D. O. No. I-12012/2/2019-NPYAD

Dated the 26th May, 2020

Dear Sir/Madam,

National Youth Award (NYA) are conferred upon young men and women and voluntary organizations every year in recognition of their outstanding work in the field of national development and social service. The fields of activities in the course of youth development work are Health, Research and Innovation, Culture, Promotion of Human Rights, Art and Literature, Tourism, Traditional Medicines, Active Citizenship, Community Service, Sports and Academic excellence & Smart learning.

The nominations for NYA 2017-18 and NYA 2018-19 are being called for through MyGov portal from 27.05.2020 to 26.6.2020. The link of the portal for the two awards respectively are:
https://innovate.mygov.in/national-youth-awards-2018/
https://innovate.mygov.in/national-youth-award-2019/

The guidelines of NYA are enclosed for your reference. In this regard, you are requested to give wide publicity in r/o inviting of nominations for NYA while mentioning that the applications received through any mode other than MyGov portal will not be considered. You may also issue recommendation letters in favour of eligible individual/organizations for NYA 2017-18 and NYA 2018-19 separately so that they may also upload the same while applying for the award online.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Jeetendar Chadha)

To,

The Secretary of all States/UTs
(As per list Attached)
7. NATIONAL YOUTH AWARD:

7.1 Objectives of the award:

a. To motivate young persons (aged between 15 – 29 years) to achieve excellence in the field of national development or social service.
b. To encourage young people to develop a sense of responsibility to the community and thus to improve their own personal potential as good citizens.
c. To give recognition to the outstanding work done by voluntary organizations working with the youth for national development and / or social service.

7.2 Description of the award:

a. The award shall be given for identifiable excellent work for youth in different fields of development activities and social service such as health, research and innovation, culture, promotion of human rights, art and literature, tourism, traditional medicine, active citizenship, community service, sports and academic excellence & smart learning.
b. The number of awards given each year would ordinarily not exceed 25. It may, however, vary at the discretion of the sanctioning authority in deserving case.
c. Up to ten youth organization award would be given to voluntary organizations engaged in involvement of youth in various programmes of national development as indicated in 7.2a.
d. Award to individuals will comprise a medal, a certificate and Rs. 50,000/- cash. Award to voluntary youth organizations will comprise a medal, a certificate and Rs. 2,00,000/- cash. The individuals will receive the prizes in their traditional attire.

7.3 Conditions of Eligibility:

7.3.1 For individuals:

a. He/She must be a citizen of India.
b. He/She should be between the ages of 15 – 29 years as on 1st January of the current year at the time of nomination.
c. He/She should have done extra-ordinary identifiable social work.
d. The award will be conferred once in a lifetime.
e. Persons employed in any government service i.e. with the Central/State Governments, PSUs/Universities, Colleges/Schools, etc. are not eligible for the award.

7.3.2 For Voluntary Organizations:

a. Be registered under the Registration of Societies Act, 1860 (Act XXII of 1860) for the last three years or under corresponding State Act and have proper constitution or Articles of Association;
b. Have a properly constituted managing body with its powers and duties clearly defined
in its constitution;
c. Be in a position to secure involvement on a voluntary basis, of knowledgeable persons for furtherance of its programmes;
d. Should be a non-profit organization;
e. Should not have discriminated against any person or group of persons on the ground of sex, religion, caste or creed;
f. Have rendered extra-ordinary service involving the Youth in the relevant field for at least three years;
g. Have a good reputation among the local community/area; and
h. Should not have been conferred with this award earlier.

7.4 Submission of Proposals:

a. The formats of application for National Youth Awards are given at Appendix-2 and Appendix-3 to these guidelines.
b. Universities / Colleges, local developmental departments, voluntary agencies, private bodies, public sector undertakings, Nehru Yuva Kendra, National Service Scheme, etc. and the individual himself can submit their recommendation to the respective Secretary in the State Govt./Union Territory Administration who will forward the recommendation to the Ministry within clear 30 days of advertisement.
c. The Selection Committee will be vested with powers to select suo-moto any candidate for being considered for the award.
d. Individuals or organizations may also apply directly to the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports if their application is recommended by the Head of the Institution (School/College/University)/Sub-Division Magistrate/District Magistrate/District Collector of the area/district or any officer not below the rank of Deputy Secretary in the Government of India.
e. Nomination along with supporting documents must be sent in the prescribed format, either in Hindi or English only. Nominations received in other language will not be entertained.

7.5 Selection of Awardees:

7.5.1 Screening Committee: Six member Committee under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary, Department of Youth Affairs, Government of India will screen all the applications and propose the names of the awardees thrice the number of awards to be given.

7.5.2 Selection Committee: Eight member Central Selection Committee headed by Secretary, Department of Youth Affairs, Government of India will scrutinize all the recommendations of the Screening Committee and make the final selection of the Youth Awards. The Central Selection Committee will also have powers to consider any other case based on the merits.
7.6 **Presentation of the Award:** Presentation of the award shall be made at a special ceremony on a convenient date and time to be announced every year.

a. The awardees shall be invited to receive the award in persons.
b. The awardees would be given TA / DA by AC 2-tier return rail fare and arrangements for their stay would be made by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports. Differently abled awardees are entitled to travel along with an escort. Escorts will also be given TA/DA at par with the awardees.
c. Awardees from Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep, North-Eastern region (including Sikkim) and Jammu & Kashmir may be allowed air fare on both ways to the nearest airport of the venue of the award.

