

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3100**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 30TH MARCH, 2022/ CHAITRA 09, 1944 (SAKA)

AWARDS OFFERED UNDER RAJBHASHA

3100. SHRI SYED NASIR HUSSAIN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of schemes and awards offered under Rajbhasha;**
- (b) the details of significant outcomes achieved under the Scheme;**
- (c) whether there is a similar scheme run by Government for other languages recognized by the Indian Constitution; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI AJAY KUMAR MISHRA)**

(a) & (b): The details of awards schemes/incentive schemes being run by the Department of Official Language are given at Annexure-1. Steps have been taken by the Department of Official Language to promote Hindi in the Ministries/Departments of the Central Government. Hindi is being promoted in the Ministries/Departments through motivation, encouragement and technology. The above mentioned awards are being given by the Department of Official Language at the National/Regional/Individual level every year for those who do excellent work in Hindi, which motivates them to work in Official Language.

In accordance with the guidelines issued by the Department of Official Language in recent years, steady progress has been noticed in the use of Hindi in

the official work by the Ministries/Departments. The Annual Assessment Report pertaining to the compliance of the Annual Program is laid every year on the Table of both the Houses of Parliament.

(c) & (d): Yes Sir, The details of awards given under various schemes of Language Institutions are given at Annexure-2

Annexure-1 referred to Part (a) & (b) of Rajya Sabha unstarred Question no. 3100 for 30.03.2022.

1. Rajbhasha Kirti Awards Scheme

Under the Rajbhasha Kirti Award Scheme, every year shields are awarded to various Ministries/Departments, Public Sector Undertakings, Nationalised Banks, Boards/Autonomous Institution, Town Official Language Implementation Committees, House Magazines for their outstanding achievements in promoting the Official Language Policy of the Government, whose details are as follows:

Institution	Awards
Ministry/Department	Total 06 Awards
Public Sector Undertakings	Total 09 Awards
Nationalised Bank	Total 06 Awards
Boards/Autonomous Institution	Total 09 Awards
Town Official Language Implementation Committees	Total 06 Awards
In House Magazines	Total 06 Awards

2. Rajbhasha Gaurav Award Scheme

2.1 Rajbhasha Gaurav Original Book Writing Award Scheme (For Central Government Officials)

Under this scheme, awards are given for writing original books in Hindi to serving or retired personnel in the Central Government. The details of the award are as follows:

Award	Prize Money
First Prize	₹1,00,000, a Certificate and a memento
Second Prize	₹75,000, a Certificate and a memento
Third Prize	₹60,000, a Certificate and a memento

2.2 Rajbhasha Gaurav Original Book Writing Award Scheme (For Citizens of India)

Under this scheme, awards are given for writing original books in Hindi to the Citizens of India. The details of the awards are as follows:

Award	Prize Money
First Prize	₹2,00,000, a Certificate and a memento
Second Prize	₹1,25,000, a Certificate and a memento
Third Prize	₹75,000, a Certificate and a memento

2.3 Rajbhasha Gaurav Award Scheme for excellent articles published in journals and magazines by Central Government officials.

Under this scheme, awards are given to the officers/employees of the Central Government for excellent articles published in journals and magazines. Under this scheme, authors of excellent articles are given three awards in two categories – i.e. Hindi and Non Hindi, whose details are as follows:

For Hindi Authors

Award	Prize Money
First Prize	₹20,000, a Certificate and a memento
Second Prize	₹18,000, a Certificate and a memento
Third Prize	₹15,000, a Certificate and a memento

For Non- Hindi Authors

Award	Prize Money
First Prize	₹25,000, a Certificate and a memento
Second Prize	₹22,000, a Certificate and a memento
Third Prize	₹20,000, a Certificate and a memento

3. Rajbhasha Regional Awards Scheme.

Under the Rajbhasha Regional Award Scheme every year shields are awarded to various Central Government offices, subordinate offices of Nationalized Banks, Public Sector Undertakings and Town Official Language Implementation Committees for their outstanding achievements in promoting the Official Language Policy of the Government. These awards given in the East & North East Region (Kolkata/Guwahati), Middle and West Region (Bhopal/Mumbai), North-1 and North-2 Region (Delhi/Ghaziabad) and South & South West (Kocchi/Bengaluru). The total number of these awards given every year is 192.

4. Encouragement such as personal pay and incentives for employees of Central Government for passing examinations of Hindi teaching scheme.

4.1 **Personal Pay:** With a view to encouraging Central Govt. officers/ employees an incentive/Personal pay equivalent to one increment for 12 months is given on Hindi Language, Hindi Typewriting and Hindi Stenography Examination.

4.2 **Cash prizes:** The following Cash prizes are given to employees who pass Hindi Prabodh, Hindi Praveen, Hindi Pragya , Hindi Word Processing/ Hindi Typing and Hindi Stenography examinations with good marks-

(i) Prabodh

Marks Obtained	Award Money
For securing 70% or more marks	₹1600/-
For securing 60% or more marks but less than 70% marks	₹800/-
For securing 55% or more marks but less than 60% marks	₹400/-

(ii) Praveen

Marks Obtained	Award Money
For securing 70% or more marks	₹1800/-
For securing 60% or more marks but less than 70% marks	₹1200/-
For securing 55% or more marks but less than 60% marks	₹600/-

(iii) Pragya

Marks Obtained	Award Money
For securing 70% or more marks	₹2400/-
For securing 60% or more marks but less than 70% marks	₹1600/-
For securing 55% or more marks but less than 60% marks	₹800/-

(iv) Hindi word processing / Hindi typing

Marks Obtained	Award Money
For securing 97% or more marks	₹2400/-
For securing 95% or more but less than 97% marks	₹1600/-
For securing 90% or more but less than 95% marks	₹800/-

(v) Hindi Stenography

Marks Obtained	Award Money
For securing 95% or more marks	₹2400/-
For securing 92% or more but less than 95% marks	₹1600/-
For securing 88% or more but less than 92% marks	₹800/-

(vi) Lump sum amount given to those who pass Hindi Language, Hindi Word Processing/Hindi Typing, Hindi Stenography Examinations of Hindi Teaching Scheme with own efforts

Name of Examination passed	Award Money
Prabodh Examination of Hindi Teaching Scheme	₹1600/-
Praveen Examination of Hindi Teaching Scheme	₹1500/-
Pragya Examination of Hindi Teaching Scheme	₹2400/-
Hindi word Processing/Hindi Type writing Examination of Hindi Teaching Scheme	₹1600/-
Hindi Stenography Examination of Hindi Teaching Scheme	₹3000/-

5. Incentive schemes run by other Ministries/Departments

5.1 Incentives for Stenographers and Typist for doing official work in Hindi other than English

There is a provision to grant an incentive of Rs. 240/- and Rs 160/- per month for Stenographers and Hindi Typist who do their official work in Hindi other than English.

5.2 Incentive for doing official work (noting/drafting) originally in Hindi.

Prize	Award Money
First Prize (2 Prizes)	₹5000/- each
Second Prize (3 Prizes)	₹3000/- each
Third Prize (5 Prizes)	₹2000/- each

5.3 Under the practice based new course 'Parangat' there is provision of granting following incentive (award) for doing official work in Official Language Hindi to make Central Government Employees proficient.

	Marks Obtained	Lump sum amount
(a)	For securing 55% to 59% marks	₹4000/-
(b)	For securing 60% to 69% marks	₹7000/-
(c)	For securing more than 70% marks	₹10,000/-

5.4 Incentive Scheme for Dictation given in Hindi by Officers

A sum of Rs.5000/- per year is granted to officers for dictation given in Hindi.

Annexure-2 referred to Part (c) & (d) of Rajya Sabha unstarred Question no. 3100 for 30.03.2022.

Details of Awards given under various Schemes of Language Institutions

Name of Institute	Detail of Award	No. of Awards	Award Amount	Approving Authority
Central Hindi Directorate (CHD)	(i) Hinditar Bhasi Hindi Lekhak Purskar - writings in Hindi by non-hindi writers	19	Rs. 1 lakh	Education Minister
	(ii) Shiksha Purskar- original writing by writers on various subjects	5	Rs. 1 lakh	
Kendriya Hindi Sansthan (KHS)	Hindi Sevi Samman Yojana	26	Rs. 5 lakh	Education Minister
National Council for (Promotion of Sindhi Language (NCPSL)	(i) Sahityakar Samman Award	1	Rs. 5 lakh	Education Minister
	(ii) Sahitya Rachna Samman Award	1	Rs. 5 lakh	
	(iii) Sindhi Merit Award	10	Rs. 1 lakh	
Central Sanskrit University (CSU)	Sanskrit (21 awards)			President
	(i) Certificate of Honour Indian Scholar	15	Rs. 5 lakh	
	(ii) Certificate of Honour International Scholar	1	Rs. 5 lakh	
	(iii) Maharshi Badarayan Vyas Samman	5	Rs. 1 lakh	
	Pali (2 awards)			
	(i) Certificate of Honour Indian Scholar	1	Rs. 5 lakh	
	(ii) Maharshi Badarayan Vyas Samman	1	Rs. 1 lakh	
	Prakrit (2 awards)			
	(i) Certificate of Honour Indian Scholar	3	Rs. 5 lakh	
	(ii) Maharshi Badarayan Vyas	1	Rs. 1 lakh	
	Arabic (4 awards)			
	(i) Certificate of Honour Indian Scholar	3	Rs. 5 lakh	
	(ii) Maharshi Badarayan Vyas	1	Rs. 1 lakh	
	Persian (4 awards)			
	(i) Certificate of Honour Indian Scholar	3	Rs. 5 lakh	
	(ii) Maharshi Badarayan Vyas	1	Rs. 1 lakh	
Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL)	Classical Oriya, Kannada, Telugu, Malayalam (8 awards in each language)			President
	Certificate of Honour Indian Scholar	1	Rs. 5 lakh	
	Certificate of Honour International –Indian origin	1	Rs. 5 lakh	
	Certificate of Honour International-non-Indian origin	1	Rs. 5 lakh	
	Maharshi Badarayan Vyas Samman	5	Rs. 1 lakh	

Details of Awards given under various Schemes of Language Institutions

Central Institute of Classical Tamil (CICT)	Classical Tamil Total 8 awards			
	Tholkappiyar Award - Indian Scholar	1	Rs.5 lakh	President
	Kural Peedam Award - International –Indian origin	1	Rs.5 lakh	
	Kural Peedam Award - International –Non-Indian origin	1	Rs.5 lakh	
	Maharshi Badarayan Vyas Samman – Young Scholar	5	Rs.1 lakh	