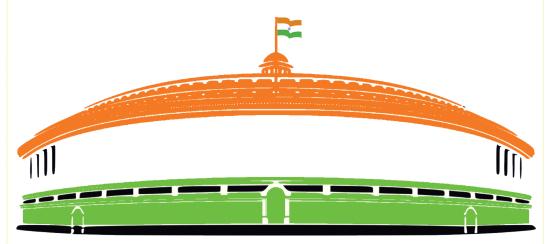
# Sansad Ratna Awards The Journey of 15 Years

(The only Award presented by the Civil Society)



2023-24



**Prime Point Foundation | Chennai** 

# Sansad Ratna Awards Committee met Hon'ble President of India on May 10, 2023



# Appreciation from Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi Tweet dated February 22, 2023



Congratulations to the MP colleagues who will be conferred the Sansad Ratna Awards. May they keep enriching parliamentary proceedings with their rich insights.



Congratulations to the eminent Parliamentarians on being conferred upon Sansad Ratna Awards for 2023.

13 MPs, 2 Parliamentary Committees and 1 Lifetime Achievement honour will be awarded during the 13th edition of these awards.



# प्रधान मंत्री Prime Minister

## MESSAGE

It is indeed heartening to learn about the 13<sup>th</sup> edition of Sansad Ratna Awards being held in New Delhi. Greetings and heartiest congratulations to the distinguished Parliamentarians for winning the awards.

As the Mother of Democracy, India's socio-political systems and practices have an ancient tradition of debate, dialogue, spirit of cooperation, transparency and inclusiveness.

Our democracy, Parliament, Parliamentary systems and procedures and the participation of people's representatives have played a crucial role in furthering the nation's glorious journey.

Discussions and debates in Parliament provide a forum to the government and policymakers to fulfil the people's aspirations and take the country's development journey ahead. It is the responsibility of every Parliamentarian to enhance the quality of debates in the House, as also voice the concerns of the people, particularly the poor and marginalised sections of the society.

This year's edition of Sansad Ratna Awards recognise and honour the outstanding contributions of some of our eminent Parliamentarians. I am sure that the Awards will inspire every Member to further enrich Parliamentary proceedings through their vision and wisdom.

Best wishes to everyone associated with Sansad Ratna Awards Committee for their future endeavours.

(Narendra Modi)

New Delhi फाल्गुन 05, शक संवत् 1944 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2023

### **Sansad Ratna Award Winners 2024**

## Photo Session with Hon'ble President of India - Feb 17, 2024



Photo Session with Hon'ble Vice President of India – Feb 17, 2024





#### भारत के उपराष्ट्रपति Vice-President of India

#### MESSAGE

I am happy to know that the 10<sup>th</sup> Edition of Sansad Ratna Awards 2019 is being organized by the Prime Point Foundation on January 19, 2019 at Durbar Hall, Raj Bhawan, Chennai.

The Sansad Ratna Awards, envisioned by Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam and instituted by the Prime Point Foundation and eMagazine PreSence in 2010, to recognize and honour the performance of our eminent parliamentarians. Such awards and honours inspire our legislators to be more active in public service by focusing on important policies related to the welfare of the people.

I extend my best wishes to the organizers, the members of the Jury Committee, the awardees and all the participants and wish the event all success.

(M. Venkaiah Naidu)

New Delhi 3<sup>rd</sup> January, 2019.



अध्यक्षा, लोक सभा SPEAKER, LOK SABHA

#### MESSAGE

I am pleased to know that the Prime Point Foundation, Chennai is organising 10th Sansad Ratna Award Ceremony to honour the Best Parliamentarians for the year 2019. This Award is a recognition for the excellent work and exemplery performance by Members in Parliament. I extend my heartfelt congratulations to all eminent Parliamentarians who are being awarded on the occasion for their outstanding contributions.

Parliamentarians hold very important position in any democracy. They perform the role of lawmakers, ensure accountability of Executive and also play critical role and responsibilities in developmental process and try to fulfill the hopes and aspirations of the people. They act as a brigde between Executive and Public whom they represent. Another role of the Parliamentarian is to disseminate information about the Welfare Schemes to Media and Public.

I also congratulate the foundation for their initiatives in recognising the exemplary contributions of our parliamentarian and in this way, they are strengthening the democracy.

My best wishes for the success of the programme organised by the foundation.

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(SUMITRA MAHAJAN)

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Yogi Adityanath





Date: 17-01-2019

## <u>Message</u>

I am happy to know that the 10<sup>th</sup> edition of 'Sansad Ratna Awards' is being organised at Raj Bhawan, Chennai on 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2019.

Our Parliament is the cornerstone of our democracy. The Parliamentarians discuss various issues and formulate various laws for the governance of our country. I am confident that 'Sansad Ratna Awards, 2019' while recognising the contribution of eminent Parliamentarians, would also inspire the young Parliamentarians.

My best wishes for the entire endeavour.

(Yogi Adityanath)



No. 240/Press/CMO/23

3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2023.

## **MESSAGE**

I am glad that the Sansad Ratna Awards 2023 are being conferred to honour the exemplary work of our Parliamentarians and Parliamentary Committees.

Over the last 12 years, the Sansad Ratna Awards have emerged as the touchstone of parliamentary performance. I hope that it will continue to inspire and encourage our members of the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha to use the floor of the Parliament and its various committees for the larger good of the nation.

My best wishes to the winners of the Sansad Ratna Awards 2023.

Pinarayi Vijayan

The President

Sansad Ratna Award Committee E-mail: sansadratna@gmail.com

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## Sansad Ratna Awards: Honouring Excellence, Inspiring Tomorrow

#### Vision:

- To recognize outstanding Members of Parliament (MPs), celebrate excellence in legislative activities and contributions and motivate all the Parliamentarians to perform better.
- To motivate young political aspirants, to join politics to develop the Nation ethically.
- Create awareness about the Indian Constitution, fortifying the pillars of democracy.

#### **Objectives:**

- Acknowledge MPs through transparent evaluation criteria, inspiring the next generation.
- Encourage Parliamentarians by celebrating them for their contribution to the Parliament.
- Educate about the Constitution, empowering citizens in democratic engagement.
- Strengthen democracy by recognizing those championing ideals of transparency and ethics.

## **Implementation Strategies:**

- Unbiased selection through an independent jury.
- Public awareness campaigns via diverse media.
- Collaboration with educational institutions for constitutional education.
- Facilitate interactions between Parliamentarians and aspiring leaders.
- Regularly update award criteria for evolving parliamentary excellence.

Sansad Ratna Awards play a pivotal role in shaping a future where exemplary leadership not only paves the way for a robust democracy but also contributes to fostering a vibrant and dynamic political landscape.

# Sansad Ratna® Awards

# The Journey of Fifteen Years

#### The humble beginning

The functioning of the Lok Sabha came under severe criticism especially towards the end of the 14<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha in 2009 because of the frequent disruptions and pandemonium in the Parliament. The then Speaker, Shri Somnath Chatterjee, in his valedictory address for the 14<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha, was expressly critical and registered his unhappiness over the frequent disruptions in the Parliament. The public too, criticised the conduct of the Parliamentarians, through social media. In mock Parliament sessions held in colleges and schools, students ridiculed by throwing chairs and creating a pandemonium. In the meantime, elections for the 15<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha were announced.

It was around this time that, on the suggestion of former President of India Dr APJ Abdul Kalam, Prime Point Foundation and the eMagazine PreSense decided to highlight the positive aspects of Indian democracy by recognising its top performing parliamentarians, who quietly discharged their constitutional duties with exemplary commitment and performance. Prime Point Foundation and the eMagazine PreSense instituted the Sansad Ratna Awards to recognise and honour these Parliamentarians.



Dr APJ Abdul Kalam – The Motivator

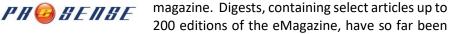


**Prime Point Foundation**, a Non-Profit Trust and NGO was founded in December 1999 by Shri K Srinivasan (popularly known as Prime Point Srinivasan), a former Senior Banker, Digital Journalist and a Communication Professional, to promote leadership and communication skills among the youth. Very eminent persons are associated with the Foundation.

In the past 25 years, the Foundation has organised several seminars, workshops, training and interactive sessions, both offline and online, on various subjects of national interest. The Foundation manages various online discussion groups and podcasts on communication, and digital journalism.

The Foundation has formed 5 initiatives, including eMagazine PreSense, Digital Journalists Association of India, Sansad Ratna Awards, Next Gen Political Leaders and Education Loan Task Force, to create awareness in various domains. All these initiatives are managed independently by passionate experts. These initiatives are non-commercial and focuses on youth.

