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Directorate of School Education
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1

Dated the Shimla-1 June, 2026

To

All the Deputy Directors of School Education
(Elementary/Secondary/Quality) in Himachal Pradesh

Subject: - Regarding National Teachers' Award, 2026.

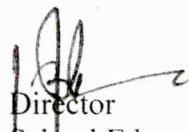
Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith a photocopy of D.O. No. 1-3/2026-NAT, dated 15th June, 2026 alongwith its enclosure received from the Joint Secretary (Inst. & Trng.), Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Education on the subject cited above.

In this context, it is intimated that the National Teachers Awards Portal (<https://nationalawardstoteachers.education.gov.in>) has been opened for submission of online self-nominations by eligible school teachers with effect from 15th June, 2026. The portal shall remain open for receipt of nominations up to 10th July, 2026, while self-nomination may be finalized and submitted by the applicant up to 13th July, 2026. A copy of the Guidelines and the timeline for National Teachers Awards, 2026 are enclosed for your ready reference.

You are, therefore, directed to disseminate this information among all eligible teachers and encourage them for maximum participation through self-nomination well before the prescribed deadline. The last date for final submission of self-nominations by teachers is 13th July, 2026. This cut-off date must be adhered to strictly.

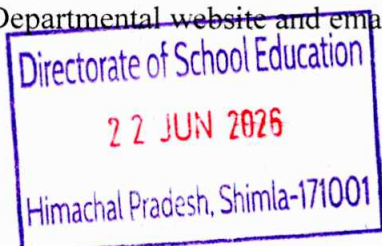
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Director
School Education, H.P.

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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

1. The Joint Secretary (Inst. & Trng.), Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Education, Kartavya Bhavan, New Delhi – 110001.
2. The Secretary (Education) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2.
3. The State Project Director (SS), Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1.
4. The Nodal Officer (IT), Directorate of School Education, H.P. with direction to upload the same on Departmental website and email to all concerned.
5. Guard File.




Director
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Prachi Pandey

Joint Secretary (Inst. & Trng.)

Email: prachi.p@gov.in

D.O. No. 1-3/2026-NAT

Dated the 15th June, 2026

Respected Madam/Sir,

As you are aware, the National Teachers Awards seek to recognize and celebrate the exceptional contributions of teachers who, through their dedication, innovation and commitment, have not only improved the quality of school education but also enriched the lives of their students and thereby contributed to nation-building.

2. I am glad to inform you that the National Teachers Awards Portal (<http://nationalawardstoteachers.education.gov.in>) has been opened for submission of online self-nominations by eligible school teachers with effect from 15th June, 2026. The portal shall remain open for receipt of nominations up to 10th July, 2026, while self-nominations may be finalized and submitted by applicants up to 13th July, 2026.

3. In order to ensure timely completion of the selection process, I would request you to constitute the District/Regional and State/Organization Level Selection Committees, as prescribed in the Guidelines, well in advance. A copy of the Guidelines and the timeline for National Teachers Awards, 2026 is enclosed for ready reference.

4. I would also request you to initiate necessary action for giving wide publicity to the Awards among eligible teachers so as to encourage maximum participation. The enclosed banner may kindly be hosted on the official website of your Department/Organization and disseminated through appropriate communication channels.

5. To facilitate effective coordination and smooth implementation of the Awards process, a Single Point of Contact (SPOC) may kindly be nominated from your Department/Organization. The nominated officer shall liaise with this Department and support promotion of self-nominations by eligible teachers from the State/UT/Organization. For the sake of continuity, the officer who served as SPOC during previous years may, to the extent feasible, be nominated again and the particulars of the nominated officer may kindly be communicated at award-event.section@gov.in and ajay.kr71@gov.in by 16th June, 2026

6. I shall be grateful for your personal intervention in ensuring timely action on the above.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Prachi Pandey

(PRACHI PANDEY)

- Encl. 1. National Teachers Award Guidelines
2. Timelines for NTA 2026
3. Link for the Banner.

The Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary/Commissioner (Education), All States/UTs.

F. No. 1-23/2023-NAT
Government of India
Ministry of Education
Department of School Education & Literacy

Revised Guidelines for Selection of Teachers for National Awards to Teachers from 2023

Introduction

The purpose of National Awards to Teachers is to celebrate the unique contribution of some of the finest teachers in the country and to honor those teachers who through their commitment and industry have not only improved the quality of school education but also enriched the lives of their students.

2. Conditions of Eligibility of Teachers for consideration for the Awards:

School teachers and Heads of Schools working in recognized primary/middle/high/higher secondary schools under the following categories:

- a) 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.
- b) 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 Eklatya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) run by Ministry of Tribal Affairs.
- c) Schools affiliated to Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) (other than those at (a) and (b) above)
- d) Schools affiliated to Council for Indian Schools Certificate Examination (CISCE) (Other than those at (a), (b) and (c) above)
 - i) 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. up to 30th April in the year to which National Awards relate) may be considered if they fulfill all other conditions.
 - ii) Educational Administrators, Inspectors of Education, and the staff of training Institutes are not eligible for these awards.
 - iii) Teacher/Headmaster should not have indulged in tuitions.
 - iv) Only regular Teachers and Heads of Schools with minimum ten years of services are eligible.
 - v) Contractual Teachers and Shiksha Mitras are not eligible.

