

NATIONAL AWARDS

1. Objectives :

- **Awards to MSMEs**

The Indian entrepreneurs are very creative to innovate new products and processes as well as provide innovative services to remain competitive in domestic and global market. To encourage such innovative efforts and promote their spirit in larger interest of qualitative development of MSME, the Ministry of MSME recognizes the contributions of these entrepreneurs for their outstanding performance and motivate and encourage them by conferring awards at the National Level.

- **Rankings to States / UTs, Aspirational Districts and Banks under Institutional Category**

Additionally, in order to motivate the State/ UT Governments and Aspirational Districts for the development and growth of MSMEs in their area of jurisdiction, provision of Rankings at the National level for the State/ UT Governments and Aspirational Districts has also been made accordingly.

Similarly, provision of Rankings has also been made for the bankers for their excellence in the credit lending to Micro and Small Enterprises.

2. Award Details :

- Highest Award in the country for MSMEs
- Trophy & Certificate
- Cash prize for 1st, 2nd & 3rd Award Winning MSMEs

3. Eligibility Conditions :

- The eligible MSMEs will submit online applications in the relevant category of awards. An enterprise can apply for more than one category of award. However, if a particular MSME is selected for more than One award, the MSME will be given higher category award. In no case a particular MSME will get more than one award.
- The Awardee shall not be nominated or considered for the same or lower category of award in the subsequent 4 year (s). However, there will be no bar for an awardee to be nominated or considered for a higher category of award in subsequent year.

Essential Conditions for Eligibility (System Guided Application Process)			
Sr. No.	Condition	Proof	Remarks
1	Udyam Registration	Valid Udyam Registration Number	System will pick all the details of the Unit from Udyam Registration Data Base (This will be cross checked with the data to be filled by the Unit for Identification & Financial Parameters). In case the details of the applicant MSME does not match with those in Udyam Registration, the application for National Award will be rejected.
2	Clearance of the Unit from Environmental Angle	Valid Environmental Clearance certificate from the competent authority	In case the unit is exempted from Environment Clearance, then the exemption certificate signed declaration to be uploaded
3	Industrial License/Fire/Explosive etc	Valid Certificate from the competent authority	In case the unit is exempted, then the exemption certificate or signed declaration to be uploaded
4	Social Security Norms ESI/EPF etc.	Challans to be uploaded	In case the unit is exempted, then the exemption certificate or signed declaration to be uploaded (The numbers indicated would be cross checked with the number of employees to be filled by the applicant subsequently)
5	Other Certificates	Applicant has to give an online declaration that there is no criminal case/tax liability etc pending against it. It also has to upload a certificate that all bank accounts are standard as on the date of filing application	
6	Affirmation	Certified that I have cleared all the Income Tax dues and I am not involved in any economic or other offence for which legal action/enquiry is pending against me and also the above information furnished by me is correct. I undertake to refund the cash prize, trophy and certificate, if awarded to me, in case it is ever found that the information furnished above was incorrect. Further, I may also be liable for any action under the law of the land for any false declaration.	

4. Categories of National MSME Awards at the National Level :

Awards for Manufacturing Entrepreneurship (12 Awards)			
	Micro Enterprises (Overall)	3 Awards (Top 3)	1 st - Rs 3 lakh 2 nd - Rs 2 lakh 3 rd - Rs 1 lakh
	Small Enterprises (Overall)	2 Awards (Top 2 Awards)	1 st - Rs 3 lakh 2 nd - Rs 2 lakh
	Medium Enterprises (Overall)	1 Award	Rs 3 lakh
	Technologically Efficient Manufacturing Enterprises	3 Awards (1 Awards each for Micro, Small and Medium enterprise Category)	3 Awards of Rs 3 lakh each
	Export Oriented Manufacturing Enterprises	3 Award (1 Awards each for Micro, Small and Medium enterprise Category)	3 Awards of Rs 3 lakh each
Awards for Service Entrepreneurship (9 Awards)			
	Micro Enterprises (Overall)	3 Awards (Top 3)	1 st - Rs 3 lakh 2 nd - Rs 2 lakh 3 rd - Rs 1 lakh
	Small Enterprises (Overall)	2 Awards	1 st - Rs 3 lakh 2 nd - Rs 2 lakh
	Medium Enterprises (Overall)	1 Award	Rs 3 lakh
	Export Oriented Service Enterprises	3 Award (1 Awards each for Micro, Small and Medium enterprise Category)	3 Awards of Rs 3 lakh each
Awards for Special Category of Enterprises (14 Awards)			
Women Entrepreneurship			
	Micro Enterprises (Manufacturing)	1 Award	Rs 3 lakh
	Small Enterprises (Manufacturing)	1 Award	Rs 3 lakh
	Micro Enterprises (Services)	1 Award	Rs 3 lakh
	Small Enterprises (Services)	1 Award	Rs 3 lakh
Entrepreneurs belonging to SC/ST Category			
	Micro Enterprises (Manufacturing)	1 Award	Rs 3 lakh
	Small Enterprises (Manufacturing)	1 Award	Rs 3 lakh
	Micro Enterprises (Services)	1 Award	Rs 3 lakh
	Small Enterprises (Services)	1 Award	Rs 3 lakh
Entrepreneurs belonging to 'Divyang' Category			
	Manufacturing Enterprises	1 Award (Award for overall MSME Category)	Rs 3lakh
	Service Enterprises	1 Award (Award for overall MSME Category)	Rs 3lakh
Entrepreneurs belonging to States of NER			
	Micro Enterprises (Manufacturing)	1 Award	Rs 3 lakh
	Small Enterprises (Manufacturing)	1 Award	Rs 3 lakh
	Micro Enterprises (Services)	1 Award	Rs 3 lakh
	Small Enterprises (Services)	1 Award	Rs 3 lakh
	Total	35 Awards	

