

Eligibility Criteria

All organizations operating in India and overseas units of Indian companies are eligible to apply for the Award. The applicant must have been actively in business at least for the past three years.

The following types of organisations are eligible to participate:

- Large Business Organisations
- Operating Units of Large Business Organisations
- Small and Medium Business Organisations

Large Business Organisations

Whole Companies or part of companies run as Business Units satisfying all the following characteristics:

Annual Sales / Revenue is more than Rupees One Hundred Crore.

Run as an Independent Profit Centre with a full set of accounts (Publicly Published Balance Sheet)

More than 50% of Turnover is external to itself and the Parent company, where one exist

The Unit has a broad range of support functions/policies, which it has autonomy over (e.g., HR, Finance, IT etc.)

In addition, the Unit may demonstrate its independence by using a name/brand unique to that of the Parent Organisation

Operating Units of Large Business Organisations

Operating Units are part of a Parent Organisation, with the following characteristics:

Annual Sales / Revenue should be a minimum of Rupees Fifty Crore or a minimum of 25% of the Annual Sales / Revenue of the Parent Organisation

The Unit is dependent on the Parent Organisation in some areas (e.g., HR, Finance, IT etc.)

Is self sufficient enough to be assessed on all nine criteria

Small and Medium Business Organisations

Whole Organisations with Annual Sales / Revenue less than Rupees One Hundred Crore

Time Table for the year 2009

30 April 2009: Final date for receipt of Application Form by CII Award Secretariat.

15 June 2009: Final date for receipt of the Application Document by CII Award Secretariat.

15 - 30 September 2009: Site visits, where applicable.

The announcement of the results will be during Quality Summit, in November 2009. (Two Senior officials from all applicant organisations are eligible to attend the Quality Summit, as Special Invitees).

Notes

1. Any "For-Profit Business" operating in India and its Overseas Units may apply for the Award. For-Profit Business, include domestic or foreign-owned Companies or joint ventures or sole proprietorship or partnerships and holding companies publicly or privately owned in India.
2. Award recipients are not eligible to re-apply for the Award for a period of five years. However, the award recipients can apply for the assessment and feedback any year, but will not be eligible to receive the Award for that year. Its application will proceed through the stages of the award assessment process, but the applicant will receive only a feedback report, outlining its strengths & opportunities for improvement based on the criteria for performance excellence.
3. The organization should be in existence on or before 01 April 2006.
4. Number of units, eligible for participating is @ 1 unit for Rs 500 Cr Annual Sales / Revenue of the Parent Company subject to maximum of Six (6) units of any assessment year.
5. Refer pages 40-43 of the Application Brochure 2008 for the award assessment process and levels of recognition.
6. For all information relevant to Small & Medium Business Organisations, please refer a separate document 'Application Brochure for Small & Medium Businesses - 2009'.