## **Rajasthan Literary Promotion Award will be Started**

## Why in News?

 On June 14, 2023, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot approved a proposal related to the procedure, guide and selection committee to honour the state's litterateurs with the Rajasthan Sahitya Protsahan Puraskar.

## **Key Points:**

- In the encouragement, awards will be given in the name of Shri Kanhaiya Lal Sethia, Shri Komal Kothari, Dr. Sitaram Lalas and Shri Vijaydan Detha.
- Shri Kanhaiya Lal Sethia Literary Award in verse category, Shri Komal Kothari Lok Sahitya Puraskar in folk literature/art category, Dr. Sitaram Lalas Language & Research Award in language/research category and Shri Vijaydan Detha Sahitya Puraskar in prose category will be given.
- Rajasthan Sahitya Akademi, Udaipur has been made the nodal agency for these awards. The Department of Art, Literature, Culture & Archaeology will be the administrative department.
- The award carries a cash prize of Rs 11 lakh, a citation and a shawl. These awards can also be given posthumously.
- These honors can be distributed among those individuals, institutions or organizations, whom the selection committee considers equally eligible. All the awards can be given on the Rajasthan Literature Festival, Rajasthan Day or other occasions organized by the state government.
- The standing committee constituted for the selection of the award will be headed by a non-state person nominated by the state government.
- Two Padma Shri/Sahitya Academy Awardees nominated by the state government, president of Rajasthan Sahitya Academy Udaipur, president of Rajasthani Language, Sahitya and Sanskriti Academy, Bikaner and Principal Government Secretary of Art & Culture Department will be members in this committee where Deputy Government Secretary will be Member Secretary.
- After examining the applications received, the committee will form a panel of selected litterateurs in groups of three and submit it to the Chief Minister through the Administrative Department for a final decision with recommendations.

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