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Dated: Shimla-171001 the 30.05.2016



From: - The Director of Higher Education  
Himachal Pradesh

To

- 1 The Principals, Government Colleges, in Himachal Pradesh.
- 2 All the Dy. Directors of Higher Education, in Himachal Pradesh.

Subject: - Recommendations for Padma Award, 2016.

Memo:

On the subject cited above, it is to inform you that information related to Padma Award is available on Departmental Website i.e. [www.educationhp.org](http://www.educationhp.org). Eligible candidates may apply for the same.

In this connection, you are hereby directed to send your recommendations of deserving persons for Padma Awards, if any, latest by 01.07.2016 so that the same could be provided to the Govt. within stipulated period.

(Dr. B. L. Vinta)  
Jt. Director of Higher Education(C-II)  
Himachal Pradesh

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Copy for information to:-

- 1 The Additional Chief Secretary (Education) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2.
- 2 The Secretary (GAD) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2 w.r.t. his letter No. referred to above.
- 3 The Superintendent (Computer Cell/IT Cell), Directorate of Higher Education, Himachal Pradesh is hereby requested to upload the same on departmental website.
- 4 Guard file.

Jt. Director of Higher Education(C-II)  
Himachal Pradesh

No.GAD-B-(F)4-1/2016  
Government of Himachal Pradesh  
General Administration Department

From

The Secretary(GAD) to the  
Government of Himachal Pradesh

To

1. All Administrative Secretaries to the  
Government of Himachal Pradesh.
2. All Heads of Departments  
Himachal Pradesh.
3. All Deputy Commissioners  
Himachal Pradesh.

Dated: Shimla-2

09-05-2016

**SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PADMA AWARDS, 2017.**

Sir,

I am directed to forward the copy of D.O. letter No.01/17/2016-Public dated 29.04.2016, received from Joint Secretary (Admn.) M/O Home Affairs, Govt. of India, North Block, New Delhi, on the subject cited above. Keeping in view the guidelines contained in above said letter of Govt. of India you are requested to send recommendations of deserving persons for Padma Awards to this department latest by 13<sup>th</sup> August, 2016, so that after completing all codal formalities nominations could be forwarded to Govt. of India, by cut off date i.e. 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2016.

Yours faithfully,

(Surinder Thakur)

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Government of Himachal Pradesh  
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Joint Secretary (Admn.)  
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MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI - 110001

Dated the April 29, 2016

Dear Sir,

The Padma Awards, namely, Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan and Padma Shri, are amongst the highest civilian awards of the country. Instituted in 1954, these awards are announced on the occasion of the Republic Day every year. The award seeks to recognize 'work of distinction' and is given for distinguished and exceptional achievements/service in all fields/disciplines, such as, Art, Literature and Education, Sports, Medicine, Social Work, Science and Engineering, Public Affairs, Civil Service, Trade and Industry etc. All persons without distinction of race, occupation, position or sex are eligible for these awards. A copy of the statutes and rules relating to these awards is enclosed (Annex - I).

2. It is the conventional practice to invite nominations for these awards from all State/UT Governments as also from several other sources to enable broad-based consideration.

3. It has been decided with approval of competent authority that from this year the nominations/recommendations for the Padma Awards will be received online only, on an electronic management system designed by MHA. (address of the website: [www.padmaawards.gov.in](http://www.padmaawards.gov.in).) The nominations/recommendations should contain all relevant details specified in the format available on the above said website, including a citation in narrative form (maximum 800 words), clearly bringing out the distinguished and exceptional achievements/service of the person recommended in his/ her respective field/discipline. While recommending a person online please make sure that all the necessary details are filled properly. Details relating to the steps to be taken for making online recommendations are enclosed for guidance.

4. It has been observed in the past that while nominations are received in respect of a large number of persons, there could, however, be several talented persons who are left out of consideration despite exceptional contribution in their field. Often many of these persons may get overlooked primarily for the reason that they may not seek publicity or attention in the public domain. It is, therefore, requested you to make concerted efforts in identifying such persons whose excellence and achievements really deserve to be recognized, and make suitable nominations in their favour. It goes without saying that recognition of such deserving persons will only add to the lustre of these awards.

5. In the above background, I am to request you to kindly send suitable nominations for the Padma awards to be announced on the occasion of Republic Day, 2017. In this regard, it is suggested that you may constitute a special Search Committee for identifying, considering and finalizing your recommendations/ nominations. Further, while finalizing the recommendations, the following points may be kept in view:-

- (i) Persons recommended are pre-eminently worthy of the awards, looking at their life-time achievement. The criteria for selection should invariably be 'excellence plus' and the highest standards should be applied while recommending persons for these awards. The existence of an element of public service in the achievements of the person recommended for the award would be a desirable factor.

