GOVERNMENT OF KERALA
HIGHER EDUCATION (K) DEPARTMENT

No. 9987/K2/14/H.Edn

Thiruvananthapuram
Dated: 20.03.2014

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From
Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.

To
1). The Director of Collegiate Education,
   Thiruvananthapuram.
2). The Registrar, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram/
   M.G.University, Kottayam/ Sree Sankaracharya University Sanskrit,
   Kalady, Ernakulam/ Calicut University, Kozhikode/ Kannur University,
   Kannur/Malayalam University, Tirur

Sir,

Sub:- Higher Education Department-Presidential Award of Certificate of
Honour to Sanskrit, Pali/ Prakrit, Arabic and Persian Scholars an
Maharshi Badrayan Vyasa Samman for young scholars in the same
field for the year 2014

Ref:- Letter no F.11-1/2014-skt.II dated 26-02-2014 from the GOI-MHRD

I am directed to invite your attention to the above subject and a copy of the
letter cited is enclosed herewith for furnishing proposals if any to Govt.

Yours faithfully
P Sreekala
Under Secretary to Government
(For Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.)
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Government of India  
Ministry of Human Resource Development  
Department of Higher Education  

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi,  
Dated the 26th February, 2014

1) All Secretaries of Government of India.  
2) The Chief Secretaries of all State Governments/UTs.  
3) The Education Secretaries of all the State Governments/UTs.  
4) The Vice Chancellors of all India Universities/ Deemed to be Universities.  
5) All Awardees of Certificate of Honour.

Subject: The Presidential Award of Certificate of Honour to Sanskrit, Pali/Prakrit, Arabic and Persian Scholars and Maharshi Badrayan Vyas Samman for young scholars in the same fields – Recommendations for the year 2014.

Sir,  

A Scheme called ‘President’s Award of Certificate of Honour’ to the scholars of Sanskrit, Pali/Prakrit, Arabic and Persian Languages is implemented by the Ministry of Human Resource Development. A maximum number of 15 awards for Sanskrit, 3 each for Arabic and Persian and one for Pali/Prakrit are given to Indian Nationals aged 60 years or above, every year based on their lifetime achievement in the field of these languages. From the year 2008, the ambit of this scheme has been extended by introducing one international award to NRI Sanskrit Scholars or Sanskrit scholar of foreign origin. The scheme envisages a one time monetary grant of Rs.5.00 lakh for Sanskrit, Pali/Prakrit, Arabic and Persian Scholars apart from a citation and a shawl presented by the Hon’ble President of India.

2. From the year 2002 five awards in Sanskrit and one each in Pali/Prakrit, Arabic and Persian have been introduced for young scholars between the age group of 30-40 years. This award is known as the Maharshi Badrayan Vyas Samman. It carries a cash prize of Rs. 1 lakh each one-time payment, apart from the citation and a shawl.

3. Nominations are, therefore, invited for the following: -

3.1 Awards for Sanskrit

- 15 National Awards carrying one-time cash grant of Rs.5.00 lakh each.  
- 1 International Award for non-resident Indian or persons of non-Indian origin carrying a one-time cash grant of Rs.5.00 lakh.

3.2 Awards for Pali/Prakrit, Arabic and Persian.

- 3 Awards for Arabic carrying a cash grant of Rs.5.00 lakh each.  
- 3 Awards for Persian carrying a cash grant of Rs.5.00 lakh each.  
- 1 Award for Pali/Prakrit carrying a cash grant of Rs.5.00 lakh.
Maharshi Badrayan Vyas Samman

Maharshi Badrayan Vyas Samman for young Scholars in the age group of 30 to 40 years in the field of Sanskrit, Pali/Prakrit, Arabic and Persian.

- 5 Awards in Sanskrit carrying a one time cash grant of Rs. 1.00 lakh each.
- 1 Award for Pali/Prakrit carrying a one time cash grant of Rs. 1.00 lakh.
- 1 Award for Arabic carrying a one time cash grant of Rs. 1.00 lakh.
- 1 Award for Persian carrying a one time cash grant of Rs. 1.00 lakh.

4. You are accordingly requested to recommend the names of only those Scholars of eminence in the field of Sanskrit, Arabic, Persian or Pali/Prakrit studies for these awards, who have teaching experience, published works – number of books / articles published, research work and have kept the traditional Sanskrit, Arabic, Persian or Pali/Prakrit studies alive.

5. Recommendations for Maharshi Badrayan Vyas Samman may be made only for those young Scholars who have made a breakthrough in inter-disciplinary studies involving contribution of Sanskrit or ancient Indian wisdom, to the process of synergy between modernity & tradition and Scientist & I.T professional working for promotion of science in these languages.

6. The recommendations should clearly bring out the specific achievement for which the Award is recommended and may please be sent along with character & antecedent certificate of the scholar in the proforma enclosed, to the Ministry latest by 30th April, 2014. It would not be possible to consider incomplete recommendations & the recommendations received after the last date.

