To,

Chief Secretary,
Government of Kerala
Secretariat, Thiruvanthapuram – 695001

Subject: Nominations/applications for National Child Award for Exceptional Achievement, 2015.

Sir,

I am directed to state that Government of India instituted the National Child Award for Exceptional Achievement in 1996 to give recognition to children with exceptional abilities and with outstanding achievements in the various field. The scheme has been revised recently in March, 2015 and has been placed on the website of this Ministry (www.wcd.nic.in) The award is to be given to children with exceptional abilities and with outstanding achievements in the field of (i) Innovation in any field including design, (ii) Scholastic achievements(e.g. first position in mathematics in two successive years) on a national level, (iii) Sports, (iv) Arts, (v) Culture, (vi) Social Service, (vii) Music, (viii) any other field which deserve recognition as per the decision of the Central Selection Committee. Children residing in India of or above the age of 9 years and not exceeding 16 years(as on 31st July of respective years) are eligible. A Copy of the guidelines is enclosed.

2. There will be 36 National Awards(equivalent to the number of States/UTs in the country), as per revised guidelines. There will be one gold medal(20 grams), a cash prize of Rs.20,000/-, book vouchers of Rs.10,000/- a certificate and a citation and 35 Silver Medals(50 grams each), cash prize of Rs.10,000/- each, book vouchers of Rs.3,000/- a certificate and a citation will be given. However, not more than two candidates shall be awarded from one State/UT under this scheme.

3. You are requested to furnish nominations/applications from your States/UTs in the enclosed performa for the above award and other relevant documents as mentioned in the guidelines positively by 31.08.2015.
4. Please also ensure that wide publicity is given to this issue by giving suitable advertisements in all leading newspapers published in your State/UT.

Yours faithfully,

(Anand Prakash)

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Encl. As above
Revised Guidelines: NATIONAL CHILD AWARD FOR EXCEPTIONAL ACHIEVEMENT (NCAEA)

1. **Background and objective:**
   The Government of India instituted the National Child Awards for Exceptional Achievement in 1996 to give recognition to children with exceptional abilities and with outstanding achievements in fields mentioned in para 2 below. The achievement should be recognised/sponsored by an independent agency/authority in the concerned field. The achievement should not be one-off, but carried out over a period of time. There should be some indication that the child can continue with the activity for some time.

2. **Eligibility criteria:**
   (a) Children residing in India of or above the age of 9 years and not exceeding 16 years (as on 31st July of respective year).
   (b) Excellence of awardees in any one of the following fields (Achievements that benefit society, and not just the individual will be encouraged):
      (i) Innovation in any field including design
      (ii) Scholastic achievements (e.g. first position in mathematics in two successive years) on a national level
      (iii) Sports
      (iv) Arts
      (v) Culture
      (vi) Social service
      (vii) Music
      (viii) Any other field which deserves recognition as per the decision of the Central Selection Committee.

3. **The Award:**
   There will be 36 National Awards i.e. one gold and 35 silver (equivalent to the number of States/UTs in the country). **However, not more than two candidates shall be awarded from one State/UT.**
Gold Medal (20 grams),
✓ a cash prize of Rs. 20,000/- (Rupees twenty thousand only),
✓ book vouchers of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand only),
✓ a certificate and a citation.

Silver Medals (50 grams each),
✓ a cash prize of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand only),
✓ book vouchers of Rs.3,000/- (Rupees three thousand only)
✓ a certificate and a citation.

The Award shall be given to the individuals concerned and not to their nominees at a ceremony in New Delhi.

4. **Selection procedure:**

**Sponsoring/recommending bodies:**

There will be a Central Selection Committee for final selection of the entries from amongst the entries recommended by the State Government/UT Administrations, Central Ministries/Departments/PSUs/autonomous bodies/statutory organisations etc. of the Government of India/ reputed NGOs/international agencies and from other sources.

Recommendations will include the photograph of the child, the names of the parent(s), Aadhar number and full contact details. Related achievements may be judged from bio-data and other related materials and photographs submitted by the applicant. Special consideration may be given to the physical/mental standard of the candidates while selecting. They should include a short (not more than 75 words) write-up on why the recommending authority feels that the child is eligible and suitable for an award.

The composition of the Selection Committee shall be as under:

i. Minister In-Charge of the
   Ministry of Women and Child Development ... Chairperson

ii. Secretary,
    M/o Women and Child Development ... Member
iii. Secretary or his nominee in the M/O Social Justice & Empowerment
iv. Secretary or his nominee in the D/O School Education and Literacy
v. Secretary or his nominee in the Department of Culture
vi. Secretary or his nominee in the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports
vii. Secretary or his nominee in the Ministry of Science & Technology
viii. Joint Secretary (CW), M/o WCD

5. **Closing date:**
31st August of every year will be the closing date for receiving the entries by the Government of India for consideration of Selection Committee.
The Central Selection Committee shall finalise their recommendations by 30th September every year.

6. **Publicity:**
State Governments/UT Administrations may release suitable advertisement in the local newspapers well in advance and incentives in the form of Appreciation Certificate may be considered for the NGOs for searching best entries. Special mention may be made in the meetings about the National Award scheme and the facilities to be provided to participants.

7. **Date of Award:**
The Awards will be announced on 14th November each year and will be given away in New Delhi on a convenient date.

8. **Arrangements for the Awards:**
Arrangements for the lodging and boarding of the awardees shall be made by the Ministry of Women and Child Development. The Awardees as also his/her parents or guardians (maximum two numbers excluding awardee) will
be reimbursed AC-2 Tier Railway fare or actual expenses incurred on this account, whichever is minimum. Local awardees will be entitled for local transport as per Government Rules as may be amended from time to time.

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PARTICULARS OF THE INDIVIDUAL RECOMMENDED ‘NATIONAL CHILD AWARD FOR EXCEPTIONAL ACHIEVEMENT’

1. Name:
   (in Hindi)
   (in English)
   i. Date of birth
   ii. Place of birth
   iii. Educational Qualifications
   iv. Address
   v. Telephone No. (Office/residence)
   vi. Mobile No.
   vii. E-mail
   viii. FAX No.
   ix. Aadhar Number

2. Field of achievement

3. How is the performance of the individual judged as exceptional achievement (in brief):

4. A brief like-sketch of the child including certificate, press clippings etc

5. Sponsored by (Government, other agencies etc. with details)

6. Remarks to the State Government
National Child Award for Exceptional Achievement

On February 9th, 2015, 16 children were awarded the National Child Award for Exceptional Achievement due to their outstanding performance in various fields. The awards were presented at a ceremony on February 31st, 2015. The winners were chosen based on their exceptional achievements in their respective fields. The website for more information is www.swd.kerala.gov.in.
ക്ഷേത്ര: നിലവിലെ 2015 ലെ ഉത്തമകാര്യ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥരായി യോഗം നൽകുന്നതിന്റെ നാമത്തിൽ National Child Award for Exceptional Achievement ലെ പ്രതിപാദിച്ച താലൂക്കുകളായി താമസിക്കുന്നു. 2015 ലെ ഉത്തമകാര്യ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥര നിലവിലെ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥരയുടെ അവാർഡാണ് National Child Award for Exceptional Achievement 2015-ൽ നൽകിയത്. അവാർഡാണ് നിലവിലെ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥരയുടെ നിരക്കിൽ അവാർഡിച്ചത്. ഇത് നിലവിലെ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥരയുടെ നിരക്കിൽ അവാർഡിച്ചത്. 2015 ലെ ഉത്തമകാര്യ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥര നിലവിലെ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥരയുടെ നിരക്കിൽ അവാർഡിച്ചത്.