

Rules for Prof RK Chhibber-Press Club Jammu Journalism Awards 2016

(IMPORTANT: PLEASE TAKE OUT A PRINTOUT OF THESE RULES AND ATTACH A SELF-ATTESTED COPY WITH THE APPLICATION. IN CASE, THE APPLICANT IS AN ORGANISATION, THE COPY SHOULD BE ATTESTED BY THE AUTHORISED SIGNITORY.)

1. There will be no entry fee for submission of an entry.
2. Each entry shall be made in the manner and with the forms and enclosures mentioned herein.
3. The Awards are open to all who have completed 18 years of age and are employed with a print news organisation based in Jammu or published from Jammu.
4. The entry submitted must be from a media house, wire service, syndicate or news organisation, published by an Indian or Indian organisation. Entries can either be sent by individuals, if recommended by the respective media organisation, or print media organisations.
5. There are two Award categories – Journalist of the Year (Political Reporting) and Journalist of the Year (Uncovering Jammu). While the first Award will be given to a reporter (s) (collaborative efforts will also be eligible to apply) who does outstanding political reporting on issues concerning the state of J&K, the second Award will be given for outstanding, particularly investigative (but not limited to it only), reporting on an issue concerning Jammu region. The reports should have been published in the year 2015 (January 1, 2015-December 31, 2015). The language of reporting should either be Hindi or English.
6. Completed entries should be submitted to the Manager, Press Club of Jammu, Exhibition Ground, Jammu, 180001 latest by 5:00 pm on February 28, 2016.
6. The entries should be accompanied by an application by the applicant. Three copies of the published news report should accompany the application along with three passport-sized photographs and one photocopy of the identity-card of the applicant.
7. The articles submitted for consideration must indicate the publication date and should also necessarily be accompanied by a self-attested copy of these Rules and Regulations.
8. Any significant challenge to the veracity, accuracy, fairness, or authenticity or objection to significant omission of an entry such as published letters, corrections, clarifications, retractions, should be included.
9. The entry must disclose if the article/programme is a subject of legal challenge/proceedings. The Judges can ask the Applicant or the organisation to furnish additional information/explanation in such case.
11. No more than two entries by the same writer/journalist may be submitted.
12. Winners who have received awards two times for the same category will not be eligible to apply in the same category again.
14. A sponsoring letter of nomination should be submitted, signed by a person senior to the Applicant, employed by the same organisation, and included with the entry form.
15. The entry form and enclosures if incomplete, will automatically invalidate the entry and disqualify the Applicant. If more than the permitted number of entries are submitted, entries will be considered in chronological order, the additional entries will be ignored.
16. The article/coverage entered must have been published/broadcast between January 1, 2015 and December 31, 2015 [both dates inclusive].
17. The Applicants will be deemed to have read and understood the rules and regulations when they submit their entry.
18. The RK Chhibber Memorial Trust shall have full right and license to announce the prize winners and in pursuance thereof or otherwise to cover the Awards, publish the content of the material and/or biography sketch with or without the photograph and with or without the name of the organisation, which have been submitted.

19. The material and entry form once submitted shall become the property of RK Chhibber Memorial Trust and shall not be returned.
20. Entries that are torn, ripped and/or mutilated will not be accepted.
21. The decision of RK Chhibber Memorial Trust in the matter of eligibility, conduct of these awards, selection, announcement of winners, etc shall be final and binding and no correspondence of whatsoever nature will be entertained by RK Chhibber Memorial Trust in this regard.
22. The names of the winners and the prizes will be announced jointly by The RK Chhibber Memorial Trust and Press Club Jammu. The date of publication of the results and the place for distribution of the prizes will be at the sole discretion of RK Chhibber Memorial Trust.
23. The RK Chhibber Memorial Trust reserves its right to suspend, cancel, or modify the rules and regulations for these Awards at any time and without prior notice.
25. In the event that there is any doubt as to the integrity, veracity, genuineness, authenticity, fairness or otherwise of any entrant, or any instance of his/her having violating the Code of Ethics of a Journalist, the Judges may in their sole discretion, withdraw his /her submission at any stage. The decision of the Judges will be final.
26. No claim of whatsoever nature shall be entertained if the winner[s] fail[s] to collect the Prize[s] at the Awards ceremony and/or venue specified by RK Chhibber Memorial Trust.
27. New Delhi court shall have exclusive jurisdiction.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT [S]