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Education

- **PhD** (2016) in Environmental Management: **The University of Queensland**, Australia
  – ***Thesis:*** *Shifting cultivation in the upland secondary forests of the Philippines: biodiversity and carbon stock assessment, and ecosystem services trade-offs in land-use decisions*
- **PGDip.** (2012) in Climate Change and Clean Development Mechanism: **The World Bank Institute**, USA
- **M.Sc.** (2011) in Agricultural Development: **University of Copenhagen**, Denmark
  – ***Thesis:*** *Swidden cultivation among two Chepang communities in the central hill districts of Nepal: local perceptions and factors influencing change*
- **M.Sc.** (2010) in Tropical Forestry and Management: **Technische Universität Dresden**, Germany
- **M.Sc.** (2006) in Forestry: **Shahjalal University of Science and Technology**, Bangladesh
  – ***Thesis:*** *Ecological trade-offs between biodiversity conservation, agroforestry land-use, and management intensification - case study from Lawachara National Park, Bangladesh*
- **B.Sc.** (Hons.) (2005) in Forestry: **Shahjalal University of Science and Technology** (SUST), Bangladesh
  – ***Thesis:*** *Bridging livelihoods and forest conservation in protected areas: Exploring the role and scope of non-timber forest products, Experience from Satchari National Park, Bangladesh*

Professional Responsibilities

- **Acting Dean** (August 2026 –): School of Humanities and Social Sciences (SoHSS), United International University, Dhaka, Bangladesh;
- **Head of the Department** (August 2026 –): Department of Environment and Development Studies (EDS), United International University, Dhaka, Bangladesh;
- **Professor** (July 2026 –): Department of Environment and Development Studies (EDS), United International University, Dhaka, Bangladesh;
- **Fellow Forum Basiliense** (March 2025 – June 2025): Department of Social Sciences, University of Basel, Switzerland;
- **Editor-in-Chief** (February 2025 –): Small-scale Forestry (Springer, IF: 2.4, Q1 in Forestry);
- **Courtesy Research Associate Professor** (July 2024 –): Department of Earth and Environment, Florida International University, Miami, USA;
- **Dean** (in-charge; October 2023): School of Humanities and Social Sciences (SoHSS), United International University, Dhaka, Bangladesh;
- **Head of the Department** (June 2023 – July 2024): Department of Environment and Development Studies (EDS), United International University, Dhaka, Bangladesh;
- **Associate Professor** (February 2023 – July 2026): Department of Environment and Development Studies (EDS), United International University, Dhaka, Bangladesh;
- **Adjunct Senior Research Fellow** (February 2023 –): Tropical Forests and People Research Centre, University of the Sunshine Coast, Australia;

- **Courtesy Research Assistant Professor** (June 2020 – June 2024): Department of Earth and Environment, Florida International University, Miami, USA;
- **Postdoctoral Research Fellow** (May 2020 – January 2023): School of Science, Technology and Engineering (SSTE), University of the Sunshine Coast, Australia;
- **Postdoctoral Research Fellow** (October 2018 – April 2020): Tropical Forests and People Research Centre, University of the Sunshine Coast, Australia;
- **Assistant Professor** (January 2017 – August 2019): Department of Environmental Management, Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB);
- **Postdoctoral Research Fellow** (May 2016 – December 2016): Tropical Forestry Group, SAFS, The University of Queensland, Australia;
- **Research Fellow** (September 2015 – May 2016): Tropical Forestry Group, School of Agriculture and Food Sciences (SAFS), The University of Queensland, Australia;
- **Academic Supervisor** (July 2014 – October 2016): School of Geography, Planning and Environmental Management, The University of Queensland, Australia;
- **Bangladesh Project Coordinator** (October 2008 – July 2009): The Rufford Foundation (UK);
- **Applied Research Fellow** (November 2007 – April 2008): East-West Centre (Hawaii, USA) and Nishorgo Support Project of the Bangladesh Forest Department.

Other Professional Engagement

- **Subject Editor, Section Editor and Advisor** (2016-): *Ecosystem Health and Sustainability* (AAAS, IF: 3.6); *Frontiers in Ecology and Evolution* (Frontiers, IF: 3.2); *Sustainability* (MDPI, IF: 4.1); and *Preprint* (MDPI);
- **Elected Steering Committee Member** (2024-): 2ndFOR – Global Secondary Forest Research Network;
- **Executive Member** (2021-): Alliance of Leading Environmental Researcher & Thinkers (ALERT);
- **Events Committee Member** (2022-): British Ecological Society (UK);
- **Grant Proposal Reviewer** (2025-): National Geographic Society (USA);
- **Review College Member** (2020-): British Ecological Society (UK);
- **Research Evaluation Committee Member** (2020-2022): Sustainable Forests and Livelihoods (SUFAL) Project (178 M USD worth World Bank-funded project), Bangladesh Forest Department;
- **Advisor**; **Nature-based Climate Solutions** (2019-2024): International Centre for Climate Change and Development (ICCCAD), Dhaka, Bangladesh;
- **Board of Trustees Member** (2019-): Bangladesh Institute of Social Research (BISR) Trust, Dhaka;
- **Scientific Advisor** (2021-): CredoSense Limited, Canada ;
- **Co-founder and Executive Director** (2007-): Centre for Research on Land-use Sustainability, Bangladesh

Honors, Awards and Distinctions

- **Research Excellence Award** (2025): Award for outstanding research and publications (Senior Researcher Category) presented during the 7th International Conference on Integrated Sciences held in Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- **Forum Basiliense Fellowship at the University of Basel** (2024): 4 months residence fellowship at the University of Basel, Switzerland (March-June 2025);
- **World's Top 2% Scientist** (2024, 2022): Recognition by Stanford University (USA) and Elsevier (Netherlands) as World's Top 2% Scientist (category: Forestry) based on Scopus citation;

- **Swedish International Development Agency (SIDA) and IUFRO Scientist Assistance Program** (2024): Travel Bursary (2,500 USD) to attend 26th IUFRO World Congress in Stockholm, Sweden;
- **Institute of Applied Research, United International University, Bangladesh** (2023, 2024, 2025): Reward for High-Impact Research Publications (750,000 BDT);
- **Council for American Overseas Research Centres** (2020): Travel Bursary (3,000 USD) to attend an international conference on the Rohingya refugee crisis held at the University of California, Berkeley (USA);
- **Outstanding Peer-Reviewed Paper Award** (2019) by the Mississippi (USA) Chapter of the Wildlife Society;
- **Sentinels of Science Award** (2016, 2017, 2018) by Publons for peer review of scholarly publications, respectively for Agricultural and Biological Sciences (2016), Multidisciplinary (2017), and Environment and Ecology (2018);
- **IUFRO Student Award for Excellence in Forest Sciences** (2015) for outstanding academic achievement;
- **FLARE Network Best Publication Award** (2015): Awarded 3,000 USD by the University of Michigan (USA);
- **American Geophysical Union** (2015): Travel Bursary (1,000 USD) to attend AGU Fall Meeting;
- **PROFOR, World Bank** (2015): Travel Bursary (3,500 USD) to attend COP21 in Paris, France;
- **The University of Queensland, Australia** (2014, 2015): SAFS Travel Award (2,500 AUD) to attend conferences;
- **International Union for Forest Research Organizations** (2014): Travel Bursary (2,500 USD) to attend XXIV IUFRO World Congress in Salt Lake City, Utah, USA;
- **Young Scientist Research Award** (2014) by the Commonwealth Forestry Association (UK);
- **Asia Pacific Network for Global Change Research** (2013): Travel Award (4,500 USD) to attend Earth System Governance Conference in Tokyo, Japan;
- **International Postgraduate Research Scholarship** (2012-2015) from the Australian Government to pursue a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) at The University of Queensland;
- **Environmental Change Institute, University of Oxford** (2012): Travel Bursary (2,500 £) to attend Planet under Pressure Conference in London, UK;
- **Best Poster Award on Ecology and Ethics** (2011) at Euroleague Scientific Students Conference;
- **European Alliance on Agricultural Knowledge for Development** (2011): Travel Award (500 €) to attend 'Tropentag 2011' international conference held in Bonn, Germany;
- **International Union for Forest Research Organizations** (2010): Travel Bursary (4,500 USD) to attend XXIII IUFRO World Congress in Seoul, South Korea;
- **UK Department for International Development (DFID)** (2010): Travel Bursary (2,750 £) to attend the 18th Commonwealth Forestry Conference in Edinburgh, UK;
- **Kyoto University (Japan)** (2010): Travel Bursary (150,000 ¥) to attend the Urban Biodiversity and Design (URBIO) Conference in Nagoya, Japan;
- **South East Asia Rainforest Research Programme (SEARRP)** (2009): Travel Bursary, (2,500 USD);
- **European Union's Erasmus Mundus Scholarship on Sustainable Tropical Forestry** (2009-2011);
- **East-West Center (USA) Graduate Degree Fellowship** (2009): Scholarship to pursue a Master's in Natural Resources & Environmental Management (NREM) at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa (declined).
- **PhD Scholarship at the University of Zurich/ Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH)** (2009): Competitive global scholarship (ranked top 2 among 103 international candidates) to pursue PhD study and research at UZH/ETH-Zurich (Switzerland) (declined);

- **Seoul National University (Korea)** (2008): Travel Bursary (1,500 USD) to attend the 1st International Conference on Traditional Forest Related Knowledge and Culture in Seoul, South Korea;
- **World Bioenergy Association (Sweden)** (2008): Travel Bursary (Amount: 2,500 €) to attend the World Bioenergy Conference in Jönköping, Sweden;
- **Association for Tropical Biodiversity and Conservation** (2008): Travel Bursary (1,200 USD) to attend ATBC Asia Conference in Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia;
- **University Merit Scholarship** (2005) for Academic Excellence at Shahjalal University of Science and Technology, Bangladesh.

Research Grants

I have secured >US$1.65 million in funding as Lead PI, PI, or co-PI, on projects ranging from forest conservation and restoration, mangrove forestry, ecosystem services assessment, and protected area management. Major research grants include the following:

- 2026: **PI**, United International University (Bangladesh): IAR Research Grant (500,000 BDT)
  – *Project: How Management Practices Affect Biodiversity, Net Primary Productivity and Ecosystem Service in Agroforestry Land-uses in and around Lawachara National Park, Moulvibazar, Bangladesh?*
- 2026: **Co-PI**, United International University (Bangladesh): IAR Research Grant (500,000 BDT)
  – *Project: Land-Use Transitions, Environmental Governance and the Changing Dynamics of Ecosystem Services: Implications for Agroforestry and Commercial Agriculture in Madhupur Forest, Bangladesh;*
- 2025: **Co-PI**, United International University (Bangladesh): Institute of Applied Research (IAR) Research Grant (500,000 BDT)
  – *Project: Comparing ecosystem health between natural and restored mangrove forests in Sundarbans through developing a comprehensive quality index;*
- 2024: **PI**, ICIMOD-Himalayan University Consortium (Nepal) Thematic Research on Multispecies Migration in the Climate-Changed Himalayas (20,000 USD)
  – *Project: Predicting the Consequences of Climate Change and Sea-Level Rise on Floral and Faunal Assemblages in the World's Largest Mangrove Forest, the Sundarbans;*
- 2024: **Co-PI**, Asia Pacific Network for Global Change Research (Japan) Collaborative Regional Research Programme Grant (80,000 USD)
  – *Project: Evaluating Nature-Based Solutions: Comparative Lesson Drawing for Coastal Protection Strategies in the Asia-Pacific Region;*
- 2024: **Co-Applicant** (with Murdoch University), New Colombo Plan Mobility Project Grant from the Australian Government) (135,000 AUD)
  – *Project: Research on Climate Change Impact and Adaptation in Bangladesh;*
- 2022: **PI**, National Geographic Society (USA) Exploration Grant (27,950 USD)
  – *Project: Unlocking the potentials of Sundarbans mangrove forest as a nature-based climate solution;*
- 2020: **PI**, British Ecological Society (BES) Large Research Grant (19,740 GBP)
  – *Project: Measuring carbon stocks and fluxes across a successional and salinity gradient in Sundarbans - the world's largest mangrove forest*

- 2020: **Co**-**PI**, Asia Pacific Network for Global Change Research (Japan) Collaborative Regional Research Programme Grant (101,000 USD)
  – *Project: Protecting ecosystems and livelihoods of the Sundarbans, a World Heritage Site*: *Assessing the impact of natural hazards on forest-based ecosystem services*;
- 2020: **Co-PI**, South Asian Network for Development and Environmental Economics (SANDEE) Research Grant (23,000 USD)
  – *Project: Impact of co-management program on forest restoration and livelihood enhancement of forest-dependent communities in Bangladesh;*
- 2019: **Lead Researcher,** ACIAR FLR Project Activity 2.6 (~200,000 AUD)
  – *Project: Developing a geospatial model to monitor the impacts of Forest and Landscape Restoration;*
- 2018: **PI**, Internal Research Grant, Independent University, Bangladesh (2,500 USD)
  – *Project: Forest carbon and biodiversity assessment in two protected areas of Bangladesh;*
- 2017: **PI**, Internal Research Grant, Independent University, Bangladesh (2,000 USD)
  – *Project: Developing a framework for mapping threats to Bangladesh forest ecosystems;*
- 2016: Publications Grant, University of the Sunshine Coast, Australia (5,000 AUD);
- 2011: **PI**, Agricultural Development Research Grant (10,000 DKK)
  – *Project: Local adaptations of swidden farmers in the central hill districts of Nepal;*
- 2010: Idea Wild (USA) Equipment Support Grant (1,500 USD);
- 2009: **PI**, The Rufford Foundation for Nature Conservation (UK) Research Grant (5,625 £)
  – *Project: Status, indigenous uses, and population dynamics of disappearing medicinal flora in a biodiversity hotspot zone of north-eastern Bangladesh;*
- 2009: **PI**, British Ornithologists' Union (UK) Research Grant (Amount: 920 £)
  – *Project: Assessing bird diversity in shade trees of tea gardens in the greater Sylhet region, Bangladesh;*
- 2008: **PI**, British Ecological Society (UK) Ecological Research Support Grant (Amount: 2,160 £)
  – *Project: Status and importance of invasive alien plant species among local livelihoods and wildlife within two conservation areas of north-eastern Bangladesh;*
- 2007: **PI**, The Explorers Club (USA) Youth Activity Fund (1,165 US$)
  – *Project: Traditional forest practices of Indigenous people: understanding the role in improved livelihoods and enhanced conservation;*
- 2006: **PI**, USAID Bangladesh (1,250 US$)
  – *Project: Protected areas and rural livelihoods in north-eastern Bangladesh*

