

**GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
HOME (POLITICAL) DEPARTMENT**

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NOTIFICATION

Dated: Shillong, the 14th November, 2024.

No.POL.42/2024/15 – The Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to revise the guidelines to the Meghalaya Day Awards as below:

2. The Meghalaya Day Award was introduced in the year 1989. The Award is conferred upon deserving individuals of the State as a recognition of their outstanding contribution in the following field of activities namely:

- a. **U Tirot Sing Award for Arts & Literature.**
- b. **Pa Togan N Sangma Award for Social Services.**
- c. **U Kiang Nangbah Award for Sports & Games.**

3. The Award is announced every year on the occasion of Meghalaya Day, on 21st January and presented during the official celebration of the Republic Day on 26th January at the State Capital Shillong.

4. The Award carries a Citation, a Certificate and Cash Award of Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh) each.

5. The nominations / recommendations for the Meghalaya Day Awards will be received **only** on the online portal <https://meghalayaone.gov.in> designed for the purpose from the Recommending Authorities; viz., Departments of the Social Welfare, Arts & Culture, Education, Sports & Youth Affairs and Deputy Commissioners. The nominations/ recommendations should contain all relevant details in the format available on the portal, including citation in narrative form, clearly bringing out the distinguished and exceptional achievements/service of the person recommended in his/her respective field/discipline. While recommending a person online, it should be ensured that all the necessary details are properly filled. While doing so, the following requirements should be kept in view:

- (i) The name should be given full.

(ii) If the person recommended is an employee of the Government, local body, public undertaking, company or any other body, the designation of the office held by him / her should be given.

(iii) The address to be given should be complete with mobile number to enable Government to consult the individual in case he or she is chosen for the Award.

(iv) The main field of activity or activities for service in which the recommendation is made, should be shown.

(v) If a person recommended has been given any award or was recommended for the same in earlier years, the name of the award conferred/ recommended, should be given.

(vi) The citation should contain brief biographical sketch and, in addition, give adequate description of principal activities, attainments and contributions which justify the award. The citation is intended to be published if the individual is chosen for the award and should, therefore be factually correct. It should not be too long, not more than two pages, into which all essential facts can normally be compressed, If for purposes of deciding the case, any further details is necessary, it should be furnished.

(vii) Other particulars which the recommending authorities may like to furnish may be sent along with the citation.

(viii) While receiving nominations in respect of a large number of persons; there could, however, be several talented persons who are left out of consideration despite exceptional contribution in their field. Hence, recommending authorities should make concerted efforts to identify such persons whose excellence and achievements deserve to be recognized and send suitable nominations in their favour.

NOTE: A person who has been recommended for a number of times say 4 or 5 in the past and rejected, need not to be recommended/ send nominations again.

6. It is considered necessary that very high standards shall be maintained in selecting the individuals on whom the Awards are to be conferred. It is also necessary that persons pre-eminently worthy of an award are not left out of consideration. Every care should be taken to ensure that the recipients of awards are worthy of the awards which they will receive. The individuals proposed should enjoy good reputation and respectability in the field of activity and have not come in for adverse notice or public criticism for any lapse in their social or professional conduct. Persons known to have indulged in any anti-social activity, particularly corrupt practices, smuggling, evasion of taxes, hoarding, profiteering or manipulation of accounts or whose integrity cannot be certified, should not be eligible.

7. The nominations, apart from the Recommending Authorities, would also include Self nominations which can be submitted by citizens on the online portal <https://meghalayaone.gov.in>. Citizens can also nominate other individuals in the 3(three) categories as given in Sl.2
8. The nominations would also include posthumous cases.
9. The Award will be given to individuals and not to the organizations.
10. The last date for the online recommendations/ nominations for the Meghalaya Day Awards is **30th November** of the selection year.
11. The Advisory Committee constituted for the purpose will scrutinize the recommendations/ nominations and offer suggestions regarding the most deserving candidates in each of these fields for consideration to the Government.

This Notification supersedes this Department's Notifications (1) No. POL. 132/2000/15, dated 30th November, 2000 and (2) No. POL. 109/2012/401, dated 23rd April, 2013.

This Notification shall come into force with immediate effect.

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