

Life Sketch of

Mr. Justice Syed J.R. Mudassir Husain

Mr. Justice Syed J.R. Mudassir Husain was born in the year 1940 in an aristocratic Zaminder family of Village Laskarpur, Pargana Tarap, District-Sylhet (now Habigonj). His grandfather Late Syed Abdul Matakabbir Abul Hasan was renowned writer and famous Zaminder of Tarap Pargana of Habigonj. His father Late Syed Md. Mumidul Husain was one of the Senior Advocates of Habigonj District Bar. His mother Syeda Hosne-Ara-Akther Khatun was the second daughter of late Syed Muhammadullah, a powerful Zaminder of village Sultanshi of Tarap Pargana of Hobigonj District. His uncle Late Syed A.B. Mahmud Husain was the second Chief Justice of Bangladesh.

His father-in-law Late Syed Mahbubul Husain was born in village Bangra (Syed Bari) under upazila Kalihati, District Tangail, he was a Senior Police Officer, D.S.P of the then Government of Pakistan and for his honesty and integrity in the service he was awarded by Mr. Ayub Khan the then president of Pakistan.

His lordship's mother-in-law Late Musammat Zamila Khatun was the second daughter of Late Nazir Ahmed a local Zaminder of (Sarail Deputy Bari) Upazila-Sarail, District-Brahmanbaria and whose father was the Deputy Magistrate of the then British Government. His lordship married Mrs. Syeda Mazida Khatun, in the year 1969 and who was then student of Dhaka University in the Department of Islamic History but she could not complete her Muster Degree. She is now Housewife and previously she had involvement in various social welfare activities.

Mr. Justice Syed J.R. Mudassir Husain is one of the direct descendants of 'Sipah Salar' (commander-in-chief) Hazrat Syed Nasir Uddin who came as one of the companions of Hazrat Shah Jalal a great saint to preach Islam in Sylhet about seven hundred years ago and said Sipah Salar Syed Nasir Uddin ~~led~~ was laid to rest in Murarbond in Chunarughat Upazila, District: Hobiganj.

His lordship graduated in the year 1962 and obtained LL, B degree from the Dhaka University in the year 1964. But unfortunately he couldn't complete his second part of Master Degree due to illness of his father. After completion of LL, B Degree he worked as a Junior under Mr. Abdus Subhan a Senior Advocate as pupil and after completion of his pupillage he was enrolled as an Advocate of the then High Court of East Pakistan on 24.11.1964 and immediately started his legal profession and sometime thereafter he was enrolled as an Advocate of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh in the year 1980. His lordship was a part-time lecturer in the Central Law College, SegunBagicha, Dhaka, from 1966 to 1978. He was also the examiner and question setter of the Department of Law of the University of Dhaka.

His lordship was appointed a Reporter of Bangladesh Law Reports from the year 1973 to 1977 and in the same year he was also appointed as an Assistant Attorney General for Bangladesh and thereafter he became the Deputy Attorney General for Bangladesh and from the said post he was elevated to the Bench as a Judge of the High Court Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh in the year 1992. Being a judge of the High Court Division, he acted as member of the Advisory Board under article 33 of the Constitution of People's of Bangladesh which is related to the matters of arrest and preventive detention of the detune. Subsequently he became the Chairman of the said Advisory Board. He represented Bangladesh at the conference held at Geneva and Washington in July 2003 under the auspices of World Intellectual Property Organization.

Mr. Justice Syed J.R. Mudassir Husain was elevated to the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court on 5th March, 2002. His Lordship was sworn in as the Chief Justice of Bangladesh on 27th January 2004 as 14th Chief Justice of the Country.

After assumption of the office of Chief Justice, he attended the 10th SAARC LAW Conference/Seventh Chief Justices' Conference held in Karachi, Pakistan in February 2004.

He participated in a Tour programme visiting U.S.A and U.K and observed Legal Reforms and overall development made in those countries in the field of Case Management & Court Administration in the year 2005.

Mr. Justice Husain also attended the 11th Conference of Chief Justice of Asia and the Pacific 19th Law Asia Conference held in Australia from 20th March, 2005 to 24th March, 2005.

He participated in the 8th SAARC Chief Justices' and 11th SAARC Law Conference held in Paro, Bhutan from 10th June, 2005 to 12th June 2005.

He attended the 22nd Congress on the Law of the World held in Beijing and Shanghai in China from 4th -10th September, 2005. He also visited Philippines to participate in the International Conference on Law Reforms and Showcase held in Manila from 28th -30th November, 2005.

He alongwith his wife performed Holy hajj in the month of December 2005 in his private capacity.

Being an official guest of Her Majesty's Government of the U.K., his lordship visited U.K. in February, 2006 for participating meetings with the lord Chief Justice of U.K. and other Judges of the Family Division of U.K. High Court.

He retired as Chief Justice on 1st March 2007.

He has three daughters and one son.