

Latifur Rahman (businessman)

Latifur Rahman is a Bangladeshi comprador and businessperson. He serves as the Chairman of Transcom Group^[1] which is the local agent or comprador of numerous international brands like Pizza Hut, KFC, Pepsi and Philips, etc.^[2]

Latifur Rahman



Native name	লতিফুর রহমান
Nationality	Bangladeshi
Occupation	industrialist, chairman of Transcom Group
Spouse(s)	Shahnaz Rahman

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Career

Rahman started his career as a trainee in 1966 in his family-owned jute mills in Chandpur District. He worked as an executive in the mills until 1971.^[3] Rahman established Transcom Group in 1973^[4] after W Rahman Jute Mills, the major earning source for the Rahman family, was nationalised in 1972.^[5] In the 1980s, Rahman became the sole importer and distributor of Nestlé products in Bangladesh. In the 1990s, he bought Smith, Kline & French, a US-based pharmaceutical which had meged into Beecham Group, a British company and renamed it Eskayef.^[6]

Rahman was elected a member of the executive board of the Paris-based International Chamber of Commerce for a three-year term in July 2014.^[7]

Rahman serves as the Chairman of the following companies:^[1]

- Bangladesh Lamps Ltd
- Transcom Limited
- Transcom Beverages Limited
- Transcom Electronics Limited
- Eskayef Bangladesh Limited
- Transcom Foods Limited
- Transcom Distribution Co Limited
- Mediastar Limited
- Transcraft Limited
- Ayna Broadcasting Corp Limited
- Tea Holdings Limited
- Transcom Mobile Limited
- Transcom Cables Limited
- Nestle Bangladesh Ltd
- Mediaworld Ltd
- Holcim Cement Bangladesh Ltd

Awards

- Oslo Business for Peace Award by Business for Peace Foundation(2012)^{[8][9]}
- Business Executive of the Year by American Chamber of Commerce Bangladesh (2001)^[1]

Personal life

Rahman is married to Shahnaz Rahman. Together they have two daughters Simeen Hossain, managing director of Eskayef Bangladesh Limited Transcom Consumer Products Limited as well as Transcom Distribution Limited; and Shahzreh Huq, and a son, Arshed Waliur Rahman.^[10] Another daughter, Shazneen Rahman, was killed at their home in Gulshan, Dhaka in 1998.^{[11][12]}

Simeen's youngest son, Faraaz Ayaaz Hossain, was killed in the 2016 Gulshan attack^{[12][13]}

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