

Profile: Tasleem Elahi Zulfi

Official & Pen Name: Tasleem Elahi Zulfi
Family Name: Tasleem Elahi Qureshi
Date & Place of Birth: 13th July 1947
Shikhoh Aabad, Agra (India)
Nationality: Pakistani Canadian
Education: *Madrisa Falah* – Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
M.Eng. Uniiversity of Karachi – Pakistan
M.A English Literature
American University Beirut, Lebanon
Diploma: Aircraft GSE Maintenance
Texas, USA
Profession: Technical Co-ordinator
Aircraft GSE Maintenance (1969-1989)
Saudi Arabian Airlines, Jeddah Airport
Languages: Urdu, English, Arabic and Persian
Children: Noman, Nadia, Huda and Faryal
All married and living in Toronto
Interests: Urdu, English, Arabic and Persian
Literature
World Traveling: Regularly visiting Countries since 1969
England, USA, Canada, Germany, France
Switzerland, Neatherland, Greece, Denmark,
Sweden, Norway, Italy, Turkey, Egypt, Lebanon,
Sudan, UAE, Saudi Arabia, Japan, Hong
Kong, Thailand, India and Pakistan etc.
Editorial: * Editor, Weekly Karachi
(in Pakistan 1966-68)
* Columnist for Canadian Newspapers on
National & International issues
(1990-present)
Radio & TV: *Hosted Educational Programs at
Radio Pakistan Karachi (1962-1968)
*Hosted Educational & Literary Programs
on PTV Karachi (1966-1968)
At present: * Present – Urdu TV Canada
Newscaster & Anchor of several shows
(24 hours Canadian Asian Channel)
since January 2000 in Toronto
Functionary: *Founding Executive Director
University of Karachi Graduates Forum

Canada, founded in 2000

- Publications:*
- * *Executive Director – Urdu Society of Canada*
(Founded by Mr. Kabir Qureshi in 1972)
(Patron: Faiz Ahmed Faiz in 1978).
 - * *Chief Organizer: Radio Pakistan Karachi*
Bazm e Talba Forum Canada - 2014
 - * *Sher-e-Afkar* (Poetry) 1967
 - * *Dastawez* (Poetry) 1983
 - * *Dunya-e-Tasawwuf* (Spiritual Sufi
Scholars) 1989
 - * *Tanha Paranday Ki Uran* (Poetry) 1990
 - * *Sukhanwer Bohat Achhay* (critical
articles, skits and poetry on several
writers) 1992
 - * *Agra say Niagara* (Travelogue Poetry) 1994
 - * *Ababeelain naheen aieen* (poetic expression
of Important International Incidents) 1995
 - * *Silsila Takallum Ka* (a collection of columns
published in Canadian Newspapers) 2005
 - * *My Books* (selection from Mr.Zulfi's
9 publications) 2006
 - * *Dr.Abdullah javaid* (a critical analysis) 2008
 - * *Tasleem Elahi Zulfi* (a creative analysis by 75
prominent critics) compiled by Meraj Jami
Published by Urdu Writers Guild U.K - 2009
 - * *Urdu Novel ke Daryaft* (a critical analysis of
the art of Novel Writing) 2010
 - * *Faiz Ahmed Faiz in Beirut* (Reminiscence of
1978-1982) published by Pakistan Academy
of Letters Islamabad, Gov. of Pakistan -2011
 - * *Urdu Writers of Western World* (a critical
and analytical study of 150 western Urdu
Writers 800 pages) 2nd print 2014
 - * *Yeh Ishq Bhe Ajeeb Hay* (Poetry- 450 pages)
2nd print 2014
 - * *Andaleeb e Gulistan e Shairi* (a critical analysis)
about Saba Akbarabadi 2012

- Positions & Honors :*
- * *Best Poet Award*
(Pakistan inter University Competitions -
Karachi) 1968
 - * *Best MC & Host Award*
(University Magazine Program)

