



# NATIONAL WATER AWARDS

## 1. Preamble

Water is one of the vital components of life. The rapid pace of irrigation growth, urbanization & industrialization has put enormous stress on water resources. Cumulative impact of increase in use of this precious natural resource has led to water scarcity in many regions of the country. Nevertheless, the climate change has also resulted in change in hydrologic cycle in the country. Hence, it is necessary that this scarce resource is protected by effective and efficient management on sound scientific methodology for its sustainable development.

The Ground Water Augmentation Awards and National Water Award were launched in the year 2007 with an objective to encourage all stakeholder including the Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), Gram Panchayats, Urban Local Bodies, Water User Associations, Institutions, Corporate Sector, Individuals etc. for adopting innovative practices of ground water augmentation by rainwater harvesting and artificial recharge, promoting water use efficiency, recycling & re-use of water and creating awareness through people's participation in the targeted areas resulting into the sustainability of ground water resources development, adequate capacity building amongst the stakeholders etc.

Considering the fact that surface water & Ground water are integral part of the water cycle, it was felt necessary to institute unified National Water Awards with the objectives of encouraging the stakeholders to adopt holistic approach towards water resources management in the country. In view of this, last year National Water Award 2018 was successfully launched by this Department and winners in different categories were felicitated with awards on 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 at New Delhi.

With the continued focus on recognising work done by people in the water sector and with a greater zeal to motivate more and more people to work towards water conservation and water management, Department of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation is organizing National Water Awards 2019.

## 2. Details of Awards

Sl. No.	Category of Award	Eligible Entity	Award	No. of Award
1.	Best State	State Governments of Normal Category States	Trophy with Citation	3 Awards
		State Governments of Special Category States/ Union Territories	Trophy with Citation	3 Awards
2.	Best District			
	i. Revival of River	District Administration	Trophy with Citation	3 Awards each in 6 zones : North, South, East, West, North-East and Aspirational District categories
	ii. Water Conservation	District Administration	Trophy with Citation	3 Awards each in 6 zones : North, South, East, West, North-East and Aspirational District categories
3.	Best Village Panchayat	Village Panchayat	Cash Awards & Trophy with Citation	3 Awards each in 5 zones : North, South, East, West, North-East categories  Three awards: First award: Rs.2 lakh Second award: Rs.1.5 lakh Third award Rs.1 lakh
4.	Best Urban Local Body	Urban Local Body	Cash Awards & Trophy with Citation	Three awards: First award: Rs.2 lakh Second award: Rs.1.5 lakh Third award Rs.1 lakh
5.	Best research/ Innovation/ adaptation of new technology for water conservation	Organisation/ Society/ Individual	Cash Awards & Trophy with citation	Three awards: First award: Rs.2 lakh Second award: Rs.1.5 lakh Third award Rs.1 lakh
6.	Best Educative/ Mass awareness efforts	Organisation / Society/Individual	Cash Awards & Trophy with	Three awards: First award: Rs.2 lakh Second award: Rs.1.5 lakh

			citation	Third award Rs.1 lakh
7.	Best TV Show for promoting Water Conservation	TV Shows	Cash Awards & Trophy with citation	Two awards First award: Rs.2 lakh Second award: Rs.1.5 lakh
8.	Best Newspaper			
	i. Best newspaper (Hindi)	Newspaper/ Magazine	Cash Awards & Trophy with citation	Two awards First award: Rs.2 lakh Second award: Rs.1.5 lakh
	ii. Best newspaper (English)	Newspaper/ Magazine	Cash Awards & Trophy with citation	Two awards First award: Rs.2 lakh Second award: Rs.1.5 lakh
	iii. Best newspaper (in regional language)	Newspaper/ Magazine	Cash Awards & Trophy with citation	Two awards First award: Rs.2 lakh Second award: Rs.1.5 lakh
9.	Best School	Schools	Cash Awards & Trophy with citation	Three awards: First award: Rs.2 lakh Second award: Rs.1.5 lakh Third award Rs.1 lakh
10.	Best Institution/ Resident Welfare Association for Successful campus usage	Institutions/ Autonomous Campuses/ Organisations/ Societies/Religiou s organisations /RWA	Cash Awards & Trophy with citation	Three awards: First award: Rs.2 lakh Second award: Rs.1.5 lakh Third award Rs.1 lakh
11.	Best Industry			
	i. Best Large Scale Industry	Large Industry	Cash Awards & Trophy with citation	Three awards: First award: Rs.2 lakh Second award: Rs.1.5 lakh Third award Rs.1 lakh
	ii. Best Medium and Small Scale Industry	Medium & Small Scale Industry	Cash Awards & Trophy with citation	Three awards: First award: Rs.2 lakh Second award: Rs.1.5 lakh Third award Rs.1 lakh
12.	Best Water		Trophy with	1 Award

