

**Government of India
Ministry of Earth Sciences**

**Prithvi Vigyan Mantralay Maulik Pustak Lekhan Yojana - year 2008
Award for writing original books in Hindi**

In order to promote original writing in Hindi, Ministry of Earth Sciences invites books (published) originally written in Hindi for the year 2008 on the topics related to Earth Sciences and allied subject such as (1) Living and Non-Living resources of Ocean (2) Polymetallic nodules from deep seabed (3) Antarctic Research (4) Marine Environment- control of pollution (5) Harnessing of wave energy and Ocean thermal power conversion (6) Satellite meteorology; (7) Hydrology; (8) Science related to natural Disasters; (9) Agro-meteorology; (10) Science of Tsunami and storm surge ; (11) Climatology etc; (12) Polar Science;

The Scheme is open to all Indian citizens except officials of the Ministry of Earth Sciences.

There are three prizes under this scheme:

First prize : Rs. 50,000/-

Second prize : Rs. 40,000/-

Third prize : Rs. 30,000/-

Under the scheme books published within the preceding 3 years including the year of the award will only be considered for the prize. Books sent for the same competition in previous years will not be entertained again. Seven copies of the books are required to be sent with application. Details about the terms and conditions and application forms regarding competition can be obtained by post or personally from Assistant Director(O.L), Ministry of Earth Sciences, Mahasagar Bhavan, Block-12, C.G.O complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi -110003, telephone - 24306862. This is also available on the Ministry's Website <http://www.moes.gov.in>

Books received after 30th June, 2008 will not be considered.

RESOLUTION

In pursuance of the instructions of the Department of Official Language, a Scheme entitled "Mahasagar Vikas Vibhag Puraskar Yojana" was started in 1989 with a view to encourage writing books pertaining to the 'Oceanography' originally in Hindi. In July 2006, the erstwhile Ministry of Ocean Development was re-organised and new Ministry of Earth Sciences came into being by bringing India Metrological Deptt. (IMD), Earthquake Risk Evaluation Centre (EREC), National Centre for Medium Range Wheather Forecasting (NCMRWF), Indian Institute of Tropical Metreorogy (IITM) under the control of the new Ministry. Due to the setting up of the new Ministry of Earth Sciences, it was considered necessary to modify the scheme in vogue. Accordingly, the scheme has been slightly modified to change its nomenclature and enhance the scope. The salient features of the modified scheme are given below.

1. Name of the scheme : The scheme shall be called "Prithvi Vigyan Mantralay Maulik Pustak Lekhan Yojana".

2 Objectives of the Scheme : The Scheme aims at promoting writing of original books in Hindi on the Oceanography, Atmospheric Science and related allied subjects, namely.

(1) The Living and Non-Living Resources of the Ocean ;

(2) The polymetallic nodules from deep sea bed ;

(3) The Arctic/Antarctic Research ;

(4) The marine environment- pollution control ;

(5) Harnessing of wave energy and the ocean thermal power conversion ;

(6) Satellite meteorology;

(7) Hydrology ;

(8) Science related to natural Disasters;

(9) Agro-meteorology;

(10) Science of Tsunami and Storm Surge

(11) Climatology

(12) Polar Science etc.

3. Value of Award

: The following prizes shall be awarded for original works in Hindi under the Scheme:

First PrizeRs. 50,000

Second prize..... Rs. 40,000

Third prize..... Rs. 30,000

4. Salient Features

4.1 The Scheme shall be run by the Ministry of Earth Sciences.

4.2 The Scheme in its new form will commence from the year 2008 and prizes will be awarded for every calendar year. Only outstanding books will be awarded. The Ministry of Earth Sciences will invite applications for award of prizes from the authors through publication of advertisements in leading Hindi and English Newspapers;

4.3 The authors shall submit their applications in the prescribed format duly filled in and submit the same to the Joint Secretary (Admn.), Ministry of Earth Sciences Mahasagar Bhavan, Block-12, C.G.O. Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003. The applicants shall submit seven (7) copies of their published works along with their application. Every published book should have atleast 100 pages in which only authentic facts should be highlighted;

4.4 Bio-data must be included in the book by the author; and

4.5 Award winner shall be paid travelling allowance provided they are not in government service.

5. Eligibility for participation in the scheme.

5.1 The scheme is open to the Indian Citizens only, The officers/staff working in the Ministry of Earth Sciences and its Attached/Subordinate offices/Autonomous Bodies shall not be entitled to participate.

5.2 Only published works will be considered under the scheme and the book should be registered under International Standard Book Number (ISBN);

5.3 The text books, i.e. the books prepared especially for teaching in classroom and books intended for children will not be eligible for competition.

5.4 The copyright of the authors, whose books are included in the competition, will continue to remain with them for their books;

5.5 The entries submitted on earlier occasions for this competition will not be submitted again. A certificate or undertaking will have to be submitted in this regard by the author;

5.6 The Ministry of Earth Sciences will have the sole right of selecting books for the award and to formulate rules governing such selection;

5.7 The original works should have been published during the last three years including the year of the award;

5.8 The books once awarded under any other scheme run by the Government of India or State Government or Administration of the Union Territories shall be ineligible for entry under the scheme;

5.9 Any author may submit not more than one entry in each category under the scheme;

5.10 Author, once awarded under the scheme in a particular year, will not be allowed to participate for the next three years; and

5.11 A list of references must be given at the end of the book with the help of which the author has prepared this book.

6. General terms

6.1 If there are more than one author of any prize winning entry, the amount of award shall be equally divided and distributed amongst the authors;

6.2 If during any year, the Evaluation Committee do not find any published work suitable for the award

they can withhold the award at their discretion;

6.3 No correspondence will be entertained regarding the selection of books for awarding of prize or the procedure regarding the selection of books for the award; and

6.4 The prize will be awarded once in a calendar year and if suitable books are not available for any calendar year, no prize will be awarded for that year.

7. Evaluation Committee.

7.1 For selection of books for the award, evaluation will be done by the Evaluation Committee constituted for the purpose. Joint Secretary (Admn.) will be convenor of the committee;

7.2 The Evaluation Committee shall consist of five members including the Chairman where the additional members may be co-opted, if considered necessary;

7.3 The Chairman and the members of the Evaluation Committee will be appointed by the Secretary of the Ministry of Earth Sciences. The Chairman of the Evaluation Committee, where necessary, may associate with the committee, the experts in the respective disciplines. The capacity of the experts so associated will only be advisory;

7.4 If any member of the Evaluation Committee wishes to participate in the prize scheme, he will cease to be a member of the Evaluation Committee for that particular year. The decision taken by the Evaluation Committee shall be final and binding in all respects and no appeal can be made to any authority against it;

7.5 The term of the Committee will be for a period of three years from the date of its constitution. Honorarium, as may be fixed, shall be paid to all members including the Chairman of the Evaluation Committee for the work of Evaluation undertaken by him; and

7.6 Non-official members of the Evaluation Committee will be entitled for TA/DA, as admissible under the rules.

8. Other conditions

: Original Hindi books will mean the following:

8.1 The book should have been written originally in Hindi by the Competitor/author. In this regard Certificate of Originality is to be produced by the author;

8.2 The book should not be a Hindi translation rendered by the competitor of any book or written by any author in some other language.

8.3 The book should not be a Hindi version of any book written in any other language by the competitor himself or by some professional translator ;

8.4 The book should have not been written by the competitor in Hindi or in any other language in his official capacity or as a part of his official work;

8.5 The book should not be a Hindi translation of any book translated either by the competitor himself or by some professional translator which has been written by the author either in English or in any other Indian Language in his official capacity or as a part of his official work;

8.6 The book should not be an exhaustive/ abridged version or summary prepared by the author or any other person which the author has got written/published in English or in any other language in his official capacity or as part of his official duties; and

8.7 The book should not be any book written under either any Government contract or under any Governmental scheme.

9 Right to modify the scheme. : The Ministry of Earth Sciences will have right to modify this scheme.

While applying for the scheme please comply with the important terms and conditions contained in the Annexure.

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Bharat Sarkar/Government of India
Prithvi Vigyan Mantralay/Ministry of Earth Sciences

Mahasagar Bhawan, Block-12, CGO
complex, Lodi road,
New Delhi-110003
Date :

Application Form

Form to be filled in by the author for sending their entries under the "Prithvi Vigyan Mantralay Maulik Pustak Lekhan Yojana" being organised by the Ministry of Earth Sciences for writing books originally in Hindi pertaining to the subjects of the Ministry of Earth Sciences.

1. Full name of the Author :.....
(In Bold letters)
2. Date of Birth and Age :.....
3. Permanent address :.....
4. Address for :.....
correspondence
5. Present occupation :.....
6. Educational qualification :.....
7. Experience :.....
8. Mother Tongue :.....
9. Topic of the book :.....
10. ISBN No. :.....
11. Subject of the book :.....
12. Category of the readers :.....
group (ie. Primary
school/High school/
Intermediate/Graduate
level/Professional/ general
public
13. Whether chapter-wise :.....
abstract is enclosed?

14. Whether the applicant :.....
received/receiving any
grants-in-aid from any
other Government
Department or agency for
this book? If yes,

(a) Name of the :.....
Department/Agency

(b) Amount of grants-in- :.....
aid received/to be
received as a financial
aid.

(c) In which year the :.....
amount received

15. Has book received any
award under any scheme of
the Government of India or
agency earlier? If yes,

(a) Name of the :.....
Department/Agency

(b) Amount of award :.....
received

(c) For which year the :.....
book has been
awarded.

16. Details of other earlier
publications of the Author, :.....
if any,

17. Any other information
which Author wants to :.....
give:

18. Declaration :

(a) I have read the rules and regulations of this Scheme and I fully agree with them.

(b) I declare that I will not violate the Copyright Act and/or any other such Act/Rule, whichever is applicable. In case any violation of Act/Rule is found against me regarding this book I shall be responsible for the same.

(c) I further declare that details given in the form are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Place :

Date:

Phone (Office):

(Residence):

(Mobile):

(E-mail):

Signature

Name:

Nomination can be cancelled for non-compliance of important guidelines regarding the scheme.

1. The scheme is open for the Indian Citizens only except those who are working in Ministry of Earth Sciences or its attached / subordinate offices and autonomous bodies.
2. Book should have been written on any of the subjects related to oceanography, atmospheric sciences and related allied subjects.
3. Book must be up to the mark and should have been published within the preceding three years including the year of award.
4. It should not have less than hundred pages and should have been registered under International Standard Book Number (ISBN).
5. It must originally be written in Hindi and should not have been awarded under any other scheme.
6. The author must not have been awarded during the last three years under this scheme of the Ministry.
7. Any author may submit not more than one entry in each category under the scheme.
8. Text books are not eligible.