

State Policy Awards and District Excellence Awards

23rd March 2022 | India International Centre | New Delhi



IMPORTANT DATES

Call for entries	-	15 Feb, 2022
The last date for receiving entries	-	15 Mar, 2022
Finalisation of names	-	18 Mar, 2022
Announcement of names	-	21 Mar, 2022
Presentation of Awards	-	23 Mar, 2022



Agriculture sector employs more than 50% of Indian population. It continues to be vital for economic growth and social transformation. India has emerged as a major player in global agriculture market. The policies such as globalization and liberalization have also opened avenues for agriculture modernization which has led to market diversification, triggering technological innovations. Moreover, the steady investments from central government and corporate entities coupled with contribution of states for setting development agenda, sharing information and connecting farmers with the schemes, technologies, value chain, trade, institutional support and markets in scaling up initiatives and empowering farmers to advance towards greater prosperity across blocks and districts of the country is commendable.

This strengthening of grassroots level connect of farmers with knowledge, agribusiness and technologies through national and states level support and connectivity is truly playing an enabling role in making India an innovation and knowledge based economy. However, India lacks a mechanism to recognize the efforts and the work undertaken by Indian States and district administration in ensuring translation of government programs, policies and initiatives into actions, extension work, delivery of inputs, quality enforcement, empowering farmers and to realize the humongous yet achievable target of making India, a USD 5 Trillion economy.

Enormous work has been done in the past few years by State Governments to transform the agriculture and allied sectors in India. The role of the States in driving the growth and value-added transformation of India's farm sector is commendable. Hence, the State Excellence Awards have been instituted by ICFA to recognize the states for their policies and programs and implementing central sector schemes, and thus bringing about transformational development in agriculture sector. Responding to the need at the national level to recognize the contributions of State in agriculture, ICFA is bestowing State Policy Awards 2022 to states for their outstanding innovation, promoting sustainable agriculture practices and leading in policy leadership. The Awards measure performance and provide detailed feedback for opportunities to excel while maintaining strong competition and high standards of excellence.

In addition to this, ICFA will be presenting the State policy and the District Excellence Awards acknowledging the unfading efforts and contribution of districts of various states of the country in playing catalytic role in delivering programs and policies, implementing schemes, and thus boosting Indian agrarian economy and in bringing metamorphosis in Indian agriculture landscape. ICFA is taking a significant step to motivate districts of India to keep reaching milestones and achieving excellence in implementation of programs and schemes in agriculture and rural development.

Awards Categories

State Policy Awards 2022

- 1. Best Agriculture State
- 2. Best Horticulture State
- 3. Best Animal Husbandry State
- 4. Best Fisheries State
- 5. Best State in Innovative Programs
- 6. Best State in Agro Infrastructure
- 7. Best State in Agro Marketing

District Excellence Awards 2022

- 1. Best District in Horticulture
- 2. Best District in Fisheries
- 3. Best District in Poultry
- 4. Best District in Dairy
- 5. Best District in Productivity
- 6. Best District in Agribusiness
- 7. Best District in Precision Farming
- 8. Best District in Water Management

- 9. Best District in Watershed Management
- 10. Best District in New Initiatives
- 11. Best District in Innovative Programs
- 12. Best District in Organic Farming
- 13. Best District in FPO formation
- 14. Best District in Cooperatives
- 15. Best District in Rural Livelihood Programs

The Awards function will be held on **23rd Mar**, **2022** at India International Centre | New Delhi.

The details can be visited at www.icfa.org.in/agrigrowthsummit. Kindly send nominations / applications before **15 Mar, 2022**Online applications / nominations are preferred.

SELECTION PROCESS

In order to maintain the sanctity and stature of these Awards, thorough screening is done by eminent experts. To make the process more authentic, the Awards Committee also seeks informal views from a large number of people related directly or indirectly with agriculture and verifies the claims of the applicants from the relevant sources. All the applications and nominations received are screened to ensure that they satisfy all the conditions laid down by the Award Secretariat. These are then put up to respective Sub Committees. The second stage is the circulation of the entries by the Sub Committees, who evaluate the entries based on agreed parameters and recommend three names for each award to the National Committee for the final selection. Based on the feedback received, the National Committee will make a list of the winning entries in each category.