3. Considerations to guide the selection of teachers upto State/UTs/Organization levels:

Teachers will be evaluated based on the evaluation matrix given at **Annexure-I**. Evaluation matrix contains two types of criteria for evaluation:

- a) **Objective criteria:** Under this the teachers will be awarded marks against each of the objective criteria. These criteria are given a weightage of 10 out of 100.
- b) **Criteria based on performance:** Under this, teachers will be awarded marks on criteria

based on performance e.g. initiatives to improve learning outcomes, innovative experiments undertaken, organization of extra and co-curricular activities, use of Teaching Learning Material, social mobility, ensuring experiential learning, unique ways to ensure physical education to students etc. These criteria are given a weightage of 90 out of 100.

4. Procedure for application and selection:

- a) All the applications would be received through an online web portal.
- b) Ministry of Education would ensure coordination with States/UTs regarding timely submission / entry into the portal and resolution of technical and operational issues during data entry into portal through the portal development agency.
- c) Ministry of Education will bear the entire expenditure for development and maintenance of the portal.
- d) In case of State/UTs, teachers and heads of schools themselves shall apply directly by filling the application form online through the web portal before the prescribed cut-off date.
- e) Every applicant shall submit a portfolio, online along with the Entry Form. The portfolio shall include relevant supporting material such as documents, tools, reports of activities, field visits, photographs, audios or videos etc.
- f) Undertaking by the applicant: Each applicant shall give an undertaking that all the information/data submitted is true to the best of his/her knowledge and if anything is found at any later date to be untrue then he/she will be liable to disciplinary action.

5. District Selection Committee (DSC)

District Selection Committee may be constituted by State/UT Education Dept

- a) First level scrutiny will be done by **District Selection Committee (DSC)** headed by the District Education Officer. Members of DSC would be as under:
 - i) District Education Officer: **Chairperson**
 - ii) Representative of State/UT Govt.: **Member**
 - iii) One Reputed academician nominated by District Collector: **Member**
Efforts may be made to the extent possible to change the names of nominated members every year.
- b) The major functions to be performed by DSC are as under:
 - i) Physical verification of the facts/ information provided by the applicant by forming verification teams.
 - ii) Evaluation/ marking of the applicants as per the format at **Annexure-I**.
 - iii) Certificate by DSC: The DSC shall certify that marks have been awarded after due verification of the facts.
 - iv) After the detailed evaluation of the applications, DSC will shortlist maximum **3 names** and forward these to **State Selection Committee** through online portal along with vigilance clearance certificate of each of the 3 applicants.
 - v) In addition to the applications received, the DSC in exceptional circumstances, may suo-moto consider name of maximum one person among the outstanding teachers including special educators and differently abled teachers/heads of schools. The evaluation will be done as per the format at Annexure-I.

- vi) DSC may take into account performance of teachers in various streams of studies viz. science, arts, music, physical education etc.

6. The State Selection Committee (SSC)

- a) The State Selection Committee (SSC) will be headed by Principal Secretary/Secretary of State Education Department. Members of SSC will be as under:

- i) Principal Secretary/ Secretary of State Education Department: **Chairperson**
- ii) Nominee of Union Govt.: **Member**
- iii) Director/Commissioner of Education: **Member Secretary**
- iv) Director, SCERT or equivalent if there is no SCERT: **Member**

Efforts may be made to the extent possible to change the names of nominated members every year.

- b) The major functions to be performed by SSC are as under:

- i) Re-verification of the facts/ information/marks of the nominations received from all the DSCs.
- ii) Evaluate all the nominations and prepare shortlist of the best candidates, subject to the maximum number allotted to the States/UTs as per **Annexure-III** and forward the same to Independent Jury at National level through online portal.

7. Regional Selection Committee (RSC) (For Organizations and Autonomous Bodies)

- a. RSCs may be constituted by the Organizations

- b. The major functions to be performed by RSC are as under:

- i) Physical verification of the facts/ information provided by the applicant by forming verification teams.
- ii) Evaluation/ marking of the applicants as per the format at **Annexure-I**.
- iii) Certificate by RSC: The RSC shall certify that marks have been awarded after due verification of the facts.
- iv) After the detailed evaluation of the applications, RSC will shortlist maximum **3 names** and forward these to **Organization Selection Committee** through online portal along with vigilance clearance certificate of each of the 3 applicants.
- v) In addition to the applications received, the RSC in exceptional circumstances, may suo-moto consider name of maximum one person among the outstanding teachers including special educators and differently abled teachers/heads of schools. The evaluation will be done as per the format at Annexure-I.
- vi) RSC may take into account performance of teachers in various streams of studies viz. science, arts, music, physical education etc.

8. Organization Selection Committee (OSC) (For Organizations and Autonomous Bodies)

a) The composition of OSC is as under:

- i) Chairperson/ Director/ Commissioner/ Head of the Organization: **Chairperson**
- ii) One officer from the Organization nominated by the Chairperson
- iii) Nominee of Union Govt.: **Member**
- iv) One reputed academician deputed by the Chairperson: **Member**

b) The major functions to be performed by OSC are as under:

- i) Re-verification of the facts/ information/marks of the nominations received from all the RSCs.
- ii) Evaluate all the nominations and prepare shortlist of the best candidates, subject to the maximum number allotted to the Organizations as per **Annexure-III** and forward the same to Independent Jury at National level through online portal.

Efforts may be made to the extent possible to change the names of nominated members every year.

9. Independent Jury at National level

A. There will be a Five Member Jury. All five members should have extensive experience in aspects related to school education. At least two members may be drawn from government, working or retired, but at or above the level of Joint Secretary. The Independent Jury at National Level will be headed and chaired by any of the experienced members of the Jury, as may be selected by the Union Education Minister.

