Potentials in Bangladesh", chaired by Professor Shibli Rubayat-Ul-Islam, Chairman BSEC on 4th November in London and 8th November in Manchester. Dignitaries, delegates and business leaders from Bangladesh and UK were engaged in the summit to build sustainable growth partnership. The Chairman of UKBCCI Mr Iqbal Ahmed OBE DBA was one of the panel speakers in the Summit. In attendance were Directors & Members of the UKBCCI in the summit, UKBCCI was one of the supporting organisation of the event.

UKBCCI Chairman participated at Bloomberg New Economy Forum in Singapore



The Bloomberg New Economy Forum was held on 16-19 November 2021 in Singapore and facilitated face-to-face discussions among world leaders in plenary sessions and intimate breakouts. The Chairman of UKBCCI has participated for the third time in the event. There were special sessions to attend and one of the sessions he attended was about "A Sustainable Future for Agriculture" and where the former UK Prime Minister Tony Blair was in attendance.

Strategic partnership between UKBCCI and HSBC Bangladesh for supporting Non Resident Bangladeshis



The meeting with HSBC Bangladesh was held on 29 Nov 2021 at Izumi, Dhaka. The attendees were

Mr. Nazmul Islam Nuru President, UKBCCI, Mr. Bajloor Rashid MBE Director & Former (Founding) President, UKBCCI, Mr. M A Gani, Director, UKBCCI, Mr. Ahmed Saiful Islam, Country Head of Wealth & Personal Banking, HSBC Bangladesh and Mr. Mashud Iqbal, Head of Business Partnership, WPB, HSBC Bangladesh. They had a productive discussion to initiate a strategic partnership between UKBCCI and HSBC Bangladesh for supporting Non-Resident Bangladeshi investors and professionals residing in the UK.

UKBCCI Business Event with FBCCI (Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce & Industry) & MOU Signing Ceremony



A highly successful Business Event by the UKBCCI with FBCCI (Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce & Industry) & MOU Signing Ceremony was held on 4th November 2021 at Regents Lake Banqueting in London.

FBCCI led a 50-members high-profile business delegation to UK, headed by the President Mr Md Jashim Uddin, as entourage of the Hon'ble Prime Minister of Bangladesh.

The event was well attended by guests from the business community across the UK, Commercial Counsellor from the Bangladesh High Commission S M Jakaria Huq, an assortment of media as well as UKBCCI members and directors with a view to strengthening trade and investment ties with UK and Bangladesh.





Presided over by the UKBCCI directors, Barrister Anawar Miah & Ms Rohema Miah, the event also saw eloquent speeches made by the organisation's Chairman Iqbal Ahmed OBE DBA, President Nazmul Islam Nuru and London Regional President Oli Khan MBE. Vice President Jamal Uddin Mokoddus delivered a Vote of thanks at the event.

The Business event proved a great success and was followed by MOU signing, crests presentation and Dinner in the luxurious venue.



Meeting with Mr Atiqul Islam Honourable Mayor of Dhaka North City Corporation



The Meeting with Mr Atiqul Islam, Honourable Mayor of Dhaka North City Corporation was held on Wednesday 3rd November 2021 at the Royal China London, Docklands, 30 Westferry Circus, London E14 8RR. In attendance were directors of UKBCCI presented flower bouquet and crest to the Mayor.

The Programme included Speeches and Dinner.

101 Club Networking Lunch



The 101 Club Networking Lunch with UKBCCI Directors was held on Thursday 5th August 2021. The meeting took place at Woolston Manor Golf Course, Abridge Road, Chigwell, Essex IG7 6BX, hosted by Kamru Ali of Premier Finance, Finance Director of UKBCCI. In attendance were directors and members of the UKBCCI, distinguished guests, members of the community, and the media.

UKBCCI Virtual Business Talk on “Government’s support to help restart and reinvent businesses and Post-COVID Business Recovery”



The UKBCCI Virtual Business Talk on “Government’s support to help restart and reinvent businesses and Post-COVID Business Recovery” was held on Wednesday, 7th July 2021.

