

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1805**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2021/ SRAVANA 13, 1943 (SAKA)**

**BESTOWING BHARAT RATNA ON LATE SHRI BIJU PATNAIK**

**1805. SHRI SUJEET KUMAR:**

**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

**whether Government of India would consider bestowing Bharat Ratna on Late Shri Biju Patnaik?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
(SHRI NITYANAND RAI)**

**The decisions regarding award of Bharat Ratna are taken from time to time. No formal recommendations for this are necessary.**

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