

## List of Awards

*Have received 125 individual and organizational awards, recognition and mentions in Parliament. These include Presidential Awards:*

- 1993 - 19 Oct - [President's Order of the Star of South Africa](#) from President F.W. De Klerk, which is the highest civilian award in the country.
- 1997 - 25 Apr - Pietermaritzburg City Council [Civic Commendation Award](#) from President Nelson Mandela for Outstanding Community Service.
- 2010 - 27 Apr - President Jacob Zuma honours Dr Sooliman with the Order of the Grand Counsellor of the [Baobab: Silver award](#) for his excellent contribution through Gift of the Givers to humanitarian aid nationally and internationally.
- 2006 - 30 Jun - [Presidential Award](#), Tamgha-i-Eisaar, from the President of Pakistan, Pervez Musharraf, for Pakistan Earthquake
- 2018 - 01 Feb - Former President FW de Klerk presents the [Goodwill Award](#) to Dr Imtiaz Sooliman.

*7 Honorary Doctorates:*

- 2007 - 20 Sep - [Honorary Doctorate](#) in Health Sciences awarded to Dr Imtiaz Sooliman from Tshwane University of Technology
  - 2010 - 23 Apr - [Honorary Doctorate in Social Science](#) awarded to Dr Sooliman by University of KwaZulu Natal.
  - 2010 - 06 Sep - Honorary Doctorate in Health Sciences awarded to Dr Sooliman by Durban University of Technology.
  - 2016 - 01 Apr - Dr Imtiaz Sooliman receives Honourary Doctorate from Rhodes University.
  - 2016 - 16 Apr - Dr Imtiaz Sooliman receives Honorary Doctorate from Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University.
  - 2016 - 11 May - Dr Imtiaz Sooliman receives Honorary Doctorate from University of Fort Hare.
  - 2016 - 08 Sep - Dr Imtiaz Sooliman receives Honorary Doctorate from the [Vaal University of Technology](#), Faculty of Science.
  - 2017 - 07 Sep - Dr Imtiaz Sooliman receives the Chancellor's Medal from the [University of Pretoria](#).
  - 2018 – 20 Mar - Dr Imtiaz Sooliman was awarded an Honorary Doctorate at the University of Stellenbosch for the establishment of the Gift of the Givers.
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- 2015 - 14 Feb - Ubuntu Award from the Department of International Relations for Social Diplomacy.
  - 2016 - 03 Jun - MEC's Service Excellence Award from Dr Sibongiseni Dhlomo, MEC of Health, KZN.
  - 2014 - Dr Sooliman profiled as 1 of 21 South African icons.
  - 2013 and 2014 - Dr Sooliman chosen as 1 of the 100 Most World Class South Africans by City Press.
  - 2009 - 18 Nov - Recognised as one of 500 of the world's most influential Muslims in a book by Prof John Esposito of Georgetown University.
  - 2010 - May - Featured as one of 27 outstanding South Africans in the book "Remarkable South Africans", written by Line Hadsbjerg.
  - 2005 - [Paul Harris Award](#) [Highest award from Rotary]
  - 2006 - 13 Sep - Gandhi Development Trust [Occasional Satyagraha Award](#)
  - 2008 - 28 Nov - South African Medical Association [Excellence in Health Care Award](#)
  - 2015 - 15 Aug - LeadSA Inaugural [Changemakers 2015 Award](#)
  - 2017 - 06 Dec - Gift of the Givers was selected both by corporates and NGO's as the [number one NPO in South Africa](#).

### Parliament

2010 -  
11 Feb

President Zuma, in his State of the Nation address in Parliament, singles out Gift of the Givers for their response to Disasters in general and to the Haiti Earthquake specifically.

