



GUJARAT CSR AUTHORITY

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CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AWARDS



GCSRA CSR Awards

GCSRA Corporate Social Responsibility Award is a first of its kind state level awards for CSR. The aim of the award is to identify and recognize exemplary work of companies in integrating and internalising Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR).

With the enactment of the Companies Act in 2013, Companies in India are now mandated to spend 2% of their three-year's average annual net profit on CSR activities in each financial year as per Schedule VII. The GCSRA CSR Awards are aligned with this changing paradigm.

This year is the 1st edition of the GCSRA CSR Awards. The selection process for the GCSRA CSR Awards will be competitive, and shall be assessed by an eminent Jury through rigorous, 3-tier assessment process.

“CSR is continuing to develop well beyond its philanthropic and community roots with a growing focus on business case, making business socially responsible.”

- M. Sahu, IAS, Chairman, GCSRA

THREE AWARD CATEGORIES

The 'GCSRA Corporate Social Responsibility Awards' has the following award categories, 'Categorised by the 'Profit Before Tax' (PBT) criteria, as stated below:

1st Category: GCSRA Award for 'Sustainable and impactful CSR project'

- Large Companies (company with PBT greater than Rs. 40 crore)
- Small and Medium Companies (company with PBT between Rs. 5 - 40 crore)

2nd Category: GCSRA Award for 'Innovative model for CSR implementation'

- Large Companies (company with PBT greater than Rs. 40 crore)
- Small and Medium Companies (company with PBT between Rs. 5 - 40 crore)

3rd Category: GCSRA Award for 'Cohesive & strategic CSR Partnership'

- Large Companies (company with PBT greater than Rs. 40 crore)
- Small and Medium Companies (company with PBT between Rs. 5 - 40 crore)

ASSESSMENT SCORING WEIGHTAGE

- Preliminary scoring based on CSR Award Evaluation Tool: 30%
- Field Assessment weightage: 30%
- Presentation before the Selection Committee (Jury): 40%



QUALIFICATION CRITERIA FOR APPLICATION :

- Companies registered in India, both PSU and Private Sector, are eligible to apply in any of the three award categories. Branch/liaison offices of foreign companies and government departments are not eligible to apply.
- Nominated project should be in line with CSR Rules of Companies Act (and aligned with Schedule VII of Companies Act).
- Nominated project must be in implementation in the State of Gujarat, for a period of minimum two years to showcase outcomes/impact.
- The project information provided by companies should be limited to the last five years i.e. financial year April 2011 to March 2016.

Note: A company can nominate only one project in one particular award category. However, a company may apply for all three award categories.

NOMINATION AND AWARD PROCEDURE

- Companies are requested to fill in the Award Application form(s) available on GCSRA website. GCSRA can help facilitate companies in filling the online form (if required). While filling online form, companies shall be required to upload substantiating documentation (company registration certificate, videos, pictures, case studies, impact studies, other felicitations etc.), if any.
- GCSRA will perform preliminary shortlisting of companies, followed by a preliminary scoring based on the CSR Award Evaluation Tool for shortlisting of 3 projects in each award category and size class. The scoring will be based on the information filled in Award Application form and substantiating documentation provided by participating company.
- Site visits will subsequently be conducted by the GCSRA team for shortlisted projects, with an aim of project and/or impact validation. Duration of site visits will be based on the sector; the project outreach and geography (multi locations etc.) The company could indicate 2-3 places that they would like the Assessment team to visit & indicate the order of priority for the same. The assessment team is to be given a free hand to conduct the assessment objectively & only minimal office teams to accompany the assessment team on the field.
- For each award category, 3 shortlisted companies will be proposed to jury post validation and a summary template shall be provided to them for their read & perusal.
- Shortlisted companies would be required to make a short presentation before the Selection Committee (Jury), followed by a Q&A session, and then award would be decided on the basis of jury discussions and scoring.
- GCSRA is introducing its 1st National CSR conclave on 5th and 6th of January'17 wherein on 2nd day of the event, winners will be felicitated with Awards.



IMPORTANT DATES

S.No.	Event	Timeline
1.	Period to fill in the online Award Application form	Oct 15 th - Nov 15 th
2.	Preliminary scoring based on CSR Award Evaluation Tool	Nov 15 th - Nov 30 th
3.	Field verification of short-listed entries	Nov 25 th - Dec 10 th
4.	Presentation by shortlisted companies before the Selection Committee(Jury)	Dec 20 th
5.	Awards Ceremony	Jan 6 th

In case of any queries, please feel free to contact-

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GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPATION:

- The project information provided by companies should be limited to last five years i.e. financial year April 2011 to March 2016. These activities may be initiated/ongoing/completed projects in the said duration.
- All the applications must be supported by relevant documents. The form must be complete in all respects. Incomplete or unsigned forms will not be considered. Applicants may be asked at any time during the period of evaluation to substantiate the claims made in the application form, through submission of documentation and proofs.
- The organisers accept no liability for any loss resulting from the disclosure of information concerning an entry, though all reasonable precautions will be taken to maintain secrecy.
- GCSRA team and the Jury will have the sole right and discretion to reject entries, which, in their view, do not meet the basic specified criteria. The decision shall be final and binding on all parties concerned.
- The First Award Winner and the Jury Special Commendation Award Winner (if any) in each of the three categories will not be eligible to apply again for the Award for a period of two years, from the year in which they receive the award.

Award participation fees for applicants :

- o INR 6000/- for large companies (company with PBT greater than Rs. 40 crore)
- o INR 4000/- for Small and Medium companies (company with PBT between Rs. 5 - 40 crore)

- Demand Draft would be in favour of 'Gujarat CSR Authority' payable at Ahmedabad

Note: Above mentioned participation fees is applicable for any one category only, if applicant wants to apply for more than one categories the participation fees shall be in multiples of the number of selected categories

DISCLAIMER

- The 'GCSRA CSR Award' recognises that companies have widespread operations but for the Award "GCSRA" will only recognise the said project that the company has submitted for the Award.
- The award organizer: GCSRA, as well as its assessment partners, disclaim any responsibility or liability to a third party for any decision based upon outcome of this CSR Award. The Award outcome should not be relied upon to identify and detect CSR practices, which may not have been covered during the assessment.

"I congratulate GCSRA for taking the initiative to host the CSR award based on an intensive 3 tier assessment process headed by a prominent jury."

- Shri Milind Torawane, IAS, Municipal Commissioner, Surat