



Mr Mohammed Hannan Miah

Place of Residence: **Oldham**

Sector: **Community Relations**

Born in the village of Horinagar, Nabiganj in 1960, Mohammed Hannan Miah is the third offspring of late Alhaj Inus Miah and Alhaj Kajal Bibi. Mr Miah started his education in his very own village primary school, however during the liberation war in 1971 he had to discontinue his education.

In 1974 Mohammed Hannan Miah came to the UK with his parents and settled in Oldham. There he continued his education, attending Grange School in Oldham for two years and then progressing to Oldham College to complete further studies while he was working part time.

On successful completion of his education, Mr Hannan Miah got himself involved with the Bangladeshi community based in Oldham where he began helping fellow Bangladeshis as an interpreter and translator for the DSS on areas such as housing, immigration and employment. For his

unique interpreting skills Mr Miah was awarded a certificate of achievement.

Mohammed Hannan Miah was and still remains involved with community organisations in Oldham. This includes the Oldham Bangladesh Association and North West Bangladesh Association. He was also a member of the community relation council helping the community integrate and dealing with issues of racism and harassment.

Mr Miah was also the Founder General Secretary of Nabiganj Probashi Kalliyani Somity Oldham, when the organisation was formed in 1987. As a result of his contributions and dedication to community work, Mr Hannan Miah was awarded a fellowship by BNSA in 2001.

Well known and respected in the community, Hannan Miah has been in business for several years including the catering and grocery

trades. Currently he holds the position of Managing Director for his eldest sons IT business 'Web Fusion Studios'. He is also the Joint General Secretary for Nabiganj Education Trust UK. He is also the Founder Chairman of Bangla Shahitho Shongshod, which was formed in Oldham in December 2006. He was also Chair of the management committee of Pothro Publication in Oldham.

Mohammed Hannan Miah is fully active in politics; he is freelance journalist for the weekly Janomot and Weekly Surma in the UK as well as Oldham and Rochdale Correspondent of Bangla TV. He has written a book titled 'Bibianer Bake' which is about popular baul songs and was published in 2004.

Mr Hannan Miah is married to Mrs Afijun Nessa and at present they have three sons, two daughters, and two grandchildren.