

Mohammad Zakir Hossain joined as Controller General Defence Finance (CGDF) on January 01, 2020. He belongs to the Bangladesh Civil Service (Audit and Accounts) 1985 Batch. He obtained his B.Com. (Hons.) and M.Com. degrees in Accounting having first class in both from University of Dhaka. He also holds an M.B.A. from University of Canberra, Australia.

He has wide experience of working in various capacities in the Audit and Accounts Department of Bangladesh. Immediately before joining as CGDF he was working as the Deputy Comptroller and Auditor General (Senior) in the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General of Bangladesh. Besides working in the Public Sector Financial Management, he also worked in various international organizations including United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the UN and Royal Norwegian Embassy, Dhaka.

The areas of expertise that he acquired from his illustrious service in the public sector financial management and international organizations are summarized below:

Public Sector Audit Policy Formulation and Strategic Planning: Developing and designing the audit reforms initiatives to strengthen the overall public sector auditing practices in SAI Bangladesh for ensuring accountability, good governance and transparency of public expenditure and government operations.

Management and Implementation of Policies & Reforms Agenda: Successfully executed as Head of Audit Directorate and as Deputy Comptroller and Auditor General monitored the different stages of implementation of various Audit Reforms initiatives under different projects executed in SAI Bangladesh. Also directly engaged as Project Director and Counterpart Officer in the implementation of these projects.

Governance and Accountability Framework: To promote and strengthen the accountability and governance practices of public sector organizations and government departments and to provide feedback to parliament through Financial, Compliance and Performance Audits.

Public Sector Financial Management: Controlling and managing of public expenditure and funds, their proper utilization, ensuring functioning of internal controls, efficient financial reporting and ensuring compliance to regulatory regime.

International Organizations Experience: Having direct work experience as Operations Manager, National Project Administrator and Financial Controller respectively in the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations and the Royal Norwegian Embassy, Dhaka gained wide experience in the financial management, program management and administration of international organizations.

Communication and Interpersonal Skills: Capacity to work in diverse cultural work environment. Represented SAI Bangladesh at various international and national forum on matters of public sector auditing and financial management.

He comes from a respectable Muslim family of Chandpur. He is married and blessed with a daughter.