



## Mr Alhaj Shab Uddin

Place of Residence: **London**

Sector: **Catering**

**M**r Alhaj Mohammed Shab Uddin is one of the most successful businessmen and philanthropists in London's Bangladeshi community. In 1977, the entrepreneur helped set up one of the most established Indian restaurants in London and over the years has broadened and excelled in other distinct industries. Born in 1961 in Beanibazar, Sylhet in Bangladesh, Mr Uddin was educated there before moving to the UK in 1974.

Mr Uddin completed his Primary and High School education in Bangladesh before joining his father in the UK who had been there since 1942. Mr Uddin began his employment career working in his father's sari enterprise which spread across East London in the late seventies. Mr Uddin and his father soon moved into the catering industry in 1977, opening Dreamland restaurant in the Tower Bridge area which was later renamed Tower Tandoori'. The

family soon developed a chain of successful Indian restaurants after opening the Farcombe Tandoori, Bismillah Tandoori, Grange Tandoori, Bermondsey Brasserie and many more.

Whilst focussing on thrusting the family catering business, Mr Uddin has also successfully invested in the property market as well as setting up an export and import company called 'Westminster International Company'. In Bangladesh, Mr Uddin is a proud owner of a dairy farm together with a thriving real estate business in the Sylhet and Dhaka areas of Bangladesh. Mr Uddin is also closely involved with many socio-cultural and political organisations. Currently, he's serving as the treasurer of the Beanibazar Education Trust UK and as vice chairman of the Beanibazar Social Welfare Association in addition to being a valuable member of Greater Sylhet Council UK.

Throughout the last three decades, Mr Uddin has generously donated towards many worthy projects such as the charity foundation named after his late parents which provides scholarships for talented students on top of building tubewells and sanitary latrines for the needy. Mr Uddin has also assisted in financing the construction of many roads in his locality as well as building a boundary wall and front gate for a local school and mosque respectively.

Mr Alhaj Mohammed Shab Uddin was married to Nilufa Begum in 1985 and they are blessed with three sons and one daughter. The eldest son Suhel Ahmed is currently in his third year of his Business Administration degree course at the University of Surrey, his second son Rubel Ahmed is studying Law at Queen Mary's. His other son and daughter are still at school.