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Sri Nihal Singh Yadav IPSA National Award for contribution to the Study of Ancient Indian Politics 2015

Sri Nihal Singh Yadav IPSA National Award for Special Contribution to the Study of Ancient Indian Politics for the year 2015 goes to Professor Pawan Kumar Sharma.

Shri Nihal Singh Yadav was a philanthropic educationalist of rural Delhi, a popular teacher of English, deeply spiritual scholar of History, Urdu, Arabic and Persian and a trusted Ayurvedic practitioner. He travelled to Iran, Iraq, Egypt, Afghanistan, Japan etc with the army during the Second World War, but left it at the first opportunity, took a degree in Ayurveda and started a flourishing practice. Besides, he continued further studies and acquired degrees in Education and History and soon was invited to head a DAV School amidst Samaipur Badli Villages in Rural Delhi which he expanded to a senior secondary school. While studying Ayurveda, he was fascinated by Sanskrit which continued lifelong and made him advise his own children and a number of his students study Sanskrit and appreciate India and its civilization roots.

Dr. Pawan Kumar Sharma is Professor and Head, Department of Political Science, Atal Bihari Vajpayee Hindi University, Bhopal. He is young, energetic and enthusiastic scholar of Indian Politics. He has effectively demonstrated highly keen interest in the study of ancient Indian politics. He has published extensively on various aspects of political institutions in ancient India including a few books and a good number of research papers contributed in reputed journals of the discipline which include system of education in Ramayana period, system of village administration in ancient India, taxonomy of educational skills in Valmiki period, position and status of women in Valmiki Ramayana, human rights in ancient Indian tradition, human rights in Manu Smriti and Sanskrit literature, ancient Indian education system, ethics and human values in ancient India, education, society and state with special reference to Panini, Indian tradition of public opinion making, governance in Ramayana, good governance in Mahabharata, etc.

The Indian Political Science Association recognizes the academic contribution of Professor Pawan Kumar Sharma in the field of the study of ancient Indian politics.

We wish him all success in his life.

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**(Sanjeev Kumar Sharma)
General Secretary and Treasurer**