**PreSense**: The eMagazine PreSense was started in March 2006 on the suggestion of Dr APJ Abdul Kalam to promote positive journalism. Till Feb 2024, the Foundation has published 204 editions. This is a digital-only



published. Dr Abdul Kalam has written the foreword for the Digest of articles up to 100 editions. PreSense publishes the cartoon character Prince, which was launched by Dr Abdul Kalam in 2008. PreSense has published 36 eBooks, some of them in print editions. All the publications are distributed free of cost.





K. Srinivasan, popularly known as Prime Point Srinivasan is the Founder and Chairman of Prime Point Foundation. He launched the Foundation in Dec 1999. He is the Founder of Sansad Ratna Awards at the suggestion of Dr Abdul Kalam. A former banker, he took VRS to establish a communication consultancy in Chennai. He is one of the

communication experts, with a specialisation in 'Image Audit', a tool to study the 'hidden perception' of stakeholders. He is a Digital Journalist for more than 25 years. He is the founder and Managing Editor of the digital-only eMagazine PreSense being published since March 2006. He has also founded the 'Digital Journalists Association of India'. He is a visiting Professor to many reputed Institutions on Communication and Journalism-related subjects. He has authored several books and articles, including the latest book on "Artificial Intelligence – Challenges and Opportunities'. He can be reached at prpoint@gmail.com.



Priyadharshni Rahul, a practising Advocate in the Supreme Court of India, New Delhi is the Trustee Secretary of the Prime Point Foundation and the Chairman of the Sansad Ratna Awards Committee. She is also the Founder and National President of Next Gen Political Leaders, an initiative of Prime Point Foundation.

As a College student, she has led the NCC Contingent at the Republic Day Parade at Rajpath, New Delhi. She was also selected as the best cadet and 'Youth Ambassador of India'. She has compiled 18 ebooks and authored 2 books, including the one on Women Empowerment. As a political science student, she has been taking sessions on the trends in politics and strengthening democracy. She has authored a book titled "The Handbook for Young Political Aspirants", which was released during the 14th Edition of **Awards** Sansad Ratna event. She be reached at can Priya@primepointfoundation.org

## **Sansad Ratna Awards - Categories**

#### Sansad Ratna Awards – Lok Sabha (Annual)

Based on the cumulative performance of the Members in Initiated Debates, Private Members Bills and Questions from the first sitting of the Lok Sabha till the end of the Session before Award event.

#### Sansad Ratna Awards – Rajya Sabha (Annual)

For retired members: Based on the total tally of initiated debates, private members bills and questions during their full term. Given to the Members who retired in the previous year in which the Award event is held/ For sitting members: Based on the performance in the calendar year previous to the Award event in initiated debates, private members bills and questions.

#### Sansad Maha Ratna – Lok Sabha (Once in five years)

Based on the consistency of performance of the members from the first sitting to the last sitting of the Lok Sabha.

## Sansad Utkrisht Maha Ratna – Lok Sabha (Once in Five years)

This Award is given to those who have received the Sansad Maha Ratna Award in the previous Lok Sabha and continue to show consistent performance in the current Lok Sabha also.

## Sansad Ratna - Parliamentary Committees (Annual)

Based on the number of sittings and reports presented from the first sitting to the previous session of the Lok Sabha before the Award event. Both Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha Committees are eligible.

## Sansad Maha Ratna – Parliamentary Committees (Once in Five years)

Based on the consistency of performance of the Committees from the first sitting of the Lok Sabha till the end of the last session. For the Rajya Sabha Committee, the term coincides with the term of the Lok Sabha.

#### Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Life Time Achievement Award (Annual)

To the veterans in politics, who have crossed 80 years of age and are not active in politics to recognise their contribution to the society and the institution of politics.

(All Awards are subject to other conditions. Performance data is sourced from the Lok Sabha and Raya Sabha websites and PRS Legislative Research. The Jury Committee's decision is final)

## 14th Lok Sabha - A Quick Review

In its March 2009 edition, eMagazine PreSense (published by Prime Point Foundation) covered the theme, 'Celebrate Democracy'. An exercise was also initiated to identify top performers among the Parliamentarians of the 14th Lok Sabha, sourcing the data released by PRS Legislative Research (PRS India) for this purpose. These Parliamentarians were featured, along with their interviews, in PreSense. This was the humble beginning of recognising the top performers of Lok Sabha. Dr Abdul Kalam gave an exclusive interview the on role Parliamentarians for this edition and appreciated the top performers.



