

Preface

The Muis Awards and President Challenge Cheque Presentation also known as Muis Tea Reception (MTR) is a platform to acknowledge individuals who have made significant contributions to the mosque sector and contributions to our socio-religious institutions and partner organisations, as well as the larger Singapore society.







Two awards have been given annually since 1990; the Jasa Cemerlang and Jasa Bakti. Since 2003, Muis has combined both the MTR and the President's Challenge into one event to further highlight and includate the spirit of giving back to the community.





Congratulations

The Muis Awards is a manifestation of the symbiosis between the community and Muis.

Congratulations to our Muis Award winners.

They have led the way and are indeed shining role models for us all as we continue to build our community of success.

May they inspire the community to progress together.

Esa Masood Chief Executive, Muis







Tasa Cemerlang

The Jasa Cemerlang Award is conferred to individuals who have served a minimum of twelve continuous years of service and have made outstanding and distinctive contributions in the field such as education, economics, community service, or dakwah.





Jasa Cemerlang Award Recipient



Ustaz Mohamad Hasbi Hassan is a respected religious scholar who has contributed significantly in Islamic education and asatizah (religious scholars and teachers) development, as well as in religious rehabilitation.

Equipped with a degree in Usuluddin from the prestigious Al-Azhar University, Ustaz Hasbi Hassan, together with several other young asatizahs then, set up the Madrasah Mingguan Pergas (Pergas Weekend Madrasah) for youths and adults at the old premises of Pergas at Playfair School (Paya Lebar). The weekend classes were very popular and has since produced hundreds of graduates of the Sijil Pendidikan Islam (SPI) Pergas. The madrasah is still being continued by Pergas at its new premises at Wisma Indah.







Ustaz Hasbi Hassan is the current president of Pergas, a non-governmental organization (NGO), that aims to raise the quality of Islamic education and welfare of local asatizahs. Ustaz Hasbi has served Pergas since 1986, and under his leadership, Pergas' has provided quality Islamic education (diploma, degree and post-graduate programmes), asatizah training, community outreach with Muslim organisations and student bodies, and also conducts research on contemporary socio-religious issues.

Ustaz Hasbi has served as a Muis Council member for many years - from 1992-2001, and from 2004 - present. His experience and knowledge has been invaluable to Muis Council. He is also an active religious teacher who contributes to Islamic learning at various local mosques.

With vast experience in community work, Ustaz Hasbi was also instrumental in setting up the Religious Rehabilitation Group (or RRG) in 2003, in the wake of arrests of those radicalized with ideologies of Jemaah Islamiah (JI). Together with Ustaz Hj Ali Mohamed (currently Masyaikh of Pergas), they started the initiative to rehabilitate the JI detainees and counsel their families.

The efforts of RRG, which include a holistic approach to assist the inmates and their families, receive good compliments from the international community. In 2013, the RRG set up the RRG Resource and Counselling Centre (RRC) at the same premises. The RCC is another initiative to counter the radical narratives as well as to allow the community (including the non-Muslims) to seek more information on counter-radicalisation and counter-terrorism efforts.

Ustaz Hasbi's selfless record of voluntary services is worthy of mention as he had served the community with distinction and utmost humility for over 30 years. He has contributed his time, energy, and expertise by voluntarily participating and chairing in various boards and committees for various community organisations.

Ustaz Hasbi was conferred the Muis Jasa Bakti in 2008 and together with Ustaz Hj Ali, the co-recipient of the SPH's Anugerah Jauhari (2014) for his immense contribution to the nation as co-leader of RRG. He also received the Meritorious Service Medal (2018).

He is a deserving recipient of Jasa Cemerlang award for his contributions to the development of Islamic jurisprudence in Singapore and for his dedicated services to the advancement of asatizahs here.



Jasa Bakti

The Jasa Bakti Award is conferred to individuals who have served a minimum of eight continuous years of service, and have made outstanding and distinctive contributions in the sectors of education, economics, community service, or dakwah.







Haji Mohamed Rashid Shariff

Ustaz Mohamad H Rais

Ms Hamidah Bte Ibrahim

Mr Muhammad Hidhir Bin Abdul Majid

Hajjah Norain Bte Mohd Noor

Haji Muhammad Effendy Bin Ibrahim

Mr Mustapha Kamal Bin Osman

Dr Bibi Jan Mohamed Ayyub









Haji Mohamed Rashid Shariff

Haji Mohamed Rashid Shariff is a long time mosque volunteer. He started his involvement in 1976, in the Jawatankuasa Pembinaan Masjid (JPM), and in the early days, he went door to door to collect funds from Muslim residents just so to ensure that there was sufficient funds for the building of a mosque at Ang Mo Kio.

