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A Nomad in Academia: A Reflective Account of an Academic's Experience Across the Continents is the autobiographical account of Mohammed Abdur Razzaque, who was born in East Bengal, now called Bangladesh. His inspiring story begins in 1968 and continues up to present day. He left his homeland, East Pakistan, to study in the United States, and from there, has travelled and taught at universities throughout the world. He has experienced many cultures and wishes to share the insights gathered during his forty-threeyear teaching career. This insightful autobiography by Mohammed Abdur Razzaque covers the time period between 1968 and 2014. In 1968, he reluctantly began his career as a metallurgical engineer in a steel mill. At the first available opportunity he quit the job and proceeded to the United States to pursue higher studies in business administration. The author returned to his home country of East Pakistan (now Bangladesh) as a university teacher in 1971, but left Bangladesh again in 1976. He says, "Since 1976, I have taught in universities in the Sudan, Singapore, Bangladesh, USA and Australia. For very short periods, I was also associated with universities in Finland, Malaysia, and UAE. I have received several teaching excellence awards, in 2007, 2009, and 2010." A Nomad in Academia narrates the story of a young country boy who aspired to become a civil servant in his home country of East Pakistan, now called Bangladesh, but ended up being a marketing educator in a prestigious Australian university. It describes how he was forced to become an engineer, but then quit the profession to become a business teacher in several countries on different continents. It presents a fascinating account of his transformation as an academic, his experiences in various countries, and his interpretation of some of the events he witnessed during his forty-plus year teaching career. Mohammed Abdur Razzaque was born in a small village in East Bengal, now Bangladesh. He has already published three books in Bengali, but this is his first book in English, though he has contributed chapters in other professional books. He is currently an associate professor of marketing at the School of Marketing; UNSW Business School in Sydney, and is working on a second book, a biographical account of a migrant. Publisher's website: http://sbprabooks.com/MohammedAbdurRazzaque

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