NOTIFICATION

Government of Goa is pleased to institute the “RAKSHAK PURASKARS” Award from the year 2015 onwards and present on the Independence day i.e. 15th August each year and the same is hereby published for general information of the public.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa

Sd/-
Deepali D. Naik
Director, Women and Child Development & Ex Officio Jt. Secretary to Govt.

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“RAKSHAK PURASKARS” AWARD

The Department of Women and Child Development, Government of Goa, Panaji-Goa has instituted the “RAKSHAK PURASKARS” award to be conferred from the year 2015 onwards and presented on the Independence Day i.e. 15th August each year to persons who have shown exceptional courage, especially in adverse circumstances in coming to aid, protecting or helping beyond the call of duty and assisting in dealing with the victims of any type of violence, attack or harassment against women and girls in the State of Goa.

The “RAKSHAK PURASKARS” award shall consist of a cash prize of Rs.20,000/- and a scroll/citation each. The Award shall be given to only two persons each year from the year 2015.

1. Background and Objective:

The “RAKSHAK PURASKARS” Award will be conferred from the year 2015 onwards and presented on the Independence Day i.e. 15th August to only two persons every year who have shown exceptional courage, especially in adverse circumstances in coming to aid, protecting or helping beyond the call of duty in dealing with the victims of any type of violence, attack or harassment against women and girls at home, in the workplace and everywhere in the public domain. It aims to spread the message to encourage and motivate all to bestow respect and dignity to women in society in the State of Goa.

2. Eligibility Criteria

i). Any person who has shown exceptional courage, especially in adverse circumstances or otherwise in coming to aid, protecting or helping beyond the call of duty the victims or in dealing with the victims of any type of violence, attack or harassment against women and girls at home, in the workplace and everywhere in the public domain and has shown their respect and dignity to women in society in the State of Goa.
ii) Any person shall also include a person from any walk of life, whether they are police officers, doctors, lawyers, public prosecutors, social workers, teachers, tourist guides, lifeguards, bus, taxi or auto drivers, etc.

iii) A person who applies for the award should be a resident of Goa for the last 5 years as on 1st January of the respective year or have worked in the State for at least two years shall be considered.

iv) He or she should not receive any other award in the same field during the same year.

v) A person should be above 25 years of age as on 1st January of the respective year.

3. **Mode of Award**
   i) The scroll/citation will be presented at the award ceremony at the State level function organized on Independence Day, 15th August by the State Government.
   ii) The cash award will be paid to the awardees through electronic transfer in their bank accounts immediately after 15th August of the year.

4. **The Composition of the State level Selection Committee shall be as under:-**

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The State level Selection Committee shall finalise two names for the award in order of merits and complete the process of the entire award within the time frame in the Award. The Selection Committee's decision shall be final.

In case, the said selection committee does not find any suitable applicant worth giving award, then no award shall be considered.
5. **Time lines for the awards are as follows:-**

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<td>Communication to the selected awardees and confirmation of the names, details and bank account details (i.e name of the Bank, Branch, Account\textsuperscript{P} number, and IFSC code) and submission of names to the Protocol Department.</td>
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<td>Presentation of the Award</td>
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6. **Mode of application:**

The Department shall release an advertisement containing the eligibility criteria and the areas of Award in the leading newspapers and on Department website inviting applications from eligible persons in the prescribed format within the time framed.

The Department shall receive applications in soft copy (CD- in word format) and hard print from the eligible applicants in the Directorate of Women & Child Development, Panaji - Goa within the time frame. The applications received after the expiry period of the time frame shall not be considered for the award.

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Prescribed Application format for "Rakshak Puraskars" Award

Application for the year, 20___.

To,
The Director,
Directorate of Women & Child Development,
Old Education Bldg, 2nd Floor,
18th June Road,
Panaji- Goa.403 001.

Date:________________

Sub:- Application for "Rakshak Puraskars" Award

1. Name ( in block letters) -
2. Date of Birth -
3. Father's/Mother's name -
4. Contact details:-
   Landline No. -
   Mobile No. -
   E-mail address -
5. Detailed Address -
6. Bank Account number, Name of the Bank, Bank branch and IFSC code -
7. Institution/organisation/Department with which the Individual is working/connected and the capacity in which working. -
8. A brief life sketch of the individual including, age, qualification, etc. - Please enclosed separately in prescribed format as Annexure- A
9. Details of performance/work of the individual giving the details of location, date, time, impact and outcome -
10. How is the performance of the individual adjudged as outstanding. -
11. Press clippings/Certificates/appreciation received, photographs, if any -
12. Award received so far, with details -
13. References from two persons who are aware of your work -

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Applicant's Signature

Date:--
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