Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment-New Delhi has announced National Award for the Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities.

Awards for Best Employees, including Self employment with Disabilities shall consists of:-
Blindness, Low Vision, Leprosy Cured, Hearing Impairment, Locomotor Disability, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation, Mental illness, Autism, Multiple Disability: Male & Female, a cash amount of Rs.50,000/-, Citation, Certificate, Metal Medal

Award for Best Employers and Placement Officers/Agency for placement of Person with Disabilities shall consist of:- Government P.S.U. or Autonomous or Local Government Body, Private or non Govt. Organization For Best Employer (three) Cash of Rs. 1,00,000/-, Medal, Citation and Certificate. For Best Placement Officer/Agency. (Two) Cash prize of Rs. 50,000/-, Shield, Citation and Certificate.

Award for Best Individual and Institution for the cause of Person with Disabilities:- For Best Individual (Two)Rs. 1,00,000/- in cash, Citation and Certificate For Best Institution (Two) Rs. 2,00,000/- in cash, Citation and Certificate.

Role Model Awards For Blindness or low vision, Leprosy cured, Hearing Impairment, Locomotor Disability or Cerebral Palsy and Mental Retardation/Mental Illness or Autism one each for male & female Rs. 1,00,000/- in cash, Citation and Certificate.

Best Applied Research Research/Innovation/Product Development Aimed at improving the life of Persons with Disabilities. For Best Applied Research (one) and for Development of new cost effective product for manufacture aimed at improving the life of Persons with Disability (Two) Rs. 1,00,000/- in cash, Citation and Certificate

Award for the Outstanding work in the creation of Barrier-free environment for the persons with Disabilities for Government Department one Citation and a Certificate. For Local Bodies and for Private Sector or NGOs one each Rs. 2,00,000/- in cash, Citation and Certificate. Award for the Best District in providing Rehabilitation Services one Best District Award will consist of:- Shield, Citation and Certificate. Award for the Best State Channelizing Agency of National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation one Shield, Citation and Certificate. Award for the Outstanding creative adult persons with disabilities male and female Rs. 50,000/- in cash, Citation and Certificate. Award for the Best Creative Child with Disabilities, one for Boy and one for girl Rs. 50,000/- in cash, Medal, Citation and Certificate. Best Braille Press one Rs. 1,00,000/- in cash, Citation and Certificate. Best Accessible Website For Government, PSU or Local Bodies and Pvt. Sector one each Shield, Citation and Certificate. Best State in promoting Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities one Shield, Citation and Certificate Best Sports Person with disabilities male & female Rs 1,00,000/- in cash, Shield, Citation and Certificate.

The award will be given away by the President of India on December 3, 2017 which will be observed as International Day of Disabled Persons.

Application in the prescribed format should reach to the Director, Directorate of Social Welfare, 18th June Road, Panaji on or before 10/08/2017 positively Application received thereafter shall not be entertained.

For further details and prescribed application forms contact, Directorate of Social Welfare, 18th June Road, Panaji-Goa Tel Nos. (0832) 2232257, 2223784 or details available on website www.disabilityaffairs.goa.in No.011-24369058.