



# District Leader

## Biographical Information

Candidate's Name: **Talha bin Hamid**

Candidate's Office: **Program Quality Director** District Number: **122TC**

Toastmasters member since: **June 1 2016**

Education:

**Chartered Accountancy (ICAP)**  
**Certified Internal Auditor (Institute of Internal Auditors, USA)**

Toastmasters offices held and terms of service:

Storytellers TMC: VPM - July 1 2020 - June 30, 2021; VPPR, Storytellers TMC - October 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021; VPE : Dec 30, 2020 - Jun 30, 2021; President: Jul 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020  
Dow's IBHM Toastmasters Club - Sep 18, 2020 - June 30, 2021 and May 01, 2020 - June 30, 2020  
Husne Khitabat TMC: VPPR, Jul 01, 2019 - Jun 30, 2020 and VPE, Mar 21 2019 to Jun 30 2019  
Karachi Toastmasters Club: President, Jul 01 2018 - Jun 30, 2019; VPE, July 1 2020 - date; VPE, Oct 1 2017 - Jun 30, 2018; VPPR: July 01 2017 - September 30, 2017  
Cub Growth Director District 122TC - 2019-20  
PQD District 122TC - 2020-21

Toastmasters honors and recognition:

Three times DTM (one traditional, two Pathways)  
Won Tall Tales, Table Topics and Evaluation Contests at Karachi Toastmasters Club  
Placed on podium in three other contests  
Got nominated for Toastmaster of the Year from members, 2018-19 and 2019-20  
Our District achieved Smedley Distinguished Award and Excellence in Club Growth for 2019-2020  
Got recognized by TI for excellence in Club Officers and Area and Division Director Training

Relevant work experience and how it relates to Toastmasters and your role as a District leader:

**I have extensive team management experience; my experience and skills as Internal Auditor and risk professional enable me to bring all stakeholders and differing points of view on one table and chalk out a way forward.**

What experience do you have in strategic planning?

**I had a major role in drafting proposal for Territorial Council award to District 122TC. Major role in preparing District Success Plan for 2019-20 and 2020-21. Achieving record club growth in my role as CGD. Also carried out annual and three-year audit plans successfully at various organizations**

What experience do you have in the area of finance?

**Served as Financial Controller for AI Futtaim Pakistan during 2009-2011. As Internal Auditor routinely advised on financial matters. My core qualification is also finance-focused.**

What experience do you have in developing procedures?

**Drafted SOPs for various companies. Also developed SOPs for online meetings, speech contests and club officers (derived from TI Manuals) that received worldwide recognition.**

What lessons did you learn from previous leadership positions?

- 1) People need to be assessed on what they can do towards serving the community**
- 2) Friends and enemies need equal attention**
- 3) Visibility as a leader is key**
- 4) An attitude of unfailing decency and humility can win anyone over**

Why do you want to serve as a District leader?

**I believe I can apply my skills and learnings towards taking our young TC to even greater heights. I also recognize that some of my qualities and efforts may lay strong groundwork for years to come as this is the foundational phase for our District.**

In your opinion, what are the District mission's major objectives and how would you work to achieve them?

**In my view the first consideration of Toastmasters is education quality and second is club growth. I have developed some key strategies thanks to my experience as club officer and I have successfully applied them on a district wide level. I hope to continue applying core values as well as creativity and out of the box thinking towards community service.**

Additional information about yourself:

**I am an amateur graphics artist and have contributed greatly to the branding effort of the District. I have applied many innovative approaches towards members education and recognition and now they are being replicated across the district. I have also founded or co-founded 4 new clubs and had a major role in rescuing 3 clubs.**