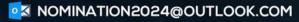


NOMINATION GUIDE 2024





BHARTIYA SAMAJ



- DO YOU KNOW OF ANY COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO STANDS AS A BEACON OF UNITY, RESILIENCE, AND EMPOWERMENT WITHIN THE VIBRANT TAPESTRY OF AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY, EMBODYING BHARTIYA SAMAJ VALUES OF UNITING DIVERSITY AND EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES?
- BHARTIYA SAMAJ WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNISE OUTSTANDING ACHIEVERS WHO BRING ACCLAIM TO THE COMMUNITY.
- NOMINATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING ANNUAL MIGRANTS' AWARDS ARE INVITED FROM THE BHARTIYA SAMAJ ORGANISATION:
- **Y HARMONY AMBASSADOR AWARD**
- $rac{\Psi}{}$ COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AWARD
- THEALTH AND COMMUNITY WELLNESS ADVOCATE AWARD
- $rac{\Psi}{}$ CULTURAL HARMONY AND INDIGENOUS PARTNERSHIP AWARD
- Y EDUCATION AND YOUTH EMPOWERMENT EXCELLENCE AWARD
- Y EMPLOYMENT AND ENTREPRENEURIAL EXCELLENCE AWARD
- **Y COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT THROUGH TOURISM AND SPORT**





KEY DATES:

> NOMINATIONS OPEN: 20 MAY 2024

> NOMINATIONS CLOSE: 22 JULY 2024

> AWARDS CEREMONY: 04 AUGUST 2024

CONDITIONS OF NOMINATION:

- AWARDS WILL BE CONFERRED DURING BHARTIYA SAMAJ ANNUAL "EMPOWERING MIGRANTS EXPO" EVENT.
- RECIPIENTS OF AN AWARD WILL MAKE THEMSELVES AVAILABLE TO BE PHOTOGRAPHED AND INTERVIEWED ON VIDEO AND ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND THE EVENT TO RECEIVE THE AWARD IN PERSON.
- SELECTION PANELLIST DECISIONS ARE FINAL.
- THE ORGANISATION OR INDIVIDUAL MUST OPERATE PRIMARILY IN QUEENSLAND FOR THE PURPOSES OF THESE AWARDS.
- THERE ARE NO GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITATIONS WITHIN QUEENSLAND, HOWEVER IT SHOULD BE NOTED THE BHARTIYA SAMAJ MAY NOT BE ABLE TO PROVIDE TRAVEL ALLOWANCES/HONORARIUMS FOR AWARD RECIPIENTS TO ATTEND THE EVENT.
- LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION FOR THIS YEAR'S AWARDS BUT WILL BE HELD ON FILE FOR CONSIDERATION FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

NOMINATORS: PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU COMPLETE THE ENTIRE NOMINATION FORM AND ATTACH ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION. THE NOMINATION PACKAGE WILL BE COPIED FOR THE AWARDS COMMITTEE, SO PLEASE ENSURE THAT IT WILL BE LEGIBLE WHEN PHOTOCOPIED, AND THAT YOU ADHERE TO MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM REQUIREMENTS. INCOMPLETE NOMINATION PACKAGES WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. THE BHARTIYA SAMAJ TEAM WOULD BE PLEASED TO PROVIDE ADVICE IN DEVELOPING YOUR NOMINATION PACKAGE SHOULD YOU REQUIRE IT.



AWARD-SPECIFIC CRITERIA:

SEE AWARD-SPECIFIC CRITERIA BELOW TO PROVIDE CONSIDERATIONS AND EVIDENCE RELEVANT TO THAT AWARD. AT LEAST ONE OF THE LISTED CRITERIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED IN SUBMISSIONS/NOMINATIONS.

I. HARMONY AMBASSADOR AWARD

THIS AWARD ACKNOWLEDGES MIGRANTS WHO HAVE DEMONSTRATED OUTSTANDING COMMITMENT TO FOSTERING HARMONY, UNITY, AND INTEGRATION WITHIN THE MULTICULTURAL COMMUNITY. IT CELEBRATES INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE GONE ABOVE AND BEYOND IN PROMOTING CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING, SOCIAL COHESION, AND POSITIVE CHANGE. THE "HARMONY AMBASSADOR AWARD" REFLECTS THE RECIPIENT'S DEDICATION TO CREATING A MORE INCLUSIVE AND HARMONIOUS SOCIETY, ALIGNING WITH THE VALUES OF MULTICULTURALISM AND COMMUNITY BUILDING.