7. Particulars in respect of the scholars recommended for the award may be furnished in the attached proforma. In the absence of full details, it becomes difficult to give due consideration to the recommendations. It is, therefore, requested that full particulars may kindly be furnished against each column of the proforma. It will be helpful if notable publications by the scholars recommended for the award are also furnished along with the particulars of the scholars concerned.

8. It is also requested that while making the recommendations, State Governments, etc. may assess the particulars of the individuals carefully for this purpose. There is no objection to their setting up an Expert Committee for Preliminary Selection of Scholars. In case there is no suitable scholar worthy of recommendations for the award, “NIL” information may please be sent. Names of those scholars who were recommended in previous years but were not selected can be considered again for the award for this year.

9. While recommending the names for the Awards, it may be stressed that awards are meant for scholars who are proficient in the respective languages and the respective fields of specialization and not those with just a smattering knowledge of the literature available in these languages.

10. It is requested that where considered necessary, Universities / Literary and other Voluntary Organizations etc. may also be consulted confidentially before making the recommendation.
11. It has been observed in some cases in the past that a person recommended by the State Government, etc. for the award of Certificate of Honour expired even before the announcement of the award but the fact was not brought to the notice of the Government of India well in advance of the announcement of Award. As a result, announcement of award in such cases caused unnecessary embarrassment to the Government. The Awards are not awarded posthumously. It is, therefore, requested that in case any nominee for the award expires before the awards are announced, intimation may be sent to this Ministry without any delay.

12. The recommending authorities are requested to maintain complete secrecy and dignity of this award by not entertaining any application or request from individual scholars themselves. Discreet enquiries may be made for collecting full information/details about the concerned scholar from other sources, since they are not supposed to know that their name was being recommended. No material furnished by the Scholar himself should be entertained or sent along with the recommendation. Canvassing of any sort on the part of the scholar will be against his own interest and shall be viewed seriously.

Yours faithfully,

(P. Bhaktavatsalam)
Under Secretary to the Government of India
☎:011-23385935

Encl: As above.
**PROforma for Recommendation for Presidential Award of Certificate of Honour and Maharishi Badrayan Vyasa Samman for the Year 2014**

**Award Recommended (Please tick mark)**

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<th>Certificate of Honour (for scholars aged 60 years and above)</th>
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**Field for Which Recommended (Please tick mark)**

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**Recommendation for the Year 2014**

(Particulars of Person Recommended)

1. **Name (in block letters)**
   - Name in Hindi
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2. **Full Address**
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3. **Date of Birth**
   - **i)**
   - **ii)** Age
     - D D M M Y E A R
     - YEARS MONTH

4. **Qualifications with the name of University, Year and Class/Division**
   - 
   - (b) Experience with details of organization served, post held and period served.
   - (c) Subject of specialization

**For Traditional Scholars**

(Wherever applicable)

(a) Place and duration of study and names of gurus
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<th>(b) Higher texts in which the traditional scholars specialized.</th>
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<td>(c) Number of students who studied under him and the extent to which they were taught.</td>
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<td>(d) Degree/Diploma, if any with name of the examining body and year.</td>
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<td>7. Books/publication (a) written (b) edited (c) translated indicating subject/language $</td>
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<td>9. Number of students/Research Scholars who received Ph D/D.Litt etc. under his guidance</td>
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<td>8. Recognition/honors already received, (i) Title of the recognition / honor (ii) year (iii) the conferring authority/organization</td>
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<td>10. Conferences / Poetic Symposia/debates/Vidvat Sabha attended if any (Indicate place, date and details of the organizers &amp; research papers presented)</td>
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<td>11. Breakthrough made or work done in inter-disciplinary studies involving contribution of Sanskrit/Persian/Arabic/Pali/Prakrit or ancient Indian wisdom to the process of synergy between modernity and tradition</td>
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<td>12. Please state the special reasons/detailed justification for recommending the scholar for the award.</td>
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Dated:

Signature of the recommending Authority

$ Books/Publications must be enclosed otherwise the recommendation shall not be entertained. After the selection process, the same will be returned by Rashtriya Sanskrit Santhan, New Delhi.

# This column has to be filled in specifically in respect of scholars recommended for Maharishi Badryan Vyasa Samman and other scholars with IT and Science background.
CHARACTER & ANTecedent CERTIFICATE

I, ____________________________ s/o, d/o ____________________________,
resident of ____________________________,
recipient of the Presidential Award of Certificate of Honour in the year (in case the recommending authority is a previous awardee of Certificate of Honour ____________________________), do hereby confirm that ____________________________ s/o, d/o of Shri ____________________________, resident of ____________________________ is known to me for the last ______ years and that he/she bears a good moral character. He/she has no case pending against him/her in any Court of Law and that he/she has never been prosecuted in the past.

(______________________________)
Signature of recommending Authority

Designation: ____________________________

Place: ____________________________

Date: ____________________________