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Padma Awards

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Why is in news? Nominations for Padma Awards-2024 open till 15th September, 2023

The Padma Awards, which were **instituted in the year 1954**, are one of the highest civilian honours of India, **announced annually on the eve of Republic Day**.

Three categories:

'Padma Vibhushan' is awarded for exceptional and distinguished service.

'Padma Bhushan' for distinguished service of a high order.

'Padma Shri' for distinguished service in any field.

About the awards:

The award seeks to **recognize achievements in all fields of activities or disciplines** where an element of public service is involved.

The Awards are given in various disciplines/ fields of activities; **art, social work, public affairs, science and engineering, trade and industry, medicine, literature and education, sports, civil service, etc.**

The Padma Awards are conferred on the **recommendations made by the Padma Awards Committee**, which is **constituted by the Prime Minister every year**.

The nomination process is open to the public. Even self-nomination can be made.

All persons without distinction of race, occupation, position or sex are eligible for these awards. However, **Government servants including those working with PSUs, except doctors and scientists, are not eligible** for these Awards.

The award is **normally not conferred posthumously**. However, in **highly deserving cases**, the Government could consider giving an award posthumously.

The awards are **presented by the President of India** usually in the month of March/April every year where the awardees are presented a Sanad (certificate) signed by the President and a medallion.

The recipients are also given a small replica of the medallion, which they can wear during any ceremonial/State functions etc. if the awardees so desire.

The total number of awards to be given in a year (excluding posthumous awards and to NRI/foreigners/OCIs) should not be more than 120.

For the year 2023, the President has approved the conferment of 106 Padma. The list comprises 6 Padma Vibhushan, 9 Padma Bhushan and 91 Padma Shri Awards.

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The award does not amount to a title and cannot be used as a suffix or prefix to the awardees' name.

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PADMA SHRI



PADMA BHUSHAN



PADMA VIBHUSHAN