## Speaker Biography



## Mahbub Uz Zaman

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Mahbub UZ Zaman is presently working as Secretary (Asia & Pacific) at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Dhaka.

Before posted to the Headquarters, Dhaka from 2009-2012, he held the post of High Commissioner of Bangladesh to the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and from 2012 till 2016 he was the High Commissioner of Bangladesh to the Republic of Singapore.

A career foreign service officer, Mahbub Uz Zaman joined the Bangladesh Foreign Service in 1988. During his diplomatic career, spanning over a period of 29 years, he held various assignments in the Ministry. His appointment includes Director (Administration), Director (Multilateral Economic Affairs) and Director General (South Asia & SAARC). He was posted at the Bangladesh Missions in Delhi, Ottawa, New York, Geneva and Tokyo.

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