

Press Release

Embassy of Japan in India

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Conferral of the Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays, upon Former Local Employees of Embassy of Japan in India

On 3rd November 2020, the Government of Japan announced the foreign recipients of the 2020 Autumn Decorations. Among them are six former local employees of the Embassy of Japan in India; Mr. Netra Singh, Mr. Satish Kumar Kapoor, Mr. Kailash Chandra Pande, Mr. Parameshwaran Janardhanan Pillai, Mr. Mandhir Dogra, and Mr. Lalit Mohan Baluni. They will receive the Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays in recognition of their contributions to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment.

The Embassy of Japan in India has the honor to pay tribute to the above six recipients for their long years of service on the occasion of the conferral.

Mr. Netra Singh

- Title of the Decoration: The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays
- Major Positions Held: Local employee, Embassy of Japan (1956-1998)
- Service: Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment.
- Summary of Contributions: Mr. Singh was with the Embassy of Japan in India for over 40 years and provided various support including technical assistance for the diplomatic staff, contributing significantly to the activities of the Embassy.

Mr. Satish Kumar Kapoor

- Title of the Decoration: The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays
- Major Positions Held: Local employee, Embassy of Japan (1964-1999)
- Service: Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment.
- Summary of Contributions: Mr. Kapoor was with the Embassy of Japan in India for over 30 years. He provided various support for the diplomatic staff and assumed the role of secretary as well, contributing significantly to the activities of the Embassy.

Mr. Kailash Chandra Pande

- Title of the Decoration: The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays
- Major Positions Held: Honorary Executive Secretary, Blind Relief Association (2005 - Present)
Local employee, Embassy of Japan (1970-2005)

- Service: Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment.
- Summary of Contributions: Mr. Pande was with the Embassy of Japan in India for over 30 years. His devotion to duty, including the management of the Japanese language course offered at the Japan Information Center of the Embassy, contributed significantly to the activities of the mission.

Mr. Parameshwaran Janardhanan Pillai

- Title of the Decoration: The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays
- Major Positions Held: Local employee, Embassy of Japan (1971-2009)
- Service: Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment.
- Summary of Contributions: Mr. Pillai was with the Embassy of Japan in India for over 35 years. He devoted himself to the general affairs of the mission, such as the successful visits of Japanese VIPs, and contributed significantly to the activities of the Embassy.

Mr. Mandhir Dogra

- Title of the Decoration: The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays
- Major Positions Held: Local employee, Embassy of Japan (1971-2008)
- Service: Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment.
- Summary of Contributions: Mr. Dogra was with the Embassy of Japan in India for over 35 years. He devoted himself to the protocol affairs of the mission and supported the diplomatic staff, including Ambassador, execute tasks, contributing significantly to the activities of the Embassy.

Mr. Lalit Mohan Baluni

- Title of the Decoration: The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold and Silver Rays
- Major Positions Held: Clerk, Mizuho Corporate Bank LTD., New Delhi Branch (2006-2014)
Local employee, Embassy of Japan (1971-2006)
- Service: Contributed to the activities of the Japanese overseas establishment.
- Summary of Contributions: Mr. Baluni was with the Embassy of Japan in India for over 30 years. His devotion to duty, including the management of the Japan Information Center of the Embassy, contributed significantly to the activities of the mission.