Bio Data

Commodore Arif Ahmed Mustafa, (G), NUP, NDC, AFWC, PSC, BN (P No. 840)



- 1) Commodore Arif Ahmed Mustafa, (G), NUP, NDC, AFWC, PSC was born on 01 July, 1970 Narayanganj District in an elite Muslim family. He passed Secondary and Higher Secondary Examination from Mirzapur Cadet College with excellent result. He joined the Bangladesh Navy in 1990 and was commissioned in the executive branch of Bangladesh Navy in 1992. He achieved Bachelor's degree with distinction in science from Chittagong University and earned Master's Degree in Military Studies from Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP). He is an alumnus of DSC&SC Mirpur, National Defence College, Mirpur and National Defence College, Nigeria. Commodore Arif has extensive experience as a different command, instructor and staff officer in an illustrious career spanning 30 years.
- 2) He is an experienced officer who served as the captain of two Bangladesh Navy frigates namely Banauza Omar Farooq and Banauza Samudra Joy. He was the Commissioning Captain of Banauza Durjoy and de-commissioning Captain of Banauza Omar Farooq. Commodore Arif served as the captain of Patrol Craft Banauza Farid, Teesta, Meghna, LPC Banauza Durjoy, OPV Banauza SR Amin and Naval Base Banauza Haji Mohsin among others.
- 3) Commodore Arif served as an instructor at Bangladesh Naval Academy and Gunnery School at Banauza Isakhan. As a staff officer, he served in the Directorate of Training and Naval Secretariat at Naval Headquarters. He served as Drafting Authority in his present rank. Besides, he served as an Assistant Director at Special Security Force (SSF). Commodore Arif completed UN peacekeeping missions in Sudan and

Lebanon. He also served as the Director General of the Directorate of Civil-Military Relations of the Department of Armed Forces where he served ex-officio as the Member Secretary of the Bangladesh National Authority for Chemical Weapons Convention. He last served as Deputy Commandant at Military Command and Staff College, Mirpur Cantonment.

- 4) Commodore Arif received the Naval Excellence Medal in recognition of various operational feats during peacetime. He was commended by the Chief of Naval Staff for formulating various contemporary and effective policies related to career planning of sailors. Besides, Commodore Arif was Awarded Letter of Appreciation by the Regional Naval Administrative Authority for special contribution in Exercise 'Vajra Aaghat 2019'. He was awarded a commendation by the Force Commander for his gallant performance as a boat officer in a peacekeeping mission in Sudan.
- 5) Apart from conducting patrols in the Bay of Bengal and the Mediterranean Sea as part of routine patrol duties in the Navy, he has over 16,000 nautical miles sailing experience around the world. Commodore Arif likes to read different kinds of books and listens to music in his spare time. He is happily married to Mrs. Sonia Haasan who is a teacher and counselor of children having special needs by profession. Among the three sons of Commodore Arif, the eldest son is currently studying in 2nd year BBA at BUP, the second son has followed his father's footsteps and joined the Bangladesh Navy and the youngest son is studying in class VIII.