B. Process for selection –

- i) The Independent Jury would review the list of candidates as forwarded by all the SSCs and OSCs and carry out **fresh assessment**, using the criteria and weightages given in the Evaluation Matrix for National Award to Teachers (Annexure I & Annexure II)
- ii) Each applicant is required to:
 - a) Submit an application letter (maximum 1500 words either in English/Hindi) addressed to the jury with a narrative that shows how they have fulfilled the criteria for the award. Further, this application letter should also include the names of a few (maximum five) students with whom the teacher's interaction has resulted in a positive outcome like retention in school despite adverse circumstances OR a student who is pursuing higher studies OR a student who has been recognised / awarded in the field / subject that the teacher is giving instruction in OR whose aspirations for higher achievements have been moulded by the candidate, etc
 - b) Make a 10 minute presentation before the Jury, elucidating his/herspecial qualifications, actions, achievements, abilities, etc
- iii) The Independent Jury would identify the best candidates through their qualitative assessment, on the basis of the application letter and the presentation, against each category using the indicative criteria given in Annexure II.
- iv) The jury may determine the category under which the teacher is recommended for the

award, based on the qualitative assessment which would be highlighted

- v) The jury will submit list of recommended candidates along with commendations about exemplary work done by each of the candidates.
- vi) The jury shall select candidates subject to the maximum of 50 (this may include two candidates from Special Category for differently abled teachers etc.).
- vii) Secretarial assistance to the Jury will be provided by NCERT.

10. The Independent Jury at National Level will submit their recommendations to Hon'ble Education Minister for acceptance and final approval.

11. TA/DA for the awardees and their companions shall be paid by Ministry of Education at the entitlement notionally equivalent to group A officer at entry level in the central government.

12. This has the approval of Hon'ble Union Education Minister.

The selection of teachers for the awards will be done based on their performance in the following indicative areas:

- a) **Innovative pedagogy and joyful learning** - Using joyful activities like story-telling, arts, games, sports, examples, etc in order to ensure that education is maximally relatable, relevant, interesting, and effective for our students.
- b) **Use of technology for learning** – Innovating and channeling cost-effective tech resources for enriching classroom learning, creating content using ICT as envisioned under NEP.
- c) **Learning material and mentorship** – Creation of low cost teaching learning materials, undertaking mentorship and nurturance beyond classroom walls for holistic development of students.
- d) **Engagement of community** – Mobilizing stakeholders in the community and engage them meaningfully in various school development activities like school management committee, social audit, increasing enrolment, uplifting deprived children, mobilizing resources, etc.
- e) **Governance** – Strengthening school administration by adopting innovative measures to improve attendance, school management systems, staff training, programme monitoring, etc
- f) **Delivery of FLN** – Adoption of various strategies to improve foundational literacy and numeracy skills in school

Evaluation Matrix for National Award to Teachers up to State/UT/ Organization Level

Category A: Objective Criteria		
S.No	Criteria	Maximum Marks / Ceiling
1	Publication (Research papers/Articles in international/national journals{with ISSN}, Books {with ISBN}, etc.) in the last 5 years	2
2	Annual Performance Appraisal Reports or other performance appraisal tools of last 3 years. <i>(Two marks will be awarded only if the candidate is graded 'outstanding' in last three years. Else no marks)</i>	2
3	Is the teacher attending school regularly without any complaints? <i>(Certificate from controlling officer needs to be uploaded)</i>	1
4	Whether the teacher has attended any in-service training he/she is deputed to? <i>(Certificate from controlling officer needs to be uploaded)</i>	1
5	Work done by teacher to increase enrolment and reduce dropouts. <i>(Certificate from controlling officer needs to be uploaded)</i>	1

6	Whether the teacher is enrolled for any course under SWAYAM or any other MOOCS platform. Any other efforts undertaken by the teacher individually to upgrade their skills along with educational improvements	1
7	Development of e-contents, textbooks, teacher handbooks for SCERTs, Boards or NCERT	2
Subtotal		10

Category B: Performance against criteria		
S.No.	Criteria	Maximum Marks
1. Use of technology, innovative pedagogy and joyful learning	A. Use of ICT Innovating and channeling cost-effective technological resources for enriching classroom learning, creating content using ICT as envisioned under NEP, etc B. Joyful learning technique, creative methods, etc like story-telling, arts, games, sports, examples, etc undertaken by teacher for greater impact of his/her teaching on the students. C. Development and use of appropriate pedagogic approaches in day to day teaching activities including delivery of FLN involving adoption of various strategies to improve foundational literacy and numeracy skills in school, etc D. Active involvement in the process of improving teaching practices in classroom to create an environment conducive to learning, using enrichment activities for students, relating the topic to real life situation, encouraging open discussions, etc <i>(Each Sub-head carries a maximum of 7.5 marks)</i>	30
2. Learning material and mentorship	A. Development and use of Teaching Learning Material, Low cost teaching aids etc. (Based on number, scale and impact of innovations/experiments) B. Successful teacher disseminates and shares, participating in collaborative effort. C. Capacity building and acting as mentor for other teachers. D. Undertaking mentorship and nurturance beyond classroom walls for holistic development of students	30

	E. Organization of extra and co-curricular activities (Based on number, scale and impact of experiments/activities) <i>(Each Sub-head carries a maximum of 6marks)</i>	
3.Governance and engagement of community	A. Strengthening school administration by adopting innovative measures to increasing enrollment, improving attendance, school management systems, programme monitoring, etc. B. Mobilizing stakeholders in the community and engage them meaningfully in various school development activities like school management committee, social audit and mobilizing resources through parents, alumni to contribute to school in anyway i.e., physical infrastructure, computers, PM POSHAN, books, Scholarship, etc. C. Work done by teacher for spreading social awareness among children, especially in socially sensitive issues like nutrition, toilet and menstrual hygiene, child marriage, uplifting deprived children, etc . D. Promotion of nation building and national integration <i>(Each sub-head carries a maximum of 7.5 marks)</i>	30
Subtotal		90
Grand Total		100