Consultancies

- 2026: Sectoral Expert, Progress Inc., Bangladesh
  – *Project: Impact Analysis of British American Tobacco (BAT) Bangadesh's Flagship CSR Initiatives - Bonayan and Probaho Project*;
- 2025: Coastal Mangrove Restoration and Carbon Sequestration Specialist, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO), UK
  – *Project: Bossaso Mangrove Restoration and Blue Economy*;
- 2024: Disaster Management Specialist, Save the Children - Bangladesh
  – *Project: Baseline Study of Anticipatory Action for Better Preparedness of Communities and Local Institutions in Northern and Coastal Areas of Bangladesh*;
- 2024: Urban Environmental Management Specialist, GIZ (Germany)

– *Project:* Livable and inclusive cities for all (LICA);

- 2023: Senior Consultant, Policy and Institutional Expert, The World Bank
  – *Project: Developing a Strategic and Tactical Planning System for the Coastal Greenbelt of Bangladesh;*
- 2023: Consultant, Environment/ Climate Change Expert, Int. Labor Organization/ ILO
  – *Project: Value Chain Analysis for Productive Employment Opportunities of Women and Vulnerable Groups in Bangladesh;*
- 2021-2023: National Consultant, Forestry and Nature-based Solutions, FAO/World Bank
  – *Project: Bangladesh Coastal Embankment Improvement Project Phase 1 (CEIP-1);*
- 2022-2023: National Consultant, Arannayk Foundation / USAID Protibesh Activity
  – *Project: Assessment of Nishorgo Protected Area Network in Bangladesh;*
- 2022: Nature-based Solutions Design Specialist, Shell Eastern Petroleum Ltd., Singapore
  – *Project: Pre-feasibility Assessment of Carbon Offest Projects in Bangladesh;*
- 2022: Biodiversity and Climate Benefits Specialist, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific
  – *Project: Regional Strategy and Action Plan for Forest and Landscape Restoration (FLR) in Asia-Pacific;*
- 2022: Consultant, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, France
  – *Project: Ecosystem Study for OECD Climate Change Adaptation Program (Sundarbans);*
- 2022: National Consultant, Nature-based Solutions, Asian Development Bank
  – *Project: Second Coastal Towns Environmental Infrastructure Improvement Project (SCTEIIP);*
- 2021: National Wetland and Biodiversity Conservation Specialist, UNDP
  – *Project: Ecosystem-based Management of Tanguar Haor Wetland of Bangladesh;*
- 2021: Consultant, USAID and Helen Keller International
  – *Project: Livelihood Feasibility Assessment in Current Livelihood Restoration Program Under RE-ARRANGE Project in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh;*
- 2020: Consultant, Mongabay.com
  – *Project: Assessing the effectiveness of global forest restoration projects;*
- 2020: Consultant, Guinea Alumina Corporation
  – *Project: An assessment of past mangrove rehabilitation activities and recommendations for future activities in the GAC Bauxite Mining Concession Area, Republic of Guinea;*
- 2019: Consultant, The World Bank Group
  – *Project: Biomass fuel demand and supply scenario analysis for Bangladesh;*
- 2019: Consultant, USAID and Action Against Hunger
  – *Project: Rapid environmental impact assessment of cash for work interventions among host communities in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh;*
- 2019: National Consultant, The Nature Conservancy, Centre for Global Development and BRAC
  – *Project: Creating opportunities for Rohingya refugees and hosts through Forest and Landscape Restoration in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh;*
- 2019: Consultant, Asian Development Bank, Bangladesh
  – *Project: Environmental impact assessment of floating solar energy project in Bangladesh;*
- 2018: National Forestry Expert and Steering Committee Member, International Organization for Migration (IOM) and International Centre for Climate Change and Development (ICCCAD)
  – *Project: Monitoring Environmental Changes in Cox's Bazar following the Rohingya Influx (MECCRI);*
- 2015: Consultant, The World Bank Group

– *Project: FELT Forests - A novel carbon payment scheme for improved livelihoods and better management of swidden fallow secondary forests in developing tropics*

Publications [Total citations: 11450, h-index: 46, i10–index: 112 (Google Scholar, August 2026)]

I have published over 120 peer-reviewed articles in journals like *Nature* (5), *Science* (2), *Nature Ecology & Evolution* (4), *Nature Communications* (3), *Nature Plants*, *Global Ecology and Biogeography* (3), *Environmental Science and Policy,* etc. I have also published 5 books and 20 book chapters. I have >11450 citations and an h-index of 46 (with i10-index 112). My research has been featured in The New York Times, CNN, Smithsonian Magazine, Mongabay, etc.

- ***Edited book and monograph:***

7. **Mukul, S.A.** (ed.). Forthcoming. ***Forest Management in Bangladesh:*** *Biodiversity, Carbon and Livelihood Outcomes*. Springer Nature, Switzerland, 450 p.
6. **Mukul, S.A.**, Kazi, S., Huq, S. (eds.). Forthcoming. ***Enhancing Coastal Resilience through Nature-based Solutions in Bangladesh.*** Routledge, UK, 300 p.
5. Saikia, P., Kumar, A., **Mukul, S.A.**, Prasad, P.V.V. (eds.). Forthcoming. ***Climate-smart Approaches for Resilient Ecosystems.*** Elsevier, USA, 400 p.
4. Srivastava, S.K., Srivastava, P.K., Biswas. T.K., Behera, M.D., **Mukul, S.A.** (eds.). 2026. ***Earth Observation for Monitoring Mangrove Ecosystems.*** Springer Nature, Switzerland, 315 p. (ISBN: 978-3-032-16667-8).
3. Leal Filho, W. et al. (eds.). ***Life on Land,*** *Encyclopedia of the UN Sustainable Development Goals*. Springer, Switzerland, 1172 p. (ISBN: 978-3-319-95982-5).
2. **Mukul, S.A.,** Rashid, A.Z.M.M. (eds.). 2017. ***Protected Areas:*** *Policies, Management and Future Directions*. Nova Science Publishers, New York, 239 p (ISBN: 9781536106640).
   Forwarded by: Prof. William F. Laurance (James Cook University, Australia), Prof. Ruth DeFries (Columbia University, USA), and Prof. Marc Hockings (University of Queensland, Australia)
1. **Mukul, S.A.** 2010. ***Bridging Livelihoods and Forest Conservation in Protected Areas****: Field experience from Satchari National Park, Habiganj, Bangladesh*. VDM Verlag, Berlin, 116 p (ISBN: 978-3639281255).

