

World Food Programme 2023 Executive Board Bureau

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H.E. Md. Shameem AhsanAmbassador and Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of Bangladesh



H.E. Mr. Md. Shameem Ahsan assumed charges at the Embassy of Bangladesh to Italy on 21 November, 2020 with concurrent accreditation to Montenegro and Serbia. He is also Permanent Representative to FAO, IFAD and WFP, Rome.

Mr. Ahsan joined Bangladesh Foreign Service on 1 April, 1993. Born on September 1, 1966 in Bangladesh, Ambassador Ahsan was educated at the University of Dhaka and has a Masters & Honours in Political Science from the same University. Prior to his present assignment, he served as the High Commissioner of Bangladesh to Nigeria (2018-2020) with concurrent accreditation to Angola, Gambia, Liberia and Republic of Congo. He earlier served as Consul General of Bangladesh in New York (2014 -2018).

Mr. Ahsan served as the Director General (External Publicity) and Director General (Europe) at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Dhaka in different periods from 2011-2014 and as Director, SAARC (2002-2004), Senior Assistant Secretary (UN) and Assistant Secretary at various Desks (SAARC, Multilateral Economic Affairs, Americas & Pacific) in 2002 and 1993 - 1995.

Ambassador Ahsan served at Bangladesh Missions in Washington DC as Minister/Deputy Chief of Mission (2008-2011), Counsellor/Minister (2004-2008) in Rome, Second/First Secretary (1997-2002) in Nairobi, Third/Second Secretary (1997) in Doha and Third Secretary (1995-1997) in Kuwait.

He attended a number of summits, numerous international conferences and important meetings/seminars in various countries. Mr. Ahsan completed the National Defence Course (NDC) on security, strategic and development issues from the National Defence College, Dhaka (2012).

Ambassador Ahsan edited several important publications at the Foreign Office and also served as the Editor, Foreign Office Briefing Notes (FOBN), mouthpiece of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (2011, 2013- 2014).

Mr. Ahsan has written two books on diplomacy/international relations. He also contributed several articles on various issues.

Married to Pandora Chowdhury, they have a daughter.