

Life Sketch of Hon'ble Health Minister

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Prof. Dr. A. F. M. Ruhul Haque is Bangladesh's Minister for Health and Family Welfare. He is a renowned Orthopaedic Surgeon.

Dr. Ruhul Haque was born in the village Nalta under Kaliganj upazilla of Satkhira district on 11 February in 1944. He is the son of late Alhaj Nazir Ahmed, a social worker and Ex-Chairman of Union Parisad. His mother's name is late Asia Khatun.

He passed SSC from Nalta High School in Satkhira in 1959 and HSC from Notredame College in Dhaka in 1961. He did MBBS from Dhaka Medical College in 1968. He acquired FRCS degree from Royal College of Surgeons in London (UK) and FICS degree from International College of Surgeons, USA. He is an Honorary Colonel of Bangladesh Army.

Ruhul Haque is a Member of Parliament from Satkhira-3 constituency of Bangladesh Jatio Sangsad. He is President of Swadhinata Chikitsak Parisad (an organization of doctors), Senior Vice President of Satkhira Zilla Awami League, Joint Convener of Sammilita Peshajibi Samannoy Parishad and Patron of Bangabandhu Parishad, Satkhira Zilla. He was VP of students union of Dhaka Medical College, 1967-68.

Prof. Ruhul Haque is a well known Orthopaedic Surgeon in the sub continent as well as in the country. He is the Chairman of Trauma Center (Private Orthopedic Hospital) in Dhaka and Founder Nalta Hospital & Community Health Foundation- a non profit making village Hospital for the poor people of his birth place.

Dr. Ruhul Haque has a long professional experience. In his early career, he was Resident Surgeon in the Holly Family Hospital in Dhaka from 1970 to 1971. In 1972-1981, he served in the health service of United Kingdom where he worked in Canterbury, Brighton, Oxford and acquired higher training on Orthopaedics and became a Fellow of Royal College of Surgeon (FRCS). Then he came back to Bangladesh. He was Associate Professor (Orthopaedic Surgery) from 1981 to 1996. In this capacity he served in Sher-e-Bangla Medical College in Barisal from 1981 to 1982, National Institute of Traumatology and Orthopaedics Rehabilitation (NITOR) in Dhaka from 1982 to 1993 and Dhaka Medical College Hospital from 1993 to 1996. From 1996 to 1999, he was Director & Professor of NITOR and from 1999 to 2001, he was Professor and Chairman of Orthopaedic Surgery Department of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University (Ex. P.G Hospital), Dhaka.

He has a close attachment with many social and health service organizations. He is President of International College of Surgeons- Bangladesh((ICS), Member of Executive Council of World Orthopaedics Concern and Life Member of European Arthroscopic Society. He is Vice President of Central Ahasania Mission at Nalta in Satkhira and Life Member of Dhaka Ahasania Mission. He is Member of Rotary

Club of Ramna, Dhaka and Adviser of Satkhira District Association in Dhaka. Before he was President and General Secretary of Bangladesh Orthopaedics Society, President of Greater Khulna Somity in Dhaka and President of Nalta High School Ex-Students Association in Dhaka.

As Government representative and professional expert, he attended many Seminars, Symposium and Conference in England, America, Switzerland, Germany, Japan, Thailand, Singapore, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, India, etc. and presented many scientific papers in the Professional Surgical Association. More than fifty research publications of his have so far been published in different national and international journals and newspapers.

He is a overseas fellow of British Orthopaedic Association. He was endowed with Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy International Award (India) in 2006 and Bangabandhu Sriti Sarnapadak (Bangladesh) in 2008.