



IMC (India Mobile Congress) Awards, 2019

Definitions:

1. **Awards** - IMC Awards 2019
2. **Awards Management** – Organizers of the awards, IMC
3. **Participant** – Any Indian organization sending an application to participate in the Awards, or is selected for participation in the Awards upon recommendation/ suggestion received from the Members of the Award Management or third parties by submitting a nomination form.
4. **Jury** - A constituted panel of eminent experts - from the relevant industry who will shortlist the winners for specified award categories as mentioned below.
5. **Winner** – Any participant selected by the Jury as per pre-determined evaluation parameters
6. **Knowledge Partners for IMC 2019** – KPMG (Registered)

Categories

Entries are open for participation in the following categories:

1. State with best 4G/ Broadband network coverage*: The entrant state(s) must have network service providers within the state in whole of India. The service providers must have all the necessary documentations as prescribed by the law, must contain a minimum average speed of 8.00-23.1 mbps (download).

* Open signal testing would also be one of the parameters utilized for evaluation

2. Smart Cities Project with most innovative technology adoption: The entrant Smart City must include state of the art technologies for the dedicated segment/whole of the project. The project must have received their OC before the 31st of December, 2018.

3. Best Mobile Innovation for Automotive: The entrant participant must be providing services for over a period of 1 year as on the 31st of March,2019. The participant must have all the necessary documentations prescribed by the law, must contain a new innovation for the automotive industry.

4. Most Innovative IoT Project: The entrant participant must have engineered an innovative product, service or solution that solves a problem with a simple fix, and should result in making life easier. The developer must have tested the market with his product for a period of 1 year as on the 31st March,2019.

5. Best Mobile Innovation for Health: The entrant participant must have engineered a product/application or a service which provides a positive contribution in the area of human health and is within the legal mandates. The innovation must have been done before the 31st of March,2019 and such innovation must have taken place with all the necessary documentations required by law.

6. Best open source solution for telecom industry: The entrant participant must be providing the service for a period of over 1 year as on the 31st of March, 2019. The solution is preferred to be cloud, network functions virtualization (NFV) and software-defined networking (SDN) or any solution implemented and tested in a telecom Network based and entrant should contain all the required documentations required by law.

7. Most innovative use of block chain across industry: The entrant participant must have streamlined internal processes, roaming, smart connection, smart transactions, mobile money, identity management etc. with their innovation. The participant must have developed and tested the market with his innovation over a period of 1 year as on the 31st of March 2019, should also contain all the necessary documentations required by law.

8. Most Innovative App: The entrant participant must have developed his application over a period of 1 year as on the 31st of March 2019. The application should be an innovative framework of services that application programs rely on for standard operations. The same should be available on all mobile platforms namely Play store, App Store, etc. and should contain all the necessary documentations as required by law.

9. Most Innovative Approach to Network Security: The entrant participant must have developed an application and/ or a solution which provides an innovative touch to network security, it should have tested the market and should be providing the same for a period of over a year as on the 31st of March,2019. The participant must have the necessary documentations required by law.

10. Most Innovative Network Transformation Initiative: The entrant participant must have structured an initiative in the form of a product, service or a solution which is such that it either bridges gaps on innovation, it enhances customer engagements or creates self-optimizing and secure zero touch networks.

11. Dynamic telecom product/ solution of the year: The participant needs to have developed a product/ solution which has enabled telecom industry drive efficiencies as well as contributed towards cost savings

Eligibility criteria:

IMC Awards invites organizations in India to send their entries. The following eligibility criteria apply to all Awards categories:

1. The entrant organization must be a registered business organization as on 31st March, 2019.

2. The entrant participant must be compliant with the Indian laws as may be applicable to the participant category. Any violation found subsequently would result in notification to the participant and possible disqualification in case the reply to the notification is not received or is not satisfactory.

3. The entrant participant must hold all the required licenses and other statutory requirements as applicable to the applicant category. Any violation found subsequently would result in notification

to the participant and possible disqualification in case the reply to the notification is not received or is not satisfactory.

4. Though not a binding requirement , it would be preferred that the entrant participants have a patent or a patent application (local or global) for the category as applicable.

5. Though not a binding requirement, the entrant participants would be preferred to hold a technology license or a trademark and franchising license as applicable.