Even after the completion of Masjid Al-Muttaqin, Haji Mohamed Rashid continued to sit in the Mosque Management Board (MMB) until today, a period that stretches for nearly 40 years.

As an MMB, he had helmed key appointments, namely Assistant Treasurer and Treasurer for several terms. He is well-known for his deep passion for the welfare of Jemaah and residents from low-income household, and has initiated several medical assistance services at the mosque.

He is also one of the pioneers who organised the Kursus Bimbingan Rumah Tangga (KBRT) in the 1980's. KBRT was later organised by other mosques in Singapore. He received the Muis Volunteer Long Service Award in 1997.







Ustaz Mohamad H Rais

Ustaz Mohamad H Rais is a retired Senior President of the Syariah Court. A graduate of the prestigious Al-Azhar University in Egypt, he is one of the pioneers to serve Syariah Court until his retirement.

During his time at the Syariah Court, Ustaz Mohamad H Rais presided over many issues concerning divorces among Muslim couple. As such, he and several senior asatizahs pursued the implementation of the Marriage Preparation Course (MPC) which came into effect in the 1980s. This course is presently made a part of a package for couple registering their marriages in the Registry of Muslim Marriages (ROMM).

As an Islamic scholar, he has passionately penned several books on Islamic teachings. Among the books written are Bimbingan Mengenal Tauhid dan Aqidah (Guidance on Tauhid & Aqidah) and Akidah Selamat. These books were also used by for students taking the A-Level Usuluddin Paper.

Ustaz Mohamad H Rais is also a strong advocate of anti-radicalisation. He is one of the senior asatizahs who was responsible in the setting up of the Religious Rehabilitation Group (RRG) and has been contributing in the religious rehabilitation effort of inmates involved in radical ideas. He is a Senior Masyaikh and reference in the RRG.

Ustaz Mohamad H Rais is also an active figure in the mosque sector and conducted night classes in several local mosques including Darul Aman, Al-Ansar, Ar-Raaudhah, and Al-Muttaqin. He was also a member of the Mosque Management Board (MMB) of Masjid Omar Kg Melaka.









Ms Hamidah Bte Ibrahim

Ms Hamidah Bte Ibrahim is a member of the Appeal Board, an appointment she held since 2008. The Appeal Board is constituted under the Administration of Muslim Law Act (AMLA). Members of the Appeal Board are appointed by the President of Singapore to hear appeals by those who are aggrieved with the decisions of the Syariah Court Presidents, the Kadis, or Naib Kadis of the Registry of Muslim Marriages (ROMM).

Ms Hamidah was one of the three women appointed to the Appeal Board in 2008; a first in Singapore's history. She has contributed immensely to the development of Islamic family jurisprudence through her various hearings as a panel member of the Appeal Board. She lent her vast expertise and experience and was assigned to hear more complex ancillary issues of Muslim divorces.

Ms Hamidah's well-thought and well-researched written judgments have been reported in the Singapore Syariah Appeals Reports (SSAR), a law report publication which provides Singapore Muslim law practitioners with a self-contained and comprehensive set of significant Syariah Court and the Appeal Board decisions, contributing towards the development of Syariah law in Singapore. Ms Hamidah has made significant contributions to enhance the quality of the decisions made in Appeal Board's hearings and she has raised the standard and status of the Board among legal practitioners. Her expertise and experience is an asset to the Board.

Ms Hamidah was also appointed as a panel member of the Wakaf Dispute Resolution Committee in 2016 to assist Muis in its work in resolving wakaf disputes as part of strengthening Muis' oversight, management and regulation of all wakaf vested in Muis under AMLA.







Mr Muhammad Hidhir Bin Abdul Majid

Mr Muhammad Hidhir bin Abdul Majid, is currently a member of Appeal Board. The Appeal Board is constituted under the Administration of Muslim Law Act (AMLA). Appeal Board Members are appointed by the President of Singapore to hear appeals by those who are aggrieved with the decisions of the Syariah Court Presidents, the Kadis, or Naib Kadis of the Registry of Muslim Marriages (ROMM).

Mr Hidhir has given 17 years of his service to the Appeal Board, and one of the more senior members of the Board. He has contributed immensely to the development of Islamic family jurisprudence through the various hearings that he sat as a Chairman and panel member of the Appeal Board. He lent his vast expertise and experience, and took on the more complex ancillary issues of Muslim divorces. Mr. Hidhir is well- respected for his sound judgments, and well-thought and well-researched written grounds of decision.

His written judgments are reported in the Singapore Syariah Appeals Reports (SSAR) and he has made significant contributions to enhance the quality of the decisions made in Appeal Board's hearings. His expertise and experience is an asset to the Board.