The event was highly successful and the audience found the event very encouraging and inspired by Government’s support to help restart and reinvent businesses. In attendance were directors and members of the UKBCCI, distinguished guests, members of the community and the media.

Paul Scully MP, Minister for London and Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Minister for Small Business, Consumers and Labour Markets) was the Chief Guest of the event. Her Excellency Saida Muna Tasneem, Bangladesh High Commissioner to UK & Ireland & Foysal Choudhury, Member of the Scottish Parliament were the special guests of the event along with other guests speakers including, Councillor Abdul Jabbar MBE, Deputy Leader, Oldham Council, M A Munim, President BCA, Dr Naseem Ahmed, Chairman, Noorjahan Hospital Ltd, Sylhet Bangladesh, Emdadul Haque Chowdhury, President London Bangla Press Club & Syed Nahas Pasha, Chief Editor, Janomot

The event was very informative and had interaction between attendees there.

Launching Ceremony of UKBCCI London Region



The Launching Ceremony of the UKBCCI London Region was held on Monday 13 September 2021. The event took place at Regent Lakes, 221 Grove Road, London, E3 5SN. This event was to declare the UKBCCI London Regional Committee. In attendance were directors and members of the

UKBCCI, distinguished guests, members of the community, and the media. The Programme included Speeches and Dinner which concluded with a cultural program.

Proposed regional committee included ten members of office bearers, seven members of executive committee and four members of advisory board.

The President of Central Committee Mr Nazmul Islam Nuru has approved the selection of full-fledged region.

Inauguration of UKBCCI East of England Region



The Formation & Inaugural Meeting of the UKBCCI East of England Region was held on Monday 2nd August 2021 at Grand Park Hall, 87 Park Street, Luton LU1 3HG. This meeting was to elect the UKBCCI East of England Regional Committee. In attendance were directors and members of the UKBCCI, distinguished guests, members of the community, and the media.

Proposed regional committee included eleven members of office bearers, six members of executive committee and six members of advisory board.

The President of Central Committee Mr Nazmul Islam Nuru has approved the selection of full-fledged region.

Inauguration Meeting of UKBCCI Midlands Region



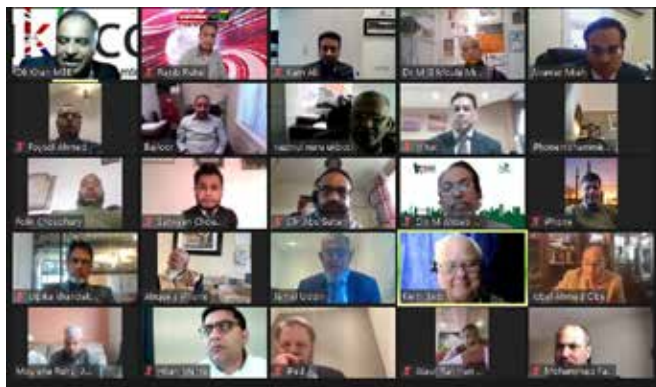
The Inaugural Meeting of the UKBCCI Midlands Region was held on Wednesday 28th April 2021 via Zoom. This meeting was to select/ elect the UKBCCI Midlands Regional Committee. In presence were directors and members of the UKBCCI, distinguished guests, members of the community, and the media.

Proposed regional committee included nine members of

office bearers, eight members of executive committee and eight members of advisory board.

The President of Central Committee Mr Nazmul Islam Nuru has approved the selection of full-fledged region.

Networking and "Virtual Iftar" (Breaking Fast) Event



The UKBCCI Business Networking and "Virtual Iftar" (Breaking Fast) event was held on Wednesday 21st April 2021 organised by London Region.

