



Muhammad A. (Rume) Ali started his career with ANZ Grindlays Bank in Bangladesh in 1975 after completing Masters in Economics from the University of Dhaka. In 1997, he was appointed CEO of the Bank's Bangladesh operations. His career with ANZ Grindlays included stints with their offices in Mumbai, London and Melbourne. In 2000, ANZ in Bangladesh was taken over by the Standard Chartered Group, and Rume Ali continued as the CEO, Bangladesh of the combined operations of the two Banks. In November, 2002 he joined Bangladesh Bank as Deputy Governor and was responsible for driving the regulatory reforms in the banking sector, especially in the Risk Management and Corporate Governance areas. From January, 2007 Rume Ali served as Managing Director, Enterprises & Investments at BRAC. During this period he was Chairman of BRAC Bank Ltd. and Founder Chairman of bKash Limited. He also served as a member of the Board of BRAC and BRAC International. He served on the boards of Global Alliance for Banking on Values, Performance Based Funds Initiative of IFC/World Bank Washington, Alliance for Bangladesh workers Safety (USA).

He is currently a Member of the Advisory Board of Dubai based Nimai Emerging Financial Services Fund, Chairman of the International Chamber of Commerce-Bangladesh (ICC-B), Banking Commission, Chairman of Finnova Ltd, Member of the Board of Friendship Bangladesh, Eastland Insurance Company Ltd and Chief Executive Officer of Bangladesh International Arbitration Centre (BIAC).

He is an internationally recognized speaker on risk management in the financial sector.

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