

15th CIDC VISHWAKARMA AWARDS 2024 (7th March 2024)

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS | LAST DATE FOR ENTRIES | 15th October 2023

WOMEN ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY!

As we progress on the road to create a better and more vibrant construction industry, the mantra of the Award remains “Creating replicable best practices”!

We are now pleased to announce the Call for Nominations for 15th CIDC Vishwakarma Awards 2024!

The following changes are incorporated this year:

1. **Undertaking** – with successive years, Jury is confident that best practices as iterated during previous editions have now been inculcated by the awardees in their business process. DURING EVALUATIONS, DUE COGNIZANCE WILL BE TAKEN OF THEIR IMPLEMENTATION BOTH IN LETTER & SPIRIT by the evaluators.
2. **Surveillance Audits:** Drawing from point (1) above, these will be voluntary. The applicants/recipients are encouraged to comply to surveillance audit for added advantage
3. **Not being physically present for taking the award:** May lead to forfeiture of the award especially in the individual categories. (Pls refer to the guidelines for details)

The application criteria have also undergone certain modifications along with the categories and we request you to kindly go through the pages to have a deeper understanding of the award process this year!

The revised guidelines, instructions for all categories and SOP are hosted on our website: www.cidc.in

The 15th CIDC Vishwakarma Awards 2023 (Background)

The ‘CIDC Vishwakarma Awards’ are inspired by the spirit of construction and creation patronized by Lord Vishwakarma, the ruling deity of construction practices in India. Each year, this event is hosted in March by CIDC, the apex body that's dedicated to work relentlessly towards promoting best practices within the Indian Construction Industry.

At the Annual CIDC Vishwakarma Awards, the work and achievements of individuals and organizations are recognized and applauded. These awards are an embodiment of encouraging truly successful efforts that have made a mark on the industry in terms of delivering better outputs & processes and creating higher benchmarks for the industry to help in nation building.

The ‘CIDC Vishwakarma Awards’ have become the epitome for motivating individuals and organizations to raise their performance in their specific domains leading to significant contribution towards the growth & development of the Indian Construction Industry.

Applications are short listed based on their conformity to the guidelines & SOPs’ issued by CIDC and information furnished by nominees for specific categories. The recipients are finalised based on the scrutiny of the applications, review of reports by the Jury, interviews, and site visits.

Objectives of the Awards

To recognize and honour valuable contributions and work of the Indian Construction Fraternity that has significantly enriched the construction domain and has helped bring about a positive change in our construction practices.

Awards Categories

S. No.	Award Category	Code
1.	Achievement Award for Industry Doyen	Code – A
2.	Achievement Award for Creating Social Development and Impact	Code – B
3.	Achievement Award for Public Officer (From Govt. & Public sector)	Code – C
4.	Achievement Award for Scientist/Academician and Technologist/Innovator / Structural Consultant / PMC & Supervision Consultant / Architect	Code – D
5.	Achievement Award for Best Professionally Managed company from Construction, Materials, Supply, Services and any related areas from construction domain	Code – E
	Category – I (Turnover > Rs. 2500 Cr)	Code – E1
	Category – II (Turnover Rs. 1000 to Rs.2500 Cr)	Code – E2
	Category – III (Turnover Rs.100 Cr to Rs.1000 Cr)	Code – E3
	Category – IV (Turnover < Rs.100 Cr)	Code – E4
	Category – V (Start-ups)	Code – E5
6.	Achievement Award for Best Construction Projects (Roads & Highways, Bridges, Dams, Railways, Metro Rail, Power, Transmission, Oil & Gas, Mining, Shipping & Port, Airport, Urban Infrastructure, Social Infrastructure, Buildings (Residential/Commercial) & Health Infrastructure and any other construction activity)	Code – F
7.	Achievement Award for Artisans & Supervisors	Code – G1
	Artisans	Code – G1
	Supervisors	Code – G2
8.	Achievement Award for Construction Health, Safety & Environment	Code – H
9.	Achievement Award for Construction Education	Code – I
10.	Achievement Award for Best Maintained Structures / Retrofitting & Rehabilitation	Code – J
11.	Achievement Award for Best Pre – Engineered Building (Steel & Pre-Cast)	Code – K
12.	Achievement Award for Sustainable Materials / Practices/Process esp Use of Green Hydrogen, Renewable Energy, and other sustainable practices	Code – L