- DEMONSTRATED EFFORTS TO PROMOTE CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING AND INTEGRATION WITHIN THE MULTICULTURAL COMMUNITY.
- INITIATIVES OR PROJECTS THAT HAVE POSITIVELY IMPACTED SOCIAL COHESION AND UNITY AMONG DIVERSE ETHNIC GROUPS PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP.
- EVIDENCE OF FOSTERING DIALOGUE AND COOPERATION BETWEEN DIFFERENT CULTURAL COMMUNITIES.
- LONG-TERM COMMITMENT TO PROMOTING HARMONY AND INCLUSIVITY, WITH TANGIBLE RESULTS.
- RECOGNITION BY PEERS OR COMMUNITY MEMBERS FOR EFFORTS TOWARDS FOSTERING HARMONY AND UNITY.

II. COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AWARD

THIS AWARD HONOURS MIGRANTS WHO HAVE DEMONSTRATED EXCEPTIONAL DEDICATION AND LEADERSHIP IN COMMUNITY SERVICE, PHILANTHROPY, OR GRASSROOTS INITIATIVES. IT ACKNOWLEDGES INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE MADE A TANGIBLE DIFFERENCE IN THE COMMUNITY, SHOWCASING THEIR COMMITMENT TO SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, OR CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT.

THE "COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AWARD" REFLECTS THE RECIPIENT'S OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO FOSTERING A SENSE OF BELONGING, COMMUNITY SPIRIT, AND OVERALL WELL-BEING. THIS AWARD HIGHLIGHTS THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND POSITIVE CHANGE.

- DEMONSTRATED LEADERSHIP IN INITIATING AND/OR LEADING COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS OR GRASSROOTS INITIATIVES.
- IMPACT AND REACH OF THE INITIATIVES ON THE LOCAL COMMUNITY, INCLUDING MEASURABLE OUTCOMES.
- EVIDENCE OF COLLABORATION AND ENGAGEMENT WITH COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO ADDRESS PRESSING ISSUES OR NEEDS.
- LONG-TERM COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT.
- RECOGNITION BY THE COMMUNITY OR RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS FOR EXCEPTIONAL LEADERSHIP QUALITIES

III. HEALTH AND COMMUNITY WELLNESS ADVOCATE AWARD

THIS AWARD HONOURS MIGRANTS WHO HAVE DEMONSTRATED EXCEPTIONAL DEDICATION TO PROMOTING HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, AND OVERALL COMMUNITY WELLNESS. IT RECOGNISES INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE MADE NOTABLE CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE HEALTHCARE SECTOR, MENTAL HEALTH ADVOCACY, AND INITIATIVES THAT POSITIVELY IMPACT THE WELL-BEING OF WOMEN IN THE COMMUNITY. THE "HEALTH AND COMMUNITY WELLNESS ADVOCATE AWARD" REFLECTS THE RECIPIENT'S COMMITMENT TO FOSTERING A HEALTHIER AND MORE RESILIENT COMMUNITY THROUGH THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO HEALTHCARE, MENTAL HEALTH, AND THE EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN. THIS AWARD EMPHASISES THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY HEALTH AND WELL-BEING.



- ACTIVE INVOLVEMENT IN PROMOTING HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, OR OVERALL COMMUNITY WELLNESS
 INITIATIVES.
- IMPACT OF ADVOCACY EFFORTS ON IMPROVING HEALTH OUTCOMES OR ADDRESSING COMMUNITY WELLNESS ISSUES.
- DEVELOPMENT OR IMPLEMENTATION OF INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS OR INTERVENTIONS TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY WELL-BEING.
- ADVOCACY FOR MARGINALISED GROUPS, INCLUDING WOMEN, IN ACCESSING HEALTHCARE OR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES.
- RECOGNITION BY HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS OR COMMUNITY MEMBERS FOR DEDICATION TO COMMUNITY WELLNESS.

