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Dr Khatun regularly speaks on economic issues in the national and international media, including BBC World Service Television, Al-Jazeera Television, and Voice of America Radio. She regularly contributed to BBC Bangla at the BBC World Service during 1991-96 in London. She hosted popular talk shows on national television on economic issues. She is a columnist for the Daily Star, a leading daily in Bangladesh (https://www.thedailystar.net/author/dr-

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