Cover Page of March 2009 Edition of eMagazine PreSense

## 15th and 16th Lok Sabha - A Quick Review

After the formation of the 15<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha in 2009, on the suggestion of Dr Abdul Kalam, Prime Point Foundation and the Editorial Team of PreSense decided to honour the top performing Lok Sabha Members in person at Chennai, for their excellence in (a) Questions (b) Debates and (c) Private Members Bills. Two Members of Parliament (MPs), Shri Hansraj G Ahir (Chandrapur, Maharashtra) and Shri S S Ramasubbu (Tirunelveli, Tamil Nadu) were honoured in person, at Thakkar Bapa Vidyalaya, Chennai on

1<sup>st</sup> May 2010, in the presence of some eminent citizens of Chennai. Former Chief Election Commissioners of India, Shri T S Krishnamurthy and Shri N Gopalaswamy felicitated them. Dr Abdul Kalam addressed live on the phone from New Delhi and launched the first Awards event. The event was covered nationwide by the media.

Thereafter, every year, the top-performing Parliamentarians were selected by a team of eminent juries, based on the performance data provided by the Lok Sabha Secretariat and PRS India. Indian Institute of Technology, Madras was the partner, and the events were held every year at IIT Madras. Eminent sitting / retired constitutional authorities presented the awards.

While Sansad Ratna Awards are presented every year under various categories, **Sansad Maha Ratna Awards** are presented once in five years, for the overall performance for the full five-year term in the Lok Sabha. From 2016 onwards, Rajya Sabha Members were included in the Awards category. In 2018, a new category of Award was introduced for 'Standing Committee' for their outstanding contribution.

The awards for the 16<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha were presented on the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary held on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2019, in the Durbar Hall, Raj Bhavan, Chennai by Shri Banwarilal Purohit, Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu, in a ceremonial event. This event was telecast live nationwide by Doordarshan.

## 17th Lok Sabha – A Quick Review

11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Sansad Ratna Awards function was held in New Delhi. During these events, the top-performing Parliamentarians of the 17<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha were honoured. 14<sup>th</sup> Edition is being held at New Delhi in February 2024.

A new category of Award 'Sansad Utkrisht Maha Ratna' is introduced to honour those MPs, who continue to show consistent performance in the current Lok Sabha, even after getting the Sansad Maha Ratna Award for the previous Lok Sabha.

## **Appreciation from National Leaders**

Prime Point Foundation and PreSense have been receiving greetings and appreciation messages for every Awards event from various national leaders, including the Vice President of India, the Speaker of Lok Sabha, State Governors, and Chief Ministers of various States.

The Hon'ble Prime Minister had sent his message in 2018. During the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2019, greeting messages were received from the Hon'ble Vice President and the Hon'ble Speaker of Lok Sabha.



Hon'ble Prime Minister tweeted his greetings to Sansad Ratna Awardees 2023 and also sent a message.

## Appreciation by Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam

Former President of India, (late) Dr APJ Abdul Kalam had guided the Sansad Ratna Team in conceptualising the theme. He devoted a full chapter on the Sansad Ratna Awards in his book, 'A Manifesto for Change' and carried the interviews with

#### Performance of MPs

The performance of MPs in the Lok Sabha is assessed on four parameters: (a) debates participated, (b) questions raised, (c) introduction of private members bills and (d) attendance. Generally, the top performing MPs in the Lok Sabha did well in their constituencies too.

In this regard, the Prime Point Foundation and PR-e-Sense, two non-governmental organizations, have been honouring the country's top performing MPs every year since 2010 by bestowing them with 'Sansad Ratha' awards. They analysed their performance

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Sansad Maha Ratna Awardees of the 15<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha (picture).

Dr Abdul Kalam used to discuss often and offer guidance to sustain the Scheme. He also met the Jury Committee Members (16<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha) Shri Hansraj G Ahir and Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal to give guidance.



Dr AP J Abdul Kalam in discussion with Prime Point Srinivasan and Jury Committee Members

#### The Only Award by the Civil Society, 'We the People of India'

This is the only Award presented by the citizens and the Indian civil society, to honour the performing Parliamentarians. Many eminent citizens, including retired bureaucrats, professionals, social workers and academicians of Chennai are associated with the Awards Committee. Shri T S Krishnamurthy, Former Chief Election Commissioner of India is the 'Patron' of the Awards Committee.

