## Residential Semester Day, Fall-2019 Speaker: Ms. Zaiba Tahyya



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Zaiba Tahyya, the founder and CEO of Female Empowerment Movement (FEM) and one of two Bangladeshi youths who were chosen for the prestigious Queen's Young Leaders Award 2018, has been globally recognized for her work in promoting gender and social equality, advocating social justice and fighting to end violence against women in Bangladesh.

Tahyya's degree in Criminology provided her a unique lens through which to view rape victim and rape culture in Bangladesh, culminating in her starting FEM in 2016 with the goal of nurturing confidence in women, physically empowering them and giving underprivileged women access to basic physical and mental healthcare as well as medicine, food and education.

**Current Projects:** FEM is planning to expand its projects across the country and introduce hubs in rural Bangladesh.