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Government of India
Ministry of Textiles

Office of the Development Commissioner for Handlooms

Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated 21st June, 2016

To

All State Directors I/C of Handlooms and Textiles

All Zonal Directors / all WSCs

Dear Sir/Madam

Subject: Nomination/recommendations for the 'PADMA AWARDS' to be announced on the occasion of Republic Day-2017.

With reference to the above, a copy of Office Memorandum No. A-42011/20/2016-Estt. Dt. 8.6.2016 alongwith D.O. letter No. 01/17/2016-Public dt. 29 April, 2016 of Sh. Satpal Chouhan, Joint Secretary (Admn.) Ministry of Home Affairs addressed to Secretary (Textiles) seeking online nominations/recommendations for 'PADMA AWARDS' to be announced on the occasion of Republic Day 2017 is enclosed.

From this year onwards nominations/recommendations for the Padma Awards will be filled online only. The details relating to the steps to be taken for making online recommendations may also be seen vide website www.padmaawards.gov.in The last date of online submission of nominations/recommendations to the Ministry of Home Affairs is 15th September, 2016.

You are requested to kindly forward the nominations online by 31st July, 2016 to enable further processing timely.

Yours sincerely,

(M.C. Gupta)

Addl. Development Commissioner for Handlooms.

Udyog Bhavan,
New Delhi.
8/6 June, 2016

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Nominations / recommendations for the 'PADMA AWARDS' to be announced on the occasion of Republic Day-2017.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of D.O. letter No. 01/17/2016-Public dated 29 April, 2016 received from Shri Satpal Chouhan, Joint Secretary (Admn.), Ministry of Home Affairs addressed to Secretary (Textiles) seeking online nominations/recommendations for the 'PADMA AWARDS' to be announced on the occasion of Republic Day-2017.

2. Since, this year nominations/recommendations for the Padma Awards will be filled online on website www.padmaawards.gov.in, therefore, details relating to the steps to be taken for making online recommendations are also enclosed for guidance. The last date of online submission of nominations/recommendations to the Ministry of Home Affairs is 15th September, 2016.

3. Therefore, it is requested that nominations, if any, may be filled online under intimation of Estt. Section, Ministry of Textiles latest by 31st July, 2016.

(Jayashree Sivakumar)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel: 23062256

Encl: As above.

To

1. Sh. Alok Kumar, Development Commissioner (Handloom), Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi.
2. Dr. K Gopal, Development Commissioner (Handicraft), Block No-7, R.K. Puram, New Delhi.
3. Sh. Subrata Gupta, Jute Commissioner, CGO-I, 3rd MSO Building, DF Block, Salt Lake, Kolkata-700064.
4. Dr. Kavita Gupta, Textile Commissioner, 48, New Marine Lines, New CGO Building, Post Box No-11500, Mumbai-20.

Copy for information to:

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(Jayashree Sivakumar)
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Satpal Chouhan
Joint Secretary (Admn.)
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सचिव (वस्त्र)

Secretary (Textiles)

Dairy No. 82267

Date 2/5/16

April 29, 2016

Dear Madam,

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 Ministries / Departments of the Government of India 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.) 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.

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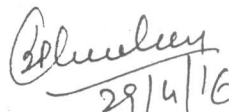
5. In the above background, I request you to kindly send suitable nominations for the Padma awards to be announced on the occasion of Republic Day, 2017. While finalizing the recommendations, the following points may be kept in view:-

- (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.
- (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 1st May, 2016 to 15th 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)

Ms. Rashmi Verma,
Secretary,
Ministry of Textiles,
Udyog Bhawan,
New Delhi.

Statute and Rules relating to Padma Awards

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No. 2-Pres/55—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/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 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 lotus pink riband one and a quarter inches in width; 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 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 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.

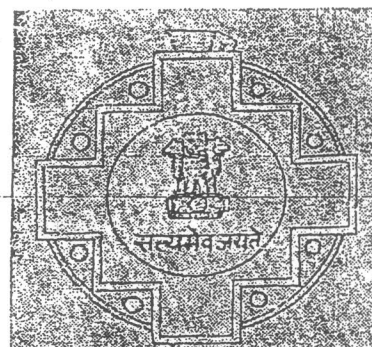
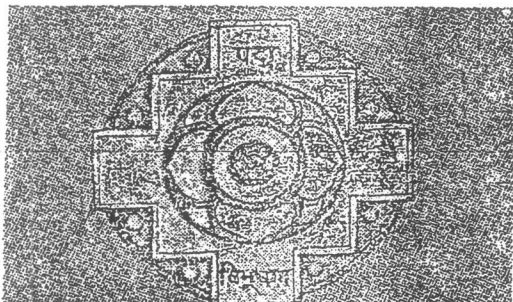
11. All persons upon whom the decoration of PADMA VIBHUSHAN (PAHELA VARG) was conferred under the Regulations issued with Notification No. 2-Pres/54, dated the 2nd January, 1954, shall, for all purposes of these regulations, be deemed to persons on whom the decoration of PADMA VIBHUSHAN has been conferred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

ANNEXURE

Obverse

PADMA VIBHUSHAN

Reverse



No. 3-Pres/55—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 riband 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 riband 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.

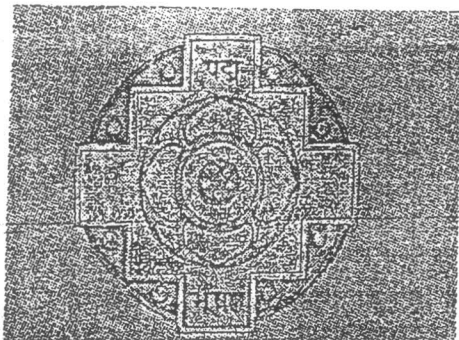
11. All persons upon whom the decoration of PADMA VIBHUSHAN (DUSRA VARG) was conferred under the Regulations issued with Notification No. 2-Pres/54, dated the 2nd January, 1954, shall, for all purposes of these regulations, be deemed to persons on whom the decoration of PADMA BHUSHAN has been conferred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

ANNEXURE

Obverse

Reverse

PADMA BHUSHAN



No. 4-Pres/55—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 knot 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.

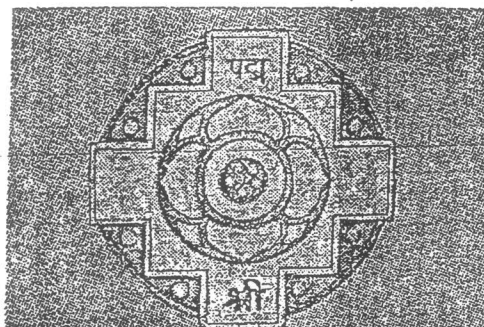
*9. The miniature of the decoration which may be worn on certain occasions by recipients shall be half the size of the PADMA SHRI and a sealed pattern of the said miniature shall be deposited and kept.

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

