



Two Personalities of the State Selected for Padma Shri Honor

Why In News?

On January 25, 2023, the President announced the country's highest civilian awards 'Padma Awards' for the year 2023 on the eve of Republic Day. Among these, two personalities from Haryana have been selected for the Padma Shri award.

Key points

- For the year 2023, the President has approved the conferment of 106 Padma Awards, including three dual cases (in a dual case, the award is counted as one).
- The list includes 6 Padma Vibhushan, 9 Padma Bhushan and 91 Padma Shri awardees. The list of awardees includes 19 women and 2 persons from the category of Foreigners/NRI/PIO/OCI and 7 posthumous awardees.
- Bakshi Ram and Dr. Sukama Acharya are among the two personalities from Haryana selected for the Padma award.
- Dr. Sukama Acharya of Akupur village in Jhajjar district has been selected for the Padma Shri award for distinguished service in the field of spiritualism and Dr. Bakshi Ram, an agricultural scientist from Gurgaon, for distinguished service in the field of science and engineering.
- Agricultural scientist Bakshi Ram is known for developing sugarcane variety CO-0238.
- Significantly, Padma award is included in the highest civilian awards of the country. The Padma awards are given in three categories - Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan and Padma Shri. The awards are announced on Republic Day every year.
- The awards, social work public affairs science and engineering are given in the fields of various disciplines trade and industry, medicine, literature and education, sports, civil service etc/activities such as art.
- 'Padma Vibhushan' is awarded for exceptional and distinguished service, 'Padma Bhushan' for distinguished service of high order and 'Padma Shri' for distinguished service in any field.
- These awards are presented by the President of India in ceremonial ceremonies which are usually held at Rashtrapati Bhavan around March/April every year.

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