6. Telecom operators are not explicitly not permitted to submit entries for awards

7. The minimum investment done by the organization must be INR 10 Lakhs.

8. The following eligibility criteria are specific to the categories mentioned below:

Sr. No.	Category	Specific Eligibility criteria
1	State with best 4G/ Broadband network coverage	1) Certified report on the speed of the network as offered in the specified region (Speed test report)
2	Smart Cities Project with most innovative technology adoption	1) Utilization Certificate/Cost Benefit Analysis /Completion and Appreciation Certificate from Smart city authority
3	Best Mobile Innovation for Automotive	1) Patent/ Trademark License 2) Letter from / contact details for the Automotive party
4	Most Innovative IoT Project	1) Patent/ Trademark License 2) Sales Report 2018-19 3) Customer Feedback
5	Best Mobile Innovation for Health	1) Patent/ Trademark License 2) Consumer Feedback
6	Best open source solution for telecom industry	1) Any Patent/ Trademark License would be preferred
7	Most innovative use of block chain across industry	1) Any Patent/ Trademark License would be preferred
8	Most Innovative App	1) Any Patent/ Trademark License would be preferred 2) Declaration on letterhead of organization for confirming availability on various platforms
9	Most Innovative Approach to Mobile Security	1) Any Patent/ Trademark License would be preferred 2) Customer Feedback
10	Most Innovative Network Transformation Initiative	1) Report formulating the initiative 2) Observation report noted post implementation of the initiatives
11	Dynamic telecom product or solution of the year	1) Any Patent/ Trademark License would be preferred 2) Customer Feedback

- For more information about the awards, please visit the Awards website at www.indiamobilecongress.com/Awards
- In case of any query, please email us at program@indiamobilecongress.com XXXXXXXXXXXXX

The following documents must be submitted with the entry forms.

General Eligibility
Registration Certificate
Certified Copy of the Shareholding Pattern
Financial Statements pertaining to 2-3 previous FY's
Net Sales Turnover of the previous 2-3 FY's
No Objection Certificate (No criminal proceedings)
Brief profile of CXOs of the organisation

- **If nominated, additional documents may be requested for validation for the Awards process, if required.**

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

Call for entries and participation

1. Last date for submission of entry forms will be **September 15th, 2019**;
2. Categorization of entries will be approved by the Jury/ Awards Management. The Jury/ Awards Management retain discretionary right to re-categorize an entry, if needed;
3. Participant that conforms to each of the Award categories can participate in the same entry which is not attributable to the listed categories would automatically stand disqualified. Determination of the same is at the discretion of the Jury/ Awards Management;
4. A participant can participate in multiple Award categories for the same services;
5. **One application form can be used only for a single entry in each award category;**
6. Receipt of application forms after the specified last date of receipt may be permitted only for genuine reason at the discretion of the Awards Management/ Jury;
7. Awards Management will not be responsible for application forms that are lost in transit/ received late/ damaged/ loss due to lack/ lapse in any communication on account of internet failure;
8. Participation in the Awards in any manner will be construed as an acceptance to the Rules and Regulations stated herein;
9. An entry form will be considered complete and valid, only if the following are duly completed and submitted to the Awards Management via the website www.indiamobilecongress.com/Awards

- Completely filled entry form
- Declaration form (Agreed Declaration by the Authorized person of the Organization is mandatory)
- Audited Annual reports or a certificate from your Chartered Accountant confirming the figures given in the form for past 2 – 3 years.
- GST Certificate
- PAN Card
- Business registration certificate.

Completeness of Entries/ Disqualification

1. All mandatory fields in the application form need to be filled in all respects; else it will be disqualified from participation.
 - a) Participants may be contacted for any additional information or / and conduct field visit to verify the information provided. Such additional information sourced from the Participant(s) will become part of the original application.
 - b) Awards Management has the right to ask for documentary proof of information / audited financial data / audit the information provided. If such a request is made and the Participant does not comply with it promptly; the Participant may be disqualified from participation in the Awards.
 - c) Information provided by the Participant will be used only for the limited purpose of evaluating the Participant's entry to these Awards and, for the specified purpose as agreed to in the Declaration Form.
2. Entries will be accepted in English language only.
3. Disqualification of any entries is at the sole discretion of the Awards Management.
4. Please maintain one copy of the completed form with you for your records
5. Absence of a nominee or representative of the Participant at the final Jury meeting will automatically lead to disqualification of that particular entry.
6. If at any time, during the Awards process or post the Awards ceremony any information provided by any Participant is found to be incorrect in any manner, then the Participant will be either disqualified from participation or liable to return the award and any monetary/ non-monetary incentives provided as part of the Award, if won.
 - a) If at any time, any information provided by any Participant is found to be incorrect in any manner, then the Participant will not be permitted to continue participation for that particular entry in the Awards, and the Awards Management will not be liable to return any materials to such disqualified entry.
 - b) If, after the conclusion of the Awards ceremony, any information provided by any Participant is found to be incorrect in any manner, the Participant will be liable to return the Award and any monetary/ non-monetary incentives provided as part of the Award,
 - c) All Entries are subject to verification, including without limitation, verification of eligibility through checks as deemed appropriate by the Awards Management and complete compliance with these Rules and Regulations. Awards Management has the sole right to disqualify any entry if it is not in

compliance with the Rules and Regulations herein specified or any further applicable laws, regulation/ or any policies that may be specified by the Awards Management.