IV. CULTURAL HARMONY AND INDIGENOUS PARTNERSHIP AWARD

THIS AWARD HONOURS MIGRANTS WHO HAVE DEMONSTRATED OUTSTANDING DEDICATION TO FOSTERING CULTURAL HARMONY AND BUILDING MEANINGFUL PARTNERSHIPS WITH ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER COMMUNITIES. IT RECOGNISES INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE ACTIVELY CONTRIBUTED TO INITIATIVES THAT PROMOTE UNDERSTANDING, RESPECT, AND COLLABORATION BETWEEN MIGRANTS AND INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES.

THE "CULTURAL HARMONY AND INDIGENOUS PARTNERSHIP AWARD" REFLECTS THE RECIPIENT'S COMMITMENT TO CULTURAL DIVERSITY, RECONCILIATION, AND CONTRIBUTING POSITIVELY TO THE BROADER COMMUNITY. THIS AWARD EMPHASISES THE IMPORTANCE OF CROSS-CULTURAL COLLABORATION AND RESPECT FOR THE TRADITIONS AND HERITAGE OF AUSTRALIA'S INDIGENOUS PEOPLES. DEMONSTRATED LEADERSHIP IN INITIATING AND/OR LEADING COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS OR GRASSROOTS INITIATIVES.

- EVIDENCE OF FOSTERING MEANINGFUL PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS WITH INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES.
- CONTRIBUTIONS TO INITIATIVES THAT PROMOTE UNDERSTANDING, RESPECT, AND RECONCILIATION BETWEEN MIGRANTS AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLES.
- ENGAGEMENT IN CULTURAL EXCHANGE ACTIVITIES THAT CELEBRATE DIVERSITY AND HERITAGE.
- ADVOCACY FOR INDIGENOUS RIGHTS AND RECOGNITION OF TRADITIONAL LANDOWNERS.
- ACTIVE INVOLVEMENT IN CROSS-CULTURAL EVENTS OR PROJECTS THAT PROMOTE CULTURAL HARMONY

V. EDUCATION AND YOUTH EMPOWERMENT EXCELLENCE AWARD:

THIS AWARD HONOURS MIGRANTS WHO HAVE DEMONSTRATED EXCEPTIONAL DEDICATION TO PROMOTING EDUCATION, EMPOWERING YOUTH, AND MAKING A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITY. IT RECOGNISES INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE ACTIVELY CONTRIBUTED TO INITIATIVES THAT ENHANCE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES, MENTORSHIP PROGRAMS, AND POSITIVE DEVELOPMENT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE. THE "EDUCATION AND YOUTH EMPOWERMENT EXCELLENCE AWARD" REFLECTS THE RECIPIENT'S COMMITMENT TO FOSTERING A WELL-EDUCATED AND EMPOWERED YOUTH POPULATION. THIS AWARD EMPHASISES THE IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH ENGAGEMENT IN BUILDING A THRIVING SOCIETY.

- CONTRIBUTION TO EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES THAT ENHANCE ACCESS, QUALITY, OR EQUITY IN EDUCATION FOR YOUTH.
- MENTORSHIP OR LEADERSHIP ROLES IN GUIDING YOUTH TOWARDS POSITIVE DEVELOPMENT AND ACADEMIC SUCCESS.
- DEVELOPMENT OR IMPLEMENTATION OF PROGRAMS THAT EMPOWER YOUTH THROUGH SKILLS TRAINING, MENTORSHIP, OR PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT.
- IMPACT OF INITIATIVES ON EDUCATIONAL OUTCOMES OR YOUTH EMPOWERMENT WITHIN THE COMMUNITY.
- RECOGNITION BY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, YOUTH ORGANISATIONS, OR COMMUNITY MEMBERS FOR DEDICATION TO YOUTH EMPOWERMENT.

VI. EMPLOYMENT AND ENTREPRENEURIAL EXCELLENCE AWARD

THIS AWARD HONOURS MIGRANTS WHO HAVE DEMONSTRATED OUTSTANDING DEDICATION TO EMPLOYMENT, ENTREPRENEURSHIP, AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. IT RECOGNISES INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE ACTIVELY CONTRIBUTED TO JOB CREATION, THE GROWTH OF SMALL BUSINESSES, AND THE ENHANCEMENT OF SKILLS TRAINING PROGRAMS.

