

Nigerian Ambassador for Peace Honored in India for Peacebuilding

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Hyderabad, India—After returning to his native India, one of Nigeria’s Ambassadors for Peace has been honored by the University of East London for his peacebuilding efforts.

Mohammed Abdul Najeeb was honored for promoting peace in India at an award ceremony on March 24, 2015, which took place during an international conference organized in collaboration with the government of India’s Telangana State.



The award was presented by Honorable Mohammed Mahmood Ali, deputy chief minister of Telangana State, and H.E. Andrew McAllister, British deputy high commissioner to Hyderabad, during the international conference at the Hotel Grand Kakatiya. Several dignitaries from Europe and the United States attended the ceremony.



Mohammed Abdul Najeed, who was appointed an Ambassador for Peace in Nigeria in 2014, was very active in UPF activities in Abuja, Nigeria's capital, especially in reaching out to the Muslim community as well as Indians in Nigeria. Even after returning to India, he has remained a passionate supporter and promoter of UPF efforts.



He is presently working toward a special exchange program between Ambassadors for Peace in Nigeria and colleagues in India. He has been working with the hope that before the end of 2015, his efforts will lead to the launch of the Nigerian Ambassadors for Peace in India Initiative to reach out to Nigerians in India to support peacebuilding efforts at home. UPF-Nigeria is also exploring strengthening relationships with several sectors in India and hopeful that citizens of both countries will engage in periodic exchange programs.

During the award presentation ceremony, his citation as an Ambassador for Peace was read and he spoke passionately about the activities of UPF around the world as he testified to the great accomplishments of the UPF founders, Dr. and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon. Even though the award was presented in faraway India, he dedicated the recognition to UPF and to the Ambassadors for Peace in Nigeria.