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EDUCATION

PhD (2024)- Anthropology and Environmental Policy
University of Maine, Orono, USA
Department of Anthropology
Dissertation: The Complex Entanglement of Conservation, Livelihood and Market: Governance of the Sundarbans Mangrove in the Neoliberal Era

MSc -2009- Ecosystems Governance and Globalization (EGG)
University of Stockholm, Sweden

MSc-2007-Forestry, **University of Chittagong, Bangladesh**

BSc (Hons) -2005 - Forestry, **University of Chittagong, Bangladesh**

APPOINTMENTS, AFFILIATIONS & EMPLOYMENT

2025 (Spring)- continue – Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science and Sociology, North South University (NSU), Bangladesh.

2011 (Autumn)-2024 (Autumn)- Senior Lecturer, Department of Environmental Science and Management, Independent University Bangladesh, Dhaka.

2023 (Fall)- Adjunct Faculty, Department of Anthropology, University of Maine, USA.

2022 (Spring)- Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Anthropology, University of Maine, USA.

2021 (Summer -Fall) Graduate Research Assistant, Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center, University of Maine, USA.

2020-21- Graduate Teaching Assistant, School of Biology, University of Maine, USA.

2013-2016 **Adjunct Faculty,** Department of Development Studies, University of Dhaka.

2009-2011 **Senior Research Associate,** Unnayan Onneshan (a progressive think tank), Dhaka, Bangladesh.

2009 **Research Consultant,** IUCN Bangladesh country office.

2008-2009 **Research Assistant,** Stockholm Environment Institute, Sweden.
European Mangrove Project.

Major Publications (Peer -Reviewed)

2026

Baten, M. A., & Beitl, C. M. (2026). Gender inequalities at the nexus of markets, livelihoods, and institutions in the Sundarbans mangrove. In S. A. Ebel & K. L. Reedy (Eds.), *Women's impact on environmental governance: Reclaiming the commons through knowledge, care, and culture* (pp. 7–30). Bloomsbury Academic. https://www.bloomsburycollections.com/monograph-detail?docid=b-9798216198628&pdfid=9798216198628.0005.pdf&tocid=b-9798216198628-chapter1

2024

Baten, M. A. Revisiting the success of co-management in forest protected areas of Bangladesh: Untangling the interplay of power, participation, and community empowerment. *Environmental Policy and Governance*. **https://doi.org/10.1002/eet.2114**

Baten, M. A., Alam, S., & Mostofa, G. (2024). Unravelling the interlinkages: agency and vulnerability of hazardous child labour in Bangladesh. *Third World Quarterly*, 1-20.

https://doi.org/10.1080/01436597.2024.2325630

2021

Baten, M. A., Lisa, K. S., & Chowdhury, A. S. (2021). Water Supply of Dhaka City: Present Context and Future Scenarios. In *Water Security in Asia* (pp. 351-367). Springer, Cham. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-54612-4_26

Alam, S., Adnan, Z. H., **Baten, M. A.,** & Bag, S. (2021). Assessing vulnerability of informal floating workers in Bangladesh before and during COVID-19 pandemic: a multi-method analysis. *Benchmarking: An International Journal*. https://doi.org/10.1108/BIJ-06-2021-0329

Sinha K., **Baten M.A**. (2021) Regulating Ecosystem Services: Enhancements Through Sustainable Management. In: Leal Filho W., Azul A.M., Brandli L., Lange Salvia A., Wall T. (eds) Life on Land. Encyclopedia of the UN Sustainable Development Goals. Springer, Cham. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-95981-8_32

2019

Kabir, M. H., & **Baten, M. A.** (2019). Community Mangrove Aqua-Silviculture (CMAS Culture): An Innovation and Climate Resilient Practice by the Sundarbans Mangrove Forest Dependent Rural Communities of Bangladesh. *International Journal of Environment and Climate Change*, 1-16. https://doi.org/10.9734/ijecc/2019/v9i130093

Kabir, M. H., & **Baten, M. A.** (2019). Sustainability of climate change adaptation practices in South-Western coastal area of Bangladesh. *Journal of Sustainable Development*, *12*(5), 1-22. https://doi.org/10.5539/jsd.v12n5p1