	Regulatory Authority	Water Regulatory Authority	citation	
13.	Water Warrior Award	Individuals/ Societies/ Group of individuals	Cash Awards & Trophy with citation	3 Awards each in 5 zones : North, South, East, West, North- East Categories Three awards: First award: Rs.2 lakh Second award: Rs.1.5 lakh Third award Rs.1 lakh
14.	Best NGO for water conservation	Registered NGOs	Cash Awards & Trophy with citation	Three awards: First award: Rs.2 lakh Second award: Rs.1.5 lakh Third award Rs.1 lakh
15.	Best Water User Association	Water user association	Cash Awards & Trophy with citation	3 Awards each in 5 zones : North, South, East, West, North- East Categories Three awards: First award: Rs.2 lakh Second award: Rs.1.5 lakh Third award Rs.1 lakh
16.	Best Industry for CSR activities in water conservation	Large/Medium/Sm all Industry	Cash Awards & Trophy with citation	Three awards: First award: Rs.2 lakh Second award: Rs.1.5 lakh Third award Rs.1 lakh

**The States/UTs under the 5 zones are as below:**

Zone	States/UTs
<b>Northern Zone</b>	Jammu and Kashmir*, Himachal Pradesh*, Punjab, Haryana, Delhi**, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand*, Chandigarh**
<b>Eastern Zone</b>	Bihar, West Bengal, Odisha, Jharkhand, Andaman and Nicobar Islands**, Chhattisgarh
<b>Southern Zone</b>	Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Karnataka, Goa, Puducherry**, Lakshadweep Islands**.
<b>Western Zone</b>	Rajasthan, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Daman and Diu**, Dadra and Nagar Haveli**, Madhya Pradesh.
<b>North Eastern Zone</b>	Arunachal Pradesh*, Assam*, Meghalaya*, Manipur*, Mizoram*, Nagaland*, Tripura*, Sikkim*

\* Special Category States

\*\* Union Territories

\*\*\*Under Aspirational District Category, the Districts will be as per Aspirational Districts Programme of NITI Aayog. (Annexure-I)

### 3. Evaluation Criteria.

Sl. No.	Criteria	Marks
1.	<b>For Best State Awards:</b>	
	Whether State Water Policy has been prepared or revised in accordance with NWP, 2012.	10
	Implementation of State Water Resources Regulatory Authority (Enactment of enabling Act, Progress in setting up authority, Actual functioning of Authority).	10
	Implementation of irrigation water supply schemes such as check dams	10
	Performance under Micro Irrigation; area under Micro Irrigation and increase of area under Micro Irrigation in the year 2019	10
	Increase in irrigation coverage	10
	Performance in roof top rain water harvesting	10
	Status of implementation of water accounting and auditing	10
	Total number of water bodies created	10
	Reuse of waste water from farms/industry/sewage	10
	Management and utilization of Data/IT technology in water conservation/irrigation	10
	Total Marks	100
2.	<b>Best District</b>	
	<b>For Best District for Water Conservation:</b>	
	Creation of irrigation potential (in concerned period)	10
	No. of Ground Water Recharge structures created, Ground Water level upgraded.	30
	Percentage reduction in the gap between irrigation potential created and irrigation 10 potential utilised.	10
	Mandating Rain Water Harvesting in Government buildings, Private buildings, 10 Industries etc.	10
	Reuse of waste water	10
	Number of ponds, lakes etc. created/ rejuvenated.	30
	Total Marks	100
	<b>For Best District for Revival of River:</b>	
	Length of rivers revived.	60
	Number of trees planted	20
	Pollution abatement steps	10
	Number of structure made in catchment area	10
	Total Marks	100
3.	<b>For Best Village Panchayat / Best Urban local body:</b>	
	No. of water bodies revived.	20
	Innovative practices for ground water management	10

	Mandating Rain Water Harvesting in Government buildings, Private buildings, Industries etc	20
	Mass sensitization and capacity building.	10
	No. of new ponds created and capacity in CuM.	40
	Total Marks	100
4.	<b>For Best Research/ Innovation/ adaptation of new technology for water conservation:</b>	
	Cost effectiveness of the innovation/technology	40
	Replicability of the technology	30
	Increase in Water Use Efficiency	30
	Total Marks	100
5.	<b>For Best Educative/ Mass awareness efforts:</b>	
	Content of the educative material	50
	Reach of the mass awareness campaign	50
	Total Marks	100
6.	<b>For Best TV Show:</b>	
	Content of the Programme.	50
	TRP of the show	50
	Total Marks	100
7.	<b>For Best Newspaper/Magazine (English/Hindi/Regional):</b>	
	Number of articles published.	20
	Content of the articles.	20
	Number of news items for promoting best practices in the field of water conservation	30
	Circulation of the newspaper	30
	Total Marks	100
8.	<b>For Best School:</b>	
	Number of Painting Competitions organised.	20
	Number of Essay Competitions organised.	20
	Number of Debate Competitions organised.	20
	Number of Innovative Competitions organised/innovative work done.	20
	Voluntary work done for water conservation	20
	Total Marks	100
9.	<b>For Best Institution/ Resident Welfare Association/Religious organisations for Successful campus usage:</b>	
	Quantity of water saved through water conservation means.	20



	Number of awareness activity for water conservation organised	20
	Number of Rain Water Harvesting Structures created	20
	Efforts made for cleaning water bodies	20
	Any other relevant work done	20
	Total Marks	100
10.	<b>For Best Industry (Large/ Medium and small scale):</b>	
	Quantity of water saved	25
	Quantity of water treated	25
	Quantity of water reused	30
	Water Audit	20
	Total Marks	100
11.	<b>For Best Water Regulatory Authority:</b>	
	Overall impact on state water resources	25
	Major functions and extent of implementations	25
	No. of cases/petitions received and disposed of during last two years	25
	Awareness generated among stakeholders	25
	Total Marks	100
12.	<b>For Water Warrior Award</b>	
	Detail of work done by Water Warrior	50
	Quantity of water saved/harvested	25
	No. of persons benefitted	25
	Total Marks	100
13.	<b>Best NGO for water conservation</b>	
	Quantity of water saved	20
	Number of people benefitted	20
	Participation of public/people	20
	Various activities undertaken/ other relevant work done	20
	Rain Water harvesting structure created	20
	Total Marks	100
14.	<b>Best Water User Association</b>	
	Number of members	20
	Area under agriculture	20
	Water supplied to meter and levy collected	20
	Water use efficiency achieved	20
	Micro Irrigation	20
	Total Marks	100
15.	<b>Best Industry for CSR activities in water conservation</b>	
	CSR amount spent on water conservation	25
	Activities taken in water sector under CSR	25
	Number of people benefitted	25
	Any other impacts/outcome of the activities	25
	Total Marks	100

#### **4. Procedure for Forwarding the Application for Awards**

Category wise procedure for submission and forwarding eligible applications for the awards will be as follows:

##### **For Best State Awards and Best State for saving water in agriculture**

The Water Resources/ Irrigation/ Agriculture department of respective State/ UT Government will forward the application duly vetted by Secretary of respective department. A detailed note shall be enclosed with the application. The detailed note shall encompass the work done in the water resources conservation & management sector along with details on the points mentioned under evaluation criteria for Best State. It shall also contain a PowerPoint presentation of around 6 slides covering the details of work carried out. This presentation shall be forwarded in soft copy (online format) only alongwith the application.

##### **For Best District/ Best Village Panchayat/ Best Urban local body Awards**

The District Administration/ Village Panchayat/ Urban local body will forward the applications duly vetted by District Collector / District Magistrate/head of body. A detailed note shall be enclosed with the application. The detailed note shall encompass the work done in the water resources conservation & management sector along with details on the points mentioned under evaluation criteria for the category. It shall also contain a PowerPoint presentation of approximately 6 slides covering details of work done. This presentation shall be forwarded in soft copy (online format) only alongwith the application.

