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CALL LETTER

N.S. HEMA MEMORIAL AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING NGO IN DISABILITY SECTOR IN KARNATAKA

Dear Applicant,

We hope that this Award will encourage you to display your work and draw inspiration from other NGOs.

This award is instituted by the Association of People with Disability (APD) in memory of its founder N S Hema, who established the organization in 1959. N S Hema was severely afflicted with polio at a very young age. It was her dream and life's mission to ensure quality in the lives of persons with disability and promote inclusion in society. Hema's vision, mission and commitment led to the growth of APD as a renowned NGO for Early Intervention, Rehabilitation, Education and Livelihoods for People with Disabilities. Over the years, APD has reached out to more than 5,00,000 people. Today we work across Karnataka with a focus on the Belagavi and Kalaburagi Divisions, while providing technical support to organisations beyond the state. We are founders of the Disability Network Alliance, a platform for about 100 NGOs, in Karnataka.

About the Award: APD has instituted the 'N.S Hema Memorial Award' for Outstanding NGO in Disability sector in Karnataka, to recognize and promote Non-Government Organisations (NGOs) working in the disability sector. This will be an annual feature, to be held on the Founder's Day, 4 October, being Hema's birthday. The Award will go to one NGO which is doing excellent work in the field of disability in Karnataka for the last 3 years and will consist of ₹1,00,000/- and citation. The awardee will be chosen by a panel of competent jurors consisting of people from the Disability and Development sector. The award will be given away on 4 October 2018. This will be a great opportunity and honour for NGOs working in the field of Disability, in Karnataka.

Eligibility Criteria: Organisations working in the disability sector; minimum of 3 years as of 1 April 2018; registered as a not for profit organization (Society/Trust).

Award Criteria: 1. Spread and Depth 2. Relevance of the work done in terms of need of the sector and capacity to deliver 3. Sustainability 4. Innovation 5. Credibility of the organization

We look forward to your application for the award. **The last day for application submission is 6 August 2018.** Email us at nshemaaward@apd-india.org or call Mr. Daniel E James, at 94498 69439 for more details.

Thank you.

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