

My name is Md. Matiar Rahman. I am a fresh graduate in the field of architecture. I always intellectually curious about the greater public goods while working on any project. I passed my childhood in a pastoral village of southern Bangladesh. My discipline is architecture, but I often seek to transcend conventional disciplinary boundaries by looking at marginal people and other social issues.

I passed my childhood in a pastoral village of southern Bangladesh. I closely observed the simple style of rural Bengal life. Since then, I have been closely attached to the natural earth and the basic human lifestyle which turned into the point of enthusiasm for my architectural life. When I came Dhaka to study architecture, I found a completely different picture. There is a huge contradiction between the life of urban poor and rich. Dhaka is one of the densely populated megacity in the world, where 20 million (according to WPR) people living with growing hourly rate of an additional 48 people at present. Above 50-60% populations of the city lives informal in dilapidated slums, where it is unhygienic, clumsy and terrible living state. The urban poor merely unable to sustain their basic needs as food, water, adequate shelter so needless to say about their fantasy of life. However, this difficult actuality left a scar on my heart.

My aim is to design accessible and affordable housing opportunities for underprivileged communities. I am from architecture discipline, but I often seek to transcend conventional disciplinary boundaries by looking at marginal people and other social issues. At the same time, I practice how to deal with conflicting territories and struggling communities. In my academic studios, I deliberately tried to highlight the sustainability, green architecture, community development and vernacular architecture. Since 2017, I am working as a volunteer with One Degree Initiative Foundation to design a prototype for homeless street people in urban slums of Dhaka city.

To enrich my knowledge and experience I participated several events. Highlighting those are, Arcasia student workshop, Tokyo, Japan, 2018 and Bamboo summer workshop, IIUM, Malaysia, 2019. With those outcome, I leaded a team to design and build a play space for the under privileged children of Basila slum in Dhaka city, collaborating with Paraa.

My goal is to build a unique entrepreneurship for serving neighborhoods of sufficient starter homes that can help adults build equity, avoid excessive debt and create financial stability for their futures. I believe firmly in the mission to build "a world where everyone has a decent place to live."

I strongly believe that, this scope will drive ahead to my ambition. I therefore appreciate your kind consideration to grant my application for MBArch and obliged thereby.

Sincerely,
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