

National Florence Nightingale Awards 2024

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Recently, the President of India presented the **National Florence Nightingale Awards 2024** to 15 <u>nursing professionals</u>, recognizing their exemplary contributions to healthcare and public service.

- Award Recognition: The National Florence Nightingale Award was instituted in 1973 by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to honour outstanding nursing personnel in various settings.
 - A total of 15 awards are given in the category of Registered Auxiliary Nurses & Midwife, Registered Nurses and Midwife and Registered Lady Visitor.
 - The award is given to outstanding nursing personnel employed in Central, State/UTs and Voluntary Organizations. Each award consists of a Certificate of Merit, Cash Award of Rs.100000/- and a medal.
- Nursing Initiatives: The government of India has established 157 nursing colleges and formed the National Nursing and Midwifery Commission, under the <u>National Nursing and</u> <u>Midwifery Commission (NNMC) Act, 2023</u> to improve education and healthcare services.

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