2016

Baten, M. A.,Titumir, R.T. (2016) Environmental challenges of trans-boundary water resources management: the case of Bangladesh. International Journal of Sustainable Water Resources Management. https://doi.org/10.1007/s40899-015-0037-0

2015

Baten, M.A., Seal, L. and Lisa, K.S. (2015) Salinity Intrusion in Interior Coast of Bangladesh: Challenges to Agriculture in South-Central Coastal Zone. *American Journal of Climate Change*, 4, 248-262. http://dx.doi.org/10.4236/ajcc.2015.43020

Honors and Awards

Member- The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, Chapter 1.
Member- Lambda Alpha National Anthropology Honors Society.

Research Grants and Scholarships

2025-26- CTRG Grant, North South University

2023- Wenner-Gren Dissertation Fieldwork Grant, Wenner-Gren Foundation, New York**. USA**

2022-23- Chase Distinguished Research Assistantship, University of Maine. USA.

2022- (Spring)- Teaching Assistantship, University of Maine.

2021- Graduate Research Assistantship, Margaret Chase Smith Policy Centre, University of Maine.

2020-21 Teaching Assistantship, University of Maine.

2019-2020 Thurgood Marshall Tuition Scholarship at the University of Maine for PhD study in Anthropology and Environmental Policy.

2016- Research Grants from Independent University Bangladesh to study Household Resource Management Strategies in Dhaka city.

2014- Research Grants from Independent University Bangladesh to study Effectiveness of Co-management in Protected Areas of Bangladesh.

2008-2009 Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI) Research Fellowship to conduct MS Dissertation Field Research in the Mahakam delta, Indonesia.

2005-2006 **Bangladesh University Grants Commission Merit Scholarship** on for Undergraduate study at the University of Chittagong, Bangladesh.

1993 **Junior School Scholarship** by the Government of Bangladesh.

Dissertation/Thesis Paper

2024- PhD Dissertation (University of Maine)
The Complex Entanglement of Conservation, Livelihood and Market: Governance of the Sundarbans Mangrove in the Neoliberal Era

2009- MSc Thesis (Stockholm University)
Property Rights in Mangroves: A Case Study of the Mahakam Delta, East Kalimantan, Indonesia

2006- MSc Thesis (Chittagong University)
Village Common Forest: An innovative form of forest resource management and conservation practices in CHTs

2005- BSc project paper (Chittagong University)
Socio-economic advancement of rural disadvantaged women by Non-Wood Forest Products (NWFP)

Conference Proceedings & Presentations

2026- *Panel Discussant in the session- History, Memory, Politics of Care and Discursive Formation.* Dacca Institute of Research and Analytics. (2026, July 24 and 25). *Bengal Delta Conference 2026: Bangladesh and a changing world: Uncharted times, emerging orders, and the politics of care.* InterContinental Dhaka, Dhaka, Bangladesh. https://bengaldelta.com/bengal-delta-conference-2026

2025 *Green Control: Politicizing Species Choice in Bangladesh's Plantation Forestry.* 2nd Annual National Sustainability Society Conference. University of Notre Dame, Indiana, October 20–22.

2024 *The complex entanglement of institutions, market, and livelihood: positioning women in Sundarbans mangrove governance during the neoliberal era* . Society for Applied Anthropology Conference: Enchantment and Transformation. Santa Fe, New Mexico, March 26-30.

2023 *Seeing the (entangled) forest through the trees: Mangroves as a social-ecological system (SES) of diverse identities and dynamic interdependencies.* 2023 AAA/CASCA Annual Meeting: Transitions. Toronto, Canada, Nov 15-19.

2013 *Sustainable climate change adaptation practices in south-western coastal areas of Bangladesh.* Conference proceedings on International Conference on Climate Change Impact and Adaptation, 2013, DUET, Bangladesh.

2013 *Impacts of climate change in geographically isolated areas: community perception from riverine islands of south-central and northern Bangladesh.* Paper presented in 4th International Disaster Risk Conference, 26-30 August, 2013 Davos, Switzerland.