##### **For Best Research/ Innovation/ adaptation of new technology for water conservation**

In case of individual, the application along with detailed note shall be forwarded. In case of organisations/ institutions, the application shall be duly vetted by the head of the organization.

##### **For Best Educative/ Mass awareness efforts**

The application along with detailed note and compact disc having videos of educative/ mass awareness efforts shall be forwarded. In case of organisations/ institutions, the application shall be duly vetted by the head of the organization.

##### **For Best TV Show**

The application to be forwarded shall include the details of the parameters for the category. It shall also contain a PowerPoint presentation of approximately 6 slides covering details of work done. This presentation shall be forwarded in soft copy (online format) only alongwith the application.

##### **For Best Newspaper/Magazine (Hindi/ English/Regional language)**

The application to be forwarded shall include the details of the parameters for the category. It shall also contain a PowerPoint presentation of approximately 6 slides covering details of work done. This presentation shall be forwarded in soft copy (online format) only alongwith the application.

**For Best School**

The application to be forwarded shall include the details of the parameters for the category and shall be vetted by the principal of the school. It shall also contain a PowerPoint presentation of approximately 6 slides covering detail of work done. This presentation shall be forwarded in soft copy (online format) only alongwith the application.

**For Best Institution/ Resident Welfare Association for Successful water usage**

The application to be forwarded shall include the details of the parameters for the category and shall be vetted by the head of the institution/ president of the Resident Welfare Association (RWA. It is desirable that a PowerPoint presentation of approximately 6 slides covering the details of work done is also submitted. This presentation shall be forwarded in soft copy (online format) only alongwith the application.

**For Best Industry (Large/ Medium and small scale)**

The application to be forwarded shall include the details of the parameters for the category and shall be vetted by the head of the Industry. It shall also contain a PowerPoint presentation of approximately 6 slides covering details of work done. This presentation shall be forwarded in soft copy (online format) only alongwith the application.

**For Best Water Regulatory Authority**

The application to be forwarded shall include the details of the parameters for the category and shall be vetted by the Head/Secretary of the authority. It shall also contain a PowerPoint presentation of approximately 6 slides covering details of work done. This presentation shall be forwarded in soft copy (online format) only alongwith the application.

**For Water Warrior Award**

The application to be forwarded shall include the details of the parameters for the category. The applicant may attach photos of work carried out.

**Best NGO for water conservation**

The application to be forwarded shall include the details of the parameters for the category and shall be vetted by the Head of the organisation. It shall also contain a PowerPoint presentation of approximately 6 slides covering details of work done. This presentation shall be forwarded in soft copy (online format) only alongwith the application.

**Best Water User Association**

The application to be forwarded shall include the details of the parameters for the category and shall be vetted by the Head of the Association. It shall also contain a PowerPoint presentation of approximately 6 slides covering details of work done. This presentation shall be forwarded in soft copy (online format) only alongwith the application.

### **Best Industry for CSR activities in water conservation**

The application to be forwarded shall include the details of the parameters for the category and shall be vetted by the head of the Industry. It shall also contain a PowerPoint presentation of approximately 6 slides covering details of work done. This presentation shall be forwarded in soft copy (online format) only alongwith the application.

\*\* The parameters (criteria) for all categories have been mentioned in the guidelines.

### **5. Forwarding the application:**

Irrespective of the category, all the applications may be sent either through MyGov platform at <https://mygov.in> or mail to Central Ground Water Board at the below given e-mail address: [tsmsml-cgwb@nic.in](mailto:tsmsml-cgwb@nic.in). Only the applications which are submitted online and are complete in all respects will be considered by Department. The last date for submitting the entries is 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2019.