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- (ii) As the Padma award is the second highest award of the country, it should be considered whether the recommended person has earlier been given any National award or at least a State award in his respective field.
- (iii) Efforts may be made to identify talented persons from amongst women, weaker sections of the society, SCs & STs, handicapped persons, etc., who deserve to be considered for the award.
- (iv) The decoration is normally not conferred posthumously. However, in highly deserving cases, Government could consider giving an award posthumously if the demise of the person proposed to be honoured has been recent, say within a period of one year preceding the Republic Day on which it is proposed to announce the award.
- (v) A higher category of Padma award can be considered in respect of a person who has earlier been conferred an award, provided a period of at least five years has elapsed. However, in exceptionally deserving cases, a relaxation can be considered.
- (vi) Government servants including those working with PSUs, except Doctors and Scientists, are not eligible for Padma Awards.

6. The online nominations/recommendations for the Padma Awards will begin from May 1, 2016 and the last date for nominations for Padma Awards is September 15, 2016. The cut-off date may please be strictly adhered to, as nominations/recommendations received only during 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2016 to 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 will be considered. **It may also be noted that the nominations/recommendations received through online mode only will be considered.**

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

  
29/4/16  
(Satpal Chouhan)

Shri P. Mitra,  
Chief Secretary,  
Government of Himachal Pradesh,  
Shimla, Himachal Pradesh.

# Statute and Rules relating to Padma Awards



No. 2-Pres 54. The President is pleased to make the following revised regulations for the award of the decoration PADMA VIBHUSHAN in supersession of those published in Notification No. 2-Pres 51, dated the 2nd January, 1954:—

1. The decoration shall be conferred by the President by a Samad under his hand and seal.

2. The decoration shall be mainly circular in design, with a geometrical pattern superimposed on the circle (as in the representative drawing in the annexure). The diameter of the circular portion of the decoration shall be one and three-fourth inches and the thickness of the decoration shall be one-eighth of an inch. The geometrical pattern shall be composed of the outer lines of a square of one and three-sixteenths inches side, centrally placed on each side of which shall be a rectangle projecting beyond the rim thereby breaking the circumference of the circular design of the decoration. A knob shall be embossed within each of the outer angles of the geometrical pattern. There shall be a raised circular space of diameter one and one-sixteenth inches forming the centre-piece of the decoration. On the obverse a lotus flower shall be embossed in this circular space. The name of the decoration shall be embossed in Hindi, with the word PADMA placed above and the word VIBHUSHAN placed below the lotus flower. On the reverse shall be embossed the State Emblem and motto in Hindi below it. The decoration shall be of toned bronze. The inscription PADMA VIBHUSHAN on the obverse of the decoration, the geometrical pattern on either side and the border around the periphery, shall be of burnished bronze. All embossing on either side of the decoration shall be of white gold.

3. A sealed pattern of the decoration (manufactured according to the specifications described above and the drawing in the annexure to these regulations) shall be deposited and kept.

4. The decoration shall be worn by men on the left breast, suspended from a plain lous pink ribbon one and a quarter inches in width; and by women on the left shoulder, suspended from a ribbon of the same colour and width fashioned into a bow.

5. The decoration shall be awarded for exceptional and distinguished service in any field including service rendered by Government servants.

6. Any person without distinction of race, occupation, position or sex shall be eligible for the award.

7. The decoration may be awarded posthumously.

8. The names of the persons, upon whom the decoration is conferred, shall be published in the Gazette of India and a register of all such recipients shall be maintained under the direction of the President.

9. The miniature of the decoration which may be worn on certain occasions by recipients shall be half the size of the PADMA VIBHUSHAN, and a sealed pattern of the said miniature shall be deposited and kept.

10. The President may cancel and annul the award of the decoration to any person and thereupon his name shall be erased from the Register and he shall be required to surrender the decoration and the Samad. But it shall be competent for the President to restore the decoration and Samad and to withdraw the orders of cancellation and annulment. The notice of cancellation or restoration in every case shall be published in the Gazette of India.

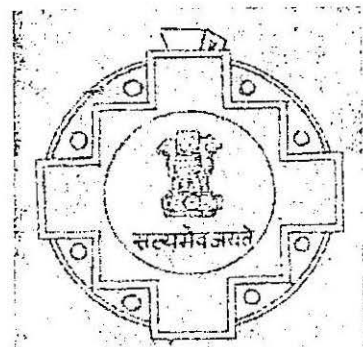
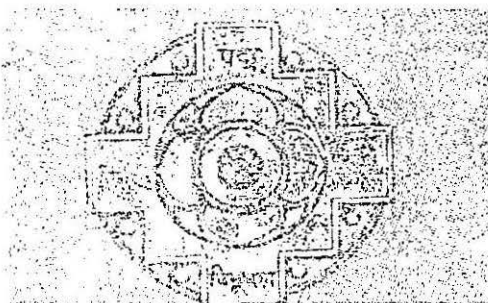
11. All persons upon whom the decoration of PADMA VIBHUSHAN (PAJIELA VARG) was conferred under the Regulations issued with Notification No. 2-Pres/54, dated the 2nd January, 1954, shall, for all purposes of these regulations, be deemed to persons on whom the decoration of PADMA VIBHUSHAN has been conferred by the President.

