



Madhulika Ramteke Honored with 'Nari Shakti Puraskar'

Why in News

- On the occasion of International Women's Day on March 8, 2022, President Ram Nath Kovind honored Madhulika Ramteke of Chhattisgarh with 'Nari Shakti Puraskar' for her extraordinary work towards women empowerment.

Key Points

- In a special ceremony held at Rashtrapati Bhavan, the President honored 29 women from across the country with the 'Nari Shakti Puraskar'. For the year 2020 and 2021, 14 awards were given and one award was given jointly to two women.
- These awards are given to women who have done remarkable work in the field of entrepreneurship, agriculture, innovation, social work, art, handicrafts, wildlife conservation, linguistics, merchant navy, education, literature, STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics) and rights of persons with disabilities. Given.
- Madhulika Ramteke is a social worker from Rajnandgaon district of Chhattisgarh, who works for the betterment of domestically abused women. She was awarded the Nari Shakti Puraskar for the year 2021 for her remarkable efforts for the upliftment of women and their economic empowerment.
- She started a modest banking operation for domestically abused women in 2001. The bank was formally named 'Maa Bamleshwari Bank' by the district administration, which now has 5,372 branches. The bank is completely managed and controlled by women.
- He started growing yam in 2015 with 1.2 million plants which has now grown to more than 35 lakh plants.
- She teaches local people how to make vermicompost, encourages them to participate in Swachhata Abhiyan and Jal Suraj Abhiyan and also creates awareness about superstition, health and cleanliness, which resulted in construction of toilets in 64 villages in 2018. Happened.
- In 2016, she was also honored with the state level award.
- It is noteworthy that women who have done exceptional and outstanding work towards the empowerment of weak and marginalized women are honored with Nari Shakti Puraskar every year. The Nari Shakti Puraskar ceremony of 2020 could not be held due to the Corona epidemic.

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