

**GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (AR&T) DEPARTMENT**

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Sub:- GAD - Awards - Applying for awards/recognition instituted
by private agencies - Instructions - Regarding.

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It has been informed to Government that some of the HoDs and Field level officers are applying for "awards/recognition instituted by private agencies"; While some may be free, many of them come with an entrance fee and at times, an indirect give away in the shape of advertisements/ sponsorship etc. Such awards do not contribute any value addition to the working and if at all, brings in certain level of complacency as if some target has been achieved although much may remain to be improved. Some of these awards are awarded almost once a quarter instead of normally annual one. It is also reported that it is a revenue model for most of these agencies to make profit out of such events, directly through contributions from the Government agencies applying and indirectly wherein the private agency markets the fact of government agency's association. Such 'indiscriminate recognitions' especially by often obscure private agencies brings a level of levity not desirable in the Government.

2. Keeping in view of the above circumstances, after careful consideration Government have therefore decided to issue necessary instructions to all the HoDs that not to apply for any Award which is instituted by a private agency / event management company without the prior written approval of the administrative department in Government and without due scrutiny of the same at Government level prior to submission. All the Departments of Secretariat are requested to communicate the above information to all HODs and units under their administrative control.

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All the HoDs.
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