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Government of India  
Ministry of Culture

Central Secretariat Library, Second Floor,  
Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001,  
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**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Award Scheme for Original Book Writing in Hindi on Culture.**

Books on Indian culture, its ancient heritage, religion, philosophy, art etc. published from 01.01.2013 to 31/12/2013 i.e. calendar year 2013 and 01/01/2014 to 31/12/2014 i.e. calendar year 2014 are invited for the under mentioned award scheme of Ministry of culture.

**1. Award for Original Book Writing in Hindi on Culture.**

**Eligibility/Conditions :**

- (i) The author must be a working/retired officer/employee of the Ministries/ Departments of Central Government/their attached/subordinate offices, Public Sector Undertakings, Nationalised Banks/Financial and Autonomous Bodies, Central Universities/Training Institutes owned or controlled by the Central Government.
- (ii) Author should send his/her entry with the attestation and recommendations of the head of department/last department.

**Awards :** The following awards will be given under the scheme :-

First Prize	-	Rs. 60,000/- a Certificate and a Memento
Second Prize	-	Rs. 45,000/- a Certificate and a Memento
Third Prize	-	Rs. 30,000/- a Certificate and a Memento
Consolation Prize (Four)	-	Rs. 10,000/- a Certificate and a Memento (To every awardee)

**2. Common terms and conditions for the above scheme :**

- (i) In case of authors being more than one, each co-author must fill the proforma separately.
- (ii) Under the scheme only those books in Hindi which are original work of the author are accepted. Translated books are not accepted.

- (iii) The books awarded previously by any government organization will not be eligible. Ministry of Culture must be informed immediately if the book is awarded under any other award scheme before the declaration of awards under the subject scheme.
- (iv) Under the scheme, books published from 01/01/2013 to 31/12/2013 and 01/01/2014 to 31/12/2014 are acceptable.
- (v) The book should be an analytical review of the subject it deals with. Books written in the form of thesis for Ph.D., poems, novel, story, play etc. or text books are not eligible.
- (vi) The author will be responsible for facts and figures given in the book and must give references wherever possible as proof.
- (vii) If a person has received a prize under the scheme during the preceding three years, his/her book shall not be considered. However, co-author if any, is eligible.
- (viii) The book should contain at least 100 pages.
- (ix) If the Evaluation Committee arrives at the conclusion that none of the books, received as entries, is suitable for the award, its decision in this regard will be considered as final.
- (x) In case, a book selected for the award has more than one author, award money will be divided equally among them.

### **3. Procedure for Sending the entries:**

- (i) The author should send his/her entry/entries along with proforma given at Annexure without which no entry will be entertained.
- (ii) Three copies of the book be sent invariably with each entry. The books will not be returned.
- (iii) All entries in respect of calendar year 2013 and 2014 must reach this Ministry latest by **30<sup>th</sup> June 2015**. Entries received after the prescribed date shall not be entertained.

### **4. Evaluation Procedure of Books :**

Books will be evaluated by a committee of renowned scholars/experts on the criteria prescribed by Ministry of Culture.

### **5. Declaration and distribution of awards :**

- (i) Decision regarding the award will be intimated through a letter to all the awardees and will also be placed on the Ministry's Website.
- (ii) Awards will be distributed on the date fixed by the Ministry of culture.

### **6. General :**

- (i) No correspondence regarding conferment of the award or procedure for evaluation of a book for the award will be entertained.
- (ii) Awardees coming from places other than the place fixed for distribution of awards will get 2<sup>nd</sup> A.C. rail fare for to and fro and daily allowance for stay as per

rules of the Govt. of India. Arrangement for lodging is to be done at own expenses.

- (iii) Information about this scheme is also available on our website [www.indiaculture.nic.in](http://www.indiaculture.nic.in)

**7. Entries may be sent at the following address :**

Director (OL)  
Ministry of Culture  
Central Secretarial Library  
Ground Floor  
Shastri Bhawan  
New Delhi- 110001  
Telephone : 011- 23383032

  
(Ved Prakash Gaud)  
Director (OL)

Copy to:

1. President's Secretariat/Vice President's Secretariat/Lok Sabha Secretariat/Rajya Sabha Secretariat/PMO/Cabinet Secretariat/Election Commission, New Delhi.
2. All Ministries/Departments of Government of India – It is requested that this scheme may be brought to the notice of their attached and subordinate offices.
3. Director, Public Relations (Ministry of Information and Broadcasting), Press Information Bureau, New Delhi with the request that the scheme may be duly circulated in the press and electronic media.
4. University Grants Commission, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi.
5. The Committee of Parliament on Official Language, 11, Teen Murti Marg, New Delhi.
6. NIC, Ministry of Culture with the request that the said Office Memorandum may be uploaded on Ministry's website.
7. Attached/Subordinate offices and Autonomous organisations of Ministry of Culture with the request that the OM may be brought to the notice of all offices owned or controlled by the Central Government located in their regions.

  
(Ved Prakash Gaur)  
Director (OL)



PROFORMA

**AWARD FOR WRITING ORIGINAL BOOK IN HINDI ON CULTURE - YEAR 2013 AND 2014**  
(For each calendar year i.e. 2013 and 2014, the proforma would be filled separately)

1. Title of the book .....
2. (i) Name of the Author/Co-author .....  
(ii) Full Address (with pin code) .....  
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(iii) Telephone No. .... Fax No. ....  
(iv) Mobile Phone No. ....  
(v) E-mail .....
3. (i) Name of the publisher .....  
(ii) Full Address of the publisher .....  
(iii) Year of Publishing .....
4. Had the book been awarded by any Government organization previously? If yes, please give full details thereof .....  
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5. I Certify that  
(i) I ..... son/daughter of .....am  
an Indian Citizen.  
(ii) I am working in/ retired from the office ..... of  
central government or under the central government.  
(iii) The book has been written originally in Hindi by me/us.  
(iv) The copyright of any other person is not violated by entering my book in this  
scheme and I am responsible for the facts and figures given in the book.

I promise to abide by the provisions of the regulations of the Award Scheme for original book writing in Hindi on culture.

Place :

Date:

Signature of Author/Co-author .....