



Mr. Noonu Miah

Place of Residence: **Edinburgh**
Sector: **Community Relations**

Son of Late Abdul Wahid and Mrs. Foyzun Nessa, Mr. Noonu Miah was born in the village Katarai, post: Gurarai in Moulvibazar in the year 1963. There, he attended Saduhati High School and achieved a SSC in the year 1979 and then in 1981, after attending Moulvibazar Government College, he attained a HSC and studied BA until he arrives in the UK.

He arrived in the UK in 1983 with his family in Manchester. Here, he had started his career working as a Bengali teacher in community school, as he had bigger and wilder dreams and ambitions which he wanted to fulfill. But before he did so, he decided that he was going to get married and so two years later, in 1985, he and his wife Rekha Begum were united as one in their wedding ceremony.

Mr. Noonu Miah's first ever business was when he started up his own restaurant in his home town of Edinburgh. This was an Indian and Bangladeshi cuisine which Mr.

Miah decided to name Pataka Restaurant. Since its open date, this restaurant business of his has been a greater success than one could imagine and due to this, it has allowed Mr. Noonu Miah to start up many more restaurants businesses all over. Today, he is the owner of a number of different Restaurants. Not only this, but Mr. Noonu Miah was fortunate enough to build up on his own property business, Shanti property Ltd, in addition to his restaurant business, in collaboration with his other family members. With such motivation to accomplish dreams and succeed in life, it can be said that Mr. Noonu Miah has done extremely well for himself. Moreover, Mr. Noonu Miah is also one to donate much of his earnings to many mosques, madrasa's and to those less privileged. Furthermore, Mr. Miah elected as Chairman of Bangladesh Samity Edinburgh in January 2008 and Chief Executive of Pataka Group.

He has initiated attractive 'Bangla fun club' in his restaurant on regu-

lar basis to promote Bengali culture among Scottish people. Many successful events hold in Edinburgh by the Bangladesh Samity since his appointment as chair of the organisation.

At this moment in time, Mr. Noonu Miah lives with his much loved wife and kids. He has been blessed with four meritorious daughters as well as a son, all of whom are, like their father, hard working and have the drive to do well by educating themselves. First daughter Farzana is studying medicine in Glasgow University and second daughter Farmin is doing pharmacy in Edinburgh university. Nazmi, Sayma and Abed are the younger three children, who are all in school presently, they too, like their elder siblings, hope to go into further education when they grow older.

Sports lover Mr Miah is a cricket fan his favorite team is West Indies and local Hearts of Midlothian football club.