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Government of India

Ministry of Home Affairs

(Department of Official Language)

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Date: 21 March, 2023

## RESOLUTION

No.11034/01/2023OL(Policy): To encourage the implementation of the Official Language Policy the Department has revised the award scheme named **"Rajbhasha Kirti Puraskar"** from the year 2022-23 in supersession of earlier resolution No. 11034/48/2014-OL(Policy) dated 25.03.2015; resolutions of even no. dated 20.02.2017 and 22.03.2018. The following will be rewarded under the scheme:-

- (A) Ministries/Departments
- (B) Public Sector Undertakings
- (C) Boards/Autonomous Bodies/trusts etc.
- (D) Nationalised Banks
- (E) In house Hindi Magazines

2. As a result of implementation of Official Language Policy in the best manner possible the above offices/institutions will be honoured with shields for doing outstanding work in promoting the progressive use of Official Language. For each region, the first, second and third prizes will be given as a shield. The decision of award will be based on quarterly progress reports regarding the implementation of the official language policy. The evaluation of awards will be done by a committee formed with the approval of the Secretary, Department of Official Language in which non-governmental members will also be included. The following awards will be conferred at the Hindi Day celebrations:-

Category	Description	Prize
Ministries/Departments	Ministries where number of staff is less than 300	03 Shields
	Ministries where number of staff is more than 300	03 Shields
Public Sector Undertakings	Undertakings in 'A' Region	03 Shields
	Undertakings in 'B' Region	03 Shields
	Undertakings in 'C' Region	03 Shields
Boards/Autonomous Bodies/trusts etc.	Boards etc. in 'A' Region	03 Shields
	Boards etc. in 'B' Region	03 Shields
	Boards etc. in 'C' Region	03 Shields

Nationalized Banks	Banks where number of staff is less than 800	06 Shields
	Banks where number of staff is more than 800	
In house Hindi Magazine	First and Second Prize in each 'A','B' and 'C' Region	06 Shields

3. (a) For consideration under "Rajbhasha Kirti Puraskar", the number of Officials in Ministry/ Department/ PSU/Autonomous Body/Bank etc. Should be minimum 30.  
(b) Those who score marks less than 60% will not be considered for the awards under Rajbhasha Kirti/Regional Awards.
4. If a Ministry/Department gets first prize consecutively for two years then that Ministry/Department will not be awarded the third time, instead some other Ministry/Department will be given an opportunity.
5. As far as Regional Official Language Awards are concerned, all awards for Town Official Language Implementation Committee (TOLIC) are discontinued from the year 2022-23. Rest of the awards will continue as they are. Rules and conditions (Except for TOLIC related conditions) pertaining to them will remain unchanged.

**ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a copy of this resolution should be communicated to the Secretariat of all the State Governments, UT Administrations, all Ministries/Departments, President's Secretariat, Prime Minister's Office, Cabinet Secretariat, NITI Aayog, The Comptroller and Auditor General of India, Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha Secretariat.

It is also ordered that this Resolution be published in the Gazette of India for public information.

  
(Dr. Meenakshi Jolly)

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To,

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New Delhi, Dated: 21 March, 2023

**Copy forwarded to:-**

- (1) Director (Implementation/Technical) Department of Official Language, MHA, New Delhi for necessary action in respect of issuing orders etc. for the Scheme as per the revised scheme of the Resolution.
- (2) Chief Secretaries of all State Governments and Administrators of all Union Territories.
- (3) Secretaries to all Ministries and Departments of Govt. of India.
- (4) President's Secretariat, New Delhi
- (5) Prime Minister office, New Delhi
- (6) Cabinet Secretariat, New Delhi
- (7) NITI Aayog, New Delhi
- (8) Comptroller and Auditor General of India, New Delhi
- (9) Director Accounts (Central Revenue), New Delhi
- (10) Lok Sabha Secretariat, New Delhi
- (11) Rajya Sabha Secretariat, New Delhi
- (12) Parliament Library (15 copies)
- (13) Director, Public Relations (MHA), Press Information Bureau, with a request to issue a press note in respect of the decision of the Government.
- (14) All officers/desks/sections of the Department of Official Language
- (15) Principal Staff Officer to Secretary (OL)
- (16) Additional copies for Department of Official Language (Policy Section)
- (17) Consultant (NIC): For uploading the resolution on the website of the Official Language.

  
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