



## Mr Nobab Uddin

Place of Residence: **London**  
Sector: **Media (Journalist)**

**N**obab Uddin wears many hats. He is the editor of Janomot, Britain's oldest Bengali newsweekly, and also a Quantity Surveyor by profession. Writing plays is his passion.

He was born in Shahbander (Fatehpur) Munshibari village in Moulavibazar district in Sylhet division of Bangladesh. He came to United Kingdom in July 1978.

Having studied in Building and Construction studies in a Vauxhall College in London, he later obtained his BSc (Hons) degree in Quantity Surveying from South Bank University, also obtaining a Diploma in Leadership and Management. Initially a Quantity Surveyor with Walter Jenkins Construction, he subsequently worked for London Borough of Enfield; he later joined City of Westminster as its Technical Manager. In 1996 he moved to RSL with Toynbee Housing as Technical Services Manager. In October 2007 he took over as Stock Investment Manager of One Housing Group, London.

He is a member of several professional bodies, e.g., Chartered Institute of Housing, The Guild of Builders and Contractors, The Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors, The Institute of Leadership & Management (ILM), Society of Surveyors and National Union of Journalists etc. Nobab Uddin is also a member of many

Bangladeshi social organisations in the UK. He is one of the founder members of the London Bangla Press Club and was the first Treasurer of the club, which was formed in 1993.

During the late 90's as management of Janomot changed, Nobab Uddin took over the responsibility of the Chief Executive of the journal. Journalism and Quantity Surveying are poles apart; yet, his creative skills ensured he could combine these two diverse areas effectively and successfully. When the then editor of Janomot relinquished his position in 1997, Nobab Uddin took over as editor, a position he still holds.

Besides his two very responsible jobs, Nobab takes part in voluntary work for various community organisations in London. From 1990 to 1994 he was the General Secretary of BWAG in Camden, London. In 1991 this organisation raised a substantial amount for Cyclone Disaster Fund. In 2005 his latest play, was dedicated entirely to CRP, raising a considerable amount.

He was involved in sports from an early age, where he represented his school and district at a national level in both badminton and athletics. Because of his keen interest in sports he formed the Bengali Sports Council in the UK in 1988, in support of Sports Council. He was founder Secretary of this organisation, motivating youths to take an

active part in sports.

During the early eighties he decided to form a cultural and promotional organisation called, Link Promotions, which has been staging plays and cultural shows since then in UK. Besides his journalistic activities, since 1982 Nobab Uddin has written and successfully staged several stage plays throughout the UK. Renowned Bangladeshi TV artists participated in these productions.

What has been strident is his organisational skill: he successfully first staged Miss Bangladesh pageant in London's prestigious Theatre Royal in 1995, the winner representing Bangladesh in the Miss World contest in South Africa. This continued until 2000, when Nobab stopped from taking an active participation. He acquired an exceptional event management skills working with international company throughout the world.

Nobab Uddin is the author of many plays, three books, and two more which are in the process of being published.

Travelling also remains a passion; he has travelled extensively in Europe, and has also visited the USA, South Africa, Botswana, Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Egypt, India, Jordan and KSA.

Nobab Uddin is married with two children.