

Guidelines for CPWA Panakala Rao - Satyavathi
Technology / NGO Excellence Award and Eligibility Criteria

1. CPWA head office, Lucknow in collaboration with CPWA Goa Centre will annually felicitate and honour one or two CSIR-alumni **who have dedicated at least a decade to the organization**. This award, named in honour of **Panakala Rao - Satyavathi**, will include a citation, certificate, and shawl. The Award has been instituted in the year 2026 and conferred annually during the CPWA Annual General Body Meeting.
2. The **Panakala Rao - Satyavathi Award** aims to acknowledge CSIR alumni for their significant contributions to technology development, entrepreneurial initiatives or contributions of NGO in promoting development. This award represents the CPWA's commitment in recognizing and celebrating the contributions of CSIR alumni who have shaped the future of scientific and technological advancement or a registered NGO by CSIR alumni working for the development of society.
3. Non-CPWA members receiving the award will be granted Honorary Membership in CPWA.
4. Nominations for this award will be sought from CPWA centers and CPWA affiliates in a designated nomination form. Additionally, a dedicated landing page will be created on the CPWA Headquarters website, as well as on the websites of CPWA centers, providing all necessary details regarding eligibility criteria, award guidelines, and nomination deadlines and process details.
5. To be eligible for the **Panakala Rao - Satyavathi Award**, the following conditions must be met:
 - The startup, business, or NGO must have been established by a CSIR scientific or technical employee, either independently or in partnership.
 - The business or entity should have demonstrated measurable impact in technology development or scientific ventures.
6. When submitting nomination forms, CPWA centers are required to include the entity's certificate of recognition, along with the nomination and the audited financial statement from the previous financial year.
7. In case of registered NGO which is a Society, Trust, Section-8 Company or any organization registered by the Central or State Government for social service, the registration certificate shall be provided.

8. The CPWA Management Committee will propose members for the Selection Committee. The Award Selection Committee will shortlist one or two awardees from the nominations received. The final decisions regarding the award winner(s) will be communicated to the CPWA Management Committee for ratification during its meeting.
9. The Selection Committee will comprise five experienced CPWA members from diverse backgrounds. Of these, two members—the President of CPWA Headquarters and the President of the CPWA Goa Centre—will serve as *ex-officio* members. The President of All India CPWA shall be the Chairperson of the Screening Committee.
10. **Nomination Evaluation Criteria:** Nominations will be evaluated based on:
 - **Reliability and Completeness:** The accuracy and thoroughness of the information provided in the nomination form and supporting documents by CPWA centers.
 - **Business Growth and Impact:** Evidence of the entity's growth, innovation, and future plans in the context of the scientific and business landscape.
 - **Contribution to Technology Development:** The tangible impact of the business or startup on technology development, research, or scientific advancements.
 - **Effectiveness of NGO Programs:** For NGOs, the evaluation criteria for nominations will emphasize the effectiveness of their programs, its impact on the communities and beneficiaries they serve, as well as the capacity of their staff and volunteers.
11. All decisions made by the Selection Committee and the CPWA Management Committee shall be final and binding.
12. If it is considered that none of the proposals that have been made, merit recognition, the Selection Committee will be free to withhold the Award for that year.
13. The Awardee shall be invited to receive the Award in person in the AGM meeting and if he/she so desire may also address the gathering on his/her business venture/NGO work recognized for the Award.
14. Travel Support: Awardee/s will be provided with second AC class train fare to attend the CPWA Annual General Body Meeting to attend the CPWA Annual General Body Meeting for the award presentation.
15. Before the announcement of conferring the award, the concurrence of the prospective awardee would be suitably ascertained by the CPWA centres. CPWA Centres should ensure the awardee's availability for the ceremony in advance.



**CPWA Panakala Rao - Satyavathi
Technology Award
(For CSIR Alumni)**

NOMINATION PROFORMA

1.	Full Name of Startup/Business/ or Full Name of NGO (attach certified copy of the certificate of registration):		:	
2.	Contact Details		:	
	i.	Name of the CSIR Alumni	:	
	ii.	Designation	:	
	iii.	Email address	:	
	iv.	Mobile No.	:	
	v.	Phone No.	:	
	vi.	Website	:	
3.	Registered Address		:	
4.	Office Address (if different from above)		:	
5.	The core Product/ Service/ Process/ Technology		:	
6.	Brief description about the developed business/startup/NGO		:	
7.	Impact of the development of the technology/Business/NGO work		:	
	i.	Annual turnover derived from the developed business/startup	:	
	ii.	Employment generated/ Total staff strength of the NGO	:	
	iii.	Market value generated	:	
	iv.	Details of notable work during the last three years and overall impact of initiative (in case of NGO)	:	
8.	Any other significant aspect not highlighted above		:	