



PM Gets Bhutan's Highest Civilian Award

Why in News

Recently, the **Prime Minister of India has been conferred by Bhutan's highest civilian award, 'Order of the Druk Gyalpo'** also known as "**Ngadag Pel gi Khorlo**".

Key Points

▪ About:

- The announcement of the award coincided with the occasion of the **114th National Day of Bhutan**.
- This is the **highest decoration of Bhutan** and is awarded in recognition of a **lifetime of service to the people** and the Kingdom of Bhutan.
- Order of the Dragon King was founded on 7th November 2008, to **reward those who devoted a lifetime of service to the nation** and people of Bhutan.
- The honours exist in two categories. **Order of the Dragon King** is the pinnacle of the honour system in Bhutan and also takes precedence over all other orders, medals and decorations.

Other Awards Won by the Indian PM

- **Order of Abdulaziz Al Saud (2016):** The highest honour of **Saudi Arabia** awarded to non-muslim dignitaries.
- **State Order of Ghazi Amir Amanullah Khan (2016):** The highest civilian honour of **Afghanistan**.
- **Grand Collar of the State of Palestine Award (2018):** The highest honour of **Palestine** awarded to foreign dignitaries.
- **Order of Zayed Award (2019):** The highest civilian honour of the **United Arab Emirates**.
- **Order of St. Andrew award (2019):** The highest civilian honour of **Russia**
- **Order of the Distinguished Rule of Nishan Izzuddin (2019)** The highest honour of the **Maldives** awarded to foreign dignitaries.
- **King Hamad Order of the Renaissance - First Class (2019):** **Bahrain's** top honour.
- **Legion of Merit by the US Government (2020):** The **United States Armed Forces** award given for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services and achievements.
- **Seoul Peace Prize (2018):** Seoul Peace Prize Cultural Foundation's biennial award (**South Korea**) to those individuals who have made their mark through contributions to the harmony of mankind, reconciliation between nations and world peace.
- **Champions of The Earth Award (2018):** The **United Nation's** highest environmental honour
- **First Philip Kotler Presidential award (2019):** Offered to the leader of a nation.
- **Global Goalkeeper Award:** Honour by **Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation** for **Swachh Bharat Abhiyan** (2019)
- **Global Energy and Environment Leadership Award (2021):** Awarded by the **Cambridge Energy Research Associates CERA** for commitment of leadership towards the future of global energy and the environment.

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