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FIELD OF SPECIALIZATION

- ✓ Plant Taxonomy
- ✓ Phytochemistry

EDUCATION

- Ph. D. in Botany (Plant Taxonomy), University of Dhaka, Bangladesh (2017) Thesis – 'Taxonomy, propagation and chemical properties of selected anticancerous plants of Bangladesh'
- M. Sc. in Botany (Thesis on Taxonomy), University of Dhaka (2007) *First Class First Position* Thesis – 'Systematic Studies in some Zingiberalean families from Bangladesh'
- B. Sc. (Honors) in Botany, University of Dhaka (2005) First Class First Position
- H. S. C. Viqarunnisa Noon College, Dhaka (1998)
 First Division (Marks obtained 80.4%)
- S. S. C. Viqarunnisa Noon School, Dhaka (1996) *First Division* (Marks obtained 82.4%)

CURRENT POSITION

Associate Professor (Since 4th January 2023) Department of Botany Jagannath University Dhaka-1100, Bangladesh

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT RECORDS

- Lecturer (04/10/2015 04/01/2018) Department of Botany Jagannath University Dhaka-1100, Bangladesh
- Assistant Professor (04/01/2018 04/01/2023) Department of Botany Jagannath University Dhaka-1100, Bangladesh

 Research Assistant (01/12/2006 – 01/12/2009) Encyclopedia of Flora & Fauna of Bangladesh Project Asiatic Society of Bangladesh
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PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

- Contributor: Encyclopedia of Flora and Fauna of Bangladesh, Vols. 6-12 (2006-2009). Asiatic Society of Bangladesh. Contributed the detailed species profile of 15 plant species under 5 angiosperm families in the Encyclopedia of Flora and Fauna of Bangladesh.
- Translator (English to Bengali): Encyclopedia of Flora and Fauna of Bangladesh, Volume-10.
- Executive Committee Member, Bangladesh Association of Plant Taxonomists (2018-2020)
- Academic Committee Member, Department of Botany, Jagannath University, Dhaka 1100

TEACHING

Courses Taken and Subject Taught (Theory Courses):

- M.S. (Master of Science): Angiosperm Systematics
- B.S. Honours (3rd year): Taxonomy of Angiosperm II
- B.S. Honours (3rd year): Economic Botany and Ethnobotany
- B.S. Honours (Ist year): Taxonomy of Angiosperm I

Practical Courses:

- BOT 5101: Angiosperm Systematics
- BOT 3108: Taxonomy of Angiosperm II
- BOT 3201: Economic Botany and Ethnobotany
- BOT 1106: Taxonomy of Angiosperm I

<u>As Mentor</u>:

- Guided five M.S. Thesis students and continuing guiding M.S. students.

RESEARCH

(A) <u>Current Research</u>

- ✓ Taxonomic studies of the genus *Albizia* in Bangladesh.
- ✓ In vitro antioxidant, antidiarrheal and cytotoxicity of Cassia fistula.
- ✓ Biological activities of *Cassia fistula*: Antidiabetic, Antibacterial, Analgesic, and Thrombolytic Evaluation.

(B) Previous Research

- 1. Taxonomic studies on the family Strelitziaceae and Cannaceae in Bangladesh.
- 2. Taxonomy, Propagation and Reproductive Biology of some anticancerous plants of Bangladesh
- 3. Evaluation of *Aphanamixis polystachya* as antidiabetic, antioxidant and cytotoxic agents.
- 4. Screening of *Aphanixis polystachya* for its anticancer, antibacterial, antidiarrheal and analgesic activities
- 5. Isolation of the compound Stigmasterol from methanol leaf extracts of *Aphanamixis polystachya*
- 6. Biological activities of *Oroxylum indicum* Vent: An analgesic, antidiabetic, antioxidant, cytotoxicity, anti-diarrhoeal, anti-depressant, antibacterial and anticancer evaluation
- 7. Isolation and characterization of four compounds from root bark of *Oroxylum indicum*
- 8. Taxonomy, anatomy and molecular characterization of different variants of *Canna indica* in Bangladesh
- 9. Biological activities of *Canna indica* (Cannaceae).
- 10. Multi-functional pharmacological credence of *Woodfordia fruticosa* in Bangladesh.

NEW SPECIES RECORD DESCRIBED

✓ *Physalis angulata* L. (Solanaceae)

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

- Rahman, M.M, Soma, M.A., Sultana, N., Hossain, M.J., Sufian, M. A., Rahman, M.O. and Rashid, M.A. 2023. Exploring therapeutic potential of *Woodfordia fruticosa* (L.) Kurz leaf and bark focusing on antioxidant, antithrombotic, antimicrobial, anti-inflammatory, analgesic, and antidiarrheal properties. Health Sci Rep. 6: e1654.
- Ahmed, S.S, Rahman, M.O., Alqahtani, A.S., Sultana, N., Almarfadi, O.M., Ali, M. A., Lee, J. 2023. Anticancer potential of phytochemicals from *Oroxylum indicum* targeting Lactate Dehydrogenase A through bioinformatic approach. Toxicology Reports. 10: 56-75.
- **3.** Sultana, N., Soma, M.A. and Rashid, M.A. 2022. Analgesic, hypoglycemic and antidiarrheal activities screening of *Canna indica* L. Bangladesh Pharmaceutical Journal. 25(2): 137-142.