The event was highly successful and well attended by guests from the business community across the UK along with UKBCCI directors, members, VIP guests, MPs, media and many other honourable invited guests including:

Mohammad Zulqar Nain, Deputy High Commissioner at Bangladesh High Commission London and Ambassador designated to Algeria, Rt Hon Lord Karan Bilimoria CBE DL FCA, President of CBI, Lord Mohamed Sheikh, Seema Malhotra MP-Shadow Minister Work and Pensions, Mr Shaun Bailey Conservative Candidate for Mayor of London, M A Munim, President of BCA, Pasha Khandaker MBE, Former President of BCA, Nahas Pasha – Chief Editor Janomot, Dobirul Islam Choudhury OBE -101 Years old uncle raised over half a million for NHS by walking at his garden, Dr Nazia Khanum OBE DL, Chair, United Nations Association-Luton, Jakaria Haque, Commercial Counsellor, Bangladesh High Commission, Arnab Dutt OBE, Chairman Social Value Policy of Federation of small Businesses, Hitan Mehta, Executive Director British Asian Trust, Howard Dawber, Managing Director Canary Wharf Group and Chair Labour Friends of Bangladesh, Cllr Mohammed Ahab Hossain, Speaker of the Tower Hamlets council.

Objectives of UKBCCI

- Provide more effective practical support and communications to existing and future entrepreneurs and to promote and improve the business environment in UK and Bangladesh
- Stimulate a vibrant economy within the community and produce a cooperative effort to enhance the overall quality of businesses that will enable them to reach their highest potential
- Work towards increasing the prosperity by facilitating the growth of existing businesses
- Create inward and outward investment between the UK and Bangladesh whilst addressing and promoting the establishment and improvement of the social, professional, civic, cultural and educational needs of the business community
- Create and support in all aspects the next generation of entrepreneurs, and continuing our past efforts of liaising and developing our relationship with the business community
- Help a wide variety of business communities to achieve a more sustainable performance model, encouraging and improving best practice standards
- Offer help and advice to small and medium size businesses on startup and growth

Membership Benefits

A UKBCCI Membership will provide you with the key to open doors to new business opportunities.

Get involved and increase your contacts. Members will have the opportunity to develop an insight into effective market methods and connect directly with business leaders and key government officials. These individuals will offer their experience and knowledge so that members will be able to learn from those companies that are doing business in the marketplace. Members will be able to benefit from targeted sector matchmaking meetings that will potentially open doors for their business to trade and work with other companies.

Members will receive first-hand information, regarding those opportunities where key contacts can give tailored advice and aid to strengthen and improve their business in the UK and Bangladesh.

If you are a small or medium company, UKBCCI members will receive help and advice on start-up growth.

Members will gain access to numerous discounted and free services. Discounts will apply at:

- UKBCCI Conferences
- Networking Receptions
- VIP Lunches
- Business Briefings

- Exhibitions
- Trade Missions
- Offers for complimentary/reduced places at key trade-related events

Members will also receive services from the following businesses:

- APEX Accounting will provide free advice
- Barrister Anawar Miah will provide free legal advice
- Kushiara will help to open Bank account in Bangladesh
- Kushiara will help to open BO account (stock & share) in Bangladesh
- Pillar Box will do free valuation or legal services in a very competitive

A complimentary invitation to our members networking receptions plus updates via our newsletters and website.

Members will receive offers of help so that they can raise their company's profile across the broad spectrum of media, including newsletter, sponsorship packages and if they are considering staging/hosting an event.

Use of UKBCCI Logo – Use the 'proud to be a member' logo on your website with permission

Corporate members will be uploaded in the UKBCCI website

As our member, do you have any news about your business you feel we should be putting into our newsletter? Do please let us know. We look forward to hearing from you. Thank you.

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Covid-19 : Event status cannot be confirmed

Elite Business Live 2022

Thursday 10 - Friday 11 March, Kensington, London

Elite Business Live is the UK's Premium Business Conference for fast track start-ups, SMEs and High Growth Business Owners. Hosting 1,000's business leaders and successful entrepreneurs featuring the highest talent speakers of entrepreneurial Britain. Elite Business Live is a one-of-a-kind event. Dedicated to high-growth businesses, it spans two full days and is packed with speakers, seminars, workshops and networking opportunities. It brings the best of British small businesses together to discuss how to secure growth and build smarter enterprises.
<https://elitebusinessevent.co.uk>

Farnborough's Leading Business Show

Thursday 10th March 2022

The Village Hotel, Pinehurst Road, Farnborough, Hampshire, GU14 7BF

Join hundreds of local businesses at the annual Farnborough Business Expo. Enjoy the opportunity to openly network with attendees, whilst exploring the exhibition packed with a variety of local exhibitors showcasing their products and services. At midday, take a quick break from the exhibition and join guest speaker for a focus seminar. This event is completely free to attend - simply pre-register online. Network with up to 250 businesses including small business owners, company directors, decision makers, managers and

entrepreneurs.

