



2015 BHEARD Scholar
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Profile

Country of Study:	United States
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Research Area: Plant Pathology

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UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION: B.Sc., Agriculture, Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University, Bangladesh

GRADUATE EDUCATION: M.Sc., Plant Pathology, Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University

RESEARCH INTERESTS: Being a plant pathologist, MD Mahfuzur has worked on crop virus disease management at Bangladesh Agricultural Research Institute, but he has not been able to identify the virus and develop a resistant variety against plant virus diseases. Because of this, he is interested in learning how to identify plant viruses and develop a variety of resistant against plant virus diseases. MD Mahfuzur will conduct research on morphological and molecular characterization of the legume virus and develop its resistant variety.

PERSONAL STATEMENT: MD Mahfuzur has planned to identify major viruses of legumes in his country and try to make their genome sequence for developing resistant variety.

WHEN I AM NOT WORKING I ENJOY: MD Mahfuzur chats with his family when he gets free time. He enjoys watching English movies and traveling to tourist places.