

“Bharat Steel Awards” (Broad Guidelines)

I. Background:

The Ministry of Steel has been conferring awards under National Metallurgist Awards (NMA) to recognize & honor the outstanding contributions of Metallurgists in the metallurgical field. In an effort to broaden the scope and enhance the relevance of the awards, it is decided that the NMA Awards scheme to be discontinued and new award name as “Bharat Steel Awards” has been introduced.

II. Objective of the Award

The new award scheme "Bharat Steel Awards" aims to honor organizations and individuals for exemplary performance and significant contributions in various critical areas of the steel sector.

III. Name of the Award: Bharat Steel Awards

Under the new scheme, awards shall be conferred in the following categories:

Sl.No.	Name of the Award	No. of awards	Remarks
Company Specific Award			
i.	Efficiency Award	2	1 no.: Large Steel Producers 1 no. Secondary Steel Producers
ii.	Export Award	1	1 no.: Large Steel Producers
iii.	Sustainability Award	1	1 no.: Large Steel Producers
Team Specific Award			
iv.	Indigenization Award	1	1 no.: Large Steel Producers
v.	Innovation through R&D	2	1 no.: Large Steel Producers 1 no. Secondary Steel Producers
Company & team Specific Award			
vi	Safety Award	2	2 no.: Large Steel Producers (1: Company, 1: Team)
Individual Award			
vii	Exceptional Contribution in Steel Sector Award	3	2 in Large Steel Producers 1 in Secondary Steel Producers
	Total	12	

Company: Steel Companies

Team: more than one companies/industries

Large Size Producers >1Mtpa

Secondary Steel Producers <1 Mtpa

\*Capacity is based on Crude Steel Production

- i. Indigenization Award : This award will acknowledge steel companies that have demonstrated outstanding achievements in promoting self-reliance through the development and adoption of indigenous technologies, raw materials, manufacturing processes and manufacturing high end

products for import substitution, thereby reducing import dependence and strengthening the domestic supply chain.

- ii. Safety Award : This category will honour steel companies with exemplary safety records and proactive initiatives to ensure a safe working environment for their employees. This includes significant reductions in accidents, implementation of best-in-class safety protocols, and fostering a strong safety culture.
- iii. Efficiency Award : This award will recognize steel companies that have achieved remarkable improvements in operational efficiency, including optimizing resource utilization (energy, water, raw materials), enhancing productivity, and implementing advanced manufacturing techniques.
- iv. Export Award : This category will award the steel companies that have made significant contributions to India's export growth in the steel sector. This includes increased export volumes, diversification of export markets, and value-added exports.
- v. Sustainability Award : This award will commend steel companies for their concerted efforts in decarbonizing their operations. This includes adopting cleaner technologies, improving energy efficiency, increasing the use of renewable energy, and implementing carbon capture and utilization/storage (CCUS) initiatives, thereby contributing to India's climate goals.
- vi. Innovation through R&D : An "Innovation through R&D Award" for steel companies would recognize not just the output of research and development, but also the strategic intent, the robustness of the R&D process, and the tangible impact of innovations on the business and the wider industry.
- vii. Exceptional Contribution in Steel sector Award (by an Individual) : In addition to the company/team specific awards, one special award will be presented to an individual who has made an exceptional and transformative contribution to the Indian Steel Sector. This could be through pioneering research, groundbreaking technological development, significant policy advocacy, leadership in industry transformation, or a lifetime of dedicated service that has demonstrably elevated the steel industry in India.

#### IV. Eligibility Criteria

- ☐ (For i to vi above ) Any Indian Steel Company/team whether PSU/Private as follows
  - ☐ Large Scale Producers > 1Mtpa
  - ☐ Secondary Steel Producers <1 Mtpa
- ☐ For Exceptional Contribution Award

Any Citizen of India who is having Bachelor's degree in Metallurgical Engineering/ Materials Science or Equivalent has made an exceptional and transformative contribution to the Indian Steel Sector.

This could be through pioneering research, groundbreaking technological development, significant policy advocacy, leadership in industry transformation, or a lifetime of dedicated service that has demonstrably elevated the steel industry in India in past 10 years. Minimum Age: 25 yrs, Maximum age : 60 yrs

#### V. Hierarchy of Award

The Bharat Steel Award shall be National Award under Tier-II as per MHA guidelines.

## VI. DECORATIONS

Each award would be in the form of a Certificate, Trophy and a Cash prize. It is to be noted that cash prize shall be given to Small Scale Industry (SSI) and under Individual category only, not to ISPs.

Sl.No.	Name of the Award	No. of awards	Prize Money (Rs.)
Company Specific Award			
i.	Efficiency Award	2	100,000 To Secondary Steel Producers
ii.	Export Award	1	-
iii.	Sustainability Award	1	-
Team Specific Award			
iv.	Indigenization Award	1	-
v.	Innovation through R&D	2	100,000 To Secondary Steel Producers
Company & team Specific Award			
vi	Safety Award	2	-
Individual Award			
vii	Exceptional Contribution in Steel Sector Award	3	300,000
	Total	12	500,000

## VII. NOMINATIONS

The time and date of receipt of nomination shall be given at the time of inviting nomination for the awards through National Awards portal (<https://awards.gov.in>) only.

As per MHA guideline, the Ministries/Departments that have their own portals can provide a link for their upcoming awards on National Awards Portal.

- i) Nominations to be provided in prescribed format for Organisations/individual

Nominations made in any format other than the prescribed one and applications received beyond the stipulated date as well as incomplete nominations will be outright rejected without further reference. No representation in this regard will be entertained.

- ii) The nominations have to be accompanied by a declaration that

- Information provided is correct
- The work has been done by your organisation/individual in India

## VIII. SELECTION PROCESS

- a. The selection Committee for the awards is constituted with the approval of the Chairman, Award making Authority & Secretary Ministry of Steel, Govt. of India. The Award Making Authority (AMA) shall comprise the following members :

1	Secretary Ministry of Steel	: Chairman
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2	Joint Secretary, Ministry of Steel	: Member
3	Two Experts from Steel industry (to be nominated by Secretary , MoS)	: Member
4	Research Organizations (to be nominated by Secretary , MoS)	: Member

No member of the Authority shall participate in the deliberations of the AMA if he/she is a candidate of an award.

- b. There shall be a Screening Committee of Experts (SCE) constituted by the Chairman of the Award Making Authority.
- c. The Screening Committee shall scrutinise the applications & supporting documents and accept or reject applications based on the eligibility conditions and submit consolidated report of applications Award Making Authority (AMA).
- d. While considering for Exceptional Contribution Award for an exceptional and transformative contribution to the Indian Steel Sector, the Award Making authority, if deemed necessary, may consider the name of any renowned Engineer/Technologist/academician with high credentials.
- e. The composition of various selection committees, proceedings of the meetings and the procedure for consideration of the nominations, other than as detailed herein will be kept confidential.
- f. The decision of the Award Making Authority shall be final and binding on all.
- g. Canvassing in any form during the selection procedure would lead to permanent disqualification of the nominees/organization.

#### IX. AWARD CEREMONY

Presentation of the Bharat Steel Awards will be made at an Award Presentation Ceremony on a date and time as may be decided.

#### X. MEDIA PLAN:-

Outreach Channels: Press Information Bureau, MyGov, social media platforms, trade journals, and industry newsletters etc.