Who Can Apply

The Awards cover the entire spectrum of Indian Construction Industry. All stakeholders from Government, Public and Private Sectors including NGOs are encouraged to participate in the process and send in their nominations in the categories mentioned.

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Objectives & Eligibility Requirements

Consideration for each award will be accorded based on the following criteria:

1. Achievement Award for Industry Doyen – Code A

Objective: To recognize exemplary contribution by persons who have brought about marked changes in the sector.

- Nomination to be made by Individuals & endorsed by Companies/Industry association
- Belonging to construction sector, must have been engaged in construction services/activities for over 30 years in any stream such as construction, material supply or services.
- Should have held a leading position for at least 10 years and be a professional with excellent technical and administrative capabilities.
- Should have made significant contributions towards any one or all of the following:
 - (a) Evolution/Ingress/Induction of new/frontier technology
 - (b) Adoption of global best practices for building competitive edge
 - (c) Human Resource Development
 - (d) Corporate Social Responsibility
 - (e) Demonstrated strong leadership qualities

2. Achievement Award for Creating Social Development and Impact – Code B

Objective: To recognize the display of social consciousness in normal course of activities in the construction sector.

- The offices of the Central and State Governments, Public Sector Enterprises, NGOs, Private Sector Organisations, Individuals involved in the social development activities for the last 10 years (preferably) and involved primarily in construction industry are eligible to apply.
- Nomination to be made by Self/NGOs/Companies/ Industry Associations.
- Impact created by the work for both external and internal stakeholders, the reach and scope of work and its sustainable aspects need to be highlighted by the applicants

3. Achievement Award for Public Officer (From Govt. & Public Sector) – Code C

Objective: To recognize the public official who has undertaken exemplary initiatives/work which has facilitated growth and development of the infrastructure/construction sector.

- Officers having served Government/Public Sector Unit/ Undertaking for the last 10 years are eligible to apply
- Nomination to be made by Self/Organizations
- Must have been engaged in public services for over 10 years
- Should have made significant contributions towards any one or all of the following during his/her tenure of service:
 - (a) Evolution/Ingress/Induction of new/frontier technology
 - (b) Adoption of global best practices for building competitive edge
 - (c) Human Resource Development
 - (d) Corporate Social Responsibility

4. **Achievement Award for Scientist/Academician and Technologist / Innovator – Code D**

Objective: To recognize excellence in academics/significant contribution/innovation of new technology, products, services and good practices for the growth and development of construction sector.

a) **Scientist/Academician:**

- Nomination/Application should be for activities related to construction sector
- Should have preferably led a team of researchers whose work has been adopted successfully
- Should have published work in International/National Publications
- Should have made significant contributions through teaching/dissemination of his/her research to a wide audience

b) **Technologist/Innovator:**

- Nomination should be made by persons working with academia, research institute and industry.
- Should have made significant contributions towards any one or all of the following:
 - Evolution/Ingress/Induction of new/frontier technology
 - Uniqueness in innovation/work
 - Positive impact on the construction domain/implication to society
 - Building a replicable sustainable model of the research work/innovation

c) **Structural Consultant / PMC & Supervision Consultant / Architect**

- Nomination should be made by practicing persons / firms with at least 5 years of experience with a profitable track record.
- Should have made significant contributions towards any one or all the following:
 - Evolution/Ingress/Induction of new/frontier technology/ Sustainable practices
 - Uniqueness in innovation/work
 - Positive impact on the construction domain/implication to society
 - Building a replicable sustainable model of the research work/innovation

5. **Best Professionally Managed Company from Construction, Materials Supply Handling & Services – Code E/E1/E2/E3/E4/E5**

Objective: To recognize the induction of professionalism in all manifestations in the operation of the company.

