

Revised Guidelines for Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award

OBJECTIVES

1. To recognize the achievements of persons in the fields of adventure.
2. To encourage young people to develop the spirit of endurance, risk-taking, cooperative teamwork and quick, ready and effective reflexes in challenging situations.
3. To provide incentive to the young people for getting exposed to the adventure activities.

CATEGORIES

1. Awards can be given in four categories namely, Land Adventure, Water (Sea) Adventure, Air Adventure and Life Time Achievement for adventure activities on Land, Sea and Air.
2. Ordinarily not more than one Award will be made in each category.
3. The Ministry may increase the number of awards in a particular year for specific reasons recorded in writing and with the approval of the Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports.

ELIGIBILITY

A person should have excellent performance and have outstanding qualities of leadership, a sense of adventure discipline and have continuous achievement in one particular field of adventure viz. Land, Air or Water (Sea).

RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS

1. Entries for the Awards will be received in a pro-forma Annexed to these guidelines as **Appendix-4**, giving the past performances of the persons recommended in general and for the year of the Award in particular within such date as is specified on year to year basis. The last date of entry may be relaxed at the discretion of the Government of India in exceptional cases.
2. Candidates applying for the award may get their applications recommended by the Youth/Sports Department of the State Government concerned, or a recognized adventure institute like Indian Mountaineering Foundation for Land Adventure, National Institute of Water Sports for Water (Sea) Adventure and Aero Club of India for Air Adventure or by the Adventure Promotion Cell of the Army/Navy/Air Force or Indo-Tibetan Border Police or similar other para- military forces.
3. All nominations in respect of serving personnel of Army/Navy/Air Force should be recommended by their respective Adventure Cell/Directorate.

4. The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports can also nominate any person on its own or seek nominations from such other organisations/agencies as are deemed fit, for this award.
5. The Ministry will receive the applications/ nominations for the award through online portal, the link for which will be provided on the website of the Ministry at the time of calling for the nominations.

SCRUTINY

1. All the nominations received in the Ministry will be sent categories-wise to the three apex bodies namely, Indian Mountaineering Foundation, National Institute of Water Sports and Aero Club of India as defined in the NPYAD Scheme guideline for verifying achievements in Land, Water (Sea) and Air respectively. Upon which they will confirm from official records the achievements/performance of all nominated persons within a maximum period of one month of receipt of the nominations from the Ministry.
2. For the first three categories, achievements of the last three calendar years will be taken into consideration.

COMMITTEE

1. Government of India will set up a National Selection Committee to be headed by Secretary (Youth Affairs) to scrutinize all the entries received for the award and submit its recommendations for the approval of MoS (IC), Youth Affairs and Sports. The composition of the committee will be as under:
 - (i) Secretary (Youth Affairs) – Chairperson
 - (ii) Joint Secretary (Youth Affairs) – Member Secretary
 - (iii) Representative from the field of Land adventure – Member
 - (iv) Representative from the field of Water (Sea) adventure - Member
 - (v) Representative from the field of Air adventure - Member
2. Members for the Committee will be nominated each year by MoS (IC), Youth Affairs and Sports. MoS (IC) may nominate more members pertaining to some particular field of adventure if the number of applications received is high.

PROCEDURE FOR SELECTION

1. The applications will be first scrutinized at Division level. Ineligible applications will be discarded at this level.
2. The eligible applications will be placed before the Committee.
3. The Committee will discuss the achievements of all the applicants and will recommend the suitable candidates for the award.
4. The decision of the Government of India in respect of the Award will be final.

GENERAL

1. The award will consist of a bronze statuette, a certificate, a blazer with a silken tie/a saree and an award money of Rs. 5 Lakh.
2. The Status of the Award will be same as Arjuna Awards conferred in the field of Sports by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.
3. The Awards will be presented to the winners along with Arjuna Awards by the Government of India.
4. The Awardees will be reimbursed to and fro air fare (economy class) and such other fare of conveyance as relevant in the journey through shortest route from his/her place of stay to the place of award ceremony and back subject to production of original boarding passes/ Tickets etc. along with duly filled in proforma. Awardees would be given reimbursement for AC 1-tier rail journey, if opted.
5. Awardees will also be provided free boarding and lodging in a suitable place for the award ceremony.
6. One companion with each lady and physically handicapped awardee will be provided with same travelling and boarding/lodging facilities as that of the awardee herself/himself.
7. Canvassing in any form in respect of any entry will render that entry liable to be disqualified.
8. No award will be conferred for a second time to the same person under same category.
9. The award may be given posthumously if such an occasion arises.
10. Government of India may cancel or annul the award to any person under circumstances which, in the opinion of the Government, might render such person unworthy of the award and thereupon, the recipient shall be required to surrender the statuette and the award money. However, the Government of India may restore the award if it decides to withdraw the cancellation or annulment.
11. The decision of the Government of India in respect of interpretation of these rules shall be final and no appeal shall lie against it.
12. A person who is recommended for the Award shall be deemed to have accepted these Rules.

APPLICATION FORMAT FOR TENZING NORGAY NATIONAL ADVENTURE AWARDS

1. Name (in block letters in English as well as in Devanagari Script):
2. Sex (Male/Female):
3. Father's Name:
4. Date of Birth (in Words & Figures):
5. Contact Details:
 - (a) Mailing Address (including PIN Code):
 - (b) Permanent Address:
 - (c) Telephone/ Mobile Number (s):
 - (d) E-Mail ID:
6. Aadhaar No. (Optional):
7. Bank Details (Enclose Original Mandate Form duly authorized by the bank):
8. Occupation:
9. Educational Qualifications:
10. Details of achievements in the field of adventure for the last three calendar years in general and the year for which application is forwarded in particular with documentary proof:
11. Details of award(s) received in the past:
12. Whether convicted by any court of law and if so, the result thereof:
13. Future plans:

(Signature of the Applicant)

Place:

Date:

Information to be furnished by the Recommending Authority

14. His/her reputation in the locality of residence:
15. Special justification if any for recommendation:
16. Any other information relevant to the proposal:
17. Overall assessment of the person recommended:
18. Remarks, if any:

(Signature)

with office Seal of the Recommending Authority

Place:

Date: