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Education

- 2022
(final exam on 2023) **Master of Social Sciences (MSS)**
Department of Women and Gender Studies (DWGS), University of Dhaka, Bangladesh
CGPA: 4.00/4.00 [secured 1st position in a class of 40 students]
MSS thesis: Climate migrants in Balurmath slum: Women's vulnerabilities and coping strategies
- 2017-2021
(final exam on 2022) **Bachelor of Social Sciences (BSS)**
Department of Women and Gender Studies (DWGS), University of Dhaka, Bangladesh
CGPA: 3.99/4.00 [highest CGPA at BSS level among all the 16 departments of Social Science faculty]
BSS monograph: COVID-19 pandemic and women's empowerment through F-commerce in Bangladesh

Professional Experiences

- Feb 2025-ongoing **Lecturer**, Department of Women and Gender Studies (DWGS), University of Dhaka.
- Teaching gender, religion, and philosophy related courses;
 - Engaging with student-centric activities;
 - Leading curriculum development and course designing.
- Jan 2025 - ongoing **Research Assistant (contractual)**, Project titled "Politics of Denial and Non-Recognition of Genocide", Department of Risk and Disaster Reduction (RDR), University College London (UCL), England.
- Conducting systematic literature review to understand GBV denial in Rohingya genocidal context;
 - Carrying out in-depth interviews with Rohingya population to document their experiences of victimhood and resistance against GBV;
 - Drafting journals articles and newspaper Op-eds.

Publications

- 2025
[journal article] **Fariha, T. N.,** & Dey, S. Women's F-commerce experiences in Bangladesh: Challenges & empowerment possibilities. *Gender, Technology and Development (Routledge)*, 29(1), 137-159. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09718524.2025.2470018>
- 2024
[journal article] Haque, T., & **Fariha, T. N.** "No one is safe in a public bus": Debunking the gender myths of sexual harassment in public transports of Bangladesh. *International Journal of Humanities and Cultural Studies*, 11(2), 01-25. <http://www.ijhcs.com/index.php/ijhcs/index>
- 2024
[journal article] **Fariha, T. N.** Human rights violation of Dalit women in Bangladesh. *Journal of Legal Subjects*, 4(5), 1-10. <https://doi.org/10.55529/jls.45.1.10>
- 2024
[journal article] **Fariha, T. N.,** & Banu, A. Intersecting identities, gender, and health: A mapping of adolescent health challenges in Bangladesh. *Journal of the Asiatic Society of Bangladesh (Hum)*, 69(1), 33-66. <https://doi.org/10.3329/jasbh.v69i1.74462>
- 2023
[journal article] Dey, S., Akhter, S., & **Fariha, T. N.** Was there a way out? Nexus among domestic violence, stressors, and resources during COVID-19 among urban middle-class families of Bangladesh. *Social Science Review*, 40(1), 01-22. <https://doi.org/10.3329/ssr.v40i2.72120>
- 2022
[journal article] Dey, S., Akhter, S., & **Fariha, T. N.** Disaster perceptions, experiences and responses to COVID-19: A gender analysis [Special issue on COVID-19 Pandemic]. *Perspectives in Social Science*, 16, 25-42.
- 2022
[journal article] Haque, T., & **Fariha, T. N.** "No one will say homemakers don't work": A study in Dhaka city to explore the perceptions of women on redefining unpaid work: Recognition or redistribution? *Social Science Review*, 39(1), 15-34. <https://doi.org/10.3329/ssr.v39i1.64871>

- 2022
[book chapter] Mahtab, N., & **Fariha, T. N.** Pandemic within a pandemic: Gendered impact of COVID-19 in Bangladesh with a focus on child marriage and domestic violence. In S. Roy, & D. Nandy (Eds.), *Understanding Post COVID-19 Social and Cultural Realities: Global Context* (pp.199-226). Springer. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-19-0809-5_12
- 2021
[journal article] Dey, S., Akhter, S., & **Fariha, T. N.** Diminishing inequalities? A study on reconstituted gender relations in Bangladeshi households during the COVID-19 Crisis. *Journal of International Women's Studies*, 22(12), 62-81. <https://vc.bridgew.edu/jiws/vol22/iss12/4>

Manuscripts under Peer Review

- 202-
[journal article] **Fariha, T. N.** Women's leadership building as a poverty reduction strategy: The rural Bangladesh context. In *Empowerment, Women for Women*.
- 202-
[journal article] **Fariha, T. N.** "Schools are no heaven for girls": Unraveling the gendered experiences and responses of female students to school violence in Bangladesh. In *International Journal of Gender Studies in Developing Societies*, Inderscience Publishers.

