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# Bhavya Bharat Bhushan Awards 2026

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During the Isha Mahashivratri 2026 celebrations at the Isha Yoga Centre in Coimbatore, spiritual leader Sadhgurlaunched the **Bhavya Bharat Bhushan Awards**, a new national honour recognising outstanding contributions to India's progress across multiple domains. The awards were presented by Rajnath Singh, India's Defence Minister, to eminent achievers in science, arts, culture, sports, defence and community development. The event blended spiritual tradition with national recognition.

## About the Bhavya Bharat Bhushan Award

The **Bhavya Bharat Bhushan Award** is a newly instituted honour designed to celebrate individuals whose lifelong work and dedication have significantly contributed to India's development and cultural richness.

It seeks to reinforce the idea that nation-building is driven by the people, not just policies or geography.

## Occasion & Cultural Context

These awards were presented during Mahashivratri, a major Hindfestival dedicated to Lord Shiva, celebrated annually with spiritual gatherings across India.

## Areas of Recognition

The awards acknowledge excellence in key national domains including:

**Science & Technology** – e.g., recognition of contributions to space research and scientific innovation

**Arts & Culture** – classical music and dance

**Sports** – promoting India's global presence

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**National Security & Defence** – leadership and service

**Community & Humanitarian Service** – societal impact and welfare

**Corporate Leadership & Entrepreneurship**

### **Notable Awardees**

Some distinguished awardees include:

Saina Nehwal – Olympic medallist and one of India’s top badminton icons.

Dr. S. K. Kiran Kumar – former Chairman of the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), recognised for decades of work in India’s space programme.

Eminent cultural figures such as N. Rajam (violin maestro) and Alarmel Valli (classical dancer).

**Defence Recognition:** A special tribute was paid to the Indian Armed Forces for their leadership and service excellence in Operation Sindoor (a security operation), with recognitions given to units such as the Western Air Command, Southern Command, and Western Naval Command.

**Broader Significance:** The award highlights the interconnected nature of national progress, underscoring that culture, science, sports and defence together contribute to the idea of a “Bhavya Bharat” (a grand and strong India).

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