DOB:

1st December 1931

Place of Birth:

Nayabari, Bhajanpur, PS: Tetulia, District: Panchagarh, Bangladesh

Education:

M.A., LL.B. University of Dhaka Barrister at Law [Lincoln's Inn]

Practice:

Called to the Bar by East Pakistan High Court of Judicature on 17th May 1960, Called to the Bar of England and Wales [including Commonwealth Countries] 21st November 1967. He emerged as an eminent Barrister of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh in constitutional, civil and criminal laws.

Int. Representation:

President Ziaur Rahman of Bangladesh, selected him as a member of Bangladesh delegation to the United Nations General Assembly session in 1977 to look after the legal committee, a representative role in which he continued for the next four years i.e. 1977 - 1980. In 1981, he, as Minister of State for Foreign Affairs travelled to the UN to make deliberation on Middle East peace process and disarmament. He later on attended the Non-aligned Labour Ministers' Conference held in Bangladesh. In this committee he made valuable contributions in various areas of law including International, Industrial, Commercial, Hijacking, International rivers, Law of the sea, Environment, Multilateral treaty making process, Strengthening the role of the united Nations in Maintaining International peace and security and other important issues in association with eminent jurists, some of whom later became judges of the International Court of Justice.

Politics:

Mr Sircar entered into politics as early as 1946, a student of grade 9, for independence from British rule and creation of Pakistan.

Mr Sircar was the Vice President of Iqbal Hall [presently Sergeant Johirul Hoque Hall] in 1958-1959. He was the best English debater of Dhaka University in 1958.

While he was in London, Mr Sircar was the President of Inns of Court Pakistan Society, London in 1963. He is one of the founders of the East Pakistan House in London. He was a renowned leader who struggled for the independence of Bangladesh.

Mr Sircar contested in the Provincial Parliamentary Election in 1970 as an independent candidate Panchogarh constituency. Mr Sircar contested as an independent candidate in Bangladesh National Assembly Election 1973. Mr Sircar is one of the founding members of the Bangladesh Nationalist party and was a member of the standing committee, policymaking body of the party, from its inception. He was elected Member of Parliament for five times.

He has been responsible for several important ministries during his political career:

i) Minister of the State of Public Works and Urban Development [habitat];

- ii) Minister of the State for foreign Affairs;
- iii) Minister of State for Land Administration and Law Reforms;
- iv) Minister for Science and Technology;
- v) Minister for Education;
- vi) Minister for Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs.
- v) He was the Speaker of the Bangladesh Jatiyo Shongshod [National Parliament, 2001 2009].
- vi) From June September 2002, he acted as the President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

Personal:

A very simple personality much loved and respected by friends and family. Married to Mrs Nur Akhter Sircar, D/O renowned Late Haji Jaliluddin of Dinajpur. He has two sons and a daughter. The eldest, Nilufar Jamir is an Attorney At Law in USA. Next is Nawshad Zamir, LLM (Harvard), a Barrister-at-Law presently practicing in Bangladesh Supreme Court. Youngest son Naufal Zamir, LLB (London), also a Barrister-At-Law.

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