7.7 **General:** The Government of India, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports is competent to amend this code at its discretion without any prior notice whatsoever.

a. Necessary funds for the awards and for all expenses incidental thereto as approved by the Government shall be provided by Government of India, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.
b. In case of any dispute, the decision of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports will be final and binding on all concerned.
c. The secretariat for the award shall be provided by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.
APPLICATION FORMAT FOR NATIONAL YOUTH AWARDS (INDIVIDUAL)

1. Name (in block letters): Photograph*
   (Also in Devnagri Script):
2. Sex (Male / Female):
3. Father’s Name:
4. Date of Birth (in words & figures):
5. Address
   (a) Contact Address:
   (b) Permanent Address:
   (c) E-mail:
   (d) Telephone/Mobile No.:
6. Occupation:
7. Educational Qualifications:
8. Field of Activity:
9. Outstanding work done during the last 3 years for which award is to be given.
   (Please add a duly signed in brief note on a separate sheet in about 350 words, under the heading “My Outstanding Work” indicating the concrete work done and its impact on the community)
10. Supporting Documents for your Outstanding Work.
11. Area of Work and Beneficiaries.
12. Impact on Society indicating geographical area.
13. Details of any other Awards if received.
14. Name, address and telephone/mobile number of two eminent personalities from your area who recognizes the work done by you for the community.
15. Whether convicted by any court of law or any case is pending in any court?
16. Future plan for marking further improvement in the relevant area of work.

Signature of Applicant
Date
RECOMMENDATION

The applicant is known to me since _______ years and I certify the particulars given above as correct. The individual is eligible for the National Youth Award and I recommend him for the same.

Signature

Name and Designation

Date:

Seal/Stamp

*Proposals to be considered should be accompanied by 3 passport size photographs of the candidates and also by adequate evidence in support of them.

**The recommending authority is solely responsible for the declaration made by the applicant.
RECOMMENDATION OF THE STATE LEVEL SELECTION COMMITTEE

Order of merit in the State given to the applicant by SLSC:

(Signature of the Chairperson)
of the State Level SelectionCommittee with Office Seal, CompletePostal Address and Telephone Number)

Place:
Date:

N.B:

*Incomplete applications will not be considered for the National Youth Award.
* 3 passport size photographs of the candidate should be enclosed.
APPLICATION FORMAT FOR NATIONAL YOUTH AWARDS (ORGANISATION)

1. NAME OF THE ORGANISATION
   (Both in English and Devnagari Script)

2. ADDRESS IN FULL
   Please also indicate pin code, Tel. No. /Fax. No. / Mob. No)

3. REGISTRATION NUMBER AND DATE OF REGISTRATION
   (Please enclose a certified copy of Registration Certificate in English or Hindi)

4. NAMES AND AGE OF THE EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

5. FIELDS OF ACTIVITY

6. OUTSTANDING WORK DONE DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR FOR WHICH THE AWARD IS TO BE GIVEN.
   (Please add a brief note running into 350 words indicating the concrete work done and its impact on the community)

7. PLEASE INDICATE HOW THE WORK INDICATED IN COL. 6. ABOVE IS MEASURABLE/ VERIFIABLE IN QUANTITATIVE TERMS.

8. WHETHER THE WORK DONE WAS WITH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM CENTRAL GOVERNMENT, STATE GOVERNMENT OR ANY OTHER SOURCE OR PURELY VOLUNTARY. IF DONE WITH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, PLEASE INDICATE THE EXTENT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE RECEIVED FROM VARIOUS SOURCES

9. WAS THE WORK DONE IN A RURAL AREA / URBAN SLUMS?

10. GENERAL REPUTATION OF THE VOLUNTARY AGENCY AMONG THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.

11. THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE AGENCY WAS IN A POSITION TO INVOLVE COMMUNITY IN ITS WORK.

12. GENERAL ATTITUDE OF THE ORGANISATION TOWARDS WEAKER SECTIONS OF SOCIETY AND FOR POPULARISATION OF NATIONALLY ACCEPTED VALUES LIKE NATIONAL INTEGRATION, DEMOCRACY, SOCIALISM, ETC. (Please indicate two verifiable instances).
13. THE FUTURE PLAN OF THE ORGANISATION FOR MAKING FURTHER IMPROVEMENT IN THE RELEVANT AREA OF WORK.

14. WAS THE AGENCY GIVEN ANY AWARD AT THE STATE/UT LEVEL IN RECOGNITION OF THE SERVICES RENDERED? IF SO, PLEASE GIVE DETAILS.

Signature of Head of Organization
Name

Date:
RECOMMENDATION

I am aware about the activities of this organization since years and I certify the particulars given above as correct. The voluntary organization is eligible for the National Youth Award and I recommend it for the same.

Signature

Name and Designation

Date:

Seal/Stamp

**The recommending authority is solely responsible for the declaration made by the applicant.**
RECOMMENDATION OF THE STATE LEVEL SELECTION COMMITTEE

ORDER OF MERIT IN THE STATE GIVEN TO THE ORGANISATION BY SLSC:

(Signature of the Chairperson)
of the State Level SelectionCommittee with Office Seal, CompletePostal Address and Telephone Number)

Place:
Date:

N.B:
*Incomplete applications will not be considered for the National Youth Award.
  • 3 passport size photographs of the Chief Executive and one Member, who will be receiving award if selected, should be enclosed.