- d) Determination of whether information provided as fair and accurate rests with the Awards Management.
7. All entries are subject to verification, including without limitation, verification of eligibility through checks as deemed appropriate by the Awards Management and complete compliance with these Rules and Regulations. Awards Management has the sole right to disqualify any entry if it is not in compliance with the Rules and Regulations herein specified or any further applicable laws, regulation/ or any policies that may be specified by the Awards Management.
8. In case an Award is unclaimed by the winner due to any reason the same will result in forfeiture of the Award by such Winner and IMC shall not entertain any claims in this regard thereafter.
9. Award is not transferable or assignable and shall not be assigned to any other person. There is no cash substitution, cash redemption or cash value in lieu of the respective Award.
10. IMC gives no warranty and shall not be liable for the quality, warranty or replacement of the Award. All taxes, levies and charges relating to the Awards, if any will be borne by the Winners.
11. Awards Management or team appointed by Awards Management will try to contact the Participant on best effort basis by any means deemed appropriate.
 - a) In the event it is not possible to contact any Participant to obtain information on them, interview them, etc. such Participant may be disqualified from further participation.
12. The participant hereby irrevocably authorizes the Awards Management to use the data gathered during and/or the Awards in respect of the participants. This shall be the property of IMC and IMC shall be entitled to use the same in its communications including marketing promotions and advertisements along with/ without IMC's brand. Awards Management shall not be liable in any manner for any mishap, accident, injury or damages etc. of whatsoever nature, caused to the participants during the Awards. Further, Awards Management shall not be liable in any manner for any loss, damage, theft, or any other mishap caused during the Awards.
13. Entries will be shortlisted based on eligibility criteria:
 - a) As part of the process of selection of a winner in each Award category, shortlisted nominees will be invited to make a detailed presentation to the Jury followed by a question answer session,
 - b) Jury will select the winners in each category based on predetermined judging parameters by scoring the entries,
 - c) The determination of who should receive an award for any award category rests with the Jury,
 - d) The Award Management's decision is final and binding on all nominees.
14. Only CEO or heads of participant Enterprise would be contacted in case, Jury needs further information. The cost of travel incurred by participants, if any, would need to be borne by the participant.

15. Participant agrees that the Participant is legally capable of entering and, if selected, participating in the Awards and agree to the Terms. Participant is competent (i.e. Participant are of legal age and mental capacity) and eligible to enter into this legally binding agreement on Participant.
16. Participant understands and agrees that merely participating in this Awards does not entitle the Participant to a prize or to any other form of consideration.
17. Participant warrants and represents to the Awards Management that all information including any communications, software, photos, text, video, graphics, music, sounds, images and other material submitted or recorded in any manner by the Participant or the partners of Awards Management including Awards Management for consideration for the Awards are solely owned by the Awards Management and do not infringe upon any other individual or Enterprise rights (including, without limitation, intellectual property rights). Participant shall be completely responsible for handling any infringement or alleged infringement and shall indemnify IMC and the Awards Management from any claims, costs or damages from infringement or alleged infringement of the logo or trademark or the defense of a claim or any costs payable thereof.
18. Participant must enter the Awards at their own will and the Awards Management are not in any way obligated or liable for any loss or costs that the Participant may suffer or incur and nothing is payable to the Participants for participating in the Awards or any event prior to or following the Awards.
19. In the event these Terms and Conditions do not cover any question or complaint in relation to the Awards, the same will be concluded on by the Awards Management (for all other issues) or an independent body or legal team as appointed by the Awards Management and deemed necessary.
20. The Participant agrees to give full consent unconditionally for IMC to share any information provided by the Participant with agencies working with them with regards to the program, its recording and broadcasting and related activities including agencies involved with IMC.
21. The decision of IMC in relation to the interpretation of any of these Terms shall be final and binding on the participants.
22. If participants are unclear as to the rules or any element of the Awards or experience difficulties of any kind, they can write in their questions, problems or clarifications to the following address: program@indaimobilecongress.com
23. IMC shall not be responsible for:
 - a) any delivery, failures relating to the registration or uploading videos/ presentations;
 - b) any SPAM generated messages as result of Participant accessing the Website;
 - c) Awards Management not receiving or rejecting any data;
 - d) any lost, late or misdirected computer transmission or network, electronic failures of any kind or any failure to receive entries owing to transmission failures or due to any technical reasons and
 - e) Other conditions/ situations or failures beyond its control.

Disclaimers

Awards Management has no obligation to screen the entry material in advance and is not responsible for monitoring entries for the purpose of preventing violation of intellectual property ownership rights, or violations of any law, rule or regulation.

If Awards Management is notified of submissions or materials that may not conform to the Terms, it may investigate the allegation and determine in good faith and in its sole discretion whether to eliminate such an entry from consideration.

The Awards Management has no liability or responsibility to Participants or other users of the Website for performance or non-performance of such activities.