



## 15 Craft Artists of Bihar honoured with State Award and 14 Merit Awards for the year 2021 | Bihar | 26 Oct 2023

### Why In News?

On October 25, 2023, Bihar Industries Minister Sameer Kumar Mahaseth honoured 15 craftsmen from the state with the state award for the year 2021 and the Merit award to 14 at a ceremony held at Adhiveshan Bhawan.

### Key Points:

- The awardees were given Rs 50,000 and Rs 25,000 respectively.
- These artists have been selected through a state award competition. From November 15, 2021, to December 24, 2021, a competition was organized by Upendra Maharathi Crafts Institute for various crafts. A total of 322 artists participated.
- **Artists awarded the State Award (2021):**
  - Archana Kumari (Madhubani Painting), Bhagwan Thakur (Madhubani Painting), Ambika Devi (Paper Meshi Craft), Deepesh Soni (Wood Art), Swati Raj (Metal Craft), Radha Kumari (Sikki Art), Abhishek Kumar (Leather Art), Hina Kumari (Manjusha Painting), Chandrakanti Devi (applied craft), Suman Singh (Sujani Art), Anita Pandey (Bhojpuri Art), Gyananti Devi (Croatia), Pooja (Tikuli Painting), Namita Azad (Other Beautiful Paintings).
- **Meritorious Artists:**
  - Abha Das (Madhubani Painting), Manju Karan (Madhubani Painting), Amresh Kumar Lal Das (Madhubani Painting), Ruby Devi (Madhubani Painting), Rama Devi (Madhubani Painting), Sunil Kumar Chaudhary (Manjusha Painting), Jhana Rani (Paper Mache Craft), Rupa Kumari (Jute Craft), Meena Devi (Applied Craft), Sujata Kumari (Sujani Craft), Kaushiki Srivastava (Block Painting), Nikki Kumari (Bhojpuri Art), Soni (Bhojpuri Art), Soni (Tikuli Painting)





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