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Ministry of Home Affairs
Department of Official Language

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RESOLUTION

No. II/12013/1/2000-OL(P-2) : In supersession of the Resolution of even no. dated 20-10-2000, the Department of Official Language introduces a new awards scheme from the Year 2005-06 (for books published during 2004-05) known as ‘ **Rajiv Gandhi National Awards scheme for original book writing on Gyan -Vigyan**’ to encourage book writing originally in Hindi on technical/scientific subjects. Regulations of this scheme are as under :

Regulations for “Rajiv Gandhi National Awards for Original Book Writing on Gyan – Vigyan”

1. **Title :** These regulations may be called – ‘Regulations for Rajiv Gandhi National Awards for Original Book Writing on Gyan -Vigyan .’
2. **Definitions :** In these regulations, unless there is something contrary to the context is desired
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 - (i) ‘Scheme’ means the awards scheme of the Department of Official Language for encouraging original book writing in Hindi language on technical/scientific subjects.
 - (ii) ‘Book’ means a published book .
 - (iii) ‘Regulations’ signifies for ‘Regulations for Rajiv Gandhi National Awards for Original Book Writing on Gyan -Vigyan .’
 - (ॴ) ‘Year’ means ‘financial year commencing from 1st April and ending on 31st March’.
3. **Objective :**

The objective of this Scheme is to encourage creation of literature of high standard in Hindi on subjects relating to different streams of technology/science. The contemporary topics may also be included in these subjects.
4. **Awards :**

First Prize(One) - TwoLakh Rupees, a Certificate and a memento.
Second Prize (One) - One Lakh Twenty Five Thousand Rupees, a Certificate and a memento.
Third Prize (One) - Seventy Five Thousand Rupees, a Certificate and a memento.
Consolation - Ten Thousand Rupees, a Certificate and a memento Prizes(10) to each winner.

5. Period:

Under this Scheme the books published only in the preceding year will be considered for awards in a year.

6. Eligibility for awards :

1. The book may be written on any stream of modern technology/science, for example (the list is not exhaustive): -
 - (i) engineering, electronics, computer science, physics, biology, energy, space science, medical science, chemistry, information technology, management, psychology....
 - (ii) Contemporary subjects such as liberalisation, globalisation, consumerism, human rights, pollution...
2. A citizen of India may take part in this Award Scheme.
3. If a person has received a prize under the Scheme during one of the immediately preceding three years, counted from the year for which entries have been invited, his book shall not be considered for award for that particular year.
4. The book should be an analytical review of the subject it deals with. Books written in the form of novel, story, play etc. or text books written for schools will not be considered for this award.
5. The book should contain atleast 100 pages.
6. If the Evaluation Committee, in any particular year arrives at the conclusion that none of the books sent as entries is suitable for the awards, its decision in this regard will be considered as final.
7. In case, a book selected for the award is written by more than one writer, the award money will be distributed among them equally.
8. Books which might have received any other award, will not be considered for award under this scheme.

7. Procedure for sending the entry :

- i) Entries will be sent in the format given at the end of these regulations.
- ii) Three copies of each book for entry under this scheme will be sent and they will be non-returnable.
- iii) A writer may send more than one entry for consideration provided their subject matters are entirely different.
- iv) The entries should reach the following address latest by the date indicated in the circular/advertisement :-

Research Officer,
Implementation Section,
Department of Official Language
Second floor, Lok Nayak Bhavan,

Khan Market,
New Delhi – 110003.

- v) Entries not sent according to this regulation, in the prescribed format are liable to be rejected.

8. Evaluation Committee :

1. An Evaluation Committee will consider the entries.
2. Close relatives of writers sending their entries, will not be considered for inclusion in the Evaluation Committee.
3. The Evaluation Committee reserves the right to obtain views of the expert(s) of the concerned subject before giving its decision regarding a book.
4. The Evaluation Committee will set the criterion for evaluation itself.
5. In case of any difference of opinion regarding conferring of award, the matter will be decided by a majority vote. If there are equal number of votes in favour of or against a decision, Chairman will have a decisive vote.
6. Official members of the Evaluation Committee will get travelling allowance/daily allowance from the same source from where they draw their salary. Non-official members of the Committee will be entitled to get travelling allowance and daily allowance in accordance with the instructions issued from time to time and are in force at that time.
7. Members of the Evaluation Committee will also be entitled for the honorarium prescribed by the Department of Official Language.

9. Declaration and distribution of awards :

- (i) Decision regarding the award, will be intimated through a letter to all the awardees.
- (ii) Awards will be distributed on the date fixed by the Department of Official Language. Awardees coming from places other than the place fixed for distribution of awards will get first class rail fare for travelling and daily allowance for stay as per rules of the Govt. of India.

10. General

- (i) The writer will continue to have his copyright on the awarded book.
- (ii) There will be no correspondence regarding conferment of the award or procedure for selection of a book for the award.
- (iii) The decision of the Evaluation Committee will be final.

11. Right to relax Regulations

If the central Government deems it necessary or appropriate, it may relax any of the provisions of these regulations by an order and after recording the reasons therefor.

PROFORMA

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1. Title of the book
2. Stream/ subject of the book.....
3. (i) Name of the writer/writers.....
(ii) Full Address.....
(iii) Telephone No.....
4. (i) Name of the publisher.....
(ii) Full Address of the publisher.....
(iii) Price.....
(iv) Year of publishing.....
(v) Copyright is with whom.....
5. Had the book ever been sent for some other competition ? If yes, please give full details thereof :
(a) When sent.....
(b) to whom sent (complete address).....
(c) Had any award been given? If yes, give full details.....
6. Has the author won any award under the **Rajiv Gandhi National Awards scheme for Original Book Writing on Gyan-Vigyan**? If yes, give following details :-
(i) Title of the prize winning book.....
(ii) Year of the prize.....
(iii) Amount of prize.....
(iv) Year of publishing of the book.....
(v) Full address of publisher.....
(vi) Price of the book.....
7. I/We certify that :
(1) I/We are Indian citizen(s)
(2) The book has been written originally in Hindi by me/us.
(3) The copyright of any other person is not violated by entering my/our book in this scheme.

I/We promise to abide by the provisions of the regulations of the scheme of “Rajiv Gandhi National Awards for Original Book Writing on Gyan –Vigyan”.

Signature of
author/authors

Place:.....

Date:.....

- Note:** 1. This form duly filled in along with three copies of the book may be sent to :-
‘Research Officer,
Implementation Section,
Department of Official Language,
Second floor, Lok Nayak Bhavan,
Khan Market,
New Delhi – 110003.’”
2. The gist of the book duly signed by the author may also be enclosed.

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Ordered that a copy of this resolution be communicated to all the State Governments, Administrations of Union Territories, all Ministries and Deptts. of the Govt. of India, President Secretariat, Prime Minister Office, Cabinet Secretariat, Planning Commission, Comptroller and Auditor General of India, Lok Sabha Secretariat and Rajya Sabha Secretariat.

Ordered also that the resolution be published in the Gazette of India for public information.

(M.L. Gupta)
Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India

To,
The Manager,
Govt. of India Press,
Faridabad (Haryana).