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He received higher education in Management at Chittagong University; Inha University (South Korea) and Texas A & M University (USA). He secured First class First in Hons' (1982) and Masters (1983) examination in Management. The title of Ph.D. dissertation was "State Intervention in Industrial Relations" an important contribution into the colonial and post-colonial third world context. He completed research work at Inha University in South Korea under Jungseok Korean Scholarship. He received highly prestigious senior Fulbright Fellowship awarded by the United States International Agency for Post-Doctoral Program in USA. Professor Taher has been involved in higher education for more than 36 years.

During his teaching career, he also worked in the College of Business Administration at Inha University as a Non-tenure Track Foreign Professor; and Centre for Change and Conflict Resolution (Texas); Korean Academy of Business Ethics (Seoul) as visiting faculty. He supervised 25 Ph.D/M.Phil researchers and also worked as a external examiner of Ph.D thesis at three international university. His special field of interest is HRM, HRD, Conflict Management and Industrial Relations.

He authored and co-authored 17 books of Hons' and Master's Level. He has to his credit over 107(One hundred seven) research papers published in several refereed journals at home and abroad. He also presented 31 research papers at International conferences around the world. The total number of citation of Prof. Taher is more than 300. Apart from teaching, he completed some research projects funded by World Bank, International Labor Organization (ILO); access 2 Information; British Council; University Grants Commission; Commonwealth of Learning (COL); Social Science Research Council; Ministry of Planning; GoB as a HR Consultant/ Project Director / Research Fellow/Sub-Project Manager/ Trainee Verifier. He also attended many International Conference and symposia hosted by distinguished institutions like AHRD (USA) USIS, ILO, AMDISA, EAHR (Texas), BEA, KABE (Seoul), AAOU, CEMCA, World Business Institute (Australia) as a participant/ paper presenter/ facilitator/ session chair/ keynote speaker.

Recently Prof. Taher has been awarded with "Mohatma Gandhi International Peace Prize 2023" for his special contribution toward the services in the field of Financial Sector of the Country.

As an active academic, Professor Taher has been involved in promoting and organizing a few Private Universities as an Academic Advisor like Port City International University, Notre Dame University of Bangladesh etc. He has also been Editor and Chief Editor of two referred journals and members of editorial board in many refereed journals at national and international levels.

He has been teaching the HRM major courses at Chittagong University and some Private Universities for quite a long time. He widely lectured and provided consultancy services to different business organizations on the issues of HRM and Labor Laws. He visited USA, Canada, UK, Singapore, Philippines, France, South Korea, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Thailand, China, Taiwan, Turkey, Saudi Arabia, UAE, North Korea and SAARC Countries on academic and research purposes.

Family is extremely important in Professor Taher's life. He is blessed with one daughter and two sons.