- Nominations can be made by Companies/Industry Associations
- Must have engaged in construction business in the same name for over 5 years (Start-ups are exempted of this condition)
- Should have professionally qualified Management & Engineering personnel and at least 30% workforce with skill certification
- In case of listed companies, should have on its Board of Governors 50% members who possess professional qualification and 50% of the Board should comprise of the individuals not related to the main promoter (s).
- Demonstrated professionalism in the following areas:
 - (a) Evolution/Ingress/Induction of new/frontier technology
 - (b) Human Resource Development
 - (c) Corporate Social Responsibility
 - (d) Health, Safety & Environment
 - (e) Contributing to policy formulation through participation in National/International Bodies/Committees
 - (f) Company that has steered itself out of the downturn and issues faced in the business slump during the recession period
 - (g) Deployed systems which helped the organization to contain the attrition rate
 - (h) Start-ups are encouraged to apply and are exempt of the above conditions where applicable

6. Achievement Award for Best Construction Projects - Code F

Objective: To recognize excellence in projects which contribute to the built environment.

- Only 100% completed projects shall be eligible, with Completion Certificates issued by respective authority and No Objection Certificate (NOC) from the Project Owner.
- Completion of own scope of work will not be considered for this award category. The project needs to be completed and commissioned to become eligible
- It is an integrated award for all project partners. Trophy is awarded to the project owner and applicant and certificates are given to all the project partners. However, nomination may be submitted by any partner through the owner.
- The nomination should include particulars of all project partners.
- Projects from the following sub-sectors shall be eligible: Roads & Highways, Bridges, Dams, Railways, Metro Rail, Power, Transmission, Oil & Gas, Mining, Shipping & Port, Airport, Urban Infrastructure, Social Infrastructure, Buildings (Residential / Commercial) & Health Infrastructure, and any other construction activity.
- The projects shall be evaluated on the following parameters:
 - (a) Least Time and Cost overrun
 - (b) Engagement of new / innovative techniques
 - (c) Quality of manpower engaged including Engineering/Management/Skilled Construction Workers
 - (d) Impact on the environment
 - (e) Deployment of Green Technologies
 - (f) Recycling of material
 - (g) Quality of archiving
 - (h) Overall Social impact created by the project
 - (i) Success of CSR and R&R initiatives, if any
 - (j) Evolution/ingress/induction of new / frontier technology
 - (k) Health, Safety & Environment measures adopted during the execution phase
 - (l) ***“Project Completion in all respects and not just own Scope of Work will entitle the project for award”***

7. Achievement Award for Artisans & Supervisors - Code G1/G2

Objective: To recognize outstanding technical and manual skills of individuals working in any area of construction.

- Nominations to be made by the Employer/Organization/ User
- Should have certified skills or be subjected to post application assessment.
- Should be aware of Occupational Safety, Health and Environmental issues
- In this category applicant shall undergo online trade test and practical demonstration. The online testing session shall be carried out by CIDC experts as per mutually agreed date & time. The E-platform on which the testing shall be conducted along with log-in ID & password will be communicated to the applicant well in advance.

8. Achievement Award for Construction Health, Safety & Environment – Code – H

Objective: To recognize company's respect for human life and well-being as reflected in the practices regarding Health, Safety & Environment in project.

- Only the running / in execution stage projects shall be eligible for participation
- The project should be at least 30% and not more than 80% complete to qualify for this category
- Nomination can be made by project organization or safety organization
- The proposal will have to be certified by the Project Head of the organization

- Existence of company HSE Policy and Plan
- Adoption of safety manual which is based on the best practices
- Setup of a Safety organization with clear responsibility for construction safety and occupational health management, particularly in a complex project, multi-employer site for the management of the HSE Plan (To prevent work related illness, injury, disability or death)
- Professional management of the HSE plan
- Provision of systematic safety training to all participating partners' workforce and supervisors
- Implementation of the HSE plan including complete Safety Statistics of the project from inception
- New features, new technologies or methodologies adopted for HSE

9. **Achievement Award for Construction Education – Code I**

Objective: To recognize excellence in imparting higher-level education in areas such as Construction Engineering, Design Engineering, Planning, Architecture, Advance Materials, Property and Real Estate Management etc.

- Nomination to come from the Industry / User
- Institutions imparting higher level education such as Colleges / Institutes / Universities in the following Construction Fields - Construction Engineering, Design Engineering, Planning, Architecture, Advance Materials, Property and Real Estate Management etc.

10. **Achievement Award for Best Maintained Structures (Retrofitting / Rehabilitation) – Code J**

Objective: to recognize civil structures that have stood the test of time functionally and aesthetically and continue to provide ease of use to the end users.

- Only fully completed and functional structures will be eligible
- Minimum age of the structure should be 10 years
- Nomination to be made by owner / facility manager
- Projects to be evaluated on the following:
 - (a) Least Maintenance Cost
 - (b) Engagement of new / innovative techniques
 - (c) Quality of manpower engaged including Engineering/Management/Skilled Construction Workers
 - (d) Impact on environment
 - (e) Deployment of Green Technologies / Recycling of material
 - (f) Effectiveness of handling waste disposal systems – Liquid & Solid
 - (g) Quality of archiving
 - (h) Overall Social impact created by the project
 - (i) Success of CSR and R&R initiatives, if any
 - (j) Evolution/ingress/induction of new /frontier technology
 - (k) Up gradation / addition of new features for better maintenance
 - (l) Effective maintenance schedule and its implementation
 - (m) User testimonials
 - (n) Preservation of structures by using new technologies

11. **Achievement Award Best Pre – Engineered / Pre-Cast Building: Code K**

Objective: To recognize excellence in construction of structures built by adoption of pre-fabricated & Precast building technology:

- Only completed projects shall be eligible.
- Only projects completed during the last 5 years shall be eligible.
- It is an integrated award for all project partners. Trophy is retained by the project owner and a

certificate is given to all the project partners. However, nomination may be submitted by any partner through the owner.

- Projects to be evaluated on the following:
 - (a) Least Time and Cost overrun
 - (b) Engagement of pre-engineered-concept with detailed explanation about its choice over the conventional method.
 - (c) Quality of manpower engaged including Engineering/Management/Skilled Construction Workers
 - (d) Impact on environment
 - (e) Deployment of Green Technologies
 - (f) Recycling of material
 - (g) Quality of archiving
 - (h) Overall Social impact created by the project
 - (i) Success of CSR and R&R initiatives, if any
 - (j) Evolution/ingress/induction of new /frontier technology

12. Achievement Award for Sustainable Materials / Practices/Process (Esp Use of Green Hydrogen, Renewable Energy, and other sustainable practices)

Objective: To recognize organizations that are advocating and promoting usage of Clean Energy in their processes and practices leading to contribution in India achieving NET ZERO.

- Only projects completed during the last 5 years shall be eligible.
- Organization must have patented, deployed and commissioned demonstratable models for usage that are commercially viable
- Pilot projects will not be considered in this category
- Projects to be evaluated on the following:
 - a. Contribution to NET ZERO
 - b. Time and Cost overrun
 - c. How effective will be the technology / product/ process to all stakeholders
 - d. Quality of manpower engaged including Engineering/Management/Skilled Construction Workers
 - e. Reduction of emissions as per usage / Impact on environment
 - f. Quality of archiving
 - g. Overall Social / Economic impact created by the project

Important information for submitting the nominations:

