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Government of India

Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Higher Education

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi,
Dated the 23rd April, 2017

To

- 1) All Secretaries of Government of India.
- 2) The Chief Secretaries of all State Governments/UTs.
- 3) The Education Secretaries of all the State Governments/UTs.
- 4) The Vice Chancellors of all India Universities/ Deemed to be Universities.
- 5) All Awardees of Certificate of Honour.
- 6) All state Universities in A.P. , Karnataka, Kerala and Odisha.

Subject : The Presidential Award of Certificate of Honour to Sanskrit, Pali, Prakrit, Arabic, Persian, Classical Oriya, Classical Kannada, Classical Telugu and Classical Malayalam Scholars and Maharshi Badrayan Vyas Samman for young scholars in the same fields – **Recommendations for the year 2017.**

Sir,

A scheme for the Award of the Certificates of Honours was introduced in the year 1958 to honour the scholars of Sanskrit, Arabic and Persian Languages. The scheme was extended to cover Pali/Prakrit in year 1996. Certificate of Honour is awarded to Scholars of eminence over 60 years of age with outstanding contribution in the field of Sanskrit, Arabic, Persian or Pali/Prakrit. This scheme envisages a onetime monetary grant of Rs.5,00,000/- to the Scholars. This Scheme included one award of Certificate of Honour to one Scholar of either of Pali or Prakrit for a year. In addition to this, the Scheme also provides for Maharshi Badrayan Vyas Samman for young scholars in the age group of 30 to 45 years in the field of Sanskrit, Pali/Prakrit, Arabic and Persian This award carries an amount of Rs.1.00 lakh as one-time payment to each Awardee along with a Sanad and a shawl, which is presented by Hon'ble President of India. However, from the year 2016, it has been decided to give separate awards to scholars of Pali & Prakrit (one each) both under Category of Certificate of Honour & Maharshi Badrayan Vyas Samman.

2. In addition to this, 32 more awards in Four Classical Languages (8 each) namely Classical Oriya, Classical Kannada, Classical Telugu and Classical Malayalam are introduced from this year onwards with the approval of Ministry of Home Affairs (the Nodal Ministry). This proposal has also received approval of Hon'ble Prime Minister and the Hon'ble President of India.

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