



Mr Wazid Hasan Shelim

Place of Residence: **London**
Sector: **Catering**

Born in the village of Kadi Pur, South Surma in Sylhet, Wazid Hasan Shelim is one of seven children. The son of Abdur Rahman and Shomsun Nessa, he was brought up in a well known and highly respected family.

Shelim arrived in the United Kingdom in 1986 and started his further education where he successfully obtained a diploma in Business Studies. After finishing his education, he began working at the family restaurant. It was later in 1991 when he established his first business, 'Apex Curry'.

Four years later he established his second and most successful business, to date. 'Pride of Asia', began life as a restaurant and quickly grew to specialise in catering for large events and ceremonies, including

weddings, corporate events and parties.

The uniqueness of Pride of Asia, which sets it apart from competitors is the mastery of seasoning and the ability to extract different flavours from the extensive amount of seasoning and spices they use. Customers have always provided good feedback after using the services of Pride of Asia. Pride of Asia's has catered for many large organisations including services to the House of Commons, Tower Hamlets Council and BBCC, to name a few.

Aside from his dedication to his business, Shelim is a passionate philanthropist and has always donated to schools, madrasas and health clinics both in Bangladesh as well as here in the UK. He also continues to help the poor and

victims of disasters.

Furthermore, Shelim is involved with numerous community organisations. He is the Secretary of Jalal Pur Welfare Association and a life member of London Bangla Press Club. Additionally, he is Corporate Member of BBCC.

Shelim married in 1996 to Hamida Shepin. They have four children; one daughter and three sons. His children are Shahida Akter, Rafe Ahmed, Shafi Ahmed and Yamin Ahmed.

At the age of 35 Wazid Hasan Shelim is a well-established and familiar businessperson and member of the British Bangladeshi community, who already boasts an extremely successful career in the catering industry.