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The Department of Commerce and Industries, Government of Meghalaya, invites application for the State Award for Handicraft Artisans from the local indigenous Tribal Artisans of Meghalaya where preference will be given to Craft which is traditionally attached or associated to the culture of indigenous Tribals of Meghalaya and also to Physically Handicapped Craft Person. The Artisans / Craft Person must be permanently registered (PMT) or filed Entrepreneur's Memorandum Part-II (EM Part-II)/Udhyog Aadhaar Memorandum (UAM)/Udyam Registration with the respective District Commerce & Industries Centres (D.C.I.C.s) which is a pre-requisite criteria for eligibility. There is no age limit or educational qualification required for the entry.

Applications can be obtained from the Offices of The General Manager, District Commerce & Industries Centres of respective Districts headquarter and also from the Offices of Meghalaya Handloom & Handicraft Development Corporation Ltd(MHHDC), Meghalaya Industrial Development Corporation Ltd (MIDC), Meghalaya Khadi & Village Industries Board (MKVIB), MIDC Complex, "Kismat" Upland Road, Laitumkhrah, Shillong, Directorate of Commerce & Industries (D.C.I) Administrative building Lower Lachumiere, Shillong and Office of Development Commissioner (Handicraft), Ministry of Textile, Government of India, Lower Lachumiere Shillong.

The Award will consists of a cash prize of Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand) only, a Trophy/Citation and a Certificate for each Awardee. A maximum of 5(five) nos. of State Handicraft Awards will be selected in a year by the State Level Committee.

The last date of submission of all completed application form is on or before $31^{\rm st}$ of May, 2021 which should be supported by necessary documents with a physical sample of the Crafts/ Entries along with its write-up/ history depicting the technique of specimen crafted and its uniqueness.

Sd/-(Shri F.Sutnga) i/cDirector of Commerce & Industries Meghalaya, Shillong.