2011- 16 Aug	<u>Motion of Congratulations</u> from Parliament of South Africa for the Somalia Relief Mission.
2013 - 22 Feb	Parliament of South Africa approves a motion for the South African Post Office to print a Limited Edition Commemorative Stamp in honour of Gift of the Givers
2013 - 31 May	Motion of Congratulations from Parliament of South Africa for work being done in Syria.
2015 – 05 May	Parliament passes a Motion of Congratulations for Gift of the Givers work in Nepal
2015 – 06 May	Parliament of South Africa passes a Motion of National Assembly for the second time noting Gift of the Givers work in Syria.
2016 – 23 Feb	Parliament passed a unanimous Motion of Commendation for Gift of the Givers Drought Relief Campaign in South Africa
2016 – 24 Feb	Minister of Finance, Mr Pravin Gordhan, in his budget speech complemented Gift of the Givers for their Drought Relief Campaign.
	<b><u>Government</u></b>
1991 - (23 Sep)	S.A. Navy Award for Outstanding Humanitarian Service
2007 - (29 Oct)	<u>Convocation Award</u> from University of KwaZulu Natal
2010 - (10 Sep)	eThekwini Municipality <u>Living Legends Award</u> to Zohra Sooliman.
2011 - (16 Dec)	Social Responsibility award from SAPS Mountain Rise for the year of 2011 for contributing positively in the “UNITED FIGHT AGAINST CRIME”.
2012- (26 Jan)	Correctional Services Award commemorating 150 years of Indians in South Africa.
2013 – (Jan)	Ellen Khuzwayo Award from the University of Johannesburg
2016 – (03 Sep)	Dr Sooliman recognized as a Living Legend by the Ethekewini Municipality.
2016 – (03 Sep)	Gift of the Givers recognized by Ethekewini Municipality.
2017 – (25 Nov)	School of Engineering at UKZN selects Dr Imtiaz Sooliman as the 2017 recipient of the Inkanyezi Award: Social Impact.
2018 – (17 Apr)	Dr Sooliman receives Honourary Fellowship Award from Mangosuthu University of Technology in recognition of his outstanding contribution to humanitarian services.
	<b><u>International</u></b>
1994	<u>Outstanding Service to Mostar (Bosnia) Award</u>
2005	Pakistan – South Africa Friendship Award
2005	<u>Award from Pakistan Military</u> for Pakistan Earthquake
2006	Afro-Asian Award for Pakistan Earthquake
2006	Award from Gujarat City and Pakistan Muslim League for Pakistan Earthquake
2010 - (23 Sep)	International Lawyers Forum Award for Dr Sooliman's visit regarding relief operation for flood affectees in Pakistan
2008 - (28 Aug)	<u>HIV/Aids Service Delivery Award</u> , GOTG Malawi
2008	<u>Diversity Leader Award</u> , Malawi
2010	<u>Club Maritimo 100 Year Medal</u> for Portugal Flood.
2011	Award from Sheikh Yusuf al Qardawi for service to Palestine
2016 – (11 Nov)	Dr Imtiaz Sooliman, has been awarded the prestigious Global Citizen Award by the international citizenship advisory firm Henley & Partners.

	<b><u>Religious/Cultural</u></b>
1998	Institute of Islamic Services Outstanding Humanitarian Service Award
1999	Islamic College of SA Lifetime Achievement Award
2001 – (15 Apr)	Peniel Mission Ministries Humanitarian Service Award
2003 - (11 Apr)	Palestine Support Committee Human Rights Award
2003 - (12 Jul)	South African Memon Foundation Outstanding Service Award
2005 - (5 Dec)	Visionaries in Africa Award from Spirit Sundae
2005 - (11 Oct)	Tamil Protective Society Award
2010 - (4 Mar)	Recognition of Outstanding Humanitarian Award from <u>Al Ansaar Foundation</u> .
2011 - (03 Apr)	Certificate of Recognition for Community Service from The Jama'atun Nisaa.
2011 - (07 Dec)	Absa/Indian Academy of SA Nadaraja Award for our outstanding humanitarian work.
2012 – (03 Mar)	Community Work Award from the Turquoise Harmony Institute.
2012- (19 Apr)	Mkiva Humanitarian Award for outstanding humanitarian work.
2012 – (20 May)	Love to Live, Peace and Hope Award of Excellence. In recognition of outstanding service to the community and the promotion of Peace and Hope to all.
2012-(02 Aug)	GOTG receives the Indondo Award best Community Consideration and Upliftment Organisation
2013 – (23 Aug)	Global Upliftment of Humanity Award from Jamiatul Uluma.
2014 - (16 Mar)	Love to Live Human Rights Award
2016 – (28 Sep)	Louis Volks Award from Lions Club, handed to Dr Sooliman by Mr Bhadra Jaga.
2016 – (15 Nov)	Gift of the Givers, Gawa Sayed, receives the 2016 Unsung Hero award from the Desmond and Leah Tutu Legacy Foundation.
2017 - (20 Apr)	Minhajul Quran International Lifetime Achievement Award
	<b><u>Business</u></b>
1995 - (29 Nov)	Post / Impressions Ginneth Skinner Award
2000 - (26 May)	Four Star Award received from Pietermaritzburg Chamber of Commerce & Industries
2003	Most Proudly South African <u>Community Organisation Award</u> . Certificate for Best Community Member
2004 – (10 Sep)	East Coast Radio Award for Social Service
2004	<u>Royal Agricultural Show</u> Gold Medallion
2006	Liberty Midlands Mall Charity of the Year Award
2008	Professional Management Review (PMR) Outstanding Charity Organisation Award
2008 - (31 Oct)	First National Bank (FNB) Islamic Finance <u>Corporate Social Investment Award</u>
2009 - (15 Apr)	<u>Minara Chamber of Commerce Recognition Award</u> for Contribution to Society