Qualitative Assessment by Independent Jury & Criteria for category of awards

- Candidates will be evaluated based on their application letter and a presentation comprising of following aspects, which are indicative in nature, not exhaustive
 - I. Demonstration of an innovative **mindset**.
 - II. Teacher's **design and implementation** of methods showed innovation and out of the box thinking.
 - III. The innovation in the methodology **addressed a felt need**/issue in school / classroom / students / community.
 - IV. Besides innovation, the design and delivery of the pedagogy reflected on **sustainability, quality, inclusiveness and impact**.
 - V. Contributed significantly to **strengthening collaboration and communication** in the school teaching community.
 - VI. Demonstration of **community spirit and going the extra mile** for others in the interactions with students and their parents.
 - VII. The teacher has been able to **effectively align the school's / nation's vision and mission with the aspirational goals of the student** and parent community.
 - VIII. Demonstration of a clear-cut idea and **vision for change**
 - IX. Designing and implementing **actions for achieving** the change
 - X. The **interventions adopted showed a clear visualisation of the change sought** and the process to be followed for making that change happen.
 - XI. The teacher was able to achieve the change sought successfully and it made **a visible difference in the students** and community.
 - XII. The design and delivery of the interventions ensured that the **changes were long-term and sustainable in nature**.
 - XIII. The teacher demonstrated **agreed community values** throughout the initiative.

Annexure-III**State / UT / Organizations wise maximum number of nominations allowed**

S.No	States/UTs/Organizations	Max. nominations
1.	Andhra Pradesh	6
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	3
3.	Assam	3
4.	Bihar	6
5.	Chhattisgarh	3
6.	Goa	3
7.	Gujarat	6
8.	Haryana	3
9.	Himachal Pradesh	3
10.	Jharkhand	3
11.	Karnataka	6
12.	Kerala	6
13.	Madhya Pradesh	6
14.	Maharashtra	6
15.	Manipur	3
16.	Meghalaya	3
17.	Mizoram	3
18.	Nagaland	3
19.	Odisha	6
20.	Punjab	6
21.	Rajasthan	6
22.	Sikkim	3
23.	Tamil Nadu	6
24.	Telangana	6
25.	Tripura	3
26.	Uttar Pradesh	6
27.	Uttarakhand	3
28.	West Bengal	6
	Subtotal	126
	Union Territory	
29.	A&N Islands	1
30.	Chandigarh	1
31.	D&N Haveli and Daman & Diu	1
32.	Delhi	2
33.	Jammu and Kashmir	2
34.	Ladakh	1
35.	Lakshadweep	1
36.	Puducherry	1
	Subtotal	10
	Others	
37.	Atomic Energy Education Society under Department of Atomic Energy)	1
38.	CBSE	6
39.	C.I.S.C.E.	2
40.	Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan	5
41.	Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti	2
42.	Sainik Schools Under M/o Defence	1
43.	Eklavya Model Residential Schools under Ministry of Tribal Affairs	1
	Subtotal	18
	Grand Total	154

Timelines for National Teachers Awards 2026

Sl. No.	Activity	Timeline
1	Opening of web portal for inviting online self-nominations by teachers	15 June – 10 July 2026
2	Final submission of self-nominations by teachers	11 – 13 July 2026
3	Constitution of Independent National Jury	Mid-July 2026
4	Shortlisting by District/Regional Selection Committees	14 – 21 July 2026
5	Shortlisting by State/Organization Selection Committees	22 – 29 July 2026
6	Intimation to shortlisted candidates for interaction with Jury	30 – 31 July 2026
7	Selection process by Independent National Jury	3 – 7 August 2026
8	Finalization of recommendations by Jury	8-Aug-26
9	Intimation to selected awardees after approval of Hon'ble Education Minister	10 – 20 August 2026
10	Rehearsal and Award Ceremony	4 & 5 September 2026



