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BY SPEED POST

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi;
Dated: 22nd February 2007.

To

The Chief Secretaries, Administrators (by name),
All State Governments/Union Territory Administrations

Subject:- Institution of the National Award for outstanding fieldwork in eradicating untouchability and combating offences of atrocities against Scheduled Castes- the period of receipt of nominations for award extended upto 31st March 2007 .

Sir,

I am directed to say that the Government of India has instituted the National Award for being given annually to Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and/or individual Human Rights Activists who have done outstanding fieldwork in the area of eradicating untouchability and in combating offences of atrocities under the Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 (PCR Act) and the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 (POA Act). In this regard a copy of the Code of Procedure is enclosed. This Code has also been put on the website (www.socialjustice.nic.in) of this Ministry. It is requested that the Code may be given wide publicity. It is further requested that the names of renowned NGOs/ human rights activists and other details regarding names of their heads and complete addresses of communication, including phone numbers, etc. for the purpose of selecting them for being nominated on the Screening/Selection Committee may kindly be furnished immediately.

2. Nominations for award in respect of the year 2006 had earlier been invited upto 31st January 2007. However, now, the period of receipt of nominations for consideration for the said Award has been extended upto 31st March 2007.

3. Accordingly, it is requested that with the approval of the Chief Minister/Lt. Governor, proposals regarding nominations of the prospective awardees may kindly be furnished to this Ministry latest by 31st March 2007

Yours faithfully,


(K. N. Mishra)

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