

## Dr Cyrus Poonawalla receives Doctor of Humane Letters degree

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**Dr. Cyrus Poonawalla is the first Indian to be conferred with the honorary 'Doctor of Humane Letters' degree.**



Dr. Cyrus Poonawalla, founder of Serum Institute of India has been recently felicitated by NCP Chief, Sharad Pawar, for being the first Indian to be conferred with the honorary 'Doctor of Humane Letters' degree.

Dr. Poonawalla was bestowed with the prestigious honorary degree by the University of Massachusetts in the US earlier this year for his outstanding contribution to the field of vaccination.

Dr. Poonawalla has been widely acknowledged for his unparalleled and continuous mission of global immunization. Upon being conferred with this degree, Dr. Poonawalla has joined the list of exceptional leaders such as the former US President Barack Obama among other renowned public personalities. Spearheading the vaccination movement in India for the past 50 years, Dr. Poonawalla and Serum Institute of India have been successful in immunizing more than 20 million underprivileged children.