



eNGOchallenge

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Grand Jury

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"A very innovative, democratic and engaging system devised and mastered for selecting the best entries for eNGO Challenge Award South Asia. Keep up the good work." - Shweta Berry, juror



On October 24, 2016, away from all the rush and noise, at Sanskriti Kala Kendra, New Delhi, eNGO Challenge Awards 2016 held a day-long jury to decide upon the finalists from the total nominations received for the awards.

The Jury marked the final stage of selection of best innovations for the 5th edition of the renowned eNGO Challenge Awards South Asia. This year, we received **331**

nominations across **8 categories** out of which, **157 were valid nominations**. The virtual Jury members managed to **filter down 157 valid entries to 59 for the final evaluation** by the Grand Jury. A panel of 15 Jury members looked into the filtered nominations.

The day started with a breakfast in the serene surroundings and it was followed by a welcome note from Osama Manzar, Founder & Director of Digital Empowerment Foundation to our jurors. He introduced the DEF organisation and Manthan Awards and then elaborated upon how this year's eNGO Awards are different from the previous ones; as this time along with technology, there are other empowering categories as well.

Then a presentation was given on the conception, statistics and nomination process of eNGO Challenge Awards.

Subsequently, a round of introduction of the jurors took place.

The jury was divided into 3 groups of 3 persons each and 2 groups of 2 persons each. Each group was given a minimum of 1 category and some groups had 2 categories also to review. In total, there were 8 categories: **Enablement & Empowerment; Healthcare and Wellness; Education & Learning; Governance & Livelihood; Digital Empowerment & Tools; Heritage & Culture; Entrepreneurship & Outreach and Environment and Sustainability**

On an average, 5-6 nominations were selected from each category for presentation. The jurors began the discussions on the selected nominations and then the voting on each category happened. The collective knowledge of all the jurors led to a powerful discussion on each and every nomination. The jurors felt that it was a great platform to learn and understand the work of NGOs, not just in India but in other countries of South Asia as well.

After the discussion and joint voting system, the Grand Jury selected Winners and Special Mentions of eNGO Challenge Awards 2016. The Grand Jury conclusion marked the moments of felicitation of the Jury members with Jury citation & token gifts presented to all Jury members for their invaluable volunteering efforts in adding value to the Awards process.

Jury's Feedback

- Excellent process for shortlisting credible NGOs for the coveted award.
- Intellectual deliberations and cross pollination of ideas enhance the knowledge base of jurors too.

- Dr. Jitender Singh

A great platform to learn and understand work of NGOs, not just in India but South Asia as well. Great discussions amongst the jury. Healthy debates.

Lovely venue

- Gazal Mishra

- Structured Process
- Good discussions
- Diverse background of Jury Members

- Suhel Bidani

This was a very good experience, participating in the eNGO Jury Process. It was engaging, transparent and very efficient. I congratulate the organisers.

- P.V Naraynan

Dear Team.

- Great Participation
- Great Arrangement
- Special thanks to Osama and Sachin
- This is the right way for decision on winner

GREAT JOB PUT TOGETHER!

- Pallavi Mohan



Always a great experience engaging with DEF and the content available. Always get to meet some great people.

- Deepti Dutt

eNGO Process this time was crisp and effective, mostly because of prior access to the material. This helped us to be prepared and take decisions more judiciously.

- Amitabh Singhal

This was my first opportunity to get involved in eNGO award process. I was quite impressed with the transparency and the consultative process. Each and every applicant got equal opportunity by way of getting their case presented, discussed and passed through the process of voting. As a whole, I enjoyed my participation and learnt a lot about this wonderful assessment process. Kudos to the DEF team and the leaders.

- Dinesh Agrawal

Very interesting process with rigorous systems in place.

- Sanjeev Kumar Gupta

The application form is very comprehensive and captures salient features of the innovation.

- Anirban Mukerji

Some Suggestions from Jurors

Would have loved to receive the nominations atleast a week in advance, in order to read the entries.

- *Gazal Mishra*

- Better classification of categories eg- join agriculture and livelihoods
- Reduce number of categories(around 6)
- Attract/solicit more applications for categories like " Heritage & Culture" and "Healthcare & Wellness"

- *Suhel Bidani*

Maybe some online help and sample applications can be provided to NGOs for better proposals and adequate data points.

- *Deepti Dutt*

- Please check data under key achievement by calling and asking detailed questions on phone/email.
- Impact section has to be well written and followed up with the applicants.

- *Sanjeev Kumar Gupta*

DEF should increase visibility for eNGO.

- *Anirban Mukerji*

Couple of NGOs either misinterpreted the categories and the understanding of categories by the NGOs was not very clear.

- Would be great to receive the nominations a couple of days in advance.

- *Manisha Singh*



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