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Engr. M. A. Matin has been working in Rural Development Academy (RDA), Bogra since 1983. Presently he is serving as Director General of RDA, Bogra, Bangladesh. He has completed his B.Sc. in Agricultural Engineering (Hons.) with major in irrigation and water management from Bangladesh Agricultural University (BAU), Mymensingh. He has also completed his M.Sc in Irrigation Engineering from Silsoe College, Cranfield Institute of Technology, United Kingdom (UK). During his tenure of service, he has proved himself worthy and innovative in design and implementation of action research projects in the field of irrigation & water management. He has remarkable contribution in the field of irrigation & water management in Bangladesh and also shows his contribution on arsenic free community based rural piped water supply model. Under his dynamic leadership RDA gets new dimensions and developed lots developmental works. He is the founder member of Centre for Irrigation and Water Management (CIWM); live fellow of Institution of Engineers Bangladesh (IEB). As Project Director he successfully runs several GoB & Donor funded projects.

He has developed several models like multipurpose uses of low-cost DTW for Socio economic development and improvement of rural life; demand based low-cost DTW; and arsenic/iron filtration plant for supplying safe drinking water. He has obtained patents of his invented technologies.

Mr. Matin has been visited more than 45 countries of the world and attend a lot international seminar, conference & workshop and talked about RDA developed technologies. He has published several articles on national & international levels and earned renowned worldwide.

Under his leadership buried pipe irrigation system was introduced first time in Bangladesh, which increased average irrigation command area and RDA-credit model for socio-economic development of poverty in rural area. His developed models are already being replicated among Government, NGO and private organizations. During his tenure of service Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh conferred Rural Development Academy (RDA) Bogra, the highest national award ***Independence Award-2004*** for extra ordinary contribution of Rural Development and also obtained ***Bangabandhu National Agricultural Award-1415 (Gold medal)*** for developing environment friendly green technologies.