Radio Pakistan Karachi – 1968

- * With President of Pakistan, entered and prayed in holy Kaaba in Makkah S. Arabia also entered in Shrine of holy Prophet PBUH in 1978
- * *International Poet of Distinction Award* (International Urdu Conference, New Delhi – India) 1984
- * *Pride of Performance Gold Medal* (for 20 years of Excellence service Saudi Arabian Airlines, Jeddah) 1989
- * *Award of Merit* (acknowledgment of Distinctive Literary and Creative Ability) At Parliament House Ottawa Canada, 1994
- * *Best Poet Award* (Eastern News) Canada - 1999
- * *Best Song Writer Award* (Toronto Film Producers Association) 2000
- * *Keynote Speaker* (Urdu Festival London England) 2004
- * *Plaque Writers Forum Canada* (in recognition of 25 years of services to the Forum) 2008
- * *Excellence Award* (from Dalton McGuinty- Premier Ontario – Canada) 2009
- * *Jewel of the Community Award* (from Mehfil Group Toronto) 2010
- * *Sitara -e- Imtiaz* (Gov. of Pakistan nomination) 2011
- * *Safeer-e-Adab Award* (from Sukhanwer Canada) 2011
- * *Adeeb International Award & Gold Medal* (from Sahir Academy Ludhiana – India) 2011
- * *Waqar-e-Urdu Award* (from Tehzeeb-e-Urdu Delhi – India) 2011
- * *Iftikhar-e-Urdu Award* (from European Urdu Writers Society – U.K) 2011
- * *Literary Scholar Award* (from Sharif Academy Germany) 2011
- * *Faiz Ahmed Faiz Award* from Bazm-e-Adab Copenhagen – Denmark) 2011
- * *A'ftab-e-Urdu Award* (from Pakistan National Arts Council Kuwait – U.A.E) 2011
- * *Sukhan Shanas Award* (from World Peace &

- Literary Forum Lahore – Pakistan) 2011
- * *Wasiqa-e-Aiteraf-e-Kamal*
(from Hamdard Foundation Pakistan) 2011
 - * *Excellence Award* (from Indo-Pak Friendship Society of Canada) 2011
 - * *Excellence Award* (from RCCA Television Montreal, Quebec – Canada) 2011
 - * *Medal for rising Urdu in Western World*
(from Ghalib Memorial Trust Lahore) 2011
 - * *Rozan Literary Award* (from World Punjabi Forum Gujrat – Pakistan) 2011
 - * *Best Literary Scholar Award* (Parade of Nation Cornwall – Canada) 2012
 - * *Pride of Urdu Literature Award*
(from Urdu Tahreek Alami London UK 2012)
 - * *Renowned Literary Scholar Award*
(from Bazm e Sher o Adab UK 2012)
 - * *Urdu Protector Award*
(from European Urdu Writers Society UK 2012)
 - * *Shield of Honour*
(Sharif Academy Germany 2012)
 - * *Excellence Award*
(Istanbul University Turkey – held International Conference & Evening with Mr. Zulfi and conferred Excellence Award - 2012)
 - * *Urdu Protector Award*
(from International Urdu Markaz Berlin – 2012)
 - * *Excellence Award*
For Outstanding Academic, Literary, Creative, Broadcasting, and Literary Events Organizing Devotion
(From Jahan e Urdu Birmingham England October 2013-11-03)
 - * *World Peace Ambassador Award*
Cultural Ministry of Denmark, Event held in Copenhagen Oct 2013
 - * *Waseqa Aetraaf Kamal e Fun*
Anjuman Taraqqi e Urdu Pakistan, an Evening held in Karachi March 2014
 - * *Member, Astronomical Association NASA*
California USA since 1978
 - * *Citation by King Faisal of Saudi Arabia*
(in recognition of painting his portrait presented to him upon arrival at Karachi Airport) in presence Present of Pakistan Ayub Khan – 1965

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