Bharath Ratna

Bharat Ratna –aka- Gem of India is the highest Civilian Honor of the country.

List of Recepients:

SL. No	Name	Awarded	Notes
1		1954	Independence activist, last Governor-General
2	Chakravarti Rajagopalachari	1074	m · · · ·
2	C. V. Raman	1954	Physicist
3	Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan	1954	Philosopher, second President
4	Bhagwan Das	1955	Independence activist, author
5	Mokshagundam Visvesvarayya	1955	Civil engineer, Diwan of Mysore
6	Jawaharlal Nehru	1955	Independence activist, author, first Prime Minister
7	Govind Ballabh Pant	1957	Independence activist, Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh, Home Minister
8	Dhondo Keshav Karve	1958	Educator, social reformer
9	Bidhan Chandra Roy	1961	Physician, Chief Minister of West Bengal
10	Purushottam Das Tandon	1961	Independence activist, educator
11	Rajendra Prasad	1962	Independence activist, jurist, first President
12	Zakir Hussain	1963	Scholar, third President
13	Pandurang Vaman Kane	1963	Indologist and Sanskrit scholar
14	Lal Bahadur Shastri	1966	Posthumous, independence activist, second Prime Minister
15	Indira Gandhi	1971	Third Prime Minister
16	V. V. Giri	1975	Trade unionist and fourth President
17	K. Kamaraj	1976	Posthumous, independence activist, Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu State
18	Mother Teresa	1980	Catholic nun, founder of the Missionaries of Charity
19	Vinoba Bhave	1983	Posthumous, social reformer, independence activist
20	Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan	1987	First non-citizen, independence activist
21	M. G. Ramachandran	1988	Posthumous, film actor, Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu

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22		1990	Posthumous, chief architect of the Indian Constitution, politician, economist, and scholar
	B. R. Ambedkar		
23		1990	Second non-citizen and first non-Indian recipient, Leader of the Anti-Apartheid movement
	Nelson Mandela		
24	Rajiv Gandhi	1991	Posthumous, Sixth Prime Minister
25	Vallabhbhai Patel	1991	Posthumous, independence activist, first Home Minister
26		1991	Independence activist, fourth Prime Minister
	Morarji Desai		
27	Abul Kalam Azad	1992	Posthumous, independence activist, first Minister of Education
28	J. R. D. Tata	1992	Industrialist and philanthropist
29	Satyajit Ray	1992	Bengali filmmaker
30		1997	Aeronautical Engineer,11th President of India
	A. P. J. Abdul Kalam		
31	3	1997	Independence activist, interim Prime Minister
	Gulzarilal Nanda		
32	Aruna Asaf Ali	1997	Posthumous, independence activist
33	M. S. Subbulakshmi	1998	Carnatic classical singer
34		1998	Independence activist, Minister of Agriculture
	Chidambaram Subramaniam		
35		1999	Posthumous, independence activist and
	Jayaprakash Narayan		politician
36	Ravi Shankar	1999	Sitar player
37	Amartya Sen	1999	Economist
38		1999	Posthumous, independence activist, Chief
	Gopinath Bordoloi		Minister of Assam
39	Lata Mangeshkar	2001	Playback singer
40	Bismillah Khan	2001	Hindustani classical shehnai player
41	Bhimsen Joshi	2008	Hindustani classical singer

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