

National Awards to Teachers

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Recently, the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education selected 16 teachers in Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) and Polytechnic for National Awards to Teachers (NAT) 2024.

About National Awards to Teachers

- It was **first instituted in the year 1958** to felicitate **remarkable teachers and head masters** in their quest to **improve the quality of school education** and enrich their students' learning experiences.
- This Award program is **designed to honour and celebrate** the unique contribution of some of **the finest teachers in the country**.
- These awards are given away **by the President of India** (or) **the Vice President of India** on **5th September** (Teacher's Day) **every year** to give public recognition to meritorious teachers working in primary, middle and secondary schools.
- The NAT is being executed under the overall **supervision of the Ministry of Education (MOE)**.

Eligibility Criteria for National Awards to Teachers

- School teachers and Heads of Schools working in **recognized primary / middle / high / higher** secondary schools under the following categories:
- Schools run by State Govt./UTs Administration, schools run by local bodies, schools aided by State Govt. and UT Administration and Private schools affiliated to State/UTs Board.
- Central Govt. Schools i.e. **Kendriya Vidyalayas** (KVs), **Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas** (JNVs), Sainik Schools run by Ministry of Defence (MoD), Schools run by Atomic Energy Education Society (AEES) and Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) run by Ministry of Tribal Affairs.
- Normally retired teachers are not eligible for the award but those teachers who have served a part of the calendar year (at least for four months i.e. upto 30th April in the year to which National Awards relate) may be considered if they fulfill all other conditions.
- **Educational Administrators**, Inspectors of Education, and the staff of training Institutes are **not eligible** for these awards.
- Teacher / Headmaster should not have indulged in tuitions.
- **Only regular Teachers** and Heads of Schools with a minimum ten years of services are eligible.
- Contractual Teachers and Shiksha Mitras **are not eligible**.

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