STATUTES AND RULES RELATING TO THE AWARDS OF BHARAT RATNA. PADMA VIBHUSHAN, PADMA BHUSHAN AND PADMA SHRI.

The following is a reprint of Notification Nos. 1-Pres. 55, 2-Pres 55, 3-Pres 55 and 4-Pres 55, dated 8th January, 1955, as amended upto 1st January, 1969.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY TO THE PRESIDENT.

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 8th January, 1955.

No. 1-Pres./55-The President is pleased to make the following revised regulations for the award of the decoration BHARAT RATNA in supersession of those published in Notification No. 1-Pres./54, dated the 2nd January, 1954:-

- 1. The decoration shall be conferred by the President by a Sanad under his hand and seal.
- 2. The decoration shall be in the form of a Peepul leaf, two and five-sixteenth inches in length, one and seven-eighth inches at its greatest breadth and one-eighth of an inch in thickness. It shall be of toned bronze. On its obverse shall be embossed a replica of the Sun five-eighths of an inch in diameter with rays spreading out from five-sixteenths of an inch to half an inch from the centre of the Sun, below which shall be embossed the words BHARAT RATNA in Hindi. On the reverse shall be embossed the State Emblem and motto in Hindi. The Emblem (but not the motto), the Sun and the rim shall be of platinum. The inscriptions shall be of @burnished bronze.
- 3. A sealed pattern of the decoration (manufactured according to the specifications described above and the drawing in the annexure to these regulations) shall be deposited and kept.
- 4. The decoration shall be worn round the neck by a white riband % one and a half inches in width.

- 5. The decoration shall be awarded for exceptional service towards the advancement of Art, Literature and Science, and in recognition of public service of the highest order.
- 6. Any person without distinction of race, occupation, position or sex shall be eligible for the award.
- 7. The decoration may be awarded posthamously.
- 8. The names of the persons, upon whom the decoration is conferred, shall be published in the Gazette of India and a register of all such recipients shall be maintained under the direction of the President
- *9. The miniature of the decoration which may be worn on certain occasions by recipients shall be half the size of the BHARAT RATNA, and a sealed pattern of the said miniature shall be deposited and
- 10. The President may cancel and annul the award of the decoration to any person and thereupon his name shall be erased from the Register and he shall be required to surrender the decoration and the Sanad. But it shall be competent for the President to restore the decoration and Sanad and to withdraw the orders of cancellation and annulment. The notice of cancellation or restoration in every case shall be published in the Gazette of India.
- 11. All persons' upon whom the decoration BHARAT RATNA was conferred under the Regulations issued with Notification No. 1-Pres/54, dated the 2nd January, 1954, shall, for all purposes of these Regulations, be deemed to be persons on whom the decoration BHARAT RATNA has been conferred by the President.

ANNEXURE BHARAT RATNA

Obverse









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सं. 133-प्रेज/2011.—राष्ट्रपति, दिनांक 8 जनवरी, 1955 की अधिसूचना संख्या 1-प्रेज/55 के अंतर्गत दिनांक 15 जनवरी, 1955 के भारत के राजपत्र में प्रकाशित भारत रत्न पुरस्कार के विनियमों में निम्नलिखित संशोधन किए जाने का निदेश देती हैं, अर्थात् :—

विनियम 5 में, वाक्य :

"उपर्युक्त पुरस्कार से अलंकरण, कला, साहित्य और विज्ञान की समुन्ति की दृष्टि से की गई असाधारण सेवा और सर्वोत्कृष्ट स्तर की लोक सेवा, के सम्मान के फलस्वरूप किया जाएगा"

को निम्न बाक्य से प्रतिस्थापित किया जाए :

"उपर्युक्त पुरस्कार से अलंकरण, मानव प्रयत्न के किसी भी क्षेत्र में की गई असाधारण सेवा/सर्वोत्कृष्ट स्तर के निष्पादन के सम्मान के फलस्वरूप किया जाएगा"।

क्रिस्टी फर्नान्डेज, राष्ट्रपति के सचिव

PRESIDENT'S SECRETARIAT

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 16th November, 2011

No. 133-Pres/2011.—The President is pleased to direct that the following amendment be made in the Regulations for the award of the BHARAT RATNA published in the Gazette of India of the 15th January, 1955 under Notification No. 1-Pres/55 dated the 8th January, 1955, namely:—

In Regulation 5, for the sentence:

"The decoration shall be awarded for exceptional service towards the advancement of Art, Literature and Science, and in recognition of public service of the highest order."

the following sentence shall be substituted :

"The decoration shall be awarded in recognition of exceptional service/ performance of the highest order in any field of human endeavour".

CHRISTY FERNANDEZ, Secy. to the President

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