



The Crafts Council of India

## Kamala Award for Excellence in Crafts 2021

### **Shri. Vinod K. Shakya**

The Kamala Award for Excellence in Craft instituted by The Crafts Council of India in the year 2000 recognizes the high level of proficiency in skills achieved by an artisan or exhibited in his/her body of work. This award carries a cash prize of Rs 20,000, medal, angavastram, citation and certificate.

Shri Vinod K.Shakya from Mainpuri, Uttar Pradesh is a master artisan in the delicate craft of tarkashi work. He started doing filigree like craft of inlaying fine brass, copper and silver wires on wood at a very young age. His beautiful table tops, desks and artifacts are densely decorated with nuanced tarkashi work and yet have an ethereal floating look. Vinod K Shakya has trained artisans of tarkashi in skill development programs at a Training Centre which he runs.

**The Crafts Council of India has pleasure in awarding the Kamala Award for Excellence in Craft to Shri Vinod K Shakya.**