Conference Paper

- 2023, Aug 08 **Fariha, T. N.** *COVID-19 pandemic and E-commerce: Bangladeshi women's challenges and empowerment possibilities*, 2nd International Conference on Gender, Social Justice & Sustainable Development: The Asian Perspective, Bangamata Centre for Gender and Development Studies (BCGDS), Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Selected Newspaper Articles

- 2021, Nov 17 **Fariha, T. N.** *PRSPs & women's leadership-building in Bangladesh*. Women Chapter
- 2021, Mar 04 **Fariha, T. N.** *Rise in child marriage warrants action*. New Age
- 2021, Feb 28 **Fariha, T. N.** *Parents, stop abusing children*. Daily Observer
- 2021, Feb 27 **Fariha, T. N.** *Sex education can curb fantasies, violence*. New Age
- 2021, Jan 31 **Fariha, T.N.**, & Preoty, H. M. *Men's mental health: Breaking the silence*. Dhaka Tribune

Selected Research Experiences

- 2023, Sep-Oct
[Research Assistant] [Doctoral study] **Feminization of medical profession: Trend & challenges in Bangladesh**
- Funded by University of Dhaka, Bangladesh
 - Candidate: Ayesha Afroz Chowdhury (MBBS, Sir Salimullah Medical College, Bangladesh)
 - Assisted in preparing the methodological, theoretical, and conceptual sections of main thesis
- 2023, Apr-Oct
[Research Assistant] [Book] **Gender Continuum.....and beyond**
- Author: Dr. Nazmunnessa Mahtab (Professor, DWGS, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh)
 - Assisted with content formatting and copy editing
- 2022, Oct-Dec
[Research Assistant] [Research report] **UNFPA's situation analysis on sexual harassment in public transport, Bangladesh**
- Consultant: Dr. Tania Haque (Professor, DWGS, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh)
 - Drafted main report based on field data, reviewed national laws and policies on sexual harassment, & assisted in developing advocacy plan for 2023-2027
- 2022, Jan-Oct
[Research Assistant] [Government report] **Bangladesh time use survey 2021**
- Consultant: Dr. Tania Haque (Professor, DWGS, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh)
 - Interpreted survey data, drafted main report, & monitored the work of other RAs
- 2021, June-July
[Research Assistant] [Book chapter] **Gender, environment and natural resource management: Existing gaps in forest management and the challenges of indigenous women in Bangladesh**
- Author: Dr. Soma Dey (Associate Professor, DWGS, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh)
 - Assisted in reviewing relevant literature & national forest and environment related policies
- 2020, Aug-Nov
[Research Assistant] [Government report] **Bangladesh national human development report 2021**
- Consultant: Dr. Ayesha Banu (Professor, DWGS, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh)

- 2020, Feb-April
[Field Assistant]
 - Collected and analyzed quantitative and qualitative data & reviewed national health policies [Doctoral study] **Gender differences in the perceptions of extremism among university students in Bangladesh: Exploring the role of education**
 - Funded by McGill University, Montreal, Canada
 - Candidate: Helal Hossain Dhali (Associate Professor, DWGS, University of Dhaka)
 - Conducted and transcribed IDIs, FGDs, and KIIs
- 2019, June-Aug
[Research Assistant]
 - [I-NGO report] **Participatory gender audit of ILO country office in Bangladesh**
 - Consultant: Dr. Tania Haque (Professor, DWGS, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh)
 - Reviewed organizational projects and policies, conducted FGDs and KIIs, & drafted report
- 2019 Mar-2021 May
[Research Assistant]
 - [Book] **Voices of Resilience: Feminist Narratives in Bangladesh (1971-2000)**
 - Author: Dr. Ayesha Banu (Professor, DWGS, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh)
 - Conducted and transcribed IDS/KIIs & contributed to preliminary drafting of two chapters
- 2018 Oct-2019 Feb
[Research Assistant]
 - [Government report] **Redefining unpaid care work: Recognition or redistribution**
 - Consultant: Dr. Tania Haque (Professor, DWGS, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh)
 - Conducted surveys and IDIs, coded interview data, & contributed to report writing

Scholarships

- 2024 Mustafizur Rahman Khan Scholarship for obtaining highest CGPA in BSS exam 2021, DWGS, University of Dhaka
- 2024 Momena Khatun memorial scholarship for obtaining first position in BSS exam, DWGS, University of Dhaka
- 2024 M.M.R Khan scholarship for obtaining highest CGPA in BSS exam, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Dhaka
- 2023 Shahid Shafi Imam Rumi memorial scholarship for achieving highest CGPA in BSS exam, University of Dhaka