
Day 9 – Greenest Challenge |

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"For this challenge, I chose **“Syeda Rizwana Hasan”** from Bangladesh because she has dedicated her life to protecting the environment and fighting for environmental justice."

Read my full article on “Syeda Rizwana Hasan”:





SYEDA RIZWANA HASAN

A LEADING BANGLADESHI LAWYER AND ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVIST

Syeda Rizwana Hasan, the Chief Executive of the Bangladesh Environmental Lawyers Association (BELA), and a current Advisor to the Interim Government for Environment, Forest and Climate Change. She is internationally recognized for her tireless work



Q1: Who is Syeda Rizwana Hasan?

A: She is a Bangladeshi lawyer and environmental activist known for protecting the environment and workers' rights.



Q2: What has she done?

A: She led legal campaigns against unsafe shipbreaking practices, improving safety standards and reducing environmental harm.



Q3: When and where did she act?

A: She started in the early 2000s in Chittagong, Bangladesh, fighting for safer shipbreaking and stronger environmental laws.



Q4: Why did she take action?

A: To protect workers from hazardous conditions and preserve the environment for communities.



Q5: How did she make a difference?

A: Through strategic litigation, public awareness campaigns, and collaboration with NGOs.



Q6: Why does she inspire me?

A: Rizwana shows that one person can change laws, protect people, and influence industries for the better.

MY PERSONAL TAKEAWAY



From **Rizwana Hasan's** work, I learned some important lessons:

1. Courage and determination can create lasting change.
2. Even small actions, combined with advocacy, make a big impact.
3. Inspire others & protect the environment

Syeda Rizwana Hasan's Key Contributions to Environmental Leadership

- Legal Advocacy: Protects environment and communities through law.
- Community Empowerment: Mobilizes locals for sustainable action.
- Policy Influence: Shapes national environmental rules.
- Global Recognition: Inspires environmental leaders worldwide.



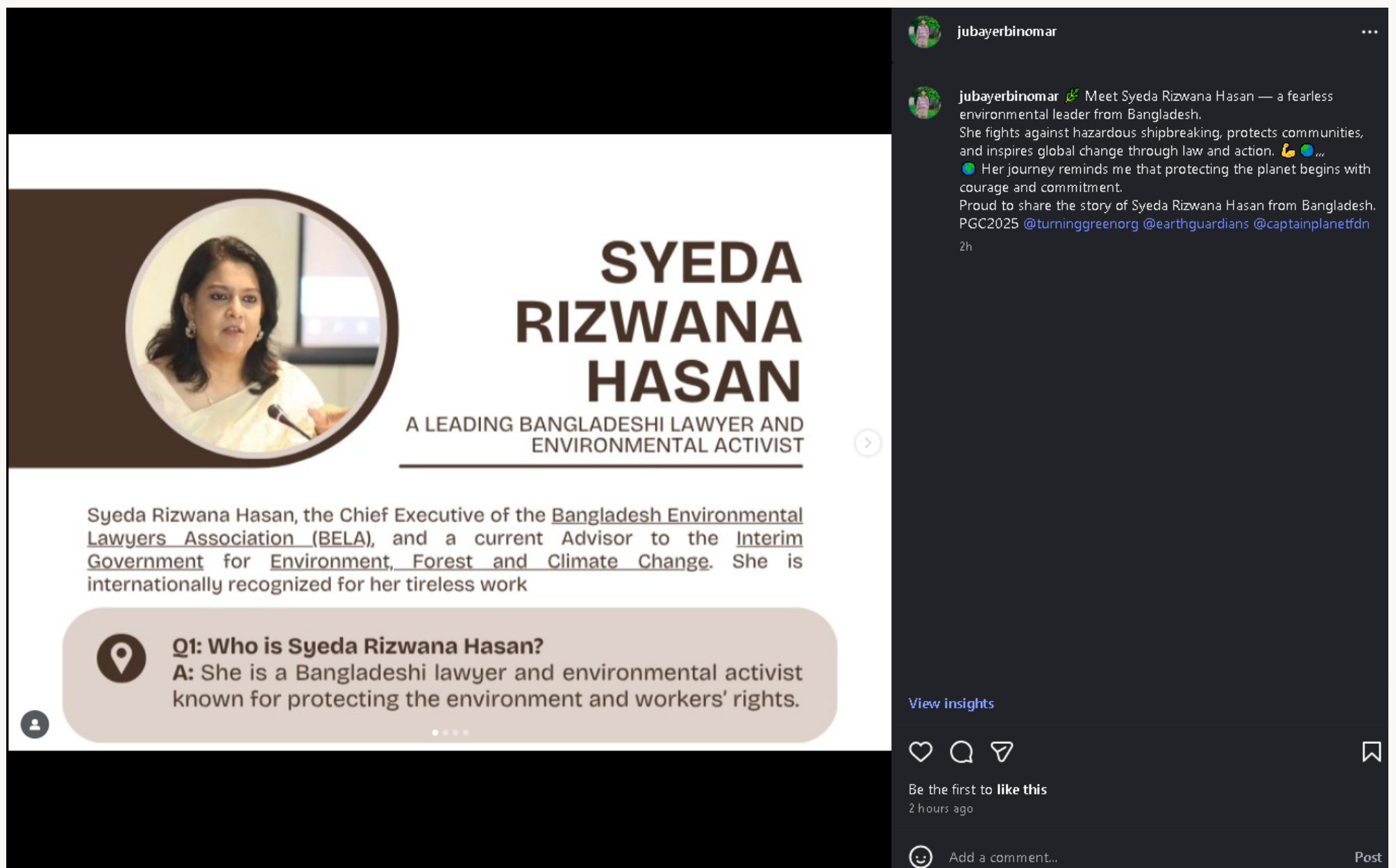
Awards & Achievements

- **Goldman Environmental Prize (2009):** For fighting hazardous shipbreaking in Bangladesh.
- **Ramon Magsaysay Award (2012):** For lifelong dedication to environmental justice.
- **International Women of Courage Award (2022):** For courage in protecting the environment and human rights.

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Inspired by Your Work – Article and Questions

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Dear Ms. Syeda Rizwana Hasan,

I hope this message finds you well. My name is **Jubayer Ibne Omar**, a student at **Jahangirnagar University**, participating in the **Project Green Challenge 2025**. I am deeply inspired by your incredible work as the Chief Executive of the **Bangladesh Environmental Lawyers Association (BELA)** and your dedication to protecting both people and the environment. I recently wrote a short **article about you**, (for article [click:link](#)) highlighting your incredible environmental work, leadership, and achievements. Your dedication to protecting communities and the environment has truly inspired me.

Your legal battles against hazardous shipbreaking and environmental injustice in Bangladesh show how one person's voice can lead to powerful change. I truly admire your courage, leadership, and unwavering commitment to justice.

I would love to ask you a few questions:

1. What inspired you to begin your journey as an environmental lawyer?
2. What has been your biggest challenge while fighting for environmental justice, and how did you overcome it?
3. What advice would you give to young people who want to create change in their communities?

Thank you for your time and for being such an inspiring changemaker. Your work motivates me to take action for a sustainable future.

With respect and admiration,
Jubayer Ibne Omar
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