

Directors' Profile



Mr. Masihul Huq Chowdhury
Managing Director & CEO

Mr. Masihul Huq Chowdhury has been serving as the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Community Bank Bangladesh Limited since the inception of the Bank.

Mr. Masihul has over 30 years of progressive experience in the financial industry both at home and abroad. He started his career as a Management Trainee at American Express Bank in 1992. Thereafter, he worked in Standard Chartered Bank, Citibank N.A in different senior roles, mostly as the Head of various divisions, value centers and verticals including the role as the Head of Corporate Finance and Structured Finance and the Head of SME and Secured Retail Products. He also served as the Regional Head of SME Credit of Africa at Standard Chartered Bank, stationing at Lagos, Nigeria. In Bangladesh, he also worked as the Managing Director or Additional Managing Director in different banks and non-banking financial institutions such as Midland Bank, Shahjalal Islami Bank, Premier Bank, IPDC, amongst the others.

Mr. Masihul has in-depth experience and expertise in wholesale banking, retail banking, structured and syndication financing, credit, trade finance, SME lending, product development, operations and process re-engineering. Mr. Masihul was instrumental in launching

SME lending at Standard Chartered Bank in Bangladesh. During his stints both at Standard Chartered Bank and Citibank N.A, he took the pioneering role in developing local corporate portfolio including trade finance, syndication and structured finance in the respective Banks, which led the way to scaling-up their businesses subsequently, through this market segment.

Mr. Masihul is an Omega Certified Credit Professional and Certified Trade Professional. He received numerous trainings at home and abroad in relevant areas, such as, credit, leadership and contemporary management and technical issues.

Mr. Masihul is a regular writer in the areas of business, finance, economics and FinTech which are frequently published in the various Dailies, Weeklies and professional magazines. He was also an adjunct faculty of the Business School at BRAC University. In addition, he is the active members of many social clubs and industry associations. Mr. Masihul completed his MBA from the Institute of Business Administration (IBA), University of Dhaka. He also completed his Bachelors of Commerce in Accounting from the University of Dhaka. He earned his Higher Secondary School Certificate (HSC) from Notre Dame College and Secondary School Certificate (SSC) from St. Gregory High School and College.

In his personal life, Mr. Masihul is happily married and blessed with a daughter.