

GOMANT VIBHUSHAN AWARD

The Government of Goa is pleased to frame the following scheme i.e.

Short title and commencement

(i) This scheme shall be called "Gomant Vibhushan Award"

Introduction

Government of Goa, has designed this scheme in order to honour and recognize the Goan renowned personalities who have contributed for the distinguished and extraordinary achievements/services in any field of activities/disciplines such as art & culture, literature & education, sports, medicine, social work, civil services, public affairs, trade, science & engineering, industry, economics, philosophy, politics, or any other field at national & international level.

The Gomant Vibhushan Award shall be given once in two years.

Objectives

- (i) To honour the Goan origin personalities who have done admirable & exceptional work in their field.
- (ii) To felicitate the Goan Personalities who made Goa proud by their achievements & reputation and brought recognition to Goa nationally & internationally.

Eligibility

- (i) The award seeks to recognize work of any distinction and is given for distinguished and exceptional achievements/services in all fields of activities/disciplines such as art & culture, literature & education, sports, medicine, social work, civil services, public affairs, trade, science & engineering, industry, economics, philosophy, politics, or any other field at national & international level.
- (ii) All the persons who are of Goan origin, without distinction of race, occupation, position, age or sex are eligible for this award.
- (iii) No award will be presented posthumously under this scheme. However, during the process of nomination if death of such artist occurs after recommendation of the name, then Task Force Committee may consider his name for "award", in such circumstances award will be presented posthumously.
- (iv) No individual shall be eligible for second time to avail the benefit under this scheme.

Nature and Quantum of Assistance

Eligible personality shall be honoured with a Memento, citation and financial purse to the extent of Rs. 5,00,000/- (Rupees five lakhs only).

Procedure for receiving recommendations

The Department of Art & Culture shall invite recommendations by release of advertisement in local newspapers. The recommendations will be accepted sources like Chief Minister/Governor of Goa State, Ministers, Members of the Legislative Assembly, Members of Parliament, Government Departments of Goa and also private individuals, bodies etc. The committee constituted for the purpose of this scheme may suo-moto take

cognizance of the life time achievement/contribution of the eminent personalities of Goan origin whose proposals are not received

Committee.

For better implementation of the scheme the Government shall constitute a Selection Committee under the Chairmanship of Chief Minister of Goa. Committee shall meet as and when required and shall consider the recommendation received as well as consider the names suo-moto at its own level and do ion of the “Gomant Vibhushan Awardee” and submit its recommendation to the Director of Art & Culture. The term of the committee shall be decided by the Government from time to time.

Felicitation programme

Once ion process is over, the Director of Art & Culture shall obtain the acceptance of concerned personality to receive the “Gomant Vibhushan Award”. After obtaining such acceptance from the respective personality, the Director of Art & Culture shall honour the personality by presenting Memento, certificate of appreciation and financial purse in the felicitation programme organized by the Department of Art & Culture after obtaining due approval of the Government.

Framing of Guidelines

For better implementation of this scheme, Government may frame guidelines from time to time, if required.

Relaxation

The Government is empowered to relax all or any clause provided in this scheme, if found deemed fit, for reasons to be recorded.

Interpretation

If any question arises regarding interpretation of any clause, word, expression or entire scheme, then the decision about the interpretation shall lie with the Government.

Redressal of Grievances and Dispute

If any Grievance arises out of implementation of this scheme then the Minister for Art & Culture shall hear and decide such matter and the decision of the Minister for Art & Culture in this regard shall be final.