

Hon. Sooroojdev PHOKEER, G.C.S.K, G.O.S.K
Speaker of the National Assembly of the Republic of Mauritius

BIO-DATA

- Mr Phokeer is a Barrister-at-Law from the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn, London and holds several Post Graduate Diplomas in Law, Diplomacy and Management.
- Mr Phokeer has been an Educator in Economics
- Mr Phokeer is bilingual, being fluent in English and French.
- Mr Phokeer joined politics in 1983. He was first elected as Chairman of the Black River District Council and became Member of the Legislative Assembly in 1991.
- In 1994, Mr Phokeer was appointed Parliamentary Private Secretary. During that mandate, he also served as Member on the Public Accounts Committee.
- In 2001, Mr Phokeer was appointed Ambassador to Egypt with accreditation to several Arab countries.
- He came back in 2004 to assume responsibility as Special Adviser to the Ministry of Agro-Industry until 2005.
- In 2010, he was designated as Permanent Representative to the African Union.
- From 2015 to 2019, he served as Ambassador of Mauritius to the United States of America with concurrent accreditation to Brazil, Mexico, Trinidad and Tobago and Guyana.
- From 2014 to 2019, Mr Phokeer served as High Commissioner of Mauritius in Canada with residence in the United States of America.
- During his tenure of office, Mr Phokeer also held the post of Chairperson of the Economic Development Commission of the African Diplomatic Corps. He also participated in several high level conferences at the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund and represented Mauritius for the AGOA Meetings, Forum and Summit.
- Mr Phokeer is well known for his contribution as a social worker whereby he has also been the Chairperson of the Mauritius Federation of Young Farmers.
- Mr Phokeer was elevated to the rank of Grand Officer of the Star and Key of the Indian Ocean (GOSK) in 2016 for his contribution to the development of the country.
- Hon. S. Phokeer, G.O.S.K was elected as Speaker of the Mauritius National Assembly in 2019.

- Hon. S. Phokeer, G.O.S.K, as from 05 December 2020: -
Member of SADC Parliamentary Forum Executive Committee,
Member SADC Parliamentary Forum Legal Sub-Committee
- Hon. S. Phokeer, G.O.S.K, was elevated to the rank of Grand Commander of the Star and Key of the Indian Ocean (G.C.S.K) in 2021 for his contribution in the public service and in the political and social fields.