

# **National Award For Senior Citizens (Vayoshreshtha Samman): Best Private Sector Organisation In Promoting The Wellbeing And Welfare Of Senior Citizens**

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### **Benefits (National Award For Senior Citizens (Vayoshreshtha Samman): Best Private Sector Organisation In Promoting The Wellbeing And Welfare Of Senior Citizens)**

- Decoration The Awardee is given a Citation and Memento. ■ Presentation of Award (Ceremony Details) The Award shall be presented in New Delhi at a special ceremony/function to be held on the occasion of the International Day of Older Persons on the 1st of October every year. The Awards shall be presented by the President of India or the Prime Minister of India. The boarding and lodging expenses of the awardees including one companion for each awardee shall be borne by the Central Government. The to
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- fro travelling expenses and accommodation for up to one day prior to and after the date of the Samman ceremony (depending upon the actual arrival and departure dates) shall be arranged and the expenditure shall be reimbursed by the Central Government. The TA/ DA admissibility of the awardees and one companion shall be equivalent to that of the Joint Secretary to the Government of India.

### **Eligibility (National Award For Senior Citizens (Vayoshreshtha Samman): Best Private Sector Organisation In Promoting The Wellbeing And Welfare Of Senior Citizens)**

- For the Nominee A. The award shall be given to a Private Sector Organisation who have done work for the welfare of senior citizens. B. To claim the award, the following conditions shall be fulfilled, namely: Addressing the problems of the elderly either by providing them gainful employment, or utilising their skills and experience for the benefit of society. Creating Infrastructure in geriatric medical care or any other similar step for the benefit of the elderly as a community. Having made arrangements towards the care of its former (superannuated) employees. Providing barrier
- free for senior citizens at the workplace. ■ For the Nominating Agencies/individuals The Ministries or Departments of the Government of India and their autonomous organizations. The State Governments or Union Territory Administrations. Past recipients of Padma Awards, VayoshreshthaSamman and other National Awards in both individual and institutional categories. Members of the National Council of Senior Citizens (NCSrC). Renowned Apex Chambers like the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI), Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), Associated Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ASSOCHAM), National Association of Software and Service Companies, PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry etc. Any other category of persons or institutions authorized by the Ministry from time to time. ■ NOTE 1: The awards are open to all Indian Institutions, Organizations and Individuals without any distinction or discrimination on grounds of religion, race, sex, caste or creed. NOTE 2: It would be necessary that the nominee is recommended in writing by someone authorized to recommend the nominations. NOTE 3: The Self
- nominations for the Awards shall not be considered.

### **Application Process (National Award For Senior Citizens (Vayoshreshtha Samman): Best Private Sector Organisation In Promoting The Wellbeing And Welfare Of Senior Citizens)**

- Registration Step 1: The agencies or persons, authorized to nominate and recommend eligible institutions or individuals, should visit the National Awards Portal .
- On the top right of the homepage, click " Register ".
- Step 2: You will be directed to the Registration Page.
- Fill in all the mandatory fields (marked with a Red Asterisk).
- Step 3: Check the "Declaration" checkboxes provided at the bottom of the page.

- Fill in the Captcha Code, and click "Submit". You will receive the Login Credentials on your Registered Mobile Number.
- ■ Application Step 1: Visit the National Awards Portal .
- On the top right of the homepage, click " Login ".
- Step 2: Login using credentials.
- From the list of awards, select "Vayoshreshtha Samman - National Awards for Senior Citizens", then click "Nominate / Apply Now".
- Step 3: On the next page, fill in all the mandatory fields in the online application form, and then click "Submit".
- ■ Selection of Awardees 1.
- A Screening Committee shall be constituted in the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment to scrutinize and shortlist the nominations, under Additional Secretary/ Joint Secretary.
- 2.
- The final Selection of the Awardees shall be made by the Selection Committee chaired by the Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment.
- ■ Calendar of Activities Issue of Letter Inviting Nominations by the Ministry: 1st November Last Date of Receipt of Nominations: 31st January Shortlisting of Nominations by the Screening Committee: 28th February Final selection by the Jury: 30th April Approval by the Minister: 31st May Vetting by IB: 15th August Announcement of the Awards: 1st September Presentation of the Awards: 1st October

### **Documents Required (National Award For Senior Citizens (Vayoshreshtha Samman): Best Private Sector Organisation In Promoting The Wellbeing And Welfare Of Senior Citizens)**

- Certificate of Registration Proof of Address (for communication) Proof of Area of specialization (Memorandum and Articles of Association containing objects and bye-laws) Proof of Parent Organisation or Registered Body (Certified Copy of the Certificate of Registration) Details of the Managing Committee and Qualification of their Members Details of NGO working at Regional/State/National/International Level.. Total staff strength of the NGO. Annual Reports for the last 3 years. Special or Outstanding Achievements during the last 5 years in the field of the Category of the Award. Details of Awards or Honours received
- if any (attach citations)
- along with Justification for the Award. Justification for the award.

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