The Ministry of Women and Child Development has instituted an Award called ‘National Child Award for Exceptional Achievement’ in 1996 to give recognition to children with exceptional abilities and outstanding caliber in different fields such as academics, arts, culture, sports etc. The guidelines for this Award are enclosed here with. You may please forward your nomination for suitable children from your State/UT for the year 2011 to this Ministry to enable us to select outstanding children for conferment of Award.

2. The National Child Awards for Exceptional Achievement will be given to one child from each State/UT. There will be one Gold Medal for one child at National level and Silver Medals for one child from each State/UT. For Gold Medalist, a cash prize of Rs. 20,000/-, a Citation and a Gold Medal will be given. The other children will be presented with a cash prize of Rs. 10,000/- each, a Citation and a Silver Medal. Children in the age group of 4-15 years are eligible for the Award. Children should not be more than 15 year of age as on 31st July, 2011.

3. As the process of selection is time bound, I shall be grateful if you could kindly ensure that your recommendations (completed in all respects) are sent to this Ministry by 31st July, 2011. The Ministry may not be in a position to consider recommendations received after the above date.

4. I shall be grateful if wide publicity is given to the Award in your State/UT through all leading newspapers published in your State/UT.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Vivek Joshi)

Enclosures: Copy of the Scheme.

Shri S. K. Panda
Chief Secretary
Government of Tripura
AGARTALA-799001
Tripura
NATIONAL CHILD AWARD FOR EXCEPTIONAL ACHIEVEMENT

INTRODUCTION

The Government of India from time to time has been instituting awards for individuals and organizations who have done outstanding work for the welfare and development of children. Awards have also been instituted for honouring children who have been shown exemplary courage at the risk of their own lives.

The Ministry has for some time been thinking of instituting Awards to give recognition to children with exceptional abilities and who have achieved outstanding status in various fields including academics, arts, culture and sports etc.

The Awards will be known as the "NATIONAL CHILD AWARD FOR EXCEPTIONAL ACHIEVEMENT".

GUIDELINES

SCOPE

Children between the age of 4 to 15 years who have shown in exceptional achievement in any field including academics, arts and culture and sports etc. will be considered for this Award. One Gold Medal and 35 Silver Medals (one for each State/U.T) are to be given annually.

NATURE OF AWARDS

The Awards for the child with exceptional achievement shall consists of:-

(A) Gold Medal - (1 One)
   (i) a cash prize of Rs.20,000/-
   (ii) a citation and certificates, and
   (iii) a Gold Medal

(B) Silver Medals – 35 (Thirty five)
   (i) Award money @ Rs.10,000/- for each awardee
   (ii) A citation and certificate for each awardee, and
   (iii) A Silver Medal for each awardee
A National Selection Committee out of the cases recommended by various bodies will make the selection.

The National Selection Committee will consist of the following persons:

1. Minister of State (I/C) in the Ministry of Women & Child Development. Chairperson
2. Secretary, WCD Member
3. Secretary or his nominee in the M/o Social Justice & Empowerment Member
4. Secretary or his nominee in the Dept. of Education Member
5. Secretary or his nominee in the Dept. of Culture Member
6. Secretary of his nominee in the M/o YA & Sports Member
7. Jt. Secretary (CW), M/o WCD Member
8. Dy. Secretary (CW), M/o WCD Member

RECOMMENDING AUTHORITIES

The application should be recommended by State/U.T Deptts., any Deptt. of Govt. of India/District Authority, Local Self Govt. (Panchayat, Zila Parishad, Municipal Corporation etc.). Experts in the field, Member of Parliament, Member of Legislative Assemblies/Legislative Councils and reputed Voluntary Organizations.

DATE OF RECEIPT OF RECOMMENDATION
Particulars of the child recommended for the Award should be furnished in the proforma given at Annexure. Recommendations received after 31st July may not be considered.

The National Selection Committee may, at its discretion, also consider individuals other than recommended by a State Governments/U.T. Administration, for the Award.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

(i) The child is to be selected for the Award should unusual talent and exceptional achievement in any field including academics, arts, culture and sports etc.

(ii) Age certificate (Date of birth) duly attested by a Gazetted Govt. office may be attached.

(iii) A tributes/traits, which are claimed to be possessed by the child extraordinary or exceptional, should be reported in the Press, or have been tested by experts in the field. It should also be possible to subject the claim to an objective test.

DATE OF AWARD

The Award will be announced on 14th November each year and will be given away in New Delhi on a date and time convenient to the Minister of State (IC) for Women & Child Development.

The child will receive the Award personally. The Ministry of Women & Child Development will pay the Awardee and his/her guardian/escort (maximum number 2) expenditure involved in traveling and daily allowances as per rules.
**Annexure**

**Particulars of the individual recommended for “National Child Award for Exceptional Achievement”**

one passport size photograph duly attested

1. (i) Name (in Hindi & English)
   (ii) Date of birth (duly attested)
   (iii) Place of birth
   (iv) Educational qualifications (with certificates, if applicable)
   (v) Telephone No. (with code)
   (vi) Present address (with father’s name)
   (vii) whether belonging to SC/ST, if yes
   Indicate which category

2. Field of Achievement

3. How is the performance of the individual adjudged as exceptional achievement

4. A brief life sketch of the child including press clippings etc./certificates etc.

5. Sponsored by (Govt., other agencies etc. with details)

6. Remarks of the State/UT Govt/recommending authority.
To

Shri S. K. Panda
Chief Secretary
Government of Tripura
AGARTALA-799001
Tripura


Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry’s D.O. letter of even number dated 1st April, 2011 on the above cited subject and to say that nominations/response from your State/UT has not been received so far.

2. It is, therefore, requested that nominations of suitable individuals in the prescribed proforma for the aforesaid Award from your State/UT, if any, may please be forwarded to this Ministry by 30th June, 2011 to enable us to make selection in time for conferment of the Award, which is to be announced on 20th August every year as per the Scheme.

Yours faithfully,

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No. 9-1/2011-CW.I
Government of India
Ministry of Women and Child Development

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110 001
Dated: 13th June, 2011

To

Shri S. K. Panda
Chief Secretary
Government of Tripura
AGARTALA-799001
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Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's D.O. letter of even number dated 6th April, 2011 on the above cited subject and to say that nominations/response from your State/UT has not been received so far.

2. It is requested that nominations of suitable individuals in the prescribed proforma for the aforesaid Award from your State/UT, if any, may kindly be forwarded to this Ministry by 30th June, 2011, to enable us to select outstanding individuals and institutions for conferment of Award.

Yours faithfully,

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