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Pakistan: Muslim body seeks civilian honour for slain Sikh politician Sooran Singh

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Sooran Singh was a doctor, TV anchor and politician.

In an unusual move, a prominent Muslim organisation whose members include clerics and Islamic scholars has sought Pakistan's one of the top civilian awards 'Tamgha-i-Imtiaz' for slain Sikh lawmaker Sardar Sooran Singh.

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struggle the prominent lawmaker made for interfaith harmony and elimination of terrorism in the country, the Dawn reported.

“We demand that the government announce ‘Tamgha-i-Imtiaz’ to Singh,” Ashrafi said, as he condemned the killing.

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when he was going back to his home after a routine walk last week.



“Singh sacrificed his family for the cause of Pakistan,” Ashrafi said, referring to the lawmaker’s refusal to leave the country along with his wife, who took divorce and settled in India.

Christian leader and Pakistan Interfaith Organisation president Sajid Ishaq said Pakistan belonged to non-Muslims as it did to the Muslim population.

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people from different corners of the globe and religious had united against the killing of Singh.

The speakers expressed their resolve to initiate a campaign against terrorism, extremism, sectarian violence and corruption, the paper said.

Singh was a doctor, TV anchor and politician. Before joining PTI in 2011, Singh was a member of Jamaat-e-Islami Pakistan for nine years. He was also member of Tehsil council, Pakistan Sikh Gurdwara Prabandhak Committee and Evacuee Trust Property Board.

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