



## Mr Ahfaz Miah

Place of Residence: **Wanstead, London**

Sector: **Business**

**M**r Ahfaz Miah is a director of the Ukay Group Limited. Having established in 1978, Ukay Ltd. Group have grown to be one of the most successful business groups within Asian Community. Son of Late Mr Alhaj Abul Motin born in the village of Doli Para (Shek Para), Amtoli Bazar Biswanath, Sylhet in Bangladesh, Mr Ahfaz Miah came to the UK in 1970 where he was educated.

Mr Miah qualified himself as a professional motor mechanic and was employed in a garage whilst finishing of his education. However, in 1978, Mr Miah decided to open a leather garment manufacturing factory, which immediately received a great response from the British Motorcycle garments industry. Subsequently, Mr Ahfaz Miah's partner and his family decided to expand and open East London's first Asian food supermarket to cater for the Asian community's needs. The Bangladeshi entrepreneur group then turned their atten-

tion to clothing industry, which led to the formation of the Ukay International Saree Centre. To this day, the clothing centre is recognised for selling all types of top quality Indian fashion attire, including wedding suits, langa suits, embroidery sarees and printed sarees and men and children's clothing. Today, the saree shop caters for more than just the Asian community. It boasts customers from all around Europe and other parts of the world and also sells online at [www.ukayshop.com](http://www.ukayshop.com).

The pioneering Group later opened the first Bengali owned 22 carat gold jewellery shop called 'Ukay International Jewellery'. This was the first in the UK as well as Europe and America. The jewellery shop caters for all types of Indian designs as well as Diamond and wedding sets. The Group have three branches of the Jewellery store in Whitechapel, Green Street and Poplar. He also has a very impressive property portfolio.

Mr Ahfaz Miah is also one of directors of United Airways a new airline set up in Bangladesh by members of the British Bangladeshi community. He is currently President Finance UK.

Mr Ahfaz Miah also contributed generously towards Islamic projects such as the Morkazul Ulum Madrasha in London. He is one of the Trustees of this madarasa. In addition to numerous others mosques in Bangladesh. Through his corporation, Mr Miah has donated enormous amounts of aid towards poor and disadvantaged people.

Married with five children, Mr Miah has made a great contribution to London's Asian population, solving great needs that were lacking previously. In the heart of London's Asian community, Mr Miah's thriving businesses today are very well known and constantly providing a quality service.