- ***Book chapters:***

21. **Mukul, S.A.,** Sarker, O.T. Forthcoming. Forest and Landscape Restoration in the Chittagong Hill Tracts of Bangladesh: Opportunities, Challenges, and the Way Forward. In**:** Rashid, A.Z.M.M., Hossain, M. (eds.), ***Forest Restoration in Bangladesh:*** *Local Innovations and Global Restoration Agendas*. Routledge, UK.
20. **Mukul, S.A.** Forthcoming. Managing Forests for Biodiversity, Carbon and Livelihoods in Bangladesh. In: Mukul, S.A. (ed.), ***Forest Management in Bangladesh:*** *Biodiversity, Carbon and Livelihood Outcomes*. Springer, Switzerland.
19. **Mukul, S.A.**, Khan, N.A., Ahmed, F.U. Forthcoming. Forests and their management in Bangladesh. In: Mukul, S.A. (ed.), ***Forest Management in Bangladesh:*** *Biodiversity, Carbon and Livelihoods Outcomes*. Springer, Switzerland.
18. Srivastava, S.K., Srivastava, P.K., Singh, H., **Mukul, S.A.**, Arfin-Khan, M.A.S., Behera, M.D., Barman, D. 2026. Use of archived data and geospatial methods for characterising Sundarbans. In: Srivastava,

S.K., Srivastava, P.K., Biswas. T.K., Behera, M.D., Mukul, S.A. (eds.), ***Earth Observation for Monitoring Mangrove Ecosystems***. Springer Nature, Switzerland, pp. 101-118.

17. **Mukul, S.A.**, Arfin-Khan, M.A.S., Banerjee, S., Barman, D., Kar, G., Srivastava, S.K. 2026. Ground-based techniques in mangrove monitoring and management. In: Srivastava, S.K., Srivastava, P.K., Biswas. T.K., Behera, M.D., Mukul, S.A. (eds.), ***Earth Observation for Monitoring Mangrove Ecosystems.*** Springer Nature, Switzerland, pp. 41-57.

16. Karim, M.R., Saimun, M.S.R., Amin, M.S., Fahim, M.S.I., Barman, D., Srivastava, S.K., **Mukul, S.A.**, Arfin-Khan, M.A.S. 2026. Different roles of mangrove ecosystems and their significance. In: Srivastava, S.K., Srivastava, P.K., Biswas. T.K., Behera, M.D., Mukul, S.A. (eds.), ***Earth Observation for Monitoring Mangrove Ecosystems.*** Springer Nature, Switzerland, pp. 21-40.

15. Barman, D., Srivastava, S., Kar, G., Banerjee, S., Basak, B., Banik, D., Arfin-Khan, M.A.S., **Mukul, S.A.**, Arief, M.C.W., Hindersah, R. 2026. Remote sensing-based assessment of mangrove ecosystem with special reference to the Sundarbans region of India. In: Srivastava, S.K., Srivastava, P.K., Biswas. T.K., Behera, M.D., Mukul, S.A. (eds.), ***Earth Observation for Monitoring Mangrove Ecosystems.*** Springer Nature, Switzerland, pp. 79-100.

14. Dawson, W., Blumenthal, D., Cuda, J., Duncan, R., .. **Mukul, S.A.**, ..Kortz, A. 2026. Invasive species in grasslands. In**:** Hager, H.A., Gibson, D.J., Newman, J.A. (eds.), ***Routledge Handbook of Grasslands***. Routledge, UK, pp. 232-248.

13. **Mukul, S.A.**, Herbohn, J., Firn, J., Gregorio, N. 2023. Carbon and biodiversity outcomes under divergent management scenarios - Lessons from upland Philippines shifting cultivation landscapes. In**:** Cairns, M. (ed.), ***Farmer Innovations and Best Practices by Shifting Cultivators in Asia-Pacific***. CABI, UK, pp. 408-420.

12. **Mukul, S.A.** 2022. Consumption and marketing pattern of non-timber forest products in a rapidly changing world: Insights from north-eastern Bangladesh. In: Rashid, A.Z.M.M., Khan, N.A., Hossain, M. (eds.), ***Non Wood Forest Products of Asia:*** *Knowledge, Conservation and Livelihood*. Springer, Switzerland, pp. 205-220.

11. **Mukul, S.A.**, Arfin-Khan, M.A.S., Uddin, M.B. 2021. Invasive alien species of Bangladesh. In: Pullaiah, T., Lelmini, M. (eds.), ***Invasive Alien Species:*** *Observations and Issues from Around the World,* Volume 2: Asia. Wiley & Sons. Ltd, USA, pp. 1-15.

10. **Mukul, S.A.**, Halim, M.A., Herbohn, J. 2021. Forest carbon stock and fluxes: distribution, biogeochemical cycles and measurement techniques. In**:** Leal Filho, W. et al. (eds.). ***Life on Land****, Encyclopedia of the UN Sustainable Development Goals*. Springer, Switzerland, pp. 361-376.

9. Ota, L., **Mukul, S.A.**, Gregorio, N., Herbohn, J. 2021. Community based management of tropical forests: lessons learned and implications for sustainable forest management. In: Blaser, J., Hardcastle, P. (eds.), ***Achieving Sustainable Management of Tropical Forests.*** Burleigh Dodds, Cambridge, UK, doi: 10.19103/AS.2020.0074.24.

8. **Mukul, S.A.**, Biswas, S.R., Rashid, A.Z.M.M. 2018. Biodiversity in Bangladesh. In: Pullaiah, T. (ed.). ***Global Biodiversity and Conservation****, Volume 1: Selected countries in Asia.* Apple Academic Press/CRC Press, Canada, pp. 93-107.

7. Rashid, A.Z.M.M., **Mukul, S.A.** 2017. Managing protected areas in a changing world: New insights and opportunities. In: Mukul, S.A., Rashid, A.Z.M.M. (eds.), ***Protected Areas****: Policies, Management and Future Directions*. Nova Science Publishers, New York, USA, pp. 1-12.

6. Rashid, A.Z.M.M., Craig, D., **Mukul, S.A.** 2017. Shifting paradigm of governance in the natural resource sector of Bangladesh: centralist to pluralistic approach in forest protected areas management. In: Mukul, S.A., Rashid, A.Z.M.M. (eds.), ***Protected Areas:*** *Policies, Management and Future Directions*. Nova Science Publishers, New York, USA, pp. 53-81.

5. **Mukul, S.A.**, Rashid, A.Z.M.M., Khan, N.A. 2017. Forest protected area systems and biodiversity conservation in Bangladesh. In: Mukul, S.A., Rashid, A.Z.M.M. (eds.), ***Protected Areas:*** *Policies, Management and Future Directions*. Nova Science Publishers, New York, USA, pp. 157-177.

4. **Mukul, S.A.** 2014. Biodiversity conservation and ecosystem functions of traditional agroforestry systems. Case study from three tribal communities in and around Lawachara National Park, Bangladesh. In: Chowdhury, M.S.H. (ed.), ***Forest Conservation in Protected Areas of Bangladesh:*** *Policy and community development perspectives*. Springer, Berlin, Germany, pp. 171-179.

3. **Mukul, S.A.** 2011. Mat weaving empowers women in rural villages of south-central Bangladesh and secures their livelihoods. In: Shackleton, S., Shackleton, C., Shanley, P. (eds.), ***Non-Timber Forest Products in the Global Context***. Springer, Berlin, Germany, pp. 65-66.

2. **Mukul, S.A.**, Quazi, S.A. 2009. Communities in Conservation: Changing protected area management and enhanced conservation in Bangladesh. In: Leslie, R.N. (ed.), ***The Future of Forests in Asia and the Pacific****: Outlook for 2020*. Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), Bangkok, Thailand, pp. 143-159.

1. Uddin, M.B., **Mukul, S.A.** 2007. Improving Forest Dependent Livelihoods through NTFPs and Home Gardens: A Case Study from Satchari National Park. In: Fox, J., Bushley, B., Dutt, S., Quazi, S.A. (eds.). ***Making Conservation Work****: Linking rural livelihoods and protected areas in Bangladesh*. East-West Center, Hawaii, USA, pp 13-35.

- ***Peer-reviewed journal articles:***

137. **Mukul, S.A.**, Maraseni, T., Nautiyal, S. 2026. Restoring South Asian Forests: Key lessons, research gaps and the way forward. ***Land Use Policy***, 162: 107884 (Elsevier; IF – 6.6).

136. Cazzaniga, S.G., Martin, A., Mori, A.S., Novakovskiy, A., .. **Mukul, S.A.**,.. Crowther, T.W., Delavaux, C.S. 2026. Mycorrhizal strategy of non-native plants varies with biome and disturbance. ***Nature Ecology & Evolution***, DOI: 10.1038/s41559-026-03144-9 (IF – 17.1).

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- ***Op-Ed, newspaper and newsletter articles:***

7. **Mukul, S.A.** 2026. In planting 25 crore trees, we must not lose sight of the bigger picture. ***The Daily Star***, 19 June 2026 (Largest English print newspaper of Bangladesh). Link

6. **Mukul, S.A.** 2019. Will Bengal tigers really disappear from the Sundarbans? ***The Daily Star***, 27 March 2019 (Largest English print newspaper of Bangladesh). Link

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Selected Media Engagements

Audio-visuals:

– **The Daily Campus** (Bangladesh) featured me and my interview in their report after being listed in the 2024 top 2% scientist list by Stanford University and Elsevier in 2024. Link
– **Ekattor TV** (Bangladesh) featured my opinion in their report on the fire in the Sundarbans forest in 2024. Link
– **ETV** (Bangladesh**)** featured my work and opinion in their report on invasive alien species in Bangladesh in 2020. Link
– **Channel I** (Bangladesh**)** featured my work and opinion in their report on climate change and the fate of the Bengal tiger in 2019. Link

Print media:

– **The Business Standard** (Bangladesh) featured my opinion in their article based on a roundtable on futuristic university education in Bangladesh in 2025. Link
– **The Daily Prothom Alo** (Bangladesh) featured my work and opinion in their article on citizen science in biodiversity conservation in 2023. Link
– **The Daily Prothom Alo** (Bangladesh) featured my work and opinion in their article on protected areas and biodiversity conservation in 2022. Link
– **The Daily Prothom Alo** (Bangladesh) featured my work and opinion in their article on ecotourism in Lawachara Forest in 2021. Link
– **The Daily Prothom Alo** (Bangladesh) featured my work and opinion in their article on the Sundarbans mangrove and cyclone in 2021. Link
– **The Daily Star** (Bangladesh) featured my work and opinion in their frontpage lead article on Rohingya refugees and the environment in 2019. Link
– **The Daily Star** (Bangladesh) featured my work and opinion in their article on climate change and the fate of the Bengal tiger in 2019. Link
– **Hindustan Times** (India) featured my work and opinion in their article on climate change and the fate of the Bengal tiger in 2019. Link
– **The Independent** (UK) featured my work and opinion in their article on climate change and the fate of the Bengal tiger in 2019. Link
– **CNN** (USA) featured my work and opinion in their article on climate change and the fate of the Bengal tiger in 2019. Link
– **The New York Times** (USA) featured my work and opinion in their article on climate change and the fate of the Bengal tiger in 2019. Link

Teaching Experience

- **United International University (UIU), Bangladesh**
  Professor (2026-) and Associate Professor (2023-2026) of Environment and Development Studies

  Undergraduate teaching:

  – EDS 4801 (Techniques of Environmental Valuation): Summer 2025, Spring 2026 [50 students]
  – EDS 4703 (Development and Environmental Management): Fall 2025 [40 students]

– EDS 3508 (Environmental Issues in Bangladesh): Spring 2023, Spring 2024, Fall 2025, Spring 2026 [65 students]
– EDS 3602 (Urban Development and Environmental Management): Fall 2023, Summer 2025, Spring 2026, Summer 2026 [90 students]
– EDS 2404 (Environmental Biology, Ecology and Conservation): Fall 2023, Spring 2024, Summer 2025, Summer 2026 [65 students]
– EDS 2302 (Development Geography and Globalization): Spring 2023 [25 students]
– EDS 2305 (Environment, Conflict and Security): Spring 2023, Spring 2024 [40 students]
– EDS 1203 (Introduction to Environment and Natural Resource Development): Summer 2025, Spring 2026 [60 students]
– EDS 1104 (Introduction to Environmental Studies): Summer 2026 [40 students]

- **Independent University, Bangladesh**
  Assistant Professor of Environmental Management (2017-2019)

  Undergraduate teaching:

  – ENV 360 (Agro-Social Forestry): Summer 2017, Spring 2018 [25 students]
  – ENV 330 (Agriculture and Land Resources Management): Summer 2019 [25 students]
  – ENV 202 (Environmental Biology, Ecology and Conservation): Spring 2017, Summer 2017, Autumn 2017, Spring 2018, Summer 2018, Autumn 2018, Summer 2019 [25 students/batch]
  – BIO 101 (Fundamentals of Environmental Biology): Summer 2018 [25 students]
  – ENV101 (Introduction to Environmental Studies): Spring 2017, Spring 2018 [40 students]

  Graduate teaching:

  – CCD 502 (Climate Change and Sustainable Development): Summer 2019 [15 students]
  – CCD 515 (Climate Change and Disaster Management): Autumn 2017 [15 students]
  – RDM 512 (Sustainable Floodplain Management): Summer 2018 [15 students]
  – RDM 501 (Principles of Natural Resources Management): Autumn 2017 [15 students]

- **The University of Queensland, Australia**
  Teaching Assistant of Environmental Management (2014-2016)

  Undergraduate teaching:

  – ENVM 3102 (Industrial Ecology): Autumn 2014, Summer/Fall 2015, Summer 2016 [20 students]

Advising and Mentoring Experience

- **United International University, Bangladesh (2023-)**

  Undergraduate supervision:

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- **University of the Sunshine Coast, Australia (2019-)**

  PhD supervision:

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- **Independent University, Bangladesh (2017-2019)**

  Master's thesis supervision:

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- ***Mentoring and advisory role in other institutions**:*

  – *Mr. Habibur Rahman, PhD, Kyoto University, Japan (2018-2021)*
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  – *Dr. Deepa Shree Rawal, University of Melbourne, Australia (2017)*
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Professional Services

- ***Academic services:***

  – 2026: Selection Committee Member, Department of Environment and Development Studies, United International University, Bangladesh;
  – 2024: PhD Thesis Examiner, Institute for Life Sciences and the Environment (ILSE), University of Southern Queensland, Australia;
  – 2023: PhD Thesis Examiner, Department of Environmental Science, Rhodes University, South Africa;

– 2023; 2024: External Member, Moderation Committee (4th Year, 2nd Semester; and 3rd Year, 2nd Semester), Department of Forestry and Environmental Science, Shahjalal University of Science and Technology, Sylhet, Bangladesh;
– 2022, 2020: PhD Thesis Examiner, School of Rural and Environmental Science, University of New England, Australia;
– 2021: PhD Thesis Examiner, Centre for Tropical Environmental and Sustainability Science, James Cook University, Australia;
– 2021: PhD Thesis Examiner, Griffith Business School, Griffith University, Australia;
– 2020-2025: Research Grant Proposal Reviewer, National Geographic Society (n=5); British Ecological Society (n=15); Bangladesh Forest Department (n=20); University of Hawaii Sea Grant Program (n=1); European Union's BiodivRestore Program (n=2); European Cooperation in Science & Technology (n=2);
– 2018: Committee Member, Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), IUB;
– 2017-2018: Undergraduate Research Chair, Department of Environmental Management, IUB;
– 2017-2019: Research Group Leader, Applied Ecology and Conservation Research Lab, Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB);

- ***Organization and program committee:***

– 2024, 2023: 6th and 7th 'International Conference on Sustainable Development' held at United International University, Dhaka, Bangladesh;
– 2022, 2021, 2017: Annual Conference on 'Social Research in Bangladesh' held in Dhaka, Bangladesh;
– 2021: 2-Day Seminar on 'Advancing Frontiers of Knowledge on Climate Actions', organized by 'Centre for Ecological Economics and Natural Resources (CEENR)', in Bengaluru, India;
– 2019: Int'l Conference – 'Forest and Landscape Restoration: Making it happen' held in Manila, Philippines;
– 2015: Int'l Conference - 'Small-scale and Community Forestry and the Changing Nature of Forest Landscapes' held in Sunshine Coast, Australia;
– 2013 and 2014: 'Annual World Bank Conference on Land and Poverty' held in Washington DC, USA;
– 2011 and 2012: 'Int'l Conferences on Environmental Aspects of Bangladesh' held in Fukuoka, Japan

- ***Co-organizing workshops, sessions and seminars:***

– Workshop on 'Eyes on Earth: Application of Earth Observation Technology to Solve Humanitarian Crises' at United International University, Dhaka, Bangladesh (2024);
– Session Chair on 'Ecology, Biodiversity and Environmental Justice' at 6th and 7th International Conference on Sustainable Development (6th ICSD) held at United International University (UIU), Dhaka, Bangladesh (2023, 2024);
– Workshop on 'Protecting ecosystems and livelihoods of the Sundarbans forest in the face of frequent climate-induced natural hazards' at United International University, Dhaka, Bangladesh (2023);
– Workshop on 'Scientific writing and communications techniques for early career researchers and academicians' at Institute of Energy, Environment, Research and Development (IEERD), University of Asia Pacific, Dhaka, Bangladesh (2020);
– Session on 'Environmental impacts of Rohingya refugees influx in Bangladesh' in Int'l conference – Rohingya Crisis in Bangladesh: Challenges and Sustainable Solution at North South University,

Dhaka, Bangladesh (2019);
– National workshop 'Reflection on Rohingya Crisis: Since & beyond' held at Dhaka, Bangladesh (2019);
– Workshop on field trial planning and management for researchers and academicians (Topic: Data organization, analysis, and management) at Visayas State University, Leyte, Philippines (2019);
– Session on 'Human-wildlife conflict and co-existence in human-dominated landscapes' held at 'ESP Asia Conference' in Dehradun, India (2018)

- ***Special issue in journals and service as editor and reviewer:***
  – ***Small-scale Forestry*** (Springer, IF – 2.4): Special issue on "Forest Fire in the Anthropocene", co-editor with Prof. Amit Kumar and Dr. Purabi Saikia (2026);
  – ***Land Use Policy*** (Elsevier, IF – 6.6): Special issue on "Restoring South Asian Forests: Opportunities and challenges", co-editor with Prof. Sunil Nautiyal and Prof. Tek Maraseni (2025);
  – ***Frontiers in Ecology and Evolution*** (Frontiers, IF – 3.2): Special issue on "Conservation in Contested Landscapes", co-editor with Prof. Sunil Nautiyal, Dr Sandra Uthes, and Dr Hannes J. Köning (2025);
  – ***Forests*** (MDPI, IF – 3.1): Special issue on "Forests and Landscape Restoration", co-editor with Dr. Liz Ota, Dr. Nestor Gregorio, Dr. Sarah Willson, Prof. Robin Chazdon and Prof. John Herbohn (2020);
  – ***Environments*** (MDPI, IF – 4.3): Special issue on "Tropical Forests and Climate Change: Impacts, Adaptation and Mitigation", co-editor with Prof. John Herbohn (2017);
  – Associate Editor amd Editorial Board Member: ***Journal of Applied Ecology*** (Wiley/British Ecological Society, IF – 5.3, 2016 – 2025); ***Biodiversity and Conservation*** (Springer, IF – 3.7, 2021 – 2024); ***Ecology and Evolution*** (Wiley, IF – 2.6, 2016 – 2020); ***Discover Coservation*** (Springer OA, 2024 – 2026);
  – Section Editor***: Life on Land,*** *Encyclopedia of the UN Sustainable Development Goals*, Springer (2020);
  – Reviewer: ***IPCC Fifth Assessment Report*** (WG II), Cambridge University Press, UK (2013);
  – Book Proposal Reviewer*:* ***Elsevier*** (n=1, 2024); ***Palgrave Macmillan*** (n=2, 2024, 2025); ***Springer*** (n=4, 2025, 2026);
  – Journal Proposal Reviewer: ***Cambridge's Prism (Dryland)***, Cambridge University Press, UK (2022);
  – Journal Handling Editor (2016-): ***Journal of Applied Ecology*** (n = 60); ***Sustainability*** (n = 85), ***Ecology and Evolution*** (n = 25), ***Small-scale Forestry*** (n = 350); ***Frontiers*** (n = 25); ***Biodiversity and Conservation*** (n = 20); ***Ecosystem Health & Sustainability*** (n = 20);
  – Ad-hoc Reviewer (n= ~ 450): ***Nature Sustainability*** (Nature Publishing Group); ***Nature Climate Change*** (Nature Publishing Group); ***Nature Ecology and Evolution*** (Nature Publishing Group); ***Scientific Reports*** (Nature Publishing Group); ***Scientific Data*** (Nature Publishing Group); ***Global Change Biology*** (Willey); ***One Earth*** (CELL Press/Elsevier); ***Science of the Total Environment*** (Elsevier); ***Science Bulletin*** (Elsevier); ***Journal of Environmental Management*** (Elsevier); ***Environmental Impact Assessment Review*** (Elsevier); ***Ecosystem Services*** (Elsevier); ***Land Use Policy*** (Elsevier); ***Environmental Development*** (Elsevier); ***Applied Geography*** (Elsevier); ***Ecological Economics*** (Elsevier); ***Trees, Forests and People*** (Elsevier); ***Acta Oecologica*** (Elsevier); ***Journal of Cleaner Production*** (Elsevier); ***Journal of Environmental Planning & Management*** (Taylor & Francis); ***Int. J. of Sustainable Development & World Ecology*** (Taylor & Francis); ***Journal of Sustainable Forestry*** (Taylor & Francis); ***BioScience*** (Oxford University Press); ***Journal of Applied Ecoogy*** (Wiley); ***Ecological Applications*** (Wiley); ***Conservation Biology*** (Wiley); ***Land Degradation & Development*** (Wiley); ***Applied Vegetation Science*** (Wiley); ***Ecology and***

Evolution (Wiley); ***Global Ecology and Conservation*** (Elsevier); ***Conservation Science and Practice*** (Wiley); ***Restoration Ecology*** (Willey); ***Proceedings of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences*** (Royal Society Publishing); ***PLoS ONE***; ***Forests, Trees and Livelihoods*** (Taylor & Francis); ***Small-scale Forestry*** (Springer); ***Forests*** (MDPI); ***Sustainability*** (MDPI); ***Land*** (MDPI); ***Water*** (MDPI); ***Development in Practice*** (Taylor & Francis); ***Ecosystems and People*** (Taylor & Francis); ***Oecologia*** (Springer); ***AMBIO*** (Springer); ***Tropical Conservation Science*** (SAGE); ***Journal of Mountain Science*** (Springer); ***Journal of Forestry Research*** (Springer); ***International Forestry Review*** (BioOne) etc. (2007– present).

Selected Talks, Lectures, and Presentations

Public lectures and invited talks:

- "Ecosystem Carbon Loss due to Global Forest Fires: Implications for National Carbon Accounting and Voluntary Carbon Market", public lecture at **Forum Basilense Lecture Series on Anthropocene** at the **Universität Basel, Switzerland,** on 29 April 2025.
- "Application of Earth Observation in Disaster Management", invited talk at the seminar **Eyes on Earth - Application of Earth Observation to Solve Humanitarian Crises**, jointly organized by the NASA Lifelines Program and ICDDRB at UIU, Dhaka, Bangladesh, on 25 November 2024.
- "Environmental Issues in Bangladesh: Challenges and Prospects", invited talk at the **6th International Earth and Space Summit**, organized by Notre Dame Eco and Space Club at Notre Dame College, Dhaka, Bangladesh, on 7 June 2023.
- ''The Societal and Environmental Benefits of Mangroves in an Era of Climate Change: Empirical evidence from the Sundrabans, the world's largest mangrove ecosystem'' invited keynote at **13th Edition of the Renewables Talk for IRENA Permanent Representatives** (a Pre-COP28 event) in Abu Dhabi, UAE on 18 October 2023.
- "Recognizing the role and importance of forests in human health: Perspectives from Global South", invited talk at **MDPI International Day of Forests 2023 Webinar,** held on 21 March 2023.
- "Resetting Our Relationship with Nature", invited talk on the occasion of **World Environment Day and World Ocean Day** organized by The American Centre of the U.S. Embassy Dhaka, Bangladesh, on 7 June 2021.
- "Human-wildlife conflict and co-existence in a crowded planet: experience from Bangladesh", invited talk at Int'l. webinar – **Green Growth Strategies for Climate Resilience and DRR:** Policies, Pathways and Tools, organised by the National Institute of Disaster Management (Delhi, India) and Institute for Social and Economic Change (Bangalore, India) on November 2020.
- "Impacts of COVID-19 pandemic on wildlife and conservation", invited talk at Int'l. webinar – **COVID-19 impacts and implications on the environment**, by Central University Jharkhand, India on September 2020.
- "Is environment the missing link in humanitarian work?- Impacts of humanitarian development after Rohingya influx in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh", invited talk at the international workshop – **Beyond the Crisis Narrative:** Rohingya statelessness and its implications for Bangladesh, organised by UC Berkeley, USA, on February 2020.
- "Biodiversity in Bangadesh: Issues and Challenges", invited keynote talk on the occasion of **International Day for Biological Diversity 2019**, at Department of Botany, Dhaka University, Bangladesh, on May 2019.

- "Forest landscape restoration in the context of the Rohingya: creating opportunities to advance progress in Cox's Bazar", invited plenary talk in national workshop on **Reflection on Rohingya Crisis:** Since and beyond, organised by BRAC and Center for Global Development (USA) at Dhaka, Bangladesh on April 2019.
- "Forest management and conservation in tropical developing countries – lessons from Bangladesh", invited talk under **Forests for the Future Public Lecture Series**, University of the Sunshine Coast, Australia on August 2018.
- "Modeling spatial distribution of Asian elephant, Bengal tiger and Hoolock gibbon in Bangladesh forest ecosystems under a changing climate", invited talk at **Young Scientists Meeting on Effect of Climate Change on Biodiversity**, The World Academy of Science (TWAS) Regional Office for Central & South Asia (ROCASA), University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka, October 2017.

Talks and posters at international conferences and seminars:

- "Recognisning the role of mangrove forest as a nature-based climate solutions: Evidence from Sundarbans", oral presentation at the **62nd Annual Meeting of the Association for Tropical Biology and Conservation (ATBC 2026)** held at Xinshuabanna, China between June 28 and July 3, 2026.
- "Projecting the Impacts of Climate Change and Sea-Level Rise on Floral and Faunal Assemblage in the Sundarbans, the World's Largest Mangrove Forest", oral presentation at the **International Symposium on Multispecies Migration** at Royal Thimphu College, Bhutan on 12 November 2024.
- "Recognizing the role of mangrove forest as a nature-based climate solution: Empirical evidence from Sundarbans mangrove forest", oral presentation at **XXVI World Congress of International Union of Forest Research Organizations (IUFRO)** in Stockholm, Sweden, 23-29 June 2024.
- "Protected Area Co-management in Bangladesh: Past, Present and Future", oral presentation at International Conference – **Reavatalising Community Forestry in the Era of Socio-Environmental Crisis** at Kathmandu, Nepal on 4-5 March 2024.
- "The role of Sundarbans mangrove forest as a natural climate solution in Bangladesh", talk at **National Geographic Event – Explorer Spotlight Asia,** held in Jeju (South Korea) on 9 June 2022.
- "Projecting ecosystem services supply potential from forest and landscape restoration in Biliran Island, the Philippines", poster presented at BES Annual Meeting - **Ecology Across Borders 2021,** held in Liverpool (UK) on December 2021.
- "Identifying threats to world's largest mangrove forest – the Sundarbans", talk at **BES Festival of Ecology,** organised by the British Ecological Society (UK) in December 2020.
- "Impacts of COVID-19 pandemic on environments and green recovery plan for Bangladesh", talk at Int'l. webinar – **Build Back Better:** How Bangladesh can better address UN SDGs in a post-pandemic world?, organised by Centre for Peace Studies, North South Univ. (Bangladesh) on October 2020.
- "Environmental impacts of Rohingya refugee influx in Bangladesh: Creating opportunities to advance environmental, humanitarian, and development progress", talk at Int'l conference – **Rohingya Crisis in Bangladesh:** Challenges and sustainable solution, organised by NSU on July 2019.
- 'Can natural regeneration be a cost-effective restoration strategy in the upland Philippines?', talk at Int'l conference – **Forests and Landscape Restoration:** Making it happen, Manila, Philippines, February 2019.

- 'Mitigating human-wildlife conflict in tropical transboundary landscapes: the case of human-elephant conflict in Bangladesh, India and Myanmar', talk at Int'l conference – **ESP** (**Ecosystem Services Partnership) Asia Conference**, held in Dehradun, India, September, 2018.
- 'Conservation benefits of tropical multi-functional land-uses in and around a forest protected area of Bangladesh', talk at **55th Annual Meeting of the Association for Tropical Biology and Conservation**, organised by ATBC at Sarwak, Malaysia, on July 2018.
- 'High resilience of tropical forest diversity and structure after shifting cultivation in the Philippines uplands, talk at **IUFRO 125th Anniversary Congress 2017**, Freiburg, Germany, September 2017.
- 'High resilience of tropical forest diversity and structure after anthropogenic disturbance in southeast Asian rainforests', talk at the **Inaugural Global Forest Biodiversity Initiative Conference**, held at Beijing Forestry University (China) on September 2017.
- 'Forest carbon estimate and REDD+ implications in Bangladesh', talk at **3rd Gobeshona Conference for Climate Research in Bangladesh**, held at IUB (Bangladesh) on January 2017.
- 'Measuring and mapping threats to forests: issues and opportunities', poster presented at **American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting,** heldl at San Francisco, USA on December 2015.
- 'FELT Forests: A novel carbon payment scheme for improved livelihoods and better management of swidden fallow secondary forests in the developing tropics', invited talk at **1st Annual FLARE Network Conference**, held in Paris, France, on November 2015.
- 'Co-benefits of biodiversity and carbon from degraded secondary forests following shifting cultivation in the Philippines: implications for forest restoration', talk at Int'l conference— **Small-scale and Community Forestry - Changing forest landscapes**, held at Sunshine Coast, Australia on October 2015.
- 'Rapid recovery of tree diversity over forest structure in post-*kaingin* secondary forests in the upland Philippines', poster presented at **Student Conference on Conservation Science** (SCCS Australia), held in the University of Queensland (Australia) on January 2015.
- 'Biodiversity and ecosystem carbon budget in the upland landscapes following shifting cultivation by small-holder *kanigin* farmers in the Philippines', talk at **XXIV IUFRO World Congress** – Sustaining forests, sustaining people, role of research, organised by IUFRO in Utah, USA on October 2014.
- 'Neglecting conservation value of degraded tropical landscapes? Tree diversity following shifting cultivation in the upland Philippines', talk at Int'l conference: **ATBC 2014:** The future of tropical biology and conservation, held in Cairns, Australia on July 2014.
- 'The future of reforestation programs in the tropical developing countries: insights from the Philippines', talk at **Australia New Zealand Society for Ecological Economics Conference 2013**, held at Crawford School of Public Policy, Australian National University on November 2013.
- 'Efficacy of forest law enforcement and incentive based conservation to prevent illegal logging in Bangladesh', talk at **Earth System Governance Tokyo Conference** , held at United Nations University, Tokyo (Japan) on January 2013.
- 'Linking society, ecology and economics in land-use decisions', talk at **World Conference on Natural Resource Modeling,** held at Brisbane, Australia on July 2012.
- 'Swidden cultivation in the central hills of Nepal: perceptions and factors of change', poster presented at Int'l conference: **Planet Under Pressure** – New knowledge towards solutions, held in London, UK on March 2012.

- 'Shifting paradigm of governance in the natural resource sector of Bangladesh', talk at Int'l conference- **40 Years of Bangladesh:** Retrospective and Future Prospects, held in Savar, Bangladesh on November 2011.
- 'Trade-offs between Plant Biodiversity and Management Intensification', speed talk at **Student Conference on Conservation Science** (SCCS–New York), held at American Natural History Museum, New York (USA), on October 2011.
- 'Role of contrasting agroforestry land-uses on carbon storage and allocation in tropical forests of Bangladesh', poster presented at Int'l conference— **Geo-carbon**: Carbon in a changing world, held at Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), Rome, Italy on October 2011.
- 'Land-use change in the central hill districts of Nepal with special interest on shifting cultivation', poster presented at **Euroleague Scientific Students Conference**: Can agriculture feed the world? held at Wageningen University and Research (Netherlands) on October 2011.
- 'Ecological trade-offs between plant biodiversity, land-use and management intensification in agroforestry landscapes of Bangladesh', poster presented at Int'l Conference: **Tropentag 2011** – Development on the margin, held at Bonn, Germany on October 2011.
- 'A journey towards better governance: status and prospects of collaborative management in protected areas of Bangladesh', talk at **First Bangladesh Forestry Congress,** Dhaka, Bangladesh on August, 2011.
- 'Contribution of indigenous agroforestry systems in biodiversity conservation and ecosystem functioning', poster presented at **XXIII IUFRO World Congress**, Seoul, South Korea, Ausgust, 2010.
- 'The efficacy of forest law enforcement and economic incentives to prevent illegal logging in developing states', talk at **18th Commonwealth Forestry Conference** held at Edinburgh, UK on June 2010.
- 'Urban landscape dynamics and consequences on local biodiversity in a north-eastern district of Bangladesh', talk at Int'l Conference – **URBIO 2010:** Urban Biodiversity and Design, held at Nagoya, Japan, on May 2010.
- 'Biodiversity conservation and ecosystem functioning in contrasting tropical agro eco-systems of Bangladesh', poster presented at **Student Conference on Conservation Science** (SCCS–Cambridge), held in University of Cambridge, UK, on March 2010.
- 'Changing consumption and marketing pattern of non-timber forest products in a competitive world', talk at Int'l conference— **FORTROP II:** Tropical Forestry Change in a Changing World, held in Bangkok, Thailand, on November 2008.
- 'The role of traditional forest practices in enhanced conservation and improved livelihoods of indigenous communities', talk at Int'l conference: **Forest Related Traditional Knowledge & Culture in Asia**, organised by Korea Forest Institute, Seoul, Korea on October 2008.
- 'Traditional homegardens and domestic biomass fuel consumption pattern in the developing world', invited talk at Int'l conference—**World Bioenergy 2008**, held at Jönköping, Sweden, on May 2008.
- 'Integrating biodiversity conservation and livelihood provisions in protected area management: the role and prospects of non-timber forest products', poster presented at Int'l conference— **ATBC 2008: Towards Sustainable Land-use in Tropical Asia**, Sarawak, Malaysia, April, 2008.
- 'Communities in Conservation: Changing protected area management and enhanced conservation in the north-eastern Bangladesh', talk at Int'l conference—**The Future of Forests in Asia & the Pacific**: Outlook for 2020, organised by FAO-RAP at Chiang Mai, Thailand on October 2007.

Professional Memberships

- Association for Tropical Biology and Conservation (2008-) (Bangladesh Chapter President, 2009);
- American Geophysical Union (AGU) (Global Environmental Change Chapter Executive Member) (2016-2017);
- British Ecological Society (BES) (2015-);
- Global Land Programme (GLP) (2016-);
- Commonwealth Forestry Association (CFA) (2014-);
- Forestry Australia (2023-);
- Institution of Foresters Bangladesh (IFB) (2019-)

Referees

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