Sansad Ratna Awards are conferred on those who receive the awards in person at the award ceremony.

## **Recognition by India Book of Records**

India Book of Records (IBR) has recognised the Sansad Ratna Awards for (1) the Maximum number of Awards presented to Parliamentarians by civil society and (2) Maximum number of Award ceremonies held to honour Parliamentarians. They have also recognised this initiative as one of the top 100 Record holders.







## **Sansad Ratna Jury Committee Members**

## 16<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha (2014-2019)



**Chairman** Shri Anandarao Adsul, Shiv Sena, Maharashtra



Shri Hansraj G Ahir, BJP, Maharashtra



Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal, BJP, Rajasthan

## 17th Lok Sabha - (2019-2024)



Chairman
Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal,
MOS Parliamentary Affairs`



Co-Chairman
Shri T S Krishnamurthy
Former Chief Election Commissioner of
India



Shri N K Premachandran, Revolutionary Socialist Party, Kerala



Smt. Supriya Sule, Nationalist Congress Party Maharashtra



Shri Srirang Appa Barne, Shiv Sena, Maharashtra



Shri B Srinivasa Prabhu, Retd. Jt. Secretary, Lok Sabha

#### Sansad Utkrisht Maha Ratna Award Winners - Lok Sabha



Shri Bhartruhari Mahtab, BJD, Odisha Sansad Utkrisht Maha Ratna 2024 Sansad Maha Ratna 2021 Sansad Ratna 2017, 2018, 2019

Smt. Supriya Sule, NCP, Maharashtra Jury Committee Member – 17<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha Sansad Utkrisht Maha Ratna 2024 Sansad Vishisht Ratna 2022 Sansad Maha Ratna 2021 Sansad Ratna 2018, 2019





Shri Shrirang Appa Barne, Shiv Sena, Maharashtra Jury Committee Member – 17<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha Sansad Utkrisht Maha Ratna 2024 Sansad Maha Ratna 2021 Sansad Vishisht Ratna 2022 Sansad Ratna 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019

#### Sansad Maha Ratna Award Winners - Lok Sabha



Shri Anandrao Adsul (Shiv Sena, Maharashtra)
Jury Committee Chairman – 16<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha.
Sansad Maharatna 2015
Sansad Ratna Awardee 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014

Shri Hansraj G Ahir (BJP, Maharashtra) Jury Committee Member – 16<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha Sansad Maharatna 2015 Sansad Ratna 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014





Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal (BJP, Rajasthan) Jury Committee Chairman – 17<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha Jury Committee Member – 16<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha Sansad Maha Ratna 2015 Sansad Ratna 2012, 2013, 2014

Shri N K Premachandran, RSP, Kerala Jury Committee Member – 17<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha Sansad Maha Ratna 2024 Sansad Vishisht Ratna 2022 Sansad Ratna 2017, 2019





Shri Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury, INC, West Bengal Sansad Maha Ratna 2024 Sansad Ratna Award 2023

Shri Bidyut Baran Mahato, BJP, Jharkhand Sansad Maha Ratna 2024 Sansad Ratna Award 2022, 2023





Dr Heena Vijayakumar Gavit, BJP, Maharashtra Sansad Maha Ratna 2024 Sansad Ratna Award 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023

## Sansad Ratna Award Winners (3 times and above) - Lok Sabha



Shri S S Ramasubbu, INC, Tamil Nadu Sansad Ratna 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014

Shri Rajeev Sankarrao Satav, INC, Maharashtra Sansad Ratna Award 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019





**Shri Dhananjay Mahadik, NCP, Maharashtra** Sansad Ratna Award 2017, 2018, 2019

**Dr Amol Ramsing Kolhe, NCP, Maharashtra** Sansad Ratna Award 2021, 2023, 2024





**Shri Sudhir Gupta, BJP, Madhya Pradesh** Sansad Ratna Award 2022, 2023, 2024

Shri Kuldeep Rai Sharma, INC, Andaman Nicobar Islands Sansad Ratna Award 2022, 2023, 2024



Sansad Ratna Award Winners - Lok Sabha



**Dr S K Kharventhan, INC, Tamil Nadu** Sansd Ratna 2009

**Smt. Rama Devi, BJP, Bihar** Sansad Ratna 2013, 2014





Shri Shivaji Adhalrao Patil, Shiv Sena, Maharashtra Sansad Ratna Award 2014, 2016