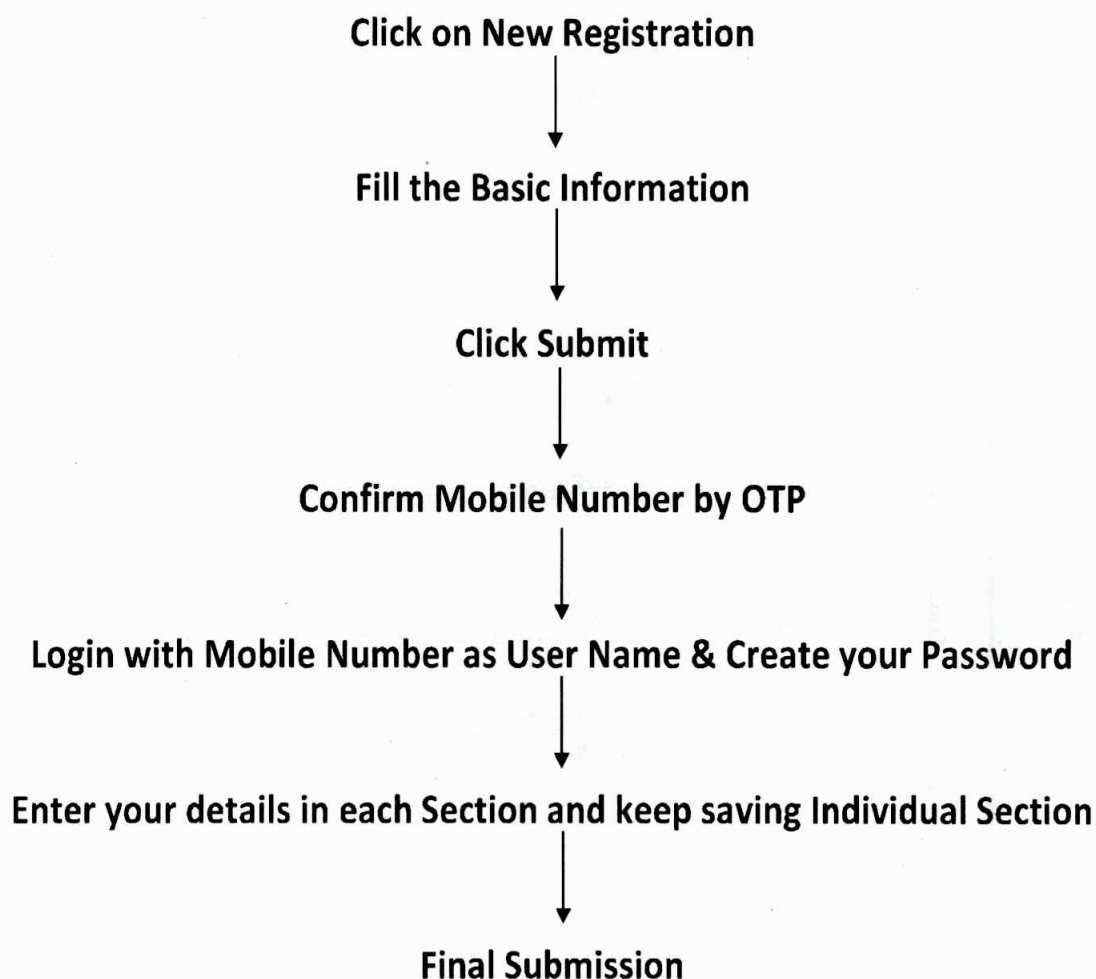
**Instruction Manual for
Online Self-nomination
NATIONAL TEACHERS' AWARDS
2026**

**Department of School Education & Literacy
Ministry of Education
Govt. of India**

Steps to Access the Information

A Web Portal has been developed as Online Application for Self- Nomination by Teachers as a first step, followed by short-listing and final selection.

Website address <https://nationalawardstoteachers.education.gov.in>



Note: For any technical issues, drop an email at:

helpdesk-nat@gov.in

Registration Form

Depending up on school in which the Teacher is working, the Teacher has to Select, either of the following organization from the dropdown:

- Govt. and Aided Schools Under States / UTs and Private schools affiliated to State/UTs Board
- Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan
- Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti

The screenshot shows the 'Applicant Registration for National Teacher's Awards 2026' form. It is divided into three main sections: Identity Details, Contact Information, and Verification. The Identity Details section includes fields for Organization Type (a dropdown menu), Applicant Name (First, Middle, and Last Name), and a note to enter the name exactly as it appears on the official ID. The Contact Information section includes Mobile Number (with a dropdown for country code and a field for the number), Email ID (with a note to enter the email address exactly as it appears on the official ID), and a 'Verify' button. The Verification section includes a 'Get OTP' button and a 'Verify' button. At the bottom, there is a footer with the Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Education, Government of India, and a note about the site being designed, developed, maintained and hosted by National Informatics Center (NIC), Ministry of Electronics & Informatics Technology, Government of India. There is also a link to the helpdesk: helpdesk-nat@gov.in.

After Filling all the details on registration page, Click on next button.

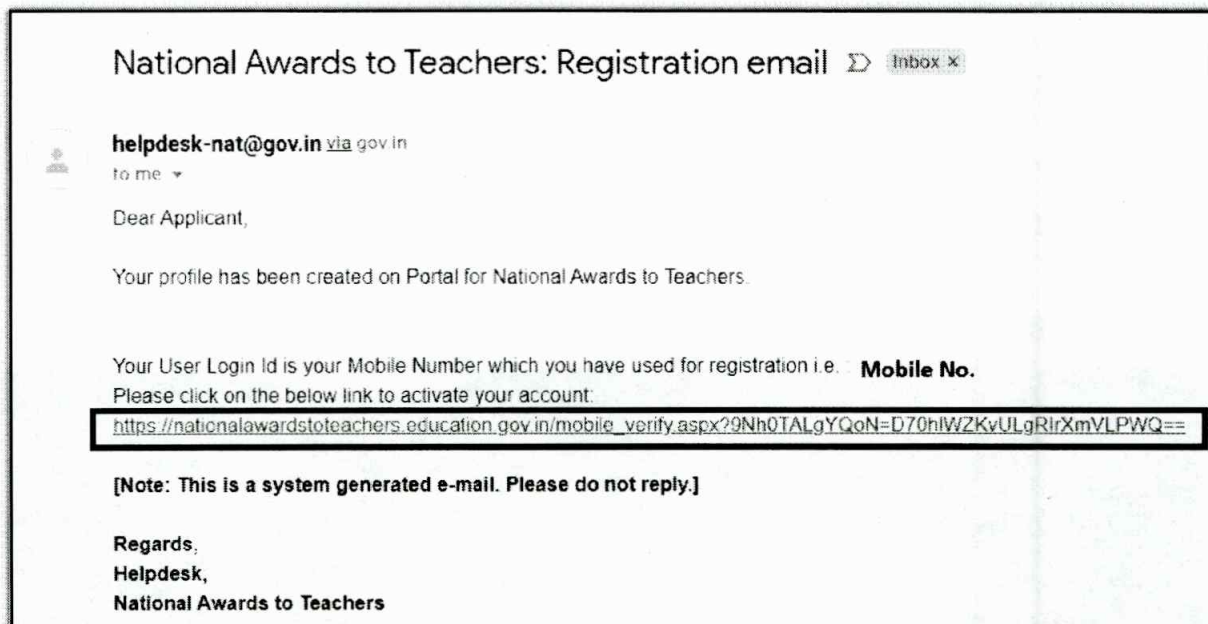
The screenshot shows a confirmation dialog box titled 'National Teachers Awards - 2026'. It contains the following information: Organization Name: Govt./Aided Schools Under States/UTs and Private schools affiliated to State/UTs Board; Applicant's Full Name: P. R. S. R.; Mobile Number: 9876543210; Email ID: P. R. S. R. @GMAIL.COM. There is a checkbox for 'I hereby certify that all above information are correct.' and a 'Send Application to us After Email' button. The background shows the same registration form as the previous screenshot.

