



KIX EAP Podcast – Episode 12: Dr. U S Rokeya Akhter is the Executive Director of the [South Asian Institute for Social Transformation](#) (SAIST), Bangladesh

Speaker biographical note



Dr. U S Rokeya Akhter is the Executive Director of the [South Asian Institute for Social Transformation](#) (SAIST) and interim National KIX Coordinator, Bangladesh. Her work and research seeks to improve inclusion in basic education and schooling Bangladesh, including the advancement of gender equality. She previously held positions as a teacher and principal at a Model School in Bangladesh, where she create and design academic reading materials and creative learning activities that have been used throughout the country. Dr. Akhter earned a PhD in Language, Culture and Schooling from the University of Dhaka, in which she wrote her dissertation on the [Madrasah education system in Bangladesh](#). She also has a Bachelor of Education from National University and an MSS and BSS in Sociology from the University of Dhaka. Her own childhood schooling influenced her interest in education, inspiring her to become a teacher and educator.