

Law in Practice Seminar

“Mental Health Law: English Experiences and Bangladeshi Perspectives”

Speaker: **Barrister Najrul Khasru, Mental Health Tribunal Judge, UK**

Moderator: **Sara Hossain, Honorary Executive Director, BLAST**

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Abstract

The seminar will focus on an overview of current mental health law in England and Wales. This includes all aspects of medical treatment of people with mental disorders, their rights under the law, treatment of mentally disordered "offenders" under the criminal justice system, and the roles of mental health tribunals.

The presentation will also cover perspectives on current Bangladesh law and practice and discuss the opportunities for improvement of the mental health system.

About the Speaker

Najrul Khasru is a Barrister and a British-Bangladeshi Tribunal Judge in England. He worked in the criminal justice system in England for many years, first as a Law Centre adviser, then as a legal adviser to magistrates and finally as a trainer of magistrates. He was appointed as a Judge for the Mental Health Tribunals, England in 2003 and as a Chair for the Fitness to Practice Tribunal, Nursing and Midwifery Council, United Kingdom in 2011. His articles on legal and constitutional issues have been published in British newspapers such as The Guardian and The Times, and also in several English dailies in Bangladesh. He has been actively involved with two British registered charities, Community Aid in Enfield, England, and Kotal Pur Village Aid in Sylhet, Bangladesh. He received his Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of East London in 1986 and obtained a Master of Laws from the University of London in 2001. He was called to the Bar from Inner Temple in 1988.

Date and Venue:

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