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Dear Madam/Sir,

As you may kindly be aware that the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation had instituted a National Award in the memory of Prof. P.V. Sukhatme, a renowned statistician for his outstanding contribution and the distinguished service to the cause of Statistics and its application to Agriculture and allied fields. This award is given in alternate years to the senior Indian Statisticians for their Lifetime Contributions and Achievements in the field of Statistics. The award carries a citation, shawl and memento. The award for 2026 will be conferred during Statistics Day celebration on **29th June, 2026**.

2. Nominations for **Sukhatme National Award in Statistics - 2026** are invited online at the National Awards Portal i.e., <https://www.awards.gov.in> from **1st January 2026**. The last date for the receipt of applications/nominations is **31st January, 2026**. A copy of announcement/advertisement inviting nominations is enclosed herewith for your kind information. This advertisement is also available on the website of our Ministry (<http://www.mospi.gov.in/>).

3. I would, therefore, request you to kindly circulate the advertisement/announcement of the award in departments/offices/institutions under your jurisdiction and publish the same on your organization's online portal for wide publicity. I would also request you are further to forward nominations of suitable candidates of your organizations/institutions before the last date for nomination i.e. 31st January 2026.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

(R. Rajesh)

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