5. Application Process:

- The Applications from MSMEs, States/UTs, Aspirational Districts & Banks under National Award Scheme are invited every year through online portal
(https://dashboard.msme.gov.in/na/Ent_NA_Admin/Ent_index.aspx)

6. Selection Process for MSME Awards:

MINIMUM QUALIFYING MARKS CRITERION FOR MSME AWARDS

For Non-Technical MSME Awards (Manufacturing, Services & Exports)			
General	Women/SC/ST /NER/Divyang		Justification
50%	40%		Promotion of Special Category and to shortlist more Enterprises for Second phase of scrutiny
Awards for Technically Efficient MSMEs			
Micro	Small	Medium	
40%	50%	60%	To expand the scope for Micro Unit

- MSME-DFOs of respective State / UT will forward the State Level Selection Committee (SLSC)'s recommended eligible and qualifying MSMEs applications online along with the recommendations in the enclosed format to the office of the Development Commissioner (MSME), Ministry of MSME, Government of India for further consideration at the National Level Selection Committee(NLSC).
- The SLSC recommended applications will further be scrutinized at the National Level by the team of officers for evaluating the mark as per the criteria before submitting to NLSC for selection and recommendation of the awardees for obtaining final approval of the Hon'ble Union Minister (MSME).

STATE LEVEL SELECTION COMMITTEE (SLSC) :

1	Secretary, Department of MSME/ Industries of State Govt. /U.T.	Chairman
2	Director of MSME/Industries, State Govt.	Member
3	One Representative each from two State level MSME Associations to be nominated by Director, MSME-DFO & approved by the Chairman	Member
4	Director, MSME-DFO*	Member Convener
* In case of more than one DFOs in the State, the Nodal DI to be decided by the HQ.		

7. Applications for Rankings under Institutional Category are directly submitted through online portal and directly to O/o DC (MSME).

NATIONAL LEVEL SELECTION COMMITTEE (NLSC) for MSMEs:

1	Additional Secretary & Development Commissioner (MSME), M/o MSME, Govt. of India [In his absence Senior Most JS Level of DC(MSME)]	Chairman
2	Representative of NITI Aayog	Members
3	Representative of DPIIT, Ministry of Commerce & Industry	Members
4	Representative for CASU in Ministry of Home Affairs	Members
5	Representative of National Research Development Corporation	Members
6	Representative of Bureau of Indian Standards	Members
7	ADC/DDG/JDC/Director heading the National Awards Unit	Member Secretary

SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR STATES/UTs AND ASPIRATIONAL DISTRICTS :

1	Additional Secretary & Development Commissioner (MSME), M/o MSME, Govt. of India[In his absence Senior Most JS Level of DC (MSME)]	Chairman
2	Representative of NITI Aayog	Members
3	Representative of DPIIT, Ministry of Commerce & Industry	Members
4	ADC/DDG/JDC/Director heading the National Awards Unit	Member Convener

COMMITTEE FOR SELECTION OF BANKS FOR RANKINGS:

1	Additional Secretary & Development Commissioner (MSME); M/o MSME, Govt. of India [In his absence Senior Most JS Level officer of DC(MSME)]	Chairman
2	Joint Secretary level Officer, M/o MSME (Looking after the I & F Division)	Member
3	Representative from Department of Financial Services (DFS)	Member
4	Representative from Reserve Bank of India	Member
5	Representative from Indian Banks Association	Member
6	Representative of SIDBI	Member
7	Representative from National Awards Unit of the office of the DC (MSME)	Member
8	Director /Joint Director/ Deputy Director level officer of I&F Division	Member Secretary

8. Timelines for National MSME Awards:

- Notification and Calling of online application for Nomination of MSME Awards – as per approval by the Authority
- Last Date of submission of online application for MSME Awards - as per approval by the Authority
- Recommendation by State Level Selection Committee (SLSC) - as per approval by the Authority

- National Level Selection Committee (NLSC) meeting - as per approval by the Authority
 - National MSME Award Function on the : as per approval given by the Hon'ble Minister (MSME)
8. For more details guidelines issued vide letter No. NA-0108/4/2023 – P and G – DCMSME dated 17.04.2025 may please be referred.

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