2010 - (02 Dec)	GOTG has been rated as one of the most trusted and admired NGO's in South Africa, through an independent research company, <a href="#">Ask Afrika</a> .
2011 - (29 Sep)	<a href="#">FNB Islamic Finance</a> , Special Recognition award.
2011 - (14 Nov)	<a href="#">Most Admired NGO</a> , Ask Afrika.
2012-(12 Nov)	GOTG receives the PMR Africa Diamond Arrow Award, for outstanding NGO's doing the most for charity and empowering the poor.
2013-(20 Mar)	Certificate of Achievement to GOTG at the SA Premier Business Awards.
2015 – (08 June)	The Employer of Choice in the Charity or Voluntary Sector by South African Graduate Employers Association
2016 – (03 Dec)	Dr Imtiaz Sooliman receives the Congress of Business and Economics Award.
2017 – (05 May)	Gift of the Givers receives PRISA award tonight given to only 12 people in 40 years. Among the 12 were Prof Christiaan Barnard, Gary Player, Minister of Finance Nico Diedericks, Nelson Mandela, FW de Klerk,
2017 - (03 Aug)	Imtiaz Sooliman receives the Lifetime Achiever Award from <b>Africa's Most Influential Women in Business and Government and Titans: Building Nations.</b>
2017 – (26 Aug)	Standard Bank presents Gift of the Givers Founder with an award for 25 years of service.
2017 – (26 Aug)	Standard Bank awards Gift of the Givers team with 25 years of service.
2018 – (21 Jun)	Standard Bank KZN Top Business Award.
	<b><u>Health</u></b>
2000	Khanyisa Award for Best Clinic in Eikenhof
2006	Certificate of Recognition from the Health Professionals Council of SA for Pakistan Earthquake
2009 - (30 Oct)	Islamic Medical Association of Tshwane for Community Service Award.
2010 - (27 Aug)	<a href="#">South African Medical Association</a> Medical Companions Award to Zohra Sooliman.
2010 - (27 Aug)	<a href="#">South African Medical Association</a> Medal of Valour
2017 – (23 Mar)	Gift of the Givers receives the prestigious Golisano Health Leadership Award from Dr Mathews Phosa on behalf of Special Olympics.
	<b><u>Rotary</u></b>
1999 - (8 Jul)	Pietermaritzburg Rotary <a href="#">Community Service Award</a>
2003 - (20 Feb)	Rotary Hatfield <a href="#">Vocational Services Award</a> (Service Above Self)
2006	Paul Harris Award to Zohra Sooliman, a founder member of Gift of the Givers
2010 - (26 May)	Rotary Club of <a href="#">Northcliff Community Server of the Year 2010</a> award
	<b><u>Sport</u></b>
2009 - (26 Apr)	Shotokan Karate-do International Federation (SKIF) in association with its affiliate Shotokan Karate-do International South Africa (SKISA) conferred an <a href="#">International Commendation Award</a> on Dr Imtiaz Sooliman for his outstanding contribution to mankind and the promotion of sport amongst all South Africans.
2009 - (4 Dec)	Inducted as an <a href="#">Honorary Life Patron</a> of SKISA

2010 - (2 May)	SKIF World Karate Federation <u>Lifetime Achievement award</u>
2012 - (29 Apr)	Apostle of Peace and Harmony by world SKIF Karate organization
2012 - (29 Apr)	Certificate of Commendation to Dr Sooliman by World Karate Legend Grandmaster, Hirokazu Kanazawa
2013- (19 Jan)	Lifetime Achievement Award from Sports Veterans Association to Dr Sooliman.
2015 - (04 Oct)	5th Dan Honourary Black Belt from Solly Said's Karate, Kick Boxing and Gym
2015 - (04 Oct)	Entered into the World Martial Arts Hall of Fame in respect of Gift of the Givers superior service to the community at large.
	<b><u>Other</u></b>
1995 - (13 Sep)	Four Outstanding Young South Africans Award (FOYSA)
2003 - (9 May)	Inducted as <u>Honorary Member of Golden Key</u> International Society.
2004	<u>Lenasia Human Rights Award</u>
2005	Golden Key Award for Meritorious Service
2006 - (9 Sep)	Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa Award
2011 - (15 May)	Helios Excellence Award from ROSSSCA
2011 – (31 Jul)	Insights and Inspiration Leading She'roe award to Zohra Sooliman for making difference in the lives of others.
2015 – (10 Sep)	Gift of the Givers receives Leadership award from the South African Washington International Project (SAWIP).
	<b><u>Publications</u></b>
2011 (04 May )	Dr Sooliman listed among South Africa's 10 Heroes who contributed to the public life in 2011 by the Independent Group.
2013-(04 Oct)	Writer Donna Rachelson featured GOTG in her book “Branding & Marketing You Through TEAMS”
	Featured in a book “Imtiaz Sooliman and Gift of the Givers A Mercy to All” by Shafiq Morton
2018 – (30 Jan)	Gift of the Givers is featured in the book "Win! Compelling Conversations with 20 Successful South Africans" by Jeremy Maggs.