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Md. Mazharul Anowar is one of a Joint Director of RDA, Bogura, has over more than 19 years of professional experience in planning, designing and conducting different research projects and training courses on micro-credit, poverty reduction, women empowerment, RDA-Credit and poverty reduction and rural development related issues. In the position of Assistant Director (Research): seven years, Deputy Director (Social Sciences): twelve years and as a Deputy Director continuing at the Rural Development Academy (RDA), Bogura, Bangladesh since April 2012. The mandated responsibilities at RDA include, (i) Work for overall planning, implementation, management, co-ordination and monitoring of training and research project activities of the Academy; (ii) Guide and participate in designing training courses and developing training manuals/materials of the Academy; (iii) Work as a trainer/facilitator in different training courses of the Academy and other nation building departments/organizations; (iv) Conduct exploratory research and evaluation studies on rural development issues; (v) Organise training, workshops and seminars at national level on the issues related to micro-credit, poverty reduction and women empowerment; and (vi) Participate as team member in conducting collaborative research and training programmes.

Md. Anowar has completed his second master degree in Rural Development under SAARC Chair's Fellowship and Scholarship Scheme by Nepal Government. Also he has completed International training programmes on Strategies for Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development from National Institute of Rural Development (NIRD), Hyderabad, India in 2010. In 2016, he has attended one International workshop cum Training Programme on "Governance in Micro Credit Delivery System for Rural Development" that had been jointly organized by BARD, Comilla and AARDO, India.

Presently he is continuing his PhD Research at University of Rajshahi, Bangladesh. His PhD Research Area is **Impact Evaluation of RDA-Credit Programmes in Northern Bangladesh**. He has 12 publications including research report, journal articles, editorial book and conference proceedings. He attended several training courses, seminar, workshop and conferences in home and abroad.