

# Candidate Information

As Salaam Alaikum,

In an effort to introduce yourself to the community, please provide your brief background and your plans.

JazakAllah Khair  
Election 2018 Committee

Last Name \*

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First and Middle Name \*

MOHAMMED IQBAL

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Position \*

SECRETARY



## Introduction \*

Begin with some background information about yourself. Try to include some qualities that separate you from your opposition. Keep it positive and perhaps touch on some issues that are of concern to voters.

My Name is Mohammed Iqbal, I was born in 1948 in Surat, Province of Gujarat, India. Completed High School from Kolkata, India (1965) and graduated from Chittagong Medical College in 1971, now Bangladesh. Post Graduation in Hospital Administration & Management Karachi, Pakistan (1979) Medical Assisting Diploma, Remington College, Houston, Texas (2003)

Throughout my carrier I have been working as a Physician and CEO of Hospitals and Corporation. I am very matriculate in documentation and record keeping. My Opponents are no different than me. I very humbly do not claim to be better than them, in fact they may be better than me. They are my Brothers in Islam.

With the Blessings of Allah SWT and your support If I get an opportunity to be a part of ISGH Shura, I promise to bring an absolute Transparency and Accountability on a broader base so that each and every members of ISGH will have an access to the Financial and other activities of ISGH.

Also increase the strength of the Muslim Ummah of Greater Houston by increasing the Registered Members of ISGH. This could be achieved by offering the incentives and benefits of becoming members.

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## Highest Level of Education \*

- High School
- Bachelors
- Masters
- Doctorate

## Area of Study \*

Your major for degrees or certificates earned in an institution of higher learning. Mention the name and location of the Institution.

PHYSICIAN, HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATION & MANAGEMENT

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## Current Profession \*

Job title, Job Description, if Retired Previous Profession

CEO OF CORPORATIONS, MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT OF HOSPITALS, NOW RETIRED

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## Formal Islamic Education \*

Please briefly share any religious training you have received, such as graduate of an Islamic University or Madrassah, Hafiz Quran, Dars Nizami, Certificate in Arabic, Islamic Finance, or if you have studied under a known sheikh.

Basic Islamic knowledge from parents, Attended regular Dars and Halqas in Baitus Salam Islamic Institute, Karachi, Pakistan.

When I came to Houston in 1992, there were few ISGH Islamic Centers. I have seen the Masjid Attaqwa, Majid Hamza, and Masjid Maryam build up from scratch. In 1994 Masjid Hamza was in a Shopping Plaza and I used to lead the Taraweeh Prayers and frequently the regular prayers.

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## Previous Leadership Experience \*

What experiences in your personal, professional or political life have helped shape you and made you the person you are today? Discuss your titles, community and civic work, awards and other offices you've held. How do those experiences translate into being a better candidate for the position you are running? Don't just create a laundry list of accomplishments, but work your experience into a larger narrative. A little bit about you personally goes a long way. Voters want to know about you, but maybe not every detail of your life. Include both personal and professional content that helps provide a rounded idea of who you are.

Graduated from Karachi University, 1971

Post Graduation Hospital Management, Karachi, Pakistan 1979

Medical Assisting Diploma, Remington College, Houston (2003)

Worked with the Ministry of Health, Saudi Arabia (1974 to 1986)

Medical Superintendent Zainul Abedin Hospital (1987 to 1991)

Migrated to USA 1992. US Citizen

Managing Director of Finatra Group of Companies ( Communications & Auto Sales from 1993 to 2003),

Clinical Supervisor North Houston Medical Group (2004 to 2012)

Retired (2013)

Since migrated to USA in 1992, I am associated with ISGH in different Volunteer Capacities.

Associate Director and Volunteer of ISGH Masjid Aqsa Katy Islamic Center for three terms from 2011 to 2017

Performance: I was nominated Best AD for two years in a row.2016 and 2017

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## Goals \*

Please list three most urgent issues you will tackle first if you are elected for your position

\* Unify the Community

\*Transparency and Accountability

\* Involve the Community in the ISGH activities by explaining the benefits of becoming Members

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## What do you want to accomplish? \*

What do you want to accomplish during your time in office? Perhaps your goals can relate to previous accomplishments in your life. Use some examples if you can. Take a situation and how you handled it and use it as a template for this section.

### MEMBERSHIP

It is very unfortunate that approximately 250,000 Muslims living in Greater Houston there is less than 3% of the Community are registered Members.

My top priority will be to involve the community by registering them as the Members.

When we started the Masjid Aqsa Project in 2011, we had only 50 members.

In 2018 we have Alhamdulillah 430 active members. This was possible with the involvement of the community by unifying them.

If I get the opportunity to be a part of Shura I want to apply the same model on a broader base for the benefit of the Muslims of Greater Houston.

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## Final Thoughts \*

End on a strong note. Finish your candidate biography with a strong statement about your purpose for running and what you hope to accomplish in the office you seek. Be inspirational and specific.

With the Blessings of Allah SWT and your support if I become a part of the Shura, I want to bring absolute Transparency and Accountability on a broader base so that each and every member should have the access to the Financials and the other activities of the ISGH as a whole.

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