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To:

ACMA Members / Non-Members / ACMA Cluster & ACMA UNIDO Cluster Members /
VDA Members (Component Manufacturers in India)

Subject: Invitation to Apply – 61st ACMA Excellence Awards 2026

Dear Industry Colleagues,

The Automotive Component Manufacturers Association of India (ACMA) is pleased to announce the **61st edition of the ACMA Excellence Awards 2026**—a distinguished platform that commemorates over six decades of excellence in innovation, sustainability, and operational leadership in the Indian auto component industry.

In 2026 edition, the Award Applications have been restructured to recognize industry initiatives for becoming globally competitive. All corporate level awards are redesigned.

Award Application Categories

Corporate Level

1. Excellence in Technology Development
2. Excellence in Enterprise Strategy & Growth
3. Excellence in Strategic Sourcing & Supply Chain Management
4. Excellence in Energy Leadership & Management

Plant Level

1. Excellence in Digitalization
2. Excellence in Environment, Social and Governance (ESG)
3. Excellence in Exports
4. Excellence in Manufacturing
5. Excellence in New Product Design & Development (NPDD) & Localization
6. Excellence in Safety
7. Excellence in Skill Development
8. Excellence in Tier 2 Supplier Development

Application Process

The application process is fully digital to ensure ease of participation and promote sustainability. Interested organizations are required to register online to obtain login credentials.

The application format has been redesigned this year to better capture category-specific achievements and initiatives.

For detailed eligibility criteria, application templates for collecting data and submission process, applicants can download “Guidelines” at <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1nxjKAVfNHVGVm2W8lj1AyO4P6UUwCmkD/view?usp=sharing> or visit the Guidelines section on www.acmaawards.com

Evaluation Methodology

All applications will undergo a rigorous three-stage evaluation process:

1. Application Document Assessment
2. Virtual Site Assessment
3. Final Jury Evaluation comprising eminent industry leaders from OEMs

Key Dates

- **DAAS (Digital ACMA Awards System) goes Live:** June 10, 2026
- **Application Submission Deadline:** November 30, 2026
- **Award Ceremony:** March 3, 2027 *(To be held during the 61st ACMA Excellence Awards & 12th Technology Summit, New Delhi)*

Winners will be felicitated by distinguished government dignitaries and senior industry leaders.

Inclusivity Incentive

In line with ACMA's commitment to diversity and inclusion, fee waivers are offered for plant-level applicants:

- **Small category companies - No application fee** for all plant level categories
- **Percentage of women employees**
Fee waiver shall be applicable across all eight plant-level categories based on the percentage of women employees in the organization, as per the following:

Total Women Employees	Fee Waiver Applicable
15% – 25%	50% Waiver
25.1% – 50%	70% Waiver
Above 50.1%	100% Waiver

- **Percentage of differently abled employees - 100% fee waiver** for organizations employing 5% or more differently-abled employees.

Each plant is eligible to apply to all eight categories through a single application fee.

Membership Opportunity

Non-Members can initiate process to become ACMA Member before December 2026 and parallelly they can apply for Awards right now.

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Visit www.acmaawards.com to learn more and begin your application.

We look forward to your participation in advancing excellence in the Indian auto component industry.

Warm regards,

Vinnie Mehta