

# **Brief Biography of Heroic Freedom Fighter Professor Dr. Abdul Mannan Choudhury**

Professor Dr. Abdul Mannan Choudhury is a part time member of Bangladesh Accreditation Council (BAC) representing Association of Private Universities of Bangladesh (APUB). He has spent almost 55 years in teaching, administrator at home and abroad and published substantial number of academic and non-academic work after earning B.Com & M.Com degrees from Dhaka, MBA from Manchester Business School and PhD degree from England. He became Selection Grade Professor at Dhaka University in 1992. Besides being a successful teacher, he was the Chairman of the Department of Management, Dhaka University, founder Director of the Evening MBA Program of the same department and the founder Chairman of the Department of Management Information Systems in Dhaka University. He played an instrumental role in the launching of the Tourism and Hospitality Management Department of the same faculty. He was an architect of the present day monumental physical structure of the Faculty of Business Studies in Dhaka University. The other roles he played were the Editor of the Faculty Journal, Proctor of Dhaka University, Provost of Salimullah Muslim Hall, member of the Finance Committee and member of Dhaka University Senate and teacher's Club. Apart from these roles, he floated, chaired and maintained dozens of academic as well as socio-cultural organizations, including the World University of Bangladesh. Professor Choudhury was also Chairman, Academic Dean, Founder President of the Teacher's Club, a member of the Senate and editor of faculty Journals at the Bayero University, Kano. He also taught at the Ahmedo Bello University of Nigeria on part time basis and Public Administration department of Dhaka University.

On the top of all these, he is a freedom fighter. He was the only university teacher of the then East Pakistan who fought the War of Independence after receiving guerilla warfare training at Indian Military Academy at Dehradun of India in 1971.

He has earned number of Gold Medals, decorations, Trophies, Certificates honors, awards including honorary Fellowship of Bangla Academy for his involvement in the independent movement, liberation war and transformation of the society. He is at present one of the advisors of the National Council of the Freedom Fighters. Apart from being a successful academic and organizer, he has written or edited around 21 books which mostly deal with the War of Independence, Father of the Nation, Bangamata Sheikh Fazilatun Nessa Mujib, Birth Centenary of Bangabandhu, the spirit of the Liberation War and on Dhaka University. He writes columns in renowned dailies almost every week and participates in talk shows on different TV channels.

Professor Choudhury is also the Vice Chancellor of World University of Bangladesh with its permanent campus at Uttara and is one of the recipients of permanent recognition of Ministry of Education based on the recommendation of University Grants Commission of Bangladesh (UGC).