He was also a member of Muis Council (2010-2011) and has contributed actively in deliberations of Council meetings, providing valuable inputs on policy formulation on key areas of Muis' deliverables especially in the areas pertaining to legal, governance, and finance. He was also an active member in other Muis standing committees, namely the Audit Standing Committee and the Tender and Project Evaluation Committee.

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Hajjah Norain Bte Mohd Noor

Hajjah Norain has been a voluntary Nursing Officer in the Singapore Haj Medical Service (SHMT)/ Singapore Pilgrim Affairs Office (SPAO) since 2001.

From 2003 onwards, she assumed the team leader role, where she was responsible in the setting up and closing of clinics, planning rosters and assignment of doctors and nurses, conducting medical and surgical inventories, and ensuring the smooth running of daily clinic operations.

She is also an adjunct volunteer in Haj services where she conducts lectures, tutorials, and briefing on medical equipment and simulation on emergency procedures and clinic operations.

Hajjah Norain also assisted in Haj procurement of medicines, surgical supplies, and medical equipment. She recommended items to purchase and evaluated submissions by vendors, on top of coordinating the packing of Haj medical logistics, preparing drug and surgical supplies lists, and assisting in checking-in of haj medical logistics.

Hajjah Norain has been extremely dedicated in her duties to ensure that the medical arrangements for Singapore Haj pilgrims are upheld.







Mr Muhammad Effendy Bin Ihrahim

Mr Muhammad Effendy Ibrahim started off as a Board member of Darul Ghufran Mosque in 1998 where he led a team of staff and MMB in a strategic planning programme to chart a 3-year plan. The plan was later adopted by the mosque, which is now envisioned as The Centre of Choice for Islamic Learning.

Known as a strategist, Mr Effendy has contributed immensely on ideas and strategies. In 2005, he was co-opted as one of the co-chairmen in the MC05 Workgroups. He was charged with the workgroup on "Revamping Content: Islamic Learning", which was one of the 4 workgroups formed under the MC05. Several key recommendations under his group was adopted by the mosque sector then.

Mr Effendy also leveraged his professional background as IT security personnel to front community IT literacy and Cyber- wellness programmes for the community.

He has also served Perdaus as an assistant treasurer in its exco since 1997, before helming the organisation as president till present. During this period, Perdaus has become a more effective organisation with several centres which offer Islamic Learning for kids (IYAD), youths, and adults through collaboration with other institutions.

Mr Muhammad Effendy Ibrahim has served the mosque sector for more than 20 years, especially in Masjid Darul Ghufran where he contributed immensely to the mosque's corporate development and organisational excellence. His latest contribution was the redevelopment of Masjid Darul Ghufran where he leads a team to raise more than \$10M to fund the project.



Mr Mustapha Kamal Bin Osman

Mr Mustapha Kamal, currently Volunteer Chairman, Pusara Aman Mosque, has been an active member of the mosque sector for more than 20 years.

He started off as a volunteer with Masjid Assyakirin and set up a youth group at the mosque. He subsequently joined the management board and continued to lead the Youth Group.

In 1998, Muis initiated the Young Muslims Secretariat (YMS) where he was one of the committee members.

Mr Mustapha Kamal expanded his work in the YMS to spearhead various youth programmes at Masjid Assyakirin such as Youth Sports Day, Night Cycling, Night of Power, and Kem Kaizen. His dedication to youth development was evident when he sponsored a youth to go to Aceh for a post-tsunami observation and led a small team of three youths on a learning trip to Cambodia for health-related programmes.

He also initiated interfaith and interracial programmes with other religious organisations such as Jurong Christian Church and Bo Tien Temple (Food distribution), as well as PA Youth Movement, to give the Muslim youths an opportunity to interact with youths from other religions.





Dr Bibi Jan Mohamed Ayyub

Dr Bibi Jan Mohamed Ayyub has been teaching and counselling in Singapore for over 38 years. As an educator and counsellor, she has worked with many children, youths, and their families to address various issues.

She was the former President of the Malay Teacher Union (KGMS) and her outstanding contribution to the union work has led her to be awarded with the Comrade of Labour Award by the National Trades Union Congress (NTUC) in May 2005.

As a social activist, she has been very active as a member in several committees in both governmental and non-governmental organisations. She was conferred the Public Service Award and the Public Star Award in 1987, and the Public Service Star Award (Bar) in 2017 because of her extensive involvement in community work.

As an educator, she has written several papers especially on trends and issues on Malay Language.

Married with 6 children, she was awarded with the Exemplary Mother Award at the 26th Annual Awards organized by Jamiyah Singapore.