### ANNEXURE

Obverse

Reverse

### PADMA VIBHUSHAN



No. 3-2225/53 The President is pleased to make the following revised regulations for the award of the decoration PADMA BHUSHAN in supersession of those published in Notification No. 2-Pres/54, dated the 2nd January, 1954: -

1. The decoration shall be conferred by the President by a Sanad under his hand and seal.

2. The decoration shall be mainly circular in design with a geometrical pattern superimposed on the circle (as in the representative drawing in the annexure). The diameter of the circular portion of the decoration shall be one and three-fourth inches and the thickness of the decoration shall be one-eighth of an inch. The geometrical pattern shall be composed of the outer lines of a square of one and three-sixteenths inches side, centrally placed on each side of which shall be a rectangle projecting beyond the rim thereby breaking the circumference of the circular design of the decoration. A knob shall be embossed within each of the outer angles of the geometrical pattern. There shall be a raised circular space of diameter one and one-sixteenth inches forming the centre-piece of the decoration. On the obverse a lotus flower shall be embossed in this circular space. The name of the decoration shall be embossed in Hindi, with the word PADMA placed above and the word BHUSHAN placed below the lotus flower. On the reverse shall be embossed the State Emblem and motto in Hindi below it. The decoration shall be of toned bronze. @The inscription PADMA BHUSHAN on the obverse of the decoration, the geometrical pattern on either side and the border around the periphery, shall be of burnished bronze. All embossing on either side of the decoration shall be of standard gold.

3. A sealed pattern of the decoration (manufactured according to the specifications described above and the drawing in the annexure to these regulations) shall be deposited and kept.

4. The decoration shall be worn by men on the left breast, suspended from a plain lotus pink ribband one and a quarter inches in width, with a broad white stripe in the middle; and by women on the left shoulder, suspended from a ribband of the same colour and width, fashioned into a bow.

5. The decoration shall be awarded for distinguished service of a high order in any field including service rendered by Government servants.

6. Any person without distinction of race, occupation, position or sex shall be eligible for the award.

7. The decoration may be awarded posthumously.

8. The names of the persons, upon whom the decoration is conferred, shall be published in the Gazette of India and a register of all such recipients of the award shall be maintained under the direction of the President.

\*9. The miniature of the decoration which may be worn on certain occasions by recipients shall be half the size of the PADMA BHUSHAN, and a sealed pattern of the said miniature shall be deposited and kept.

10. The President may cancel and annul the award of the decoration to any person and thereupon his name shall be erased from the Register and he shall be required to surrender the decoration and the Sanad. But it shall be competent for the President to restore the decoration and Sanad and to withdraw the orders of cancellation and annulment. The notice of cancellation or restoration in every case shall be published in the Gazette of India.

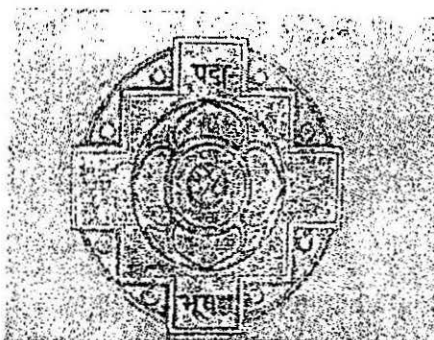
11. All persons upon whom the decoration of PADMA VIBHUSHAN (DUSRA VARG) was conferred under the Regulations issued with Notification No. 2-Pres/54, dated the 2nd January, 1954, shall, for all purposes of these regulations, be deemed to persons on whom the decoration of PADMA BHUSHAN has been conferred by the President.

## ANNEXURE

Obverse

Reverse

## PADMA BHUSHAN



2-3-1954/53. The President is pleased to make the following revised regulations for the award of the decoration PADMA SHRI in supersession of those published in Notification No. 2-Pres/54, dated the 2nd January, 1954:—

1. The decoration shall be conferred by the President by a Sanad under his hand and seal.

2. The decoration shall be mainly circular in design, with a geometrical pattern superimposed on the circle as in the representative drawing in the annexure. The diameter of the circular portion of the decoration shall be one and three-fourth inches and the thickness of the decoration shall be one-eighth of an inch. The geometrical pattern shall be composed of the outer lines of a square of one and three-sixteenths inches side, centrally placed on each side of which shall be a rectangle projecting beyond the rim thereby breaking the circumference of the circular design of the decoration. A knob shall be embossed within each of the outer angles of the geometrical pattern towards the rim. There shall be a raised circular space of diameter one and one-sixteenth inches forming the centre-piece of the decoration. On the obverse a lotus flower shall be embossed in this circular space. The name of the decoration shall be embossed in Hindi, with the word PADMA placed above and the word SHRI placed below the lotus flower. On the reverse shall be embossed the State Emblem and motto in Hindi below it. The decoration shall be of toned bronze. The inscription PADMA SHRI on the obverse of the decoration, the geometrical pattern on either side and the border around the periphery, shall be of burnished bronze. All embossing on either side of the decoration shall be of stainless steel.

