

President Zardari Honors 2025 Civil Awards Recipients for Outstanding Contributions

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On August 15, 2025, President Asif Ali Zardari announced the recipients of the 2025 Pakistan Civil Awards, recognizing individuals for achievements across various fields. The formal investiture ceremony is scheduled for March 23, 2026, coinciding with Pakistan Day celebrations. These awards represent the nation's highest honors, acknowledging

citizens and foreign nationals who have made contributions to science, education, arts, sports, philanthropy, and international relations.

In the field of science and technology, several individuals received recognition for their work. Dr. Syed Habibullah Shah was awarded the Sitara-i-Imtiaz for his contributions to sustainable agriculture, which have advanced farming practices and food security in Pakistan. Dr. Rafia Mumtaz received the President's Pride of Performance for her research in the Internet of Things, strengthening the country's technological capabilities. Engr. Dr. Marium Jalal Chaudhry earned the Tamgha-i-Imtiaz for her work in climate change and information technology, addressing environmental challenges with solutions. Dr. Muhammad Moazam was recognized for his contributions to medical research, particularly in combating infectious diseases, contributing to Pakistan's healthcare and research infrastructure.

Education and literature were also recognized. Dr. Ayesha Siddiqa was honored for her research in political science, providing insights into South Asian geopolitics. Dr. Imtiaz Ahmad received recognition for his efforts in educational reform, advocating for inclusive and accessible education nationwide. Ms. Fatima Jinnah was posthumously awarded for her literary contributions, influencing Pakistani literature.

Sports figures who represented Pakistan internationally were similarly acknowledged. Arshad Nadeem, the javelin throw gold medalist at the 2024 Paris Olympics, was conferred the Hilal-e-Imtiaz for his achievements. Renowned tennis player Sania Mirza was recognized for her contributions to sports and promoting Pakistan's international representation.

Philanthropy and social services also formed a key category in this year's awards. Ms. Safinaz Muneer received the Sitara-i-Imtiaz for her work in social services, focusing on women's empowerment and education. The late Dr. Abdul Sattar Edhi was posthumously honored for his lifelong dedication to humanitarian efforts, having established one of Pakistan's largest social welfare systems, which continues to serve the nation's populations in need.

The awards extended beyond national borders, highlighting efforts to strengthen Pakistan's international relations. Ambassador Khalil Hashmi was honored for enhancing Pakistan-China diplomatic ties, fostering cooperation across multiple sectors. Chinese national Dr. Li Wei received recognition for his contributions to cultural exchange programs, promoting collaboration between Pakistan and China.

These 2025 Civil Awards list individuals recognized for contributions in various fields. By noting achievements in science, education, arts, sports, social welfare, and international relations, the article provides a record of awardees and their work. The upcoming investiture ceremony will formally present these awards to the recipients.