National Awards Jury Members





Dr. Ashok DalwaiPm's Task Force on
Doubling Farmers Income

CO-CHARIMAN



Dr. Pravin Srivastava (IAS 1980 Batch, Retd.) Director General Indian Chamber of Food and Agriculture



Mr. Ashish Bahuguna Former Chairperson Food Safety and Standards Authority of India



Mr. Alok Ranjan Former Chief Secretary Uttar Pradesh



Mr. MM Upadhyay Former APC Government of Madhya Pradesh



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National Academy of Agriculture Sciences



Dr. Purvi MehtaHead of Asia for Agriculture
Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, India



Mr. Ram Kaundinya Director General Federation of Seed Industry of India



Mr. Satish Chander
Director General
The Fertiliser Association of India



Dr. KML PathakFormer Vice Chancellor
DUVASU, Mathura



Mr. PL Thanga Former Secretary North Eastern Council



Mr. JP Meena, IAS
Former Secretary
Ministry of Food Processing Industries
Government of India



Dr. RB SinghFormer Chancellor
Central Agriculture University



Mr. BK Sinha
Former Secretary
Rural Development, Government of India



Dr. BS BishtDirector, Birla Institute of Applied Sciences
Former Vice-Chancellor, GBPUA&T, Pantnagar



Dr. Omveer SinghManaging Director
NDDB Dairy Services Limited



Dr. Anis Ansari (IAS -1973), Former Additional Chief Secretary, Uttar Pradesh



Mr. TR Kesavan President Tractor and Mechanization Association



Mr. M.J. Saxena Managing Director Ayurvet Limited



Dr. DK Bhalla(IAS 1986 Batch),
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Eminent Awardees of ICFA Agriculture Leadership Awards



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Shivraj Singh Chouhan Chief Minister of MP



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Mr. Ibrahim Mayaki



Sh. Ratan Tata



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Dr. Manjit Misra Director - Seeds Centre Iowa State University







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Agriculture University

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States



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GLIMPSES OF PAST AWARD PRESENTATIONS

















Underscoring the role of the States and the districts in agriculture development, ICFA has documented policy initiatives, specific technological interventions, program implementation and success models to address location specific problems of agriculture at the States and districts level. In order to encourage the States and the districts and translate this into action, ICFA will be bestowing State Policy Awards and District Excellence Awards for their exceptional works in the field of agriculture, horticulture, livestock, fisheries etc. and functional areas of agriculture, success models created and achievements in programs implementation. The State Policy Awards and District Excellence Awards aim at felicitating States and the district administrations for their contributions by innovating for increased efficiency, affordability and improved performance of the agriculture sector. The awards are a national recognition for contributions to agriculture over the years. These awards, besides recognizing merit and accomplishments will help trigger a healthy competition among the States and the districts to attain yet higher level of excellence in their respective fields.

HOW TO ENTER

- Choose a category and make sure that you enter in the correct category. Ensure that entry forms are complete in all respects.
- You may fill the forms in English or in Hindi and send entry preferably by mail.
- 3. You may send your nominations separately for each category and type (individual /institutional).
- 4. Please send your entry, preferably in 2 pages only. One page of general bio-data and one page about the significant achievements. The Committee may seek additional information, if necessary.
- 5. Each entry should be attached with the correct category label and a title.
- A person may send his entry as well as sponsor names for any number of categories with brief notes of each sponsored names.
- 7. Please attach a cover note mentioning all the entries and categories in the package.

RULES FOR ENTRY

- I. If entering the same piece of work in different categories, please submit in duplicate copies.
- 2. The judges and organizers reserve the right to reject the entries if they feel it does not comply with the spirit of the awards.
- 3. The awards will be made solely at the discretion of the judges, no feedback or correspondence will be entertained about the results and the judges' decision is final.
- 4. Entries will not be returned. After judging, all entries may be retained by ICFA for its archives.
- 5. All successful entrants will be notified of the decision by the due date.
- 6. ICFA reserves the right to make copies of the entries for publication in various forms.
- 7. The Awards will have to be received by the respective Ministers or Secretaries for State and the District Magistrates for the District Awards.

Prizes include a memento and a citation for each category

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