



## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES**

According to Bangladeshi civil law all marriages in Bangladesh require registration with the appropriate Marriage Registrar.

For Muslim marriages the applicant should contact the Kazi office or the registrar who solemnized the marriage to obtain the marriage certificate and the Nikah Nama (Bengali and English version). Both the marriage certificate and the Nikah Nama (Bengali and English version) must be submitted during the visa interview.

In the absence of specific Bangladeshi governmental instructions regarding Hindu/Buddhist/Christian marriage registrations, Embassy Dhaka accepts any of the following:

**Marriage registration with the City Corporation:** A marriage certificate issued by a City Corporation registrar office that includes all the necessary information concerning the parties and the wedding ceremony. This is a certificate prepared on a standard, government-printed form that includes information concerning the identity of the concerned parties as well as the identity of the person registering the marriage.

**Certification from a Priest/Church/Temple:** A marriage certificate that was issued by the priest who solemnized the marriage or the administration of the Church/Temple where the marriage was solemnized. The format for these documents may vary but all will contain the same information regarding the concerned parties, the wedding ceremony and the information concerning the identity of the priest who registered the marriage.

**IMPORTANT:** Affidavits of marriage from applicants, relatives or family members will not be accepted.