- 1) **One organization cannot submit more than three applications in one edition of the award.**
- 2) **If the organization has multiple Verticals /SBUs / Zonal offices, it will be allowed to make three applications per Vertical / SBU /Zone. (Documentation regarding the independent functioning of the entity will have to be submitted as supporting. The decision to accept the number of applications will be at the sole discretion of Jury)**
- 3) Award Applications/Nominations should be submitted in duplicate in hard copy, properly bound & indexed along with all supporting documents and soft copy in MS Word (.doc) format in a Pen Drive (Please write the name of the project and organization on the pen drive).
- 4) Please type or compose the nomination (all pages) on A4 size paper using black color ink (for ease in scanning and photocopying).
- 5) In order to assist comparison of different nominees, achievements (basis of nomination) should be given under the following heads both in the nomination form and abstract sheet:
 - (i) Highest technical/professional/academic qualification
 - (ii) Only one set of published translated works/teaching & popularization aids developed / activity kits, charts, manuals, etc.
 - (iii) Major achievements beyond official capacity; Impact of work or reach.
- 6) Site visit shall be undertaken by Jury members/CIDC Evaluators to interact with Management/individuals and other stakeholders to ascertain the levels of involvement, and the adoption of the following:
 - (i) Engagement of skilled workers
 - (ii) Adoption of Global Best Practices in Project Management/Dispute Resolution/HRD/Finance/Site Management/Quality/Safety/Environment
 - (iii) CSR Activities
 - (iv) Social Benefits impact created by the project
 - (v) Quality of leadership
 - (vi) Research & Innovation
 - (vii) Application of SOPs' and method of statement across projects
- 7) Preliminary screening of all applications will be done on E-platform (Google meet/Zoom/Skype) / Presentation to defined target audience.
- 8) Post initial scrutiny, the gaps in terms of both documentation and site visit/management interaction will be identified and communicated to the applicant.
- 9) Two weeks' time would be given to the applicants to fill the gaps/provide additional information.
- 10) New dates would be communicated by the secretariat for the 2nd round of interactions.
- 11) Post completion of all steps above, if found suitable, dates for site visit shall be conveyed and accordingly as per mutually convenient dates, site visit will be undertaken.
- 12) **All expenses for arrangements towards travel, boarding & lodging for the site Visit/interactions (if required) for minimum 2 CIDC personnel will be borne by the applicant/company/organization/firm.**
- 13) The site visit / management interaction will focus on project / organization and beyond based on the application submitted to the secretariat.
- 14) Availability of a high-resolution camera that can beam the pictures from the site online during the

meeting with evaluators.

- 15) Site visits are integral to the process. However, site visits shall only be undertaken if travel is open and situation is normal in order to mitigate and minimize any travel related risks.

For consideration of the application for scrutiny, all Nominations must have the following information:

- **Nomination Proforma:** Duly signed and stamped with all relevant information.
- Statement of Significance/Achievement by the Organization in minimum 2000 words
- Photos & Videos of Project / Work.
- Previous recognition letters / Certificates / Citations received.
- Newsletters / Videos / Paper cuttings in support of your nomination.
- **Complete document (Application) should be Spiral / Hard bound, neatly compiled with page numbers and include a proper Index / Table of contents.**
- **No loose sheets will be accepted.**
- **No applications to be submitted on email. The applications where no hard copy is received will be rejected.**
- All Soft Copies / Pictures / Videos to be submitted on “Flash Drives”/ “Pen Drive”.
- Project Completion Certificate and No objection certificate as the case may be.
- “Project Completion in all respects and not just own Scope of Work will entitle the project for award”.

Jury

A Jury consisting of representatives of Planning Bodies, Policy Formulators and Nodal Organizations of the sector will be constituted by CIDC to select the Award Winners and any recipient of a ‘Citation’

Recognition

Winners of Awards and recipients of Citations will be recognized across all CIDC and Associate Organization Publications & Websites.

This is a First Information Booklet. Guidelines are subject to change at the discretion of the Jury.

For further details please visit www.cidc.in / www.cidcdatabase.com or speak to any member of CIDC Team VKA

All nominations must be submitted to Construction Industry Development Council (CIDC) for consideration at the address given below:

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