



Mr Alhaj Mustak Ahmed Rouf Mostofa

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

Mr Mostofa is a highly intelligent, educated and perceptive man. His natural careness, knowledge and experiences have been of great influence and assistance to the Bangladeshi community which have been recognized and appreciated widely throughout the UK and Bangladesh.

Mr Mostofa came to the UK in 1989 and has made an impact within the various communities through volunteering and in the management of voluntary organizations. He first became involved in the Tower Hamlets Homeless Families Campaign in East London. Mr Mostofa has also worked with the Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council and Rochdale Council as a senior worker. His position was to advise individuals and families with regards to State Benefits, Education, Immigration, Training and Employment Opportunities. He also arranged Training Courses and organized meetings regularly.

Mr Mostofa was actively involved in developing a Credit Union in Hyde. He worked with Economic Development worker and organised 2 years training programme for the new members and was selected to become one of the founder director. He also played a key role as the trustee of Croft Millennium Trust, which negotiated with Tameside Council for a piece



of land in Hyde to develop as a children area. This space is now being utilised by children and elderly for socialisation and recreation.

In 2000, he has written & published a history book called "Bangladeshis in the Great Britain". He also contributed as an editor of a Bangla literature magazine called "Setu Bandhan. Mr Mostofa was also a regional news representative for Euro Bangla and Channel S.

Mr Mostofa also worked for the Glodwick SRB based in GBS, where the area is very poor and the community is deprived both socially and economically. He has worked with various groups and developed activities in the field of education, health, training, and employment. Furthermore he has successfully obtained funding from

National Lottery Charities Board, BBC Children In Need, North West Arts Board, Princess Youth Business Trust, Tameside MBC, Oldham MBC, Glodwick SRB, Greater Manchester Community Trust, Commonwealth Youth Exchange Council, BICA for various organisation he worked for.

In 2004 Mr Mostofa successfully set up an Immigration Law Practice focusing on the UK immigration law in Manchester. The practice is now a well established and busy organisation with offices across the North West and London.

Mr Mostofa is also at the time of writing managing an oral history project of Bangladeshis in Manchester for Tigers International Association and Manchester Metropolitan University.