F. No. 3-15/2017- NVEQF Government of India Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of Higher Education NVEQF Section

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi

Dated: 12.09.2017

Subject: National Entrepreneurship Awards, 2017 (NEA-2017) by M/o Skill Development.

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of D.O. letter No. B-12012/68/2015-SDE dated 10.08.2017 from Dr. K.P. Krishnan, Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship regarding the subject mentioned above.

2. In this regard, you are requested to spread awareness on the Awards to all Institutions and organizations under your administrative control to encourage the achievers to apply for the awards.

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A brief note on 'National EntrepreneurshipAwards'

TheNational Entrepreneurship Awards have been instituted by the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MoSDE)to encourage a culture of entrepreneurship across the country. These premier awards seek to recognise and honour entrepreneurs and entrepreneurshipecosystem builders for their outstanding effortsin the field of entrepreneurship development. The Awards also seek to highlight models of excellence for others to emulate and improve upon.

1. Objective

The National Entrepreneurship Awards seek to recognize the efforts and achievements of exceptional entrepreneurs and those individuals and organisations who are working in the field of entrepreneurship development. The Awards also seek to highlight models of excellence for others to emulate and improve upon.

National Entrepreneurship Awards will be presented annually in a public function.

2. SchemeTracks

Twenty-Three (23) Awards will be presented underthe following two tracks:

Award Track

a. Award categories in Goods

- 1. Textiles, leather and related goods
- Agriculture, food and forestry products
- Chemicals, pharma, bio and other processed materials
- 4. Engineering systems
- Renewable energy and waste management
- Handicrafts, traditional manufacturing & other goods

b. Award categories in Services

- 7. IT &ITES, Financial
- 8. Education
- 9. Healthcare
- 10. Hospitality

- E-Commerce, logistics, transport & other services
- c. Additionally, awards will be presented to the best entrepreneurs in the following categories:
 - 12. Social Enterprises
 - 13. BareFoot Enterprises
 - 14. Woman
 - 15. SC/ ST.
 - 16. Persons with Disability (PwD)
 - 17. Difficult Area

II. Recognition Track

- Institutes/ organisations (Government) offering courses on entrepreneurship development.
- Institutes/ organisations (Private) offering courses on entrepreneurship development.

- Institutes/ organisations (Government) providing incubation, mentorship and handholding support
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- Mentor (Government) educationists, advisors, consultants working towards entrepreneurship development in Government sector.
- Mentor (Private) educationists, advisors, consultants working towards entrepreneurship development in private sector.

3. Prize

Winners will receive

- Cash Award under of Rs 5 lakh will be given to the winning enterprise in the Award Track. In the Recognition Track, Rs. 10lakh will be given toorganisations/institutes and Rs. 5 lakh to mentors.
- Trophy
- Certificate

4. Implementation Mechanism

The Core Committee of Implementing Partners comprising of theseven premier institutes will oversee the scheme implementation. These institutes include- Indian Institute of Technology Delhi; Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur; Indian Institute of Technology Bombay; Indian Institute of Technology Madras; Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad; XLRI Jamshedpur; Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS)Mumbai.

5. Inviting Applications

The Call for Application is now open from **28.07.2017- 15.09.2017.** Applications should be filled online on www.neas.gov.in.Also, visit this website for further details.