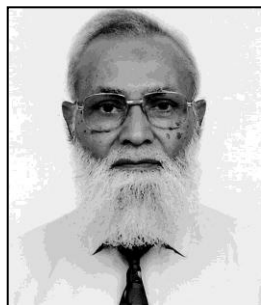


OBITUARY



Professor Dr. M. Anisur Rahman
(1939-2014)

Professor Dr. M. Anisur Rahman was born in 1939 at Atrai under Nowgaon district in a respectable Muslim family. He obtained B. Sc. Hons degree from Rajshahi Government College in 1960 and M.Sc. degree from the Department of Botany, University of Dhaka in 1963.

Professor Rahman started his career as a Research Fellow in the Department of Botany, Rajshahi University in 1964. He became lecturer in the same department in 1966. In 1969 he was awarded a scholarship under Colombo Plan Technical Co-operation Scheme to study for higher studies in London University. He was awarded M.Sc. degree by the London University in 1971 and in 1973 he obtained his Ph.D. degree from the same University. In 1980 he was promoted to the rank of Associate Professor and in 1988 he became Professor in the same Department of Botany, Rajshahi University.

In addition to his academic activities Professor Rahman had an excellent administrative career. He served as the Vice Chancellor of Rajshahi University from 1992 to 1994. From 1989 to 1991 he acted as a Dean of the faculty of Life and Earth Sciences in Rajshahi University and as Provost in Syed Amir Ali Hall of Rajshahi University from 1981 to 1984. He had the opportunity to serve also as the Chairman of the Department of Botany from 1994 to 1997. He retired in 2004. While visiting the USA, Professor Rahman expired at the residence of his eldest son in Houston in 2014.