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From:-

The Director of Higher Education

Himachal Pradesh

To

All the Deputy Directors of Higher Education

in Himachal Pradesh

Subject: -

Recommendation for Padma Awards, 2018.

Memo:

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of letter Number-GAD-B (F)4-1/2015 (Loose)-dated: 15.05.2017 received from the Economic Advisor, Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, North Block, New-Delhi through Deputy Secretary (GAD) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2 on the subject cited above.

In this connection, It is to inform you that the Economic Advisor, Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, North Block, New-Delhi has seeking nomination for "Padma Awards, 2018". The prescribed format for above mentioned award can be downloaded from / is available on MHA's website i.e. www.padmaawards.gov.in.

It has been decided with approval of competent authority that 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). 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 distinguish 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 available on the MHA's website www.padmaawards.gov.in.

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Therefore, you are directed to send your recommendations of deserving persons for above mentioned award, if any to this Directorate within a week so that same could be sent to the Government for taking further necessary action.

Kindly Personal Attention may be given to the matter.

(Dr. B. L. Vinta)

Director of Higher Education

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Copy to:-

The Secretary (GAD) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2 w.r.t. his letter Number-GAD-B (F) 4-1/2015 (Loose)-dated: 15.05.2017.

The Technical Officer (Computer/IT Cell), Directorate of Higher Education, Himachal Pradesh is hereby requested to upload the same on departmental website.

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Director of Higher Education Himachal Pradesh

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No.: GAD-B (F) 4-1/2015 (loose)
Government of Himachal Pradesh
General Administration Department
B Section

From:

The Secretary (GAD) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh

To

 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,

15-05-2017.

Subject;

Recommendations for Padma Awards ,2018.

I am directed to forward the copy of D.O.letter

Sir,

No.: 1/04/2017-Public dated: 28th April, 2017, received from Economic Advisor, M/O Home Affairs, Govt. of India, 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 15th August, 2017, so that after completing all

codal formalities nominations could be forwarded to Govt. of India,

by cut off date i.e. 15th Sept., 2017.

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Yours faithfully,

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Foz. Deputy Secretary (GAD) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh. Ph.No.:0177-2622186/ 2880532

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D.O. No. 1/04/2017-Public भारत सरकार

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MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS NORTH BLOCK

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Dear Sir

Satpal Chouhar Economic Advisor

Tel.: 011-2309 3178

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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 available on MHA's web-site www.padmaawards.gov.in.

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

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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 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 request you to kindly send suitable nominations for the Padma awards to be announced on the occasion of Republic Day, 2018. In this regard, it is suggested that you may constitute a Special Search Committee for identifying, considering and finalizing your recommendations/nominations. 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 achievements. 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.
 - (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, 2017 and the last date for nominations for Padma Awards is September 15, 2017. The cut-off date may please be strictly adhered to, as nominations / recommendations received only during 1st May, 2017 to 15th September, 2017 will be considered. It may also be noted that the nominations/recommendations received through online mode only (www.padmaawards.gov.in) will be considered.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Satpal Chouhan)

Shri V C Pharka, Chief Secretary, Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh