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ABOUT

I am an architect with nearly a decade of professional experience, specializing in creating contextually responsive and environmentally sustainable projects. Passionate about design and storytelling, I love illustrating and exploring creative expressions beyond architecture. My work prioritizes functionality, aesthetics, and social impact, reflecting my commitment to advancing equitable and sustainable practices in the built environment. With a strong foundation in architectural principles and experience in design management, I am also dedicated to mentoring future architects and contributing to meaningful change in both practice and education.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

MAY 2022 – Present

HEAD OF DESIGN

DEHSAR WORKS, DHAKA, BANGLADESH

- Spearheaded studio operations, ensuring efficient project distribution and resource allocation.
- Established standards for presentation and construction documentation, enhancing project delivery.
- Improved interdisciplinary coordination with allied consultants (structural, electrical, MEP).
- Assisted team members in resolving complex technical and design challenges.
- Supervised the team that won Third place at Purbachal International Convention Center, (collaboration with Neoformation Architects).
- Revived severe construction errors at Jurain-Muradpur Graveyard Complex with simple yet effective solutions.
- Conducted periodic site supervision and managed authority approval processes.
- Successfully handed over four interior and retrofitting projects.

AUG 2018 – APR 2022

ARCHITECT/DESIGNER I

VOLUMEZERO LIMITED, DHAKA, BANGLADESH

- Led a few residential, healthcare, and commercial project design and construction documentation.
- Was one of the Project Architects of "Bashundhara Sports Complex" and worked across all design phases from research to construction documentation and supervision.
- Coordinated with engineers, consultants, and contractors, and conducted periodic site supervision.
- Led a group of six architects for the preparation and curation of design documentation drawings and illustrations of all 40 projects for the publication, "Foyez Ullah: Dhaka's Tropical Expressive Architecture.

AUG 2026 - JUL 20218

ASSISTANT ARCHITECT

VOLUMEZERO LIMITED, DHAKA, BANGLADESH

- Worked as an assistant architect in various residential and commercial projects.
- Was a core member of the "Oasis at Ispahani Colony" project team.
- Prepared and curated presentation drawings, diagrams, and working drawings for many projects during this period.
- Inspected construction projects to ensure design accuracy and quality.

MAY 2015 - AUG 2015

ARCHITECTURAL INTERN

VOLUMEZERO LIMITED, DHAKA, BANGLADESH.

- Worked on a couple of interior and landscape projects.
- Prepared presentation and construction drawings of multiple projects.
- Conducted site visits, documented, and reported back to project architects.

EDUCATION

2010-2015 BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURE

American International University Bangladesh (AIUB)

PUBLICATION

Foyez Ullah: Dhaka's Expressive Tropical Architecture by Oscar Riera Ojeda Publishers.

Contributed by preparing design documentation, illustrations, and curated project content.

PROFICIENCY IN COMPUTER APPLICATION

Drafting and 3D Modeling AutoCAD, Rhinoceros, Revit, Sketchup, Blender

Rendering V-Ray (Rhino and Sketchup), D5, Cycles (Blender)

Scripting Grasshopper

Graphics Adobe Illustrator, InDesign, Photoshop

Video Editing Adobe Premier Pro, After Effects

Documentation Microsoft 365, Google Workplace

AFFILIATIONS

2023 – Present Member of the Institute of Architects Bangladesh (K-156)

2017 – 2022 Associate member of the Institute of Architects Bangladesh (IAB)