2012 *Dynamics of knowledge systems under multilateral environmental negotiations: example from Bangladesh.* Paper presented at UNCBD COP 11, 15 October 2012. HICC, Hyderabad, India.

2012 *Community Mangrove Aquaculture at Sundarbans Impact Zone: Example of using traditional knowledge in adaptation to climate change*; Paper presented at International seminar on partnership on Satoyama Initiative, 13-14 March 2012. ICRAF, Kenya.

2011 *Accounting Climate Induced Displacement in Bangladesh: an exploratory GIS based study; paper presented at Seminar on Implications of different negotiated outcome on the life and livelihood of people of South Asia*, Paper presented at UNFCCC COP 16, International Convention Centre, Durban, South Africa; 2 December 2011. [online available at http://www.unnayan.org/reports/COP_17/Accounting_Climate_Induced_Displacement_in_Bangladesh_-_An_exploratory_GIS_based_study_2011.pdf]

2011 *Innovation in Livelihood Adaptation: Examples from RESOLVE, Bangladesh; paper presented at Seminar on Implications of different negotiated outcome on the life and livelihood of people of South*

Asia, Paper presented at UNFCCC COP 16, International Convention Centre, Durban, South Africa; 2 December 2011. [online available at http://www.unnayan.org/reports/COP_17/Innovation_in_Livelihood_Adaptation_-_Examples_from_RESOLVE_Bangladesh_2011.pdf]

2011 *Customary Sustainable Use of Biodiversity and Scope of Ecosystem Management in the Sundarbans;* Plenary presentation at Dialogue on Ecosystem Management, Ecosystem Services and Protected Areas; WG8J-7, UNCBD, 3 November, Montreal, Canada.

2010 *'Responses to the changes in the Sundarbans'*. Paper presented at International Conference on Biological and Cultural Diversity. Jointly organised by UNESCO and CBD, 8-10 June 2010, Montreal, Canada.

2010 *'Indigenous Perception, Prediction and Survival Strategies at Pre, During and Post Disaster Phases: A Case Study of Cyclone Sidr'*. Paper presented at International Disaster and Risk Conference. 30 May to 3 June 2010. Davos, Switzerland.

2010 *'Women in Natural Resources Management in the Paradigm of Climate Change: A Case Study of Bangladesh'*. Paper presented at International Sustainable Community Development Conference, 20-22 July, 2010. University of Putra, Malaysia.

2010 *'Gender issue in climate change discourse: theory versus reality'*. Paper presented at the regional conference on Climate Change and Extreme Cyclones. 17-18 February, 2010, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

2009 *Institutional Dynamics in Disaster Management: Implications for Climate Change Adaptation in Bangladesh* (co-author). Paper presented at Second India Disaster Management Congress. 4-6 November 2009. New Delhi, India.

2009 *'Property rights in mangroves of the Mahakam delta, East Kalimantan, Indonesia: dynamics between conversion and conservation'*. Proceedings of the 7th International symposium on Southeast Asian Water Environment. 28-30 October 2009, Thailand.

2008 *'Village Common Forests in Chittagong Hill Tracts, Bangladesh: Balance between Conservation and Exploitation'*. Paper presented in the First International Community Forestry Workshop. 15-18 August, 2009, Nepal.

SERVICE & OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

2018- Team Member, Institutional Quality Assurance Committee, Independent University Bangladesh

2011-2012 Program Manager, RESOLVE project. Funded by Oxfam GB, Implemented by Unnayan Onneshan

2010 Project Co-Ordinator, Community Based Management of Sundarbans. Project funded by Forest Peoples Program, UK.

2008 Group leader, 'EU MANGROVE' project in Indonesia

2008 Chaired the role play session on 'States role in Environmental Governance' at Stockholm Resilience centre, Sweden

2000-2005 Editor, Environmental magazines, wallpapers in the Institute of Forestry and Environmental Sciences, University of Chittagong

2003-2004 Community Development Secretary in the Port-city Rotaract Club, International
Rotary Movement

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