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केन्द्रीय उत्पाद शुल्क, सीमा शुल्क एवं सेवाकर के मुख्य आयुक्त का कार्यालय, हैदराबाद
**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF CENTRAL EXCISE, CUSTOMS &
SERVICE TAX, HYDERABAD ZONE**

केन्द्रीय उत्पाद शुल्क भवन, लाल बहादुर स्टेडियम रोड, बशीरबाग, हैदराबाद - 500 004
**KENDRIYA UTPAD SHULK BHAVAN, L.B. STADIUM ROAD, BASHEERBAGH,
HYDERABAD - 500 004.**

C.No.I/22/07/2016-Admn.CC (HZ)

Dated: 06.06.2017

To
The Principal Commissioner,
Hyderabad- I/Service Tax/Customs Commissionerate,
Hyderabad.

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The Commissioner,
Appeals (Central Excise)/Appeals (Service Tax)
Hyderabad-II/III/IV/Audit Commissionerate,
Hyderabad.

Sir,

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Sub:-Padma Awards to be announced on the occasion of the Republic Day, 2018- Recommendation for Padma Awards namely Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan and Padma Shri- reference from Ministry of Home Affairs -Regarding

Please find enclosed herewith Board's Letter File No. 296/105/2017-Cx.9 dated 22.05.2017 received from Under Secretary to the Government of India, CBEC, New Delhi on the above subject for information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: As above

डा. आर.के. रेड्डी

(A.R.K. Reddy)
Assistant Commissioner (CCO)

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File No. 296/105/2017-CX.9
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Revenue
Central Board of Excise & Customs



To,
All Chief Commissioners/
Director Generals in CBEC.

Subject: Padma Awards to be announced on the occasion of the Republic Day, 2018- Recommendations for Padma Awards namely Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan and Padma Shri- reference from Ministry of Home Affairs-reg.

Sir,

I am directed to forward a copy of OM. No. O-22012/06/2015-Coord. dated 12th May, 2017 alongwith enclosures received from Coordination Section on subject noted above for information and necessary action.

2. It is requested that the information, if any, in this regard may kindly be forwarded to this Board immediately.

Yours faithfully,

(V. Ganesh Kumar)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel: No. 23092413

Encl: As above

Copy for information & similar action to all Joint Secretaries / Commissioners in CBEC.

Off. Commissioner (Coord)/CBEC
Dy. File No. 1543/201
Date 15/5
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F. No. O-22012/6/2015-Coord.
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Revenue

New Delhi, the 12th May, 2017

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- "Padma Awards" to be announced on the occasion of the Republic Day, 2018 – Recommendations for Padma Awards namely Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan and Padma Shri – reference from Ministry of Home Affairs.

The undersigned is directed to enclose a copy of D.O. letter No. 1/04/2017-Public dated 28th April, 2017 addressed to Secretary (Revenue) received from Ministry of Home Affairs (Public Section), on the aforesaid subject.

2. It is requested that nominations/recommendations if any for the above mentioned Padma series of award in respect of officers/officials working under your organization/directorate/division, may kindly be submitted online (address of the website: www.padmaawards.gov.in) with approval of competent authority by 15th September, 2017.

Encl: As Above

Narendra Kumar
12/5/17
(Narendra Kumar)
Under Secretary (Coord)
Telefax No: 23095539

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2. Chairperson (CBEC)
3. Director, Enforcement Directorate
4. DG, CEIB
5. Director, FIU-IND
6. DS (Hqrs), Revenue Hqrs
7. Director (NC), Revenue Hqrs
8. Deputy Secretary (Admn), Revenue Hqrs

Copy to :

1. Commissioner (Coord. & system), CBDT
2. Commissioner (Coord.), CBEA

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Satpal Chouhan
Economic Advisor
Tel.: 011-2309 3178



D.O. No. 1/04/2017-Public
भारत सरकार
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
गृह मंत्रालय
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
NORTH BLOCK
NEW DELHI - 110001



April 28, 2017

Dear Sir,

The Padma Awards, namely, Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan and Padma Shri, are amongst the highest civilian awards of the country. Instituted in 1954, these awards are announced on the occasion of the Republic Day every year. The award seeks to recognize 'work of distinction' and is given for distinguished and exceptional achievements/service in all fields/disciplines, such as, Art, Literature and Education, Sports, Medicine, Social Work, Science and Engineering, Public Affairs, Civil Service, Trade and Industry etc. All persons without distinction of race, occupation, position or sex are eligible for these Awards. A copy of the statutes and rules relating to these awards is available on MHA's web-site www.padmaawards.gov.in.

2. It is the conventional practice to invite nominations for these awards from all Ministries/ Departments of the Government of India as also from several other sources to enable broad-based consideration.

3. It has been decided with approval of competent authority that the nominations/recommendations for the Padma Awards will be received online only on an electronic management system designed by MHA. (address of the website: www.padmaawards.gov.in.) The nominations/recommendations should contain all relevant details specified in the format available on the above said website, including a citation in narrative form (maximum 800 words), clearly bringing out the distinguished and exceptional achievements/service of the person recommended in his/ her respective field/discipline. While recommending a person online please make sure that all the necessary details are filled properly. Details relating to the steps to be taken for making online recommendations are available on the MHA's web-site www.padmaawards.gov.in.

4. It has been observed in the past that while nominations are received in respect of a large number of persons, there could, however, be several talented persons who are left out of consideration despite exceptional contribution in their field. Often many of these persons may get overlooked primarily for the reason that they may not seek publicity or attention in the public domain. It is, therefore, requested to make concerted efforts in identifying such persons whose excellence and achievements really deserve to be recognized, and make suitable nominations in their favour. It goes without saying that recognition of such deserving persons will only add to the lustre of these awards.

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All forward to subordinate (attached) agencies for taking further n.a.
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5. In the above background, I request you to kindly send suitable nominations for the Padma Awards to be announced on the occasion of Republic Day, 2018. While finalizing the recommendations, the following points may be kept in view:-

- (i) Persons recommended are pre-eminently worthy of the awards, looking at their life-time achievements. The criteria for selection should invariably be 'excellence plus' and the highest standards should be applied while recommending persons for these awards. The existence of an element of public service in the achievements of the person recommended for the award would be a desirable factor.
- (ii) As the Padma Award is the second highest award of the country, it should be considered whether the recommended person has earlier been given any National award or at least a State award in his respective field.
- (iii) Efforts may be made to identify talented persons from amongst women, weaker sections of the society, SCs & STs, handicapped persons; etc., who deserve to be considered for the award.
- (iv) The decoration is normally not conferred posthumously. However, in highly deserving cases, Government could consider giving an award posthumously if the demise of the person proposed to be honoured has been recent, say within a period of one year preceding the Republic Day on which it is proposed to announce the award.
- (v) A higher category of Padma Award can be considered in respect of a person who has earlier been conferred an award, provided a period of at least five years has elapsed. However, in exceptionally deserving cases, a relaxation can be considered.
- (vi) Government servants including those working with PSUs, except Doctors and Scientists, are not eligible for Padma Awards.

6. The online nominations/recommendations for the Padma Awards will begin from May 1, 2017 and the last date for nominations for Padma Awards is September 15, 2017. The cut-off date may please be strictly adhered to, as nominations/recommendations received only during 1st May, 2017 to 15th September, 2017 will be considered. **It may also be noted that the nominations / recommendations received through online mode (www.padmaawards.gov.in) only will be considered.**

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


28/4/17
(Satpal Chouhan)

Shri Hasmukh Adhia
Secretary,
Department of Revenue,
Ministry of Finance,
North Block,
New Delhi.