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Government of India through Ministry of Women and Child Development has instituted **Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar** and invited applications from meritorious children, individuals and institutions.

Bal Sakthi Puraskar is given to recognise children with exceptional abilities in various fields as innovation, scholastic, sports, art and culture, social service and bravery. This award carries a cash prize of Rs. 1.00 lakh, a medal, a certificate and citation booklet.

Bal Kalyan Puraskar is given as recognition to individuals and institutions who have made outstanding contribution towards service for children in the field of child development, child protection and child welfare. In case of individuals, the award carries a cash prize of Rs. 1.00 lakh, a medal, a certificate and a citation. In case of institutions, the award carries a cash prize of Rs. 5.00 lakh, a medal, a certificate and a citation.

The detailed guidelines about the National Awards are available in Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India, website-wcd.nic.in. The eligible children, individuals and institutions should apply only through the exclusive portal. Applications submitted through any other mode will not be accepted. The last date for submitting application through online is **15.09.2020**. The applications received after last date will not be considered for the awards.

Applications received through online will be scrutinized and selected eligible applications will be given awards by the Hon'ble President of India on the week preceding Republic Day at New Delhi.

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