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ASHOKA CHAKRA AND VISHISHT SEVA MEDALS RENAMED

It has been decided to rename the Ashoka Chakra Class I, II and III Series and Vishisht Seva Medals Class I, II and III Series with effect from 27th January 1967 with a view to giving independent mames to these awards instead of distinguishing them by Classes.

The Ashoka Chakra Class I will be known as 'Ashoka Chakra'. The Ashoka Chakra Class II will be known as 'Kirti Chakra'. The Ashoka Chakra Class III will be known as 'Shaurya Chakra'.

The Vishisht Seva Medal Class I will be known as 'Param Vishisht Seva Medal'. The Vishisht Seva Medal Class II will be known as 'Ati Vishisht Seva Medal'. The Vishisht Seva Medal Class III will be known as 'Vishisht Seva Medal'.

These awards, will, however, continue to be given in accordance with the same principles that govern the decorations under the current names.

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