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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

The Writers/Artists in-Residence Programme at Rashtrapati Bhavan is an effort to encourage both upcoming and established Writers/Artists in India to explore the opportunities for heightened creativity by staying close to nature in the picturesque and serene surroundings of Rashtrapati Bhavan.

2. The first Writers/Artists in-Residence Programme 2014 was held from 8th to 26th September, 2014 when two Writers namely Shri Vempalli Gangadhar and Ms. Yishey Doma Bhutia and two Artists namely Shri Rahool Saksena and Shri Pratap Morey were invited to stay at Rashtrapati Bhavan.

3. The second Writers/Artists in-Residence Programme, 2015 was held from 7th March, 2015 when two Writers namely Shri Vikram Sampath and Dr. Gayatribala Panda, and two Artists namely Shri Rajesh P. Kargutkar and Shri Haobam Sanaton Singh, were invited to stay at Rashtrapati Bhavan.

4. During their stay, the Writers/Artists were given the opportunity to participate in the various ceremonial and cultural functions held at Rashtrapati Bhavan, visit to the various monuments, art studios and museum of Delhi, participate in various activities at the Sahitya Academy and Lalit Kala Akademy.

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5. The third Writers/Artists in-Residence Programme 2016 will commence on 12th March, 2016 and the process of selection has started. Applications are being invited online from the interested candidates on the link provided on the website of the President of India. It has also been decided that the Sahitya Academy and Lalit Kala Academy may evaluate the applications received online and send a list of shortlisted candidates for submitting before the Selection Committee headed by the Secretary to the President, comprising of the following :-

1. Secretary to the President (Chairperson);
2. Secretary, Ministry of Culture;
3. Additional Secretary to the President
4. Director, National Gallery on Modern Art;
5. Secretary, Lalit Kala Academy;
6. Secretary, Sahitya Academy;
7. Press Secretary to the President; and
8. Director, President's Secretariat (Member-Secretary)

6. Due publicity to the above said programme may be given by the Sahitya Academy and Lalit Kala Academy through their Regional Offices and encourage upcoming national/state award winning writers/artists to apply online.

Ashok Kumar

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Under Secretary(Adm)

To

1. ✓ Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi
2. Director, National Gallery of Modern Art, New Delhi.
3. Secretary, Lalit Kala Academy, Rabindra Bhavan, New Delhi
4. Secretary, Sahitya Academy, Rabindra Bhavan, New Delhi
5. PPS to Secretary to the President - for info of Secretary
6. PPS to Addl. Secy to the President- for info of ASP
7. PS to Press Secretary to the President for info of Press Secy
8. PS to Director, President's Secretariat - for info. of Director