THE "EMPLOYMENT AN ENTREPRENEURIAL EXCELLENCE AWARD" REFLECTS THE RECIPIENT'S COMMITMENT TO FOSTERING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR BOTH MIGRANTS AND THE BROADER COMMUNITY. THIS AWARD EMPHASISES THE IMPORTANCE OF EMPLOYMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN BUILDING A THRIVING AND INCLUSIVE SOCIETY.



- CREATION OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR MIGRANTS OR CONTRIBUTIONS TO JOB CREATION WITHIN THE COMMUNITY.
- SUCCESSFUL ENTREPRENEURSHIP VENTURES THAT CONTRIBUTE TO ECONOMIC GROWTH AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.
- SUPPORT FOR SKILLS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS OR INITIATIVES AIMED AT ENHANCING EMPLOYABILITY AMONG MIGRANTS.
- INNOVATION IN ADDRESSING EMPLOYMENT CHALLENGES OR FOSTERING ENTREPRENEURSHIP WITHIN THE COMMUNITY.
- RECOGNITION BY BUSINESS ORGANISATIONS, EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES, OR COMMUNITY MEMBERS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO EMPLOYMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP.

VII. COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT THROUGH TOURISM AND SPORT AWARD

THIS AWARD HONOURS MIGRANTS WHO HAVE DEMONSTRATED EXCEPTIONAL DEDICATION TO ENHANCING COMMUNITY LIFE THROUGH THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO TOURISM AND SPORT. IT RECOGNISES INDIVIDUALS WHO ACTIVELY CONTRIBUTE TO THE PROMOTION OF TOURISM, CULTURAL EXCHANGE, AND COMMUNITY WELL-BEING THROUGH SPORTS INITIATIVES. THE "COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT THROUGH TOURISM AND SPORT AWARD" REFLECTS THE RECIPIENT'S COMMITMENT TO FOSTERING UNITY, PROMOTING CULTURAL EXCHANGE, AND POSITIVELY IMPACTING THE COMMUNITY THROUGH TOURISM AND SPORTS-RELATED ACTIVITIES. THIS AWARD EMPHASISES THE ROLE OF MIGRANTS IN CONTRIBUTING TO VIBRANT AND INCLUSIVE COMMUNITIES THROUGH TOURISM AND SPORTS ENGAGEMENT.

- PROMOTION OF TOURISM INITIATIVES THAT HIGHLIGHT CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND ATTRACT VISITORS TO THE COMMUNITY.
- CONTRIBUTIONS TO SPORTS PROGRAMS OR EVENTS THAT FOSTER COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND WELL-BEING.
- DEVELOPMENT OR SUPPORT OF INITIATIVES THAT PROMOTE CULTURAL EXCHANGE THROUGH TOURISM OR SPORTS ACTIVITIES.
- IMPACT OF TOURISM OR SPORTS-RELATED PROJECTS ON COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT AND LOCAL ECONOMY.
- RECOGNITION BY TOURISM AGENCIES, SPORTS ORGANISATIONS, OR COMMUNITY MEMBERS FOR EFFORTS TO ENRICH COMMUNITY LIFE THROUGH TOURISM AND SPORTS ENGAGEMENT



- > PLEASE FULLY COMPLETE THE NOMINATION PACKAGE AND SUBMIT TO THE BHARTIYA SAMAJ AWARDS COMMITTEE BY MIDNIGHT OF THE **DEADLINE DATE I.E. MONDAY, 22 JULY 2024.**
- > REFER TO THE **KEY DATES** SECTION FOR THE CURRENT NOMINATIONS' DEADLINE AND DATE FOR THIS YEAR'S "EMPOWERING MIGRANTS EXPO" EVENT.
- HOW TO COMPLETE THE NOMINATION
 WHEN NOMINATING AN INDIVIDUAL, PLEASE INCLUDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- NOMINATION FORM: PLEASE FULLY COMPLETE THE "MIGRANTS' ACHIEVEMENT AWARD"

NOMINATION FORM:



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- > NOMINATOR'S LETTER (MAXIMUM TWO PAGES): ADDRESSING EACH POINT OF THE AWARD CRITERIA, PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY THIS CANDIDATE SHOULD BE CHOSEN TO RECEIVE THIS AWARD. INCLUDE ASPECTS OF THE CANