



Mr K M Abu Taher Choudhury

Place of Residence: **London**

Sector: **Media (Journalist)**

Mr Kalam Mahmud Abu Taher Choudhury was born in a traditional Moulana family in Ita Sinkapon at Moulvibazar district in Greater Sylhet. He is the youngest son of Hafiz Moulana Abdul Kader Choudhury Sinkaponi who was the great Saint and Islamic Scholar of Bangladesh.

Mr Choudhury was an elected general secretary of Moulvibazar Kashinath Alauddin High School branch of Chattra League in 1969. As a young promising student leader he played an active role in the Liberation War of Bangladesh in 1971.

Whilst in Bangladesh Mr Choudhury held the position of General secretary of Bangladesh Karigari Chhatra Parishad, Sylhet district branch an organisation for polytechnic students. He was awarded a Diploma in engineering degree from Sylhet Polytechnic College.

Mr Choudhury is well respected in the Bangladeshi community for his contributions to community work, but moreover he is well renowned for his Journalism work. As a journalist Mr Choudhury was special correspondent and staff reporter respectively for the weekly Jugaberi and Deshbatra two of the oldest Newspapers published from Sylhet. He also worked for Weekly Amod and Weekly Fasal published from Comilla and Dhaka, furthermore he led the Amra Nobin Programme on Sylhet radio for a long period.

As an established journalist in the UK Mr Choudhury was the Chief Editor and Chairman of the first ever bilingual weekly newspaper, Euro-Bangla, and is currently a director. At this moment in time he is the Chief Editor of the weekly Bangla Post newspaper. He was a special correspondent of the weekly Jonomot. Amongst his achievements and success he has been a President of the Bangladesh Journalist Association UK additionally a member of National Union of Journalists in Britain and Vice President of British Bangladesh Press Club. He is also an ex-Chairperson & General Secretary of the Greater Sylhet Development and Welfare Council in UK. He is a convenor of the Bangladesh flood prevention international committee, vice chairman of the committee for the Recognition of Bangla as an official Language in the United Nation. He is a community Relations Director of the New Air Line Air Sylhet.



Mr Choudhury is involved with many social and cultural organisations. He is the Secretary of the Voice for Justice and President of the Renaissance Sahitya Mojlish UK. He is a Chairman of the Advisory board of the first English Newsweekly Bangla Mirror. He is also an Advisory Editor of the Dhaka Post which is published from Dhaka.

K M Abu Taher Choudhury was a parent governor of May Flower Primary School in Tower Hamlets; He is the parent's governor for Stepney Green Maths and Computing College. He served as a General Secretary of the Tower Hamlets Bilingual Parents and Governors Centre.

His commendable social, educational and community activities has attracted him with a lot of public attention and awards. In May 2003 he was awarded the Civic Award from Tower Hamlets council for his invaluable contribution towards the development of the community. Among his many accolades he received the distinguished Leadership Award by American Biographic Institute, the Community leadership award from the Black ethnic minority community UK at the Millennium Dome. He was offered Columnist of the Year Award by Great Britain Journalist Association UK at the House of Lords and in July 1997 Prince Charles invited him to a reception at St James Palace. He has also been invited to the Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace.