

**Office Memorandum****Sub: Implementation of "Prithvi Vigyan Mantralay Antarik Maulik Pustak Lekhan Yojana"**

In continuation of the resolution of the Ministry of Earth Sciences, dated 16.7.2007, the following prize scheme is published herewith to encourage the officials working in ministry and its all subordinate offices for writing the books originally in Hindi on the subjects related to Earth Science.

1. Name of the scheme : The scheme will be called ' Prithvi Vigyan Mantralay Antarik Maulik Pustak Lekhan Yojana'.
2. Objectives of the Scheme : The Scheme aims at promoting writing of original books in Hindi on the Earth Sciences and allied subjects, such as, (1) The Living and Non -Living resources of the Ocean; (2) The polymetallic nodules from deep sea bed; (3) The 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 will be awarded for original works in Hindi under the Scheme:
 

First Prize .....	Rs. 20,000
Second prize.....	Rs.15,000
Third prize.....	Rs.10,000
Consolation prize (two)...	Rs. 5,000/-(each)
4. Salient Features
  - 4.1 The Scheme will be conducted by the Ministry of Earth Sciences.
  - 4.2 This Scheme will be commenced from 2007 and prizes will be awarded for every calender year. Only outstanding books will be awarded. Under this scheme, Ministry of Earth Sciences will invite applications by circulating the scheme in the Ministry and its all subordinate institutes for award of prizes;
  - 4.3 The authors will submit their applications on the prescribed

form duly filled in and send them to Joint Secretary (Admn.), Ministry of Earth Sciences Mahasagar Bhavan, Block-12, C.G.O. Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003. Authors will submit seven (7) copies of their published works alongwith their application. Every published book should have atleast 100 pages in which only authentic facts should be highlighted;

5. Eligibility for participation in the scheme.
- 4.4 Bio-Data must be included in the book by the author;
- 5.1 Ministry of Earth Sciences and person/officials working in its Attached / Subordinate offices / Autonomous Bodies can participate.
- 5.2 Only published books 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 included in the competition under the scheme;
- 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 Territory 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 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 them ; 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 Which 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 Which should not be a translation rendered by author of any book or article.

8.3 Which 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 Which 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 Which 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 Which 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 Which should not be any book written under either any Government contract or 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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(Prakash Kumar)

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India

To,

All officers and officials of ministry

**Copy to:** All the following offices of the Ministry are requested to circulate this scheme among the officers and staff of their office and offices under their control. This scheme must be given wide publicity.

1. Director, CMLRE, Kochi.
2. Project Director, ICMAM Project Directorate, Chennai.
3. Director , NIOT, Chennai.
4. Director, NCAOR, Goa.
5. Director, INCOIS, Hyderabad.
6. Director General ,India Meteorological Deptt., Mausam Bhawan, New Delhi.
7. Director, Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology, Pune-411008.
8. Head, National Centre for Medium Range Weather Forecasting, Noida.

sd/-

(Prakash Kumar)

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India

*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 constituent bodies.
2. Book which has been written on any of the subjects related to Earth Sciences.
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.

**Office Memorandum**

***Sub ; Prithvi Vigyan Mantralay Antarik Maulik Pustak Lekhan Yojana - 2008***

***Award for writing original books in Hindi***

Reference is invited to this Ministry's Office Memorandum No. MoES/1/43/2008-OL, dated the 13<sup>th</sup> February 2008 relating to the implementation of "Prithvi Vigyan Mantralay Antarik Maulik Pustak Lekhan Yojana" effective from the year 2008.

2. Applications in the prescribed format (which can be obtained from the Assistant Director (OL), Ministry of Earth Sciences, phone- 24306862) along with seven copies of the books written by them in Hindi during the preceding 3 years including the year 2008, are invited from the officers/staff of the Ministry as well as from the attached/subordinate offices and autonomous bodies, for consideration for the award of the following prizes for outstanding original works in Hindi.

First Prize	Rs. 20,000
Second Prize	Rs. 15,000
Third Prize	Rs. 10,000
Consolation Prize (2)	Rs. 5,000 each

The details are also available on the Ministry's website : <http://www.moes.gov.in>

3. Complete applications may reach the Assistant Director (OL), Ministry of Earth Sciences, Block No. 12, CGO Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi - 110003 latest by 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2008. Applications received after 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2008 shall not be considered.

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(M.L. Sharma)

Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India

To,

1. All officers and staff of the MoES.
2. Head, NCMRWF, Noida.
3. Project Director, ICMAM Chennai.
4. Director, CMLRE, Kochi.
5. DGM, IMD, Mausam Bhawan, New Delhi.
6. Director NIOT, Chennai.
7. Director, NCAOR, Goa.
8. Director, INCOIS, Hyderabad.
9. Director, IITM, Pune.

Copy to :

Sr. PPS to Secretary/PS to JS/JS & FA

Copy for information :

Director (implementation), Deptt. of Official Language, Ministry of Home Affairs, II floor, Lok Nayak Bhawan, Khan Market, New Delhi - 110003.