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ICAI AWARDS for Excellence in Financial Reporting 2025-26



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Last date of Submission
15th October, 2026

OBJECTIVE

To recognise and encourage excellence in preparation and presentation of financial information.

Online Submission

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CATEGORIES

- I Public Sector Banks
- II Private Sector Banks (including Foreign Banks)
- III Life Insurance Sector
- IV Non-Life Insurance Sector
- V Financial Services Sector (including NBFC Other than Banking and Insurance)
- VI Manufacturing and Trading Sector (including entities engaged in processing, mining, plantations, oil & gas enterprises) (Turnover equal to ₹5000 crores or more)
- VII Manufacturing and Trading Sector (including entities engaged in processing, mining, plantations, oil & gas enterprises) (Turnover less than ₹5000 crores)
- VIII Service Sector (Other than financial services sector)
- IX Infrastructure and Construction Sector
- X Not-for-Profit Sector
- XI Public Sector Entities
- XII Co-operative Banks

GUIDELINES

- Annual Reports pertaining to the financial year ending on any date between 1st April, 2025 and 31st March, 2026 (both days inclusive) shall be eligible for participation.
- Annual Reports must be submitted in English language only.
- An enterprise shall not be eligible to apply, where auditor's report contains a modified opinion.
- Listed and Unlisted entities, registered in India, are eligible to apply.
- The decision of the Jury will be final.
- ICAI reserves the right to withdraw any award at any time without giving any reason.
- One hard copy of the Annual Report & other documents (as uploaded) is required to be submitted to the Research Committee.

INDICATIVE PARAMETERS FOR EVALUATION

- Overall presentation of the Annual Report and ease of its navigation.
- Coverage of Management information, including:
 - Vision and Mission, Organisational Overview, Strategic Objectives, Core Values and Code of Conduct/Ethical Principles, Profile of Company, Director's profile, Organization/Governing Structure, Information on Important Events, etc. Disclosures of KPIs to measure achievements against strategic objectives.
 - Description of Policy on Human Resource engagement its training and development.
 - Information about Risk Management Framework along with its components.
 - Overview of the State of Affairs, Reporting on Various Products/Services/Segments.
 - Disclosure of various group companies with future outlook & risk mitigation measures.
 - Information on Credit Ratings.
 - Contribution to National Exchequer/Economy.
- Compliance with Ind AS/Accounting Standards, Applicable Laws & Regulations.
- Corporate Governance & Related Compliance Reporting/Disclosures.
- Additional information presented including:
 - Statement of Value Added and its distribution amongst Government, Shareholders, Employees etc.
 - Integrated Reporting, Sustainability Reporting etc.
 - Certifications, Awards & Recognition.
 - Presentation of different performance trends over a period of time.
 - Value Creation Model/Business Model & Capitals.
- Information on Company's website structured logically.

Scan the QR code
for participation



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Note: The documents submitted by the entities for the competition will be utilized only for the purpose of ICAI Awards for Excellence in Financial Reporting 2025-26.