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*(The Department of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation reserves all rights to cancel, amend all or any part of this contest and/ or terms and conditions/ technical parameters/ evaluation criteria/ award money etc. without any notice.)*

**NITI Aayog**

## List of Aspirational Districts

State	NITI Aayog Districts	Ministries pool of districts	MHA LWE Districts	Total
Andhra Pradesh		1. Vizainagram	1. Visakhapatnam	3
Andhra Pradesh		2. Cuddapah		
Arunachal Pradesh		1. Namsai		1
Assam	1. Darrang	1. Udalgiri		7
Assam	2. Dhubri	2. Hailakandi		
Assam	3. Barpeta			
Assam	4. Goalpara			
Assam	5. Baksa			
Bihar	1. Katihar	1. Khagaria	1. Aurangabad	13
Bihar	2. Begusarai	2. Purnia	2. Banka	
Bihar	3. Sheikhpura		3. Gaya	
Bihar	4. Araria		4. Jamui	
Bihar	5. Sitamarhi		5. Muzaffarpur	
Bihar			6. Nawada	
Chhattisgarh		1. Korba	1. Bastar	10
Chhattisgarh		2. Mahasamund	2. Bijapur	
Chhattisgarh			3. Dantewada	
Chhattisgarh			4. Kanker	
Chhattisgarh			5. Kondagaon	
Chhattisgarh			6. Narayanpur	
Chhattisgarh			7. Rajnandgaon	
Chhattisgarh			8. Sukma	
Gujarat		1. Narmada		2
Gujarat		2. Dahod		
Haryana		1. Mewat		1
Himachal Pradesh		1. Chamba		1
Jammu and Kashmir		1. Kupwara		2
Jammu and Kashmir		2. Baramula		
Jharkhand	1. Sahebganj	1. Godda	1. Latehar	19
Jharkhand	2. Pakaur		2. Lohardaga	
Jharkhand			3. Palamu	
Jharkhand			4. PurbiSinghbhum	
Jharkhand			5. Ramgarh	
Jharkhand			6. Ranchi	
Jharkhand			7. Simdega	
Jharkhand			8. West Singhbhum	
Jharkhand			9. Bokaro	
Jharkhand			10. Chatra	
Jharkhand			11. Dumka	
Jharkhand			12. Garhwa	
Jharkhand			13. Girdih	

Jharkhand			14. Gumla	
Jharkhand			15. Hazaribagh	
Jharkhand			16. Khunti	
Karnataka		1. Yadgir		2
Karnataka		2. Raichur		
Kerala		1. Wayanad		1
Madhya Pradesh	1. Damoh	1. Chhatarpur		8
Madhya Pradesh	2. Singrauli	2. Rajgarh		
Madhya Pradesh	3. Barwani	3. Guna		
Madhya Pradesh	4. Vidisha			
Madhya Pradesh	5. Khandwa			
Maharashtra	1. Nandurbar	1. Washim	1. Gadchiroli	4
Maharashtra		2. Osmanabad		
Manipur		1. Chandel		1
Meghalaya		1. Ribhoi		1
Mizoram		1. Mamit		1
Nagaland		1. Kiphire		1
Odisha	1. Rayagada	1. Kandhamal	1. Koraput	10
Odisha	2. Kalahandi	2. Gajapati	2. Malkangiri	
Odisha		3. Dhenkanal		
Odisha		4. Balangir		
Odisha		5. Nabarangpur		
Odisha		6. Nuapada		
Punjab		1. Ferozpur		2
Punjab		2. Moga		
Rajasthan	1. Baran	1. Dholpur		5
Rajasthan	2. Jaisalmer	2. Karauli		
Rajasthan		3. Sirohi		
Sikkim		1. West Sikkim		1
Tamil Nadu		1. Ramanathapuram		2
Tamil Nadu		2. Virudhunagar		
Telangana		1. Bhoopalpalli	1. Khammam	3
Telangana		2. Asifabad		
Tripura		1. Dhalai		1
Uttar Pradesh	1. Chitrakoot	1. Chandauli		8
Uttar Pradesh	2. Balrampur	2. Siddharthnagar		
Uttar Pradesh	3. Bahraich	3. Fatehpur		
Uttar Pradesh	4. Sonbhadra			
Uttar Pradesh	5. Shrawasti			
Uttarakhand		1. Haridwar		2
Uttarakhand		2. Udham Singh Nagar		
West Bengal	1. Murshidabad	1. Nadia		5
West Bengal	2. Maldah	2. Dakshin Dinajpur		
** West Bengal	3. Birbhum			

\*\* At this stage West Bengal (5 District) have not joined this programme.