## PRESS NOTE

## **"VEERJYOTI PURASKARS"**

The State Government has instituted the "Veerjyoti Puraskars" to be presented on the Republic Day i.e. 26<sup>th</sup> January each year to only two persons every year to encourage and motivate all to bestow respect and dignity to women in society in the State of Goa.

## **Eligibility Criteria**

- i) Any person who has shown exceptional bravery and courage, especially in adverse circumstances against any type of atrocities, violence and/ or harassment against them or against any other women or girl at home, in the workplace and everywhere in the public domain and who has fought for their respect and dignity in society in the State of Goa.
- ii) Any woman or girl from any walk of life.
- iii) Any woman or girl who is a resident of Goa for the last 5 years as on 01/01/2017.
- iv) Should not receive any other award for the same purpose.

The details are available on the website <u>www.dwcd.goa.gov.in</u> of the **Directorate of Women & Child Dev., Panaji – Goa**