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Fauzia E. Ahmed has worked with development programs and policies for low-income families in a variety of countries, including the United States. Early community-based experiences with the African American population, in health and education, enhanced her subsequent work with Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and with the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) in India, Indonesia, Thailand, and her native Bangladesh. Her research interests include masculinity and microcredit, gender, globalization, and Islam, and informal justice systems.

Her current research focuses on the garment industry in Bangladesh. After the collapse of the Rana Plaza garment factory in 2013, which killed over 1,100 workers in April 2013, Dr. Ahmed returned to Bangladesh to conduct a pilot study. As a SAI Research Affiliate, she will investigate how intersections of gender and globalization impact governance and workers' well-being in the garment industry in various countries in South Asia.

Dr. Ahmed was a Fellow from 1995-97 at the Radcliffe Public Policy Institute and an Instructor at the Harvard School of Public Health from 1998-2002, a Resident Scholar at the Brandeis Women's Studies Research Institute from 1997-2006 and a Visiting Scholar at the Women's Studies Program at Northeastern University from 2005-2006. She has also been Director, Women's Studies at the Indiana University of Pennsylvania 2006-2008.

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