3. A sealed pattern of the decoration (manufactured according to the specifications described above and the drawing in the annexure to these regulations) shall be deposited and kept.

4. The decoration shall be worn by men on the left breast, suspended from a lotus pink riband one and a quarter inches in width with two narrow white stripes each a quarter inch distant from the edges of the riband; and by women on the left shoulder, suspended from a riband of the same colour and width fashioned into a bow.

5. The decoration shall be awarded for distinguished service in any field including service rendered by Government servants.

6. Any person without distinction of race, occupation, position or sex shall be eligible for the award.

7. The decoration may be awarded posthumously.

8. The names of the persons, upon whom the decoration is conferred, shall be published in the Gazette of India and a register of all such recipients shall be maintained under the direction of the President.

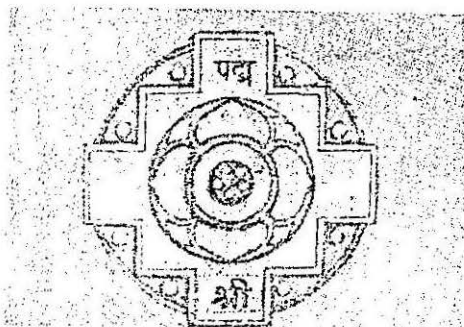
9. The miniature of the decoration which may be worn on certain occasions by recipients shall be half the size of the PADMA SHRI and a sealed pattern of the said miniature shall be deposited and kept.

10. The President may cancel and annul the award of the decoration to any person and thereupon his name shall be erased from the Register and he shall be required to surrender the decoration and the Sanad. But it shall be competent for the President to restore the decoration and Sanad and to withdraw the orders of cancellation and annulment. The notice of cancellation or restoration in every case shall be published in the Gazette of India.

11. All persons upon whom the decoration of PADMA VIBHUSHAN (TISRA VARG) was conferred under the Regulations issued with Notification No. 2-Pres/54, dated the 2nd January, 1954, shall, for all purposes of these regulations, be deemed to persons on whom the decoration of PADMA SHRI has been conferred by the President.


ANNEXURE  
PADMA SHRI

Obverse



Reverse





Padma Awards 2017

- The process of receiving the recommendations/nominations for the Padma Awards 2017 has started w.e.f **1<sup>st</sup> May, 2016**. Last date for receipt of the nominations for the Padma Awards, 2017 is **15<sup>th</sup> September 2016**.
- Nominations received after 15<sup>th</sup> September 2016 will not be considered.
- Nominations/Recommendations for the Padma Awards 2017 are to be sent on-line only. No other mode of nominations/recommendations will be accepted.
- For sending the nominations please visit our website [www.padmaawards.gov.in](http://www.padmaawards.gov.in)
- Process for sending nominations/recommendations by the Citizens of India and by the specified Authorities has to be followed in all cases. The details are available on the above said website.
- **For Nomination (By citizen) process, please follow the given steps:**
  1. Go to **Nomination** and chose **BY CITIZEN** option.
  2. Now register yourself with valid details for further process.
  3. If you have already registered, proceed to login.
  4. After successful registration and login process, follow the user-menu to nominate yourself.
  5. Upload the relevant **documents** (in PDF format) wherever required.
  6. After filling all the required details, you have to save the form as draft.
  7. In nomination process, after **Final Submission** you cannot edit/modify the details.
- **For Recommendation (By Authorities i.e all State / UT Governments, Ministries/Departments of the Government of India, Bharat Ratna and Padma Vibhushan awardees, Central/State Ministers, Chief Ministers/Governors of State, Members of Parliament etc) process, please follow the given steps:**
  1. Go to **Nomination** and choose **BY AUTHORITY** option.
  2. Now select the authority type and proceed to registration process.
  3. If you have already registered, proceed to login.
  4. After registration, make a search for any existing (desired) nomination. If searching parameters does not find you result, then you can proceed to new nomination process.
  5. After filing all the required details, you have to save-the form as draft.
  6. In nomination process, after **Final Submission** you cannot edit/modify the details.
  7. If in search result, there is an existing nomination to which you want to recommend, select the nominee and proceed for uploading the recommending letter/documents (in PDF format) and **citation** for the nominee if any.