- Akhi, S.S., Sarkar, B.K., Sultana, N., Jui, Z.S., Sarker, R.H. and Rahman, M.O. 2021. Molecular characterization of *Canna indica* L. based on random amplified polymorphic DNA markers. *Bangladesh J. Plant Taxon*. 28(1): 75-81.
- **5.** Sultana, N., Akhi, S.S., Hassan, M.A. and Rahman, M.O. 2019. Morphological and anatomical investigation among six variants of *Canna indica* L. *Bangladesh J. Plant Taxon*. 26(2): 219-230.
- 6. Sultana, N., Rahman, M.O. and Hassan, M.A. 2019. Seed germination in six anticancerous plants of Bangladesh. J. Asiat. Soc. Bangladesh, Sci. 45(2): 151-159.
- 7. Sultana, N., Rahman, M.O., Tahia, F., Hassan, M.A. and Rashid, M.A. 2017. Antioxidant, cytotoxicity and antimicrobial activities of *Aphanamixis polystachya* (Wall.) R.N. Parker. *Bangladesh J. Bot.* 46(4): 1381-1387.
- Sultana, N., Hassan, M.A., Begum, M. and Sultana, M. 2008. *Physalis angulata* L. (Solanaceae)- A New Angiospermic Record for Bangladesh. *Bangladesh J. Bot.* 37(2): 195-198.
- **9.** Sultana, N. and Hassan, M.A. 2008. The *Heliconia* taxa cultivated in Bangladesh: Keys and Descriptions. *Bangladesh J. Plant Taxon*. 15(2): 141-153.
- **10. Sultana, N.** and Hassan, M.A. 2008. Propagation Methods of *Cheilocostus speciosus* (J. Koenig) C.D. Specht. *Bulletin Heliconia Society International* 14(3): 10.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Taxonomy and biological investigation of *Cassia fistula* L.- funded by University Grants Commission of Bangladesh, Jagannath University (2021).
- Taxonomy, propagation and biological activities of *Woodfordia fruticosa* (L.) Kurzfunded by University Grants Commission of Bangladesh, Jagannath University (2019).
- Taxonomy, anatomy and biological activities of *Canna indica* L.- funded by University Grants Commission of Bangladesh, Jagannath University (2017).

AFFILIATION WITH SCIENTIFIC ORGANIZATIONS

- 1. Member of 'Bangladesh Botanical Society', Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- 2. Member of 'Bangladesh Association of Plant Taxonomists', Dhaka, Bangladesh.

AWARD AND FELLOWSHIP

- Prime Ministers Fellowship of Bangladesh for Ph.D. programme (2009)
- Dean Honour's Award from the Faculty of Biological Sciences, University of Dhaka for outstanding academic performance and regularity (2007).

SELECTED CONFERENCE PAPERS

- Rahman, M.O., Sultana, N., Rashid, M.A. and Hassan, M.A. 2018. Exploring biological and chemical properties of *Oroxylum indicum* (L.) Kurz. *EuroSciCon Conference on Applied Science, Biofuels & Petroleum Engineering*, 12-13 November, 2018, Athens, Greece, p. 49.
- Sultana, N., Akhi, S.S., Hassan, M.A. and Rahman, M.O. 2019. Discrepancies in *Canna indica* L. complex as revealed by morphological and anatomical studies. Paper presented in '*Biennial Taxonomy Conference*' organized by Bangladesh Association of Plant Taxonomists, Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- Sultana, N., Rahman, M.O., Hassan, M.A. and Rashid, M.A. 2018. Evaluation of biological and chemical properties of *Oroxylum indicum* (L.) Kurz. 7th International Botanical Conference, 2-3 February 2018, Dhaka, Bangladesh. p. 61.
- Sultana, N., Rahman, M.O., Hassan, M.A. and Rashid, M.A. 2018. Antioxidant, cytotoxicity and antimicrobial activities of *Aphanamixis polystachya* (Wall.) R. N. Parker. 7th International Botanical Conference, 2-3 February 2018, Dhaka, Bangladesh. p. 62.

MAJOR CONFERENCES ATTENDED

 Biennial Taxonomy Conference' organized by Bangladesh Association of Plant Taxonomists, Dhaka, Bangladesh (2019)

- Annual Taxonomy Conference, organized by Bangladesh Association of Plant Taxonomists, Dhaka, Bangladesh, 5 February 2018
- 7th International Botanical Conference, organized by Botanical Society of Bangladesh, 2-3 February 2018, Dhaka, Bangladesh
- 4th International Botanical Conference, organized by Botanical Society of Bangladesh, 16-18 January 2009, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

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REFEREES

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