STANDING OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP) FOR THE AWARD OF "KENDRIYA GRIHMANTRI DAKSHATA PADAK"

Introduction

Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India has instituted the award namely **"Kendriya Grihmantri Dakshata Padak"** (hereinafter referred to as the award) to be conferred on to the members of the Police Forces, Security Organizations and Intelligence Wing/Branch/ Special Branch of States/Union Territories/Central Police Organizations (CPOs)/Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs)/National Security Guard/Assam Rifles (AR); and Forensic Science (Central/State/Union Territories) throughout the Indian Union.

Objective of the Awards

The **"Kendriya Grihmantri Dakshata Padak"** has been instituted to recognize excellent work, promote high professional standards and boost the morale of the concerned official/officer in the following fields :

(a) Special Operation

(b) Investigation

(c) Intelligence

(d) Forensic Science

Eligibility Criteria

(i) There is no minimum period of service for awarding **"Kendriya Grihmantri Dakshata Padak".**

(ii) No judicial proceedings/departmental enquiry should be pending against the recommendee at the time of considering his/her name for the medal. Moreover, recommendee should not have been given any major penalty or punishment in the last five years.

(iii) Official/officer who recommended for one operation, may not be recommend for medal in any other field.

(iv) Any act/operation which is worthy of recognition by the award of **"Kendriya Grihmantri Dakshata Padak"** but is performed by one upon which the decoration has already been conferred, may be recorded by a Bar. For every such additional act an additional Bar may be added.

(v) ACR/ APAR grading should not be factor/criterion for selection of the recommendee for award.

Apart from the above, It is mandatory to follow the instructions mentioned against each field(s) while considering the proposal for nomination :

Special Operation :

(a) All rank official/ officers of Police Forces/ Security Organizations are eligible.

(b) The special operations should be of high degree of planning, high significance for the security of the country, successful conduct of security or rescue operations of a significant nature or scale and have significant impact on security of large sections of the society.

(c) The Special Operations must be in the areas such as Counter Terrorism, Border Action, Arms Control, Left Wing Extremism, Prevention of Narcotics Smuggling and Rescue Operations. Personnel of Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) may also be considered for award under the area "Prevention of Narcotics Smuggling". Only successful conduct of operation of a significant nature or scale, having a direct bearing on security of the State/UT region or country or major rescue operation shall be considered.

Investigation:

(a) All official/officers from the rank of Head Constable to Superintendent of Police who were involved in investigation of crime are eligible.

(b) A brief of the case investigated by the investigating officer recommended must be mentioned in the citation alongwith other details like use of innovative methods, prompt charge sheet, attachment of assets of accused, conviction, use of scientific aids and forensic tools, on line investigation tools, media coverage, paper cutting etc. by highlighting the investigation viz:

- Brief facts of the case such as FIR, section etc.
- Composition of the Investigation team.
- Time frame of charge sheet.
- Conviction, if any.
- Court's appreciation, if any.

(c) Preference may be given to women investigating officer in selection for medal.

Intelligence:

(a) All the Police official/officers serving in Intelligence Department / Special Branches/ Intelligence Wing are eligible.

(b) Officers engaged in intelligence organization for combating terrorism/militancy/insurgency and breakthrough in unearthing of modules of espionage/terrorism/ militancy/organized crimes or in arrest/capture of members of such outfits. Moreover, engaged in consistent excellence or exemplary contribution in collection, analyzing and dissemination of intelligence in combating terrorism /militancy /insurgency and other threats to the national security.

(c) A special distinguished record of intelligence service in organizations of Central Government and Intelligence Department/wing/Branch/Special Branch of State/UT Police, CPOs/CAPFs, Assam Rifles, NSG. Special efforts in intelligence gathering against serious or wide spread out breaks of crime or public disorder.

Forensic Science:

(a) Only serving Government Scientists working in Laboratories/ R&D Institutions/Training Institutions and Academic Institutions with outstanding performance are eligible.

(b) The award for Meritorious work in the field of Forensic Science, research and development, qualitative case examination work, crime scene management, training & awareness, Forensic Management and outstanding work to the scientists working in government laboratories/R&D institutions/training institutions and academic institutions.

Number of Medal

Field wise total numbers of medal will be as follows:-

(i) **Special Operation** : In a Year, only 3 operations will be considered for award. In exceptional circumstances, the award may be given maximum upto 5 special operations only to encourage State/UT Police.

(ii) **Investigation** : In a Year, maximum 162 official/officers shall be awarded in this field, as per details mentioned at **Annexure-"A".**

(iii) **Intelligence** : There is no maximum limit for award of medal fixed in this field.

(iv) **Forensic Science:** In a Year, maximum nine (09) medals may be awarded in this field.