

Handicrafts Export Awards

68 export organizations felicitated for their outstanding contribution to the promotion of handicraft exports

EPCH organized its 20th Handicrafts Export Awards Function with a vibrant ceremony on 18th March 2015, at Hotel Ashok, New Delhi. Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (IC) & Parliamentary Affairs, Mr. Rajiv Pratap Rudy was the Chief Guest and Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Textiles(Independent Charge), Ministry of Textiles, Govt. of India, Mr. Santosh Kumar Gangwar, presided over the ceremony. Mr. Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, Member of Parliament; Mr. SK Panda, Secretary (Textiles), Ministry of Textiles, Govt. of India and Mr. SK Biswas, Development Commissioner (Handicrafts), graced the ocassion. Also present were Mr. Lekhraj Maheshwari, Chairman, EPCH; Mr. Rakesh Kumar, Chairman, IEML and Executive Director, EPCH; Vice Chairmen, EPCH-Mr. Prince Malik and Mr. Rajesh K Jain; Mr. Dileep Baid, Chairman, Handicrafts & Carpet Sector Skill Council; Mr. R K Verma, Director, EPCH, senior officials of the Govt. of India, luminaries from the industry and members of EPCH and other dignitaries.



Union Minister of State for Textiles (IC), Ministry of Textiles, Govt. of India. Mr. Santosh Kumar Gangwar







Union Minister of State for Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (IC) & Parliamentary Affairs, Mr. Rajiv Pratap Rudy



Ministry of Textiles, Mr. Samir K Biswas



Chairman, EPCH, Mr. Lekhraj

Maheshwari





Union Minister of State for Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (IC) & Parliamentary Affairs, Mr. Rajiv Pratap Rudy and Union Minister of State for Textiles(Independent Charge), Mr. Santosh Kumar Gangwar presented 68 awards to handicraft organizations for their excellent export performance during the year 2012-13. Three Life Time Achievement Awards and two Special Commendation Awards were also given for outstanding contribution towards promotion of the handicrafts exports sector.

M/s C L Gupta Exports Ltd. of Moradabad got the top export award trophy for All Handicrafts for the year 2012-13. Mr. Amar Chand Ahuja of M/s Gobindram Ramchand, Rajasthan, Mr. Ravish Khanna of M/s Sunbeam Silver Art Industries from Moradabad and Mr. S P Dadoo of M/s Blue Art Flower Vases Works, Khurja, Uttar Pradesh were awarded Life Time Achievement awards. Mr. Najmul Islam of M/s Fine Finish Handicrafts, Moradabad and Mr. Rajan Puri of M/s Roots India, New Delhi, got Special Commendation Awards.

Trophies were given under each product category which includes, artmetalware; EPNS handicrafts; woodwares; zari handicrafts; lace, laces & embroidery; India items, textiles based handicrafts; fashion jewellery; marble alabaster & crafted stone; papier machie; iron crafts; jute handicrafts; glass; artware; ceramic artwares;

aluminium artwares; aggarbatties as handicrafts; handicrafts of handmade paper products; handicrafts of leather; handicrafts of eco friendly; shawls as artwares; handicrafts of smoking accessories and misc. crafts. 41 merit certificates were also awarded for top exports in different product categories. Two trophies were given for top export performance on regional basis alongwith five merit certificates. Hat Trick trophy was given to three companies for excellence in exports of EPNS handicrafts, iron crafts and aluminium artwares. Five types of awards were given to exporters under 23 qualified product categories plus 'woman entrepreneur', in addition to merit certificates, regional certificates and awards.

Union Minister of State for Textiles(Independent Charge), Mr. Santosh Kumar Gangwar appreciated the wide and varied range of Indian handicrafts produced in different regions of the country and exported to the entire world. Although exporters are doing an excellent job of achieving high rate of growth, there is major scope for further improvement. The Minister stressed on the need for design & product development in line with the needs of the market, that can be met by investing on new designs, research, product adaptation & product development as well as reorienting strategies to suit new markets. He assured that the Ministry of Textiles would extend all possible support in this direction.

Top Export Award 2012-13 **All Handicrafts**

Life-time Achievement **Awards**









Special Commendation Awards





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