<https://www.b2bexpos.co.uk/event/farnborough-expo>

South West Business Expo 2022

5 April 2022, Westpoint Arena, Exeter, UK

Moving into our 9th expo it's going to be the South West's premier destination for businesses to grow and prosper. It's FREE to attend and offers visitors the chance to network with local business owners, plus offers the chance for you to gain free business advice and support from local organisations and speakers.

The South West Business Expo is probably the 2nd largest business exhibition in UK. The event is back in on 5th April 2022 following the huge success of the 8th expo in November 2019 which saw 273 Exhibitors 3,823 Attendees, 26 Interactive Masterclasses taking part in the 6-hour expo. For 2022 they want to see a wider range of businesses exhibiting, as delegates are both consumers and businesses alike.

<https://www.southwestbusinessexpo.co.uk/>

The Global Seafood Marketplace 2022

26-28 April 2022, Barcelona, Spain

Seafood Expo Global/Seafood Processing Global is the global seafood marketplace, serving industry professionals and buyers from all corners of the supply chain and world. If you purchase seafood for your business, you simply cannot afford to miss this event.

No other resource can provide seafood buyers the sourcing opportunities and access found at Seafood Expo Global/Seafood Processing Global. At just one venue, throughout nine halls, professionals like you come face-to-face with more than 2,000 exhibiting suppliers representing 85+ countries*. With nearly every type of seafood product, equipment and service at your fingertips, you are equipped to make the best purchasing decisions for your business and customers.

<https://www.seafoodexpo.com/global/>

Safety & Health Expo 2022

17 - 19 May 2022, Excel, London

Safety & Health Expo, together with sister brand SHP, bring tens of thousands of health and safety professionals together on a yearly basis. Whether you're searching for the latest solutions, keeping up-to-date with health and safety strategies and regulations, or wanting to extend your network, Safety & Health Expo can help you fulfil your goals by connecting you to the entire health and safety profession.

<https://www.safety-health-expo.co.uk>

Engineering EXPO 2022

8 -9 June 2022, NEC, Birmingham

The dedicated event for engineering professionals to be inspired, keep up to date, network and source new solutions to optimise business.

Hear from those breaking engineering boundaries, discover next generation engineering and tech solutions from the UK's best suppliers across the engineering supply chain and get practical advice to reduce costs, streamline and optimise future engineering.

<https://www.engineeringexpo.co.uk/>

The Business Show 2022

16 - 17 November 2022, Excel, London

Welcome to The Business Show 2022, returning to the ExCeL, London on the 16th & 17th of November.

Helping small businesses grow and develop, the 44th edition of the show will reveal the secrets of business adaptation, innovation and survival as we recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. With over 500 exhibitors, 200 seminars from business experts and unmissable masterclasses, the show is set to be the biggest edition yet!

<https://www.greatbritishbusinessshow.co.uk/>

4th Dhaka International Denim Show 2022

23 - 26 February 2022

International Convention City, Bashundhara, Kuril, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

The Dhaka International Denim Show will be a marketplace for denim business as well as presenting the latest fabrics and trends of this industry. Exhibitors from around the world will present their up-to-date denim products, which are ready-to-use for garment, accessories, industrial use, and other various applications. The expo will be fully equipped with all ranges of denim products enhanced with the latest technology and will set a new definition of smart fabrics in order to satisfy the growing demand of the buyers.