Shri Gajanan Babar, Shiv Sena, Maharashtra Sansad Ratna Award 2014





Smt Botsa Jhansi Lakshmi, INC, Andhra Pradesh Sansad Ratna Award 2013

Shri P P Chaudhary, BJP, Rajasthan Sansad Ratna Award 2015, 2016





**Shri Nishikant Dubey, BJP, Jharkhand** Sansad Ratna Award 2019

Shri Anurag Thakur, BJP, Himachal Pradesh Sansad Ratna Award 2019





**Dr. Subhash Ramrao Bhamre, BJP, Maharashtra** Sansad Ratna Award 2021

Shri Ram Mohan Naidu, TDP, Andhra Pradesh Sansad Ratna Award 2021





Shri Ajay Kumar Misra, BJP, Uttar Pradesh Sansad Ratna Award 2021

**Dr Sukanta Majumdar, BJP, West Bengal** Sansad Ratna Award 2023, 2024





Shri Gopal Chinayya Shetty, BJP, Maharashtra Sansad Ratna Award 2023

**Dr. Shrikant Eknath Shinde, Shiv Sena, Maharashtra** Sansad Ratna Award 2024



Sansad Ratna Award Winners - Rajya Sabha

Shri P Rajeev, CPI(M), Kerala Sansad Ratna Award 2016





Shri K N Balagopal, CPI(M), Kerala Sansad Ratna Award 2017

Dr. T N Seema, CPI (M), Kerala Sansad Ratna Award 2017





Smt Rajani Patil, Indian National Congress, Maharashtra Sansad Ratna Award 2019

Shri Rapolu Anand Bhaskar, Indian National Congress, Andhra Pradesh
Sansad Ratna Award 2019





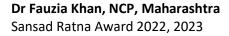
Shri Vishambhar Prasad Nishad, Samajwadi Party, Utar Pradesh Sansad Ratna Award 2021, 2023

Smt Chhaya Verma, Indian National Congress, Chhattisgarh Sansad Ratna Award 2021, 2023





**Dr Amar Patnaik, BJD, Odisha** Sansad Ratna Award 2022







**Dr. John Brittas, CPI(M), Kerala** Sansad Ratna Award 2023

**Dr. Manoj Kumar Jha, RJD, Bihar** Sansad Ratna Award 2023



## **Departmentally Related Standing Committees**



Committee on Finance (16<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha) Sansad Ratna Award 2018, 2019 Chairman: Dr M Veerappa Moily Indian National Congress, Karnataka



Committee on Agriculture, Animal Husbandry, Food Processing (17<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha) Sansad Maha Ratna 2024 Sansad Ratna Award 2021, 2022 Chairman: Shri P C Gaddi Goudar BJP, Karnataka



Committee on Finance (17<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha) Sansad Maha Ratna 2024 Sansad Ratna Award 2022, 2023 Chairman: Shri Jayant Sinha BJP, Jharkhand



Committee on Labour, Textiles and Skill Development (17<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha) Sansad Ratna Award 2022 Chairman: Shri Bhartruhari Mahtab BJD. Odisha



Committee on Education, Women, Children, Youth and Sports (Rajya Sabha Committee) Sansad Ratna Award 2022 Chairman: Dr Vinay P Sahasbuddhe BJP, Maharashtra



Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture
Committee (Rajya Sabha Committee)
Sansad Maha Ratna 2024
Sansad Ratna Award 2023
Chairman: Shri V. Vijayasai Reddy,
YSR Congress, Andhra Prdesh; Previous chairman:
Shri T G Venkatesh, BJP, Andhra Pradesh

#### Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Lifetime Achievement Awards

From 2022, a new category of Award has been introduced to honour the veteran political leaders, who have contributed to Indian politics and the people of India. The following veteran leaders have received the Awards.

#### 2022 Awardees



**Dr M Veerappa Moily (83)**, is a Senior Congress leader. He is the former Chief Minister of Karnataka and former Union Minister. Known for his recommendations in Tax reforms and Administrative Reforms. He has authored many books, including literary works, in English and Kannada. His literary works have been translated into many languages.



**Dr H V Hande (96)** is a Senior BJP leader from Tamil Nadu. He joined Quit India movement as a student. He joined Swatantra party and was trained by Rajaji. Later he joined AIADMK and he was the Health Minister in MGR Cabinet. After MGR's demise, he joined BJP. He is a five-time legislator. He has authored several books, including on Indian Constitution, Dr Ambedkar, etc.

#### 2023 Awardee



Shri T K Rangarajan (83) is a veteran Communist Leader respected by all political parties and the general public. He joined the United Communist Party at the age of 18. He is a well-known Trade Union Leader at the National level. He has served Rajya Sabha for two terms between 2008 and 2020. He was the Leader of the CPI(M)

Parliamentary Board. He was on the Panel of Vice Chairmen in Rajya Sabha.

# Şansad Ralma Awards 2010 - 2021





























Date: Saturday, 20th March, 2021

Venue: Constitution Club of India, New Delhi

#### **Chief Guests:**

Shri Sunil Arora, (Hon'ble Chief Election Commissioner of India).

Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal, (Hon'ble MoS Parliamentary Affairs and Chairman of Jury

Committee) and Shri Hansraj G Ahir (Former MoS Home and Patron of the Awards Committee). Justice Shri A K Patnaik, Retd. Judge Supreme Court of India delivered the Keynote address.

Awardees: 11 Members of Parliament. 1 Standing Committee Awardees







Date: Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> March 2022 Venue: New Maharashtra Sadan, Delhi

#### **Chief Guests:**

Shri Sushil Chandra, (Hon'ble Chief Election Commissioner of India).

Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal, (Hon'ble MoS Parliamentary Affairs and Chairman of Jury Committee) and Shri Hansraj G Ahir (Former MoS Home and Patron of the Awards Committee)

**Awardees:** 9 Members of Parliament. 4 Standing Committees and 2 Lifetime Achievement Awardees



#### 13th Edition of Sansad Ratna Awards 2023

## (Crossed 100th Award Mark)

Date: Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> March 2023 Venue: New Maharashtra

Sadan, Delhi

#### **Chief Guests:**

Shri Bandaru Dattatreya, Hon'ble Governor, Haryana

Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal, Hon'ble MoS, Parliamentary Affairs and Chairman, Jury Committee



#### Awardees:

8 Lok Sabha Members, 5 Rajya Sabha Members, 2 Parliamentary Committees and one Lifetime Achievement awardee







Date: Saturday, February 17, 2024.

Venue: New Maharashtra Sadan, Delhi

#### **Chief Guests:**

Shri Hansraj Ahir (Hon'ble Chairman, National Commission for Backward Classes), Dr Smt. Tamilisai Soundararajan

(Hon'ble Governor, Telanganagana and LG, Puducherry), Shri Ajay Kumar Mishra (Hon'ble MoS, Home Affairs) and Justice Shri Sanjay Kishan Kaul (Former Judge, Supreme Court of India)

**Awardees:** 4 Sansad Utkrisht Maha Ratna Awards, 4 Sansad Maha Ratna Awards – Individuals, 3 Sansad Maha Ratna Awards – Committees and 5 Sansad Ratna Awards were presented.



#### Sansad Ratna Awardees 2024







After the 14<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Sansad Ratna Award function on February 17, 2024, all the Award Winners 2024 had a photo session with Smt. Draupadi Murmu, Hon'ble President of India at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi. The Award winners explained to the Hon'ble President about the journey of the Sansad Ratna Award. Besides the group

photo, the Hon'ble President had an individual photo with all the award winners and also with the organisers.

Prime Point Srinivasan, the Founder and Priyadharshni Rahul, the Chairman of Sansad Ratna Awards Committee with Hon'ble President.

#### Photo Session with the Hon'ble Vice President of India

On February 17, 2024, all the Sansad Ratna Award Winners 2024 had a Tea and Photo Session with Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar, Hon'ble Vice President of India at his residence. Our team and Award winners briefed the Hon'ble Vice President about the Sansad Ratna Award.



Sridhar Raj (Executive President), Priyadharshni Rahul (Chairman) and Prime Point Srinivasan (Founder) with Hon'ble Vice President.

#### Meeting Shri Om Birla, Hon'ble Speaker



Before the 12<sup>th</sup> Edition, the team met Shri Om Birla, Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha and briefed him on the 13-year journey of the Sansad Ratna Awards. He was patiently listening to the team and conveyed his greetings to this initiative.

In Photo L to R: Ravi Senthil Kumar, Priyadharshni Rahul, Om Birla, Prime Point Srinivasan, Srinivasa Prabhu.

#### Meeting Shri Pralhad Joshi, Hon'ble Parliamentary Affairs Minister



Before the 13<sup>th</sup> Edition, the Sansad Ratna Committee met Shri Pralhad Joshi, Hon'ble Union Minister for Parliamentary Affairs and briefed him about the 14-year journey of the Award. (L to R: Sridhar Raj, Prime Point Srinivasan, Pralhad Joshi, Srinivas

Prabhu, Priyadharshni Rahul, and Varadharajan)

# Sansad Ratna Awards Committee (Youngsters in the forefront and the seniors to handhold)



#### Chief Guests for the Award Ceremonies

## 15th Lok Sabha Awards

2010	Dr APJ Abdul Kalam, former President of India
	Shri T S Krishnamurthy and Shri N Gopalaswamy
	(both former Chief Election Commissioners of India)
2011	Shri Era Chezian, veteran Parliamentarian
	Shri N Vittal, former Chief Vigilance Commissioner of India
2012	Shri Gopalakrishna Gandhi, former Governor of West Bengal
2013	Dr K Rosaiah, Governor of Tamil Nadu
2014	Shri N Gopalaswamy, former Chief Election Commissioner of
	India

#### 16th Lok Sabha Awards

2015	Dr Justice	AR	Lakshmanan,	Retired	Judge,	Supreme	Court	of
	India							

- 2016 Dr C Rangarajan, (former Governor, RBI, and Former Governor of Andhra Pradesh)
- 2017 Justice P Sathasivam, Governor of Kerala, and former Chief Justice of India
- 2018 Shri M K Narayanan, former Governor of West Bengal
- 2019 Shri Bhanwarilal Purohit, Governor of Tamil Nadu

## 17th Lok Sabha Awards

- 2021 Shri Sunil Arora, Chief Election Commissioner of India and Justice Shri A K Patnaik, former Judge, Supreme Court of India
- 2022 Shri Sushil Chandra, Chief Election Commissioner of India
- 2023 Shri Bandaru Dattatreya, Governor of Haryana
- 2014 Shri Hansraj Ahir (Chairman, NCBC), Dr Tamilisai Soundararajan (Governor, Telangana and LG Puducherry), Ajay Mishra (MoS, Home Affairs) and Justice Sanjay Kishan Kaul (Former Judge, Supreme Court of India)

#### Sansad Ratna Awards Committee 2023-24

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Shri Hansraj G Ahir Chairman, National Commission for Backward Classes



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## **Other Flagship Initiatives**

#### **Next Gen Political Leaders (NGPL)**

As an off-shoot of the Sansad Ratna Awards, Prime Point Foundation formed the initiative, 'Next Gen Political Leaders' (NGPL), in Oct 2018. The



objective of this initiative is to develop leadership skills and democratic values in young political aspirants from across all political parties. NGPL is a registered Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO). Outstanding Parliamentarians and Sansad Ratna Awardees have consented to be Advisors to guide the young aspirants, in this initiative.

NGPL has been conducting workshops and interactive sessions. In May 2020, it conducted an online 10-day (20 hours) Certificate Course for young political aspirants across the country. Prominent Parliamentarians, Legislators and Professors interacted with the participants.



Workshop on Grooming Young Politicians at Madras Management Association

students

Education Loan Task Force (ELTF) was started in 2010 to create awareness about education loans, among





Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal, MoS Finance honouring Divya, for prompt repayment of the Education Loan with Canara Bank

and parents. More than 30,000 queries have been responded to, through email, and more than 5000 serious complaints have been taken up with the management of top banks concerned. for redressal. Many policy issues been taken up by Sansad Ratna Awardee MPs. in the Parliament for solution.

ELTF does not facilitate loans.

# Digital Journalists Association of India (DiJAI): DiJAI is an independent



NGO founded in 2017 to create awareness about digital journalism and its implications, among the public and particularly among the journalists. DiJAI conducts several online and offline workshops and

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- 2. The present literacy percentage of the constituency has to be increased at least by 20% in five years.
- Take the statistics of number of water bodies in the constituency and their status. Work for the de-silting and interconnection of all the water bodies within the five years.
- Create programmes which will provide value added employment for every member of the constituency, consistent with her or his qualification.
- Infant mortality rate of the constituency has to come down to less than 10 per thousand in five years.

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