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### 22<sup>nd</sup> Honourable Chief Justice of Bangladesh



[President Md. Abdul Hamid administers oath to the newly appointed Chief Justice Syed Mahmud Hossain (left side) at Bangabhaban in the capital.]

#### **Synopsis:**

Honorable Justice Syed Mahmud Hossain is the 22<sup>nd</sup> Chief Justice of

Bangladesh. His lordship is the senior most Judge of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of

Bangladesh. His lordship took oath as the Chief Justice of Bangladesh on February 03, 2018.

#### **Birth & Early Life:**

Honorable Justice Syed Mahmud Hossain was born on December 31, 1954, at Nangalkot in Comilla. He is the son of Syed Mustafa Ali and Begum Kawsar Jahan.

#### **Education:**

Justice Hossain passed SSC from Comilla examination Zilla School in 1972, HSC examination from Comilla Victoria College in 1974 and B.Sc. examination passed from the same college in 1976. In 1980 he obtained LL.B. degree from Comilla Law College. He also completed months' six long "Commonwealth Young Lawyers Course" from the School of Oriental and African Studies and the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, both part of London University.

#### **Legal Experience:**

Justice Hossain started practicing law in 1981 in the District Judge Court. Then he joined as an Advocate in the High Court Division in 1983. He was appointed as a Deputy Attorney General in 1999 and carried out that duty till elevation to the Bench.

## Career as an Honourable Judge:

Justice Syed Mahmud Hossain was appointed as an Additional Judge of the High Court Division on 22.02.2001 and Judge of the High Court Division on 22.02.2003.

His lordship elevated to the Appellate Division of the

Supreme Court of Bangladesh on 23.02.2011.

## Participation in International Seminar:

Justice Hossain participated in the International Seminars and Study Tours held in Penang-Malaysia, Norway, Denmark, Sweden, India, South Korea and Hong Kong.

#### Visit to the Courts:

Justice Hossain visited Courts of Canada and the USA in 2012 under the Judicial Strengthening (JUST) Project supported by UNDP to share experience and exchange views with Judges of those countries for improving justice delivery system of Bangladesh. Ed.