<https://bd.cems-denimshow.com>

ASIA Pharma EXPO 2022

3 - 5 March 2022

International Convention City Bashundhara (ICCB), Dhaka, Bangladesh

"An international pharma exhibition on complete pharma manufacturing technologies"

The ASIA PHARMA EXPO (APE) an international Pharma Exhibition features the complete range of all the segments required for pharmaceuticals industry. ASIA PHARMA EXPO is one of the best platforms to find out more about the latest products, developed technology new suppliers, and compare product alternatives. At APE, number of exhibiting companies from over 30 countries and 12,000+ trade professionals are expected to participate.

LeatherTech Bangladesh 2022

3 - 5 March 2022

International Convention City Bashundhara (ICCB), Dhaka, Bangladesh

"International Technology Trade show on Leather, Machinery, Components, Chemicals & Accessories"

Leathertech Bangladesh is a not-to-be-missed technology sourcing event for the Footwear and Leather goods sector.

The trade show will showcase sustainable technology for the future, Finished Leather sourcing needs for expansion and modernization of the Industry. The exhibit profile is comprehensive and the local industry has taken benefit from the present global leaders by visiting in person and interacting with them.

Dhaka Int'l Textile & Garments Machinery Exhibition 2022

20 - 23 March

International Convention City Bashundhara (ICCB), Dhaka, Bangladesh

"Total Solution for Textile and Garment Industry"

Dhaka Int'l Textile & Garment Machinery Exhibition is the largest-ever trade fair of its kind in Bangladesh. This event will showcase a variety of equipment, products, technologies as well as services and information concerning all the textile & garment processing and production aspects.

TexTech Bangladesh Expo 2022

1 - 4 September

Bangabandhu International Conference Centre (BICC), Dhaka, Bangladesh

CEMS Global USA in association with CEMS Bangladesh presents yet another great series of Textile & Garment Machinery Expo in Bangladesh. As usual in all these years, 'Textech' will once again be a great B2B platform and a unique B2B networking opportunity for Textile Garment Machinery manufacturers to interact face to face with the Textile & Apparel manufacturers in the biggest B2B platform Bangladesh can offer.

<https://expotobi.com/textech-bangladesh-expo>

Bangla Med Expo 2022

An International Exhibition on Medical, Surgical, Hospital Equipment, Diagnostic products & Consumables
22- 24 September

International Convention City Bashundhara (ICCB), Dhaka, Bangladesh

Bangladesh Med Expo prides itself as the leading healthcare business platform in the South East Asia. Connecting manufacturers and service providers with clinicians, procurement professionals, dealers and distributors is the primary goal of the event. Leverage the success of the show and make key business contacts by utilizing their multiple channels to connect you to the region's healthcare industry. As the largest collection of healthcare product manufacturers and service providers under one roof, Bangladesh Med Expo is your one-stop shop for all your healthcare sourcing and procurement needs. With thousands of products to explore, coming in from round of the world, make sure you don't miss this essential business medical event in Bangladesh. The show entry is free to trade visitor.
<http://banglamedexpo.com>

UKBCCI LINK PROJECT

UK-Bangladesh Catalyst of Commerce and Industry (UKBCCI) is now focused on working together with both the British and Bangladesh governments, businesses, educational institutions and the relevant government bodies to respond to the many national challenges that currently exist and to develop more leadership, management and entrepreneurs in the various fields of health and social care, education, management, hospitality, pharmaceuticals, RMG garment and textile manufacturing, trade and export and much more.

As we know, alongside initiative and courage doing business requires connections with the right people. UKBCCI is currently developing a programme that will enhance the way in which businesses can grow, communities can flourish, and individuals can get more out of life through a programme aptly called the UKBCCI

Link Project.

For some, it's because they want a chance to shape the future, and drive forward a new era of change. For others, it's because of the way that we encourage them to get the best out of themselves. As a group of NRBs that are successful in various sectors of the UK and Bangladesh, we are looking to impart our knowledge and success for the benefit of the business community by operating an internship and apprenticeship service to the non-resident Bangladeshi professionals in the UK and vice versa.

In fact, many of the world's largest multinational corporations rely on international graduates to compete in the global market. We know that you will appreciate the difference that an internship can make and we would very much like to explore and secure ways to make that happen.

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