- Kindly ensure that information filled by applicant is correct. Select check box and Click on **Send Activation Link on email** button.
- Email will be sent to the registered email id.

Nominee will receive an email on the email-id mentioned during registration process.

Verification of E-mail:

1. Check email received from helpdesk-nat@gov.in [Inbox or Spam Folder]
2. The user will get an activation link in the mail as mention in following screen.



3. On clicking this link, the user will be redirected to Mobile Number verification screen.

Verification of Mobile No.:

1. Account activation link will be sent to registered e-mail id.
2. When Applicant click on link sent on registered mobile following screen will appear for Mobile number verification.

The screenshot shows the 'Complete Account Setup' page for the National Teacher's Awards. The page title is 'Complete Account Setup' with the subtitle 'Mobile Verification and setup provided to continue your application'. The main form is titled 'Verify Mobile Number' and contains the following fields: 'Mobile Number *' (with a dropdown for country code and a text input for the number), 'We will send an OTP to this number', 'Captcha Code *' (with a text input and a captcha image), and a 'Send OTP' button. The footer includes the Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Education, Government of India, and the National Teacher's Awards logo. It also mentions that the site is designed, developed, maintained and hosted by National Information Center (NIC), Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology, Government of India, and provides a contact email: helpdesk-nta@gov.in.

3. Complete Mobile Number verification with OTP received on registered Mobile Number.

The screenshot shows the 'Complete Account Setup' page for OTP verification. The page title is 'Complete Account Setup' with the subtitle 'Mobile verification and setup provided to continue your application'. The main form is titled 'Verify your OTP' and contains the following fields: 'Mobile Number *' (with a dropdown for country code and a text input for the number), 'OTP *' (with a text input), and a 'Verify & Submit' button. The footer includes the Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Education, Government of India, and the National Teacher's Awards logo. It also mentions that the site is designed, developed, maintained and hosted by National Information Center (NIC), Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology, Government of India, and provides a contact email: helpdesk-nta@gov.in.

Password Creation

- After E-mail and Mobile Number verification, applicants will have to set new Password for Login into NTA Portal.



Complete Account Setup

Mobile Verification and secure password to continue your application

Create New Password



Keep Your Account Secure

Tips for a strong password

New users: 8 characters

At least one uppercase letter (A-Z)

At least one lowercase letter (a-z)

At least one number (0-9)

At least one special character (e.g. !@#\$%^&*)

Password and Confirm Password must match

User ID / Login ID *

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Password *

Enter your password here

Confirm Password *

Enter confirm password here



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- After setting new Password, applicant registration process gets completed.



Complete Account Setup

Mobile Verification and secure password to continue your application



Applicant Account has been Created Successfully. Kindly Login into Portal for Complete Self Nomination Form.

[Login Page](#)



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- Applicant may log-in to the portal with Login Id (Registered Mobile Number) and Password.

1. Login as an Applicant

- Login as an applicant, with Registered Mobile Number as User Name and Registered Password & Captcha.



The screenshot shows the login interface for the National Teacher's Awards. At the top left is the logo of the Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Education, Government of India. The title 'Login to National Teacher's Awards' is displayed. Below the title are two buttons: 'Applicant' (selected) and 'ITA Authority'. The 'Applicant' button has subtext 'Teachers & School Heads' and 'Teachers & Administrative'. The 'ITA Authority' button has subtext 'Teachers & Administrative'. Below these buttons is a section titled 'Registered Mobile Number' with a text input field labeled 'Applicant's Registered Mobile Number'. Below that is a 'Password' section with a text input field labeled 'Enter Password'. Below the password field is a 'Enter the code shown' section with a text input field labeled 'Enter your code here'. To the right of the password field is a CAPTCHA image showing the text 'G5PXyl' and a 'login' button. Below the login button is a link 'Forgot Password?'. At the bottom left is a link 'Don't have an account? Register here'. On the right side of the page is an illustration of a teacher standing and talking to three students. Below the illustration is a quote: 'Every lesson taught with passion, every student guided with care, and every challenge overcome in the journey of teaching deserves recognition! The students' future educational voyage commences and it is up to teachers to lead and shape the foundation of the nation.' At the bottom right of the illustration is the text '© 2018'.

- Teachers can register themselves with “New Registration” link.
- If the user has forgotten Password, the same can be reset through “Forgot Password” link.

2. Home- List of forms to be filled

Department of School Education & Literacy
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Government of India

National Teacher's Awards 2026

Applicant Self Nomination Module for National Teacher's Awards 2026
Here kindly verify State / UT and District Name on Personal and School details entry form, before final Submission

Personal Details
Basic personal information and contact details. 00/46

School Details
Details of the schools where you are currently serving. 00/04

Service Record
Complete record of teaching service and experience. 50/05

Objective Criteria
Information signed with prescribed eligibility criteria. 00/07

Performance against Criteria
Evidence demonstrating achievements against evaluation criteria. 00/10

Supporting Documents
Upload relevant documents for verification and review. 00/08

Preview
Details of all sections where you have entered data. 00/01

Final Submit
After completing all records. 00/01

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List of Forms to be filled, Press “View” to go to the Particular page

- ✓ - Denotes 'Page Saved'
- X- Denotes 'Page Not yet Saved'

3. Instructions

Kindly read all the instructions carefully before filling application form.

Instruction For Filling Application Form

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4. Personal Details Entry Form

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Enter Personal Detail like – Gender, Date of Birth, Alternate Mobile Number, House Number, Locality, State, District, Block, Pin code, Photo, Other Information, Press 'Save Personal Details' & 'Save Other Information' to Save the Personal Details in Draft mode.

5. School Detail Entry Form



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School Details

Provide accurate school and location details as per official records. Fields marked with * are mandatory.

UT/State Code *

Select UT/State of School

School Name *

Select School

School Management *

Select School Management

School Type *

Select School Type

School Category *

Select School Category

School Location

Select location details exactly as per official records.

State *

Select State / UT

District *

Select District

Block / NCT *

Select Block

Village / Ward / Area *

Village Name

Pincode *

Pin Code

Your Position in This School

Provide details about your current role in this school.

Designation in this school *

Select Designation

Date of joining in this school *

Select Date

Save



- Enter School Detail as required
- Press 'Save' to Save the School Details in Draft mode

6. Service Record Entry Form

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- Service Record Detail, School wise Service Record, Experience detail may be entered
- Service Record Details may be saved by clicking on “Save Service Record Details”
- School wise Records may be added by clicking on “Add Institution/School wise Details”
- Details of each institution/school in which you have worked needs to be added in a separate row.
- Service wise experience may be added by clicking on “Add Experience Details”
- Details of each service (teaching, administrative, others) needs to be added in a separate row.

7. Objective Criteria Details Entry Form

Enter corresponding details in Objective Criteria viz. remarks, Number of Publications, etc. URL / link of the video (if any) may be entered; Document (if any) may be uploaded.

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- (6) Whether the teacher is enrolled for any course under SWAYAM or any other MOOC platform. Any other MOOCs platform. Any other MOOCs platform. Any other MOOCs platform.**

Remarks / Short / Long / Other View

Supporting materials View (Add)

Supporting materials View (Add)

Supporting materials View (Add)

(7) Development of e-content, textbooks, teacher handbooks for SCERTs, boards or NCERT.

Remarks / Short / Long / Other View

Supporting materials View (Add)

Supporting materials View (Add)

Supporting materials View (Add)

[illegible]

2. Learning material and mentorship

2(a) Development and use of Teaching Learning Material (Low cost teaching aids etc.) (Based on number, scale and impact of innovations/experiments)

Describe the nature, content and quality of the innovation/experiment, its impact on the school, the community and the world.

Any Remarks / Other (Date: 01/01/2020)

Supporting Evidence Video (URL) *

Supporting Evidence (URL) *

Supported Documents *

Supporting Documents
(URL: 01/01/2020)

2(b) Successful teacher disseminates and shares, participating in collaborative effort.

Describe the nature, content and quality of the innovation/experiment, its impact on the school, the community and the world.

Any Remarks / Other (Date: 01/01/2020)

Supporting Evidence Video (URL) *

Supporting Evidence (URL) *

Supported Documents *

Supporting Documents
(URL: 01/01/2020)

2(c) Capacity building and acting as mentor for other teachers.

Describe the nature, content and quality of the innovation/experiment, its impact on the school, the community and the world.

Any Remarks / Other (Date: 01/01/2020)

Supporting Evidence Video (URL) *

Supporting Evidence (URL) *

Supported Documents *

Supporting Documents
(URL: 01/01/2020)

2(d) Capacity building and acting as mentor for other teachers.

Describe the nature, content and quality of the innovation/experiment, its impact on the school, the community and the world.

Any Remarks / Other (Date: 01/01/2020)

Supporting Evidence Video (URL) *

Supporting Evidence (URL) *

Supported Documents *

Supporting Documents
(URL: 01/01/2020)

2(e) Undertaking mentorship and nurturance beyond classroom walls for holistic development of students.

Describe the nature, content and quality of the innovation/experiment, its impact on the school, the community and the world.

Any Remarks / Other (Date: 01/01/2020)

Supporting Evidence Video (URL) *

Supporting Evidence (URL) *

Supported Documents *

Supporting Documents
(URL: 01/01/2020)

2(f) Organization of extra and co-curricular activities (Based on number, scale and impact of experiments/activities).

Describe the nature, content and quality of the innovation/experiment, its impact on the school, the community and the world.

Any Remarks / Other (Date: 01/01/2020)

Supporting Evidence Video (URL) *

Supporting Evidence (URL) *

Supported Documents *

Supporting Documents
(URL: 01/01/2020)

3. Governance and engagement of community

3(a) Strengthening school administration by adopting innovative measures to increasing enrollment, improving attendance, school management systems, programme monitoring, etc.

Describe the nature, content and quality of the innovation/experiment, its impact on the school, the community and the world.

Any Remarks / Other (Date: 01/01/2020)

Supporting Evidence Video (URL) *

Supporting Evidence (URL) *

Supported Documents *

Supporting Documents
(URL: 01/01/2020)

3(b) Mobilizing stakeholders in the community and engage them meaningfully in various school development activities like school management committee, social audit and mobilizing resources through parents, alumni to contribute to school in anyway i.e. physical infrastructure, computers, PM KISHAN, books, scholarship, etc.

Describe the nature, content and quality of the innovation/experiment, its impact on the school, the community and the world.

Any Remarks / Other (Date: 01/01/2020)

Supporting Evidence Video (URL) *

Supporting Evidence (URL) *

Supported Documents *

Supporting Documents
(URL: 01/01/2020)

3(C) Work done by teacher for spreading social awareness among children, especially in socially sensitive issues like nutrition, toilet and menstrual hygiene, child marriage, uplifting deprived children, etc. and if possible documents are given, even if they are not, then provide any other evidence, like video, audio, etc. to prove that the activities are in progress and it really work.

Key remarks / **Remarks** (3000 character)

Supported Documents *



Support documents
(PDF, JPG, PNG)

Supporting YouTube Video (URL) *

Provide your official account

Provide youtube URL

3(D) Promotion of nation building and national integration.

any other activities/program/activities

Key remarks / **Remarks** (3000 character)

Supported Documents *



Support documents
(PDF, JPG, PNG)

Supporting YouTube Video (URL) *

Provide your official account

Provide youtube URL

➤ Enter details corresponding to each criteria and click on save button.

9. Upload Supporting Documents

The screenshot shows the 'National Teacher's Awards 2026' portal. At the top, there are logos for the Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Education, Government of India, and the National Teacher's Awards 2026. A user profile section shows 'Mobile No: 9888888888' and a 'Log Out' button. The main heading is 'Upload Supporting Documents' with a subtext: 'Upload all your supporting documents to Google Drive and share the folder link below. Ensure privacy is set to Anyone with the link can view.' Below this, there is a 'Google Drive Link' field with a 'Paste Your Link' button. A 'Any Remarks / Comments (Mandatory)' field is also present with a subtext: 'Describe your key achievements, awards, and contributions in education.' At the bottom, there is a link to 'Instructions for uploading Supporting Documents' and a footer note: 'This site is designed, developed, maintained and hosted by National Informatics Center (NIC), Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology, Government of India. In case of any Technical issues kindly drop an email on: helpdesk-nta@nic.gov.in'.

In case, applicant faces any issue while uploading pdf file on form, applicant can also save all documents in google drive. After that applicant can share google drive link here.

Link to download instructions for documents uploading on Google-drive is also available on the web-page.

Click on "Print" to take the printout of the application for further reference

In case of any feedback for us, kindly drop an email at helpdesk@nag.com

11. Final Submission of Application

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Submit Application

Review your application status and completion by completing various sections below.

Application Status	
Progress	
You have completed 27 of 27 items (100%)	
Application Status: <i>Review your application status and complete any outstanding sections across submissions.</i>	
Personal Detail	Completed
Achievements Details	Completed
Other Details	Completed
School Details	Completed
Service Record	Completed
Objective Criteria	Completed
Performance Against Criteria	Completed
Supporting Documents	Completed

Declaration

I hereby declare that all information provided above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that providing false or misleading information may result in disqualification from the award process.

Signature

(To be signed by the applicant)

Date

(DD/MM/YYYY)

- After previewing the application applicant may download a copy for printout purpose and the application may be submitted by accepting the declaration and clicking on “Final Submission”.
- In case of any change to be made in the application, make the required changes before clicking on “Final Submission”.

NO FURTHER CHANGES ARE PERMITTED ONCE FINAL SUBMISSION IS DONE

12. Change Password

The screenshot shows the 'Change Password' page for the National Teacher's Awards 2020. The page is part of the Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Education, Government of India. It features a 'Back to Dashboard' link and a 'Change Password' heading. Below the heading, there is a sub-heading 'Please login to change password. If you are not logged in, click on the link below.' The main form area contains three input fields: 'Old Password', 'New Password', and 'Confirm Password', each with a placeholder text. A 'Save' button is located at the bottom left of the form. To the right of the form, there is a 'Password requirements' section with a list of rules: 'At least 8 characters long', 'At least 1 uppercase letter [A-Z]', 'At least 1 lowercase letter [a-z]', 'At least 1 digit [0-9]', 'At least 1 special character [!@#\$%^&*]', and 'Do not use common words'. At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with the NMC logo and a statement: 'This site is designed, developed, maintained and hosted by National Institute of Education (NIE), Ministry of Education & Literacy, Government of India.' There is also a small icon for 'National Teacher's Awards 2020' and a 'Log Out' link.

Click Change Password -> Enter Old Password -> Enter New Password -
>Confirm Password

New Password should follow the mentioned password policy.

Note: Teachers who are shortlisted by States/UTs/Organizations to present before the Independent National jury are advised to be prepared / ready with the following documents (Application letter and details of a maximum of five students)

i) Application letter (document fields should be given to upload the application letter)

ii) The names of five students with whom the teacher's interaction has resulted in a positive outcome like retention in school despite adverse circumstances OR a student who is pursuing higher studies OR a student who has been recognised / awarded in the field / subject that the teacher is giving instruction in OR whose aspirations for higher achievements have been moulded by the candidate, etc.

S. No.	Student Name	Subject Taught	Describe your role in the positive outcome like as explained above	Remarks
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				

The shortlisted teachers can Login into the NTA Portal using their existing User Credentials and fill the above details.

Thank You

Best of Luck

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