



President of India gives away National Child Awards 2017 on occasion of Children's Day today

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The President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind gave away the National Child Awards 2017 on the occasion of Children's Day in New Delhi today. The Awards were given in the presence of Minister of State for Women & Child Development, Dr. Virendra Kumar. The National Child Awards 2017 are given to celebrate the exceptional achievements of children; as well as to individuals and institutions who work for child welfare.

This year, the President honoured 16 children, out of which one child was given a gold medal and 15 children were given silver medals. The National Award for Child Welfare was conferred on 3 individuals and 5 institutions. The Rajiv Gandhi Manav Seva Award was conferred on 3 individuals.

National Child Award for Exceptional Achievement

The National Child Awards for Exceptional Achievement are given to recognize children with exceptional abilities in fields such as academics, culture, arts, sports, music etc. Children in the age group of 5-18 years are eligible for the award. The child with the most outstanding achievement is honoured with a cash prize of Rs.20,000/-, a certificate/citation and a Gold Medal. Fifteen children are being honoured with a cash prize of Rs. 10,000/-, a certificate/citation and a Silver Medal each for this year. The gold and silver awardees are also given book voucher of Rs. 10,000/- and Rs.3,000/- respectively since 2015. The awards for the year 2017 were given to the following 16 children:-

Sr.no.	Name	State	District	Field	Medal
1	Master Akash Manoj	Tamil Nadu	Krishnagiri	Innovation	Gold
2	Master Shahil Dey	Assam	Kamrup	Sports (Chess)	Silver
3	Master Shresth Agrawal	Chattisgarh	Raipur	Innovation	Silver
4	Master Nishant Abhangi	Gujarat	Rajkot	Academics	Silver
5	Master Jaysheel Buddhadeo	Haryana	Gurgaon	Music	Silver
6	Kumari Zaira Wasim	Jammu and Kashmir	Jammu	Art	Silver
7	Kumari Nikhiya Shamsher	Karnataka	Bengaluru	Social Service	Silver
8	Master Swasthik Padma	Karnataka	Dakshina Kannada	Innovation	Silver

9	Master Floyd Emmanuel Libera	Kerala	Ernakulam	Music	Silver
10	Master Rishabh Garg	Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal	Innovation	Silver
11	Master Jaisal Shah	Maharashtra	Mumbai City	Sports(Chess)	Silver
12	Kumari Labdhi Surana	Rajasthan	Udaipur	Sports(Roller Skating)	Silver
13	Master Krishna Pandit	Uttar Pradesh	Gautam Buddh Nagar	Innovation	Silver
14	Kumari Saniya Subash	Andaman and Nicobar Island	South Andaman	Sports(Martial Art)	Silver
15	Master Aryan Chopra	Delhi	West Delhi District.	Sports(Chess)	Silver
16	Kumari Kashish	Delhi	Central Delhi	Theatre	Silver

National Award for Child Welfare (Individuals & Institutions):-

These awards are given to deserving institutions and individuals for their outstanding performance in the field of child development and welfare. The awards were started with a view to recognize such voluntary action. The awards carry a cash prize of Rupees Three Lakh and a citation for each institution and Rupees One Lakh and a citation for each individual. So far 157 institutions and 103 individuals have been honoured with this prestigious award. The following are this year’s awardees:

Individuals

S.No	Name	State	District
1	Sh. Anand Kumar	Bihar	Patna
2	Sh Mahesh Jadhav	Karnataka	Belagavi
3	Sh Achyuta Samanta	Orissa	Bhubaneswar

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Institution

S.No	Name	State	District
1	Innovative Mid Brain Optimization Institute Pvt Ltd	Delhi	North-West District.
2	Society for Tribal & Rural Developments	Karnataka	Chamarajanagar.
3	Akshaya Patra Foundation	Karnataka	Bangaluru

4	Aarambh India Initiative	Maharashtra	Mumbai
5	Nirvan - A Social Welfare Organization	Uttar Pradesh	Lucknow

Rajiv Gandhi Manav Seva Award:-

In this category, individuals are recognized for their outstanding contribution towards service for children, including children with disabilities. The criterion for selection is the quality of work performed by the individual for the cause of children. Voluntary action has a special place in the nation’s effort for promoting the well being of children and this award seeks to grant recognition for individual excellence in such voluntary services.

The award includes a cash prize of Rs. One Lakh, a silver plate and a citation. A National Selection Committee chaired by the Minister of Women and Child Development selects the recipients out of the nominations recommended by State Governments/Union Territory Administrations and experts in this area. The following are this year’s awardees:

S.No	Name	State	District
1	Sh. Shantilal Gulabchand Muttha	Maharashtra	Pune
2	Mr. Chezhan Ramu	Tamil Nadu	Tiruvannamalai
3	Ms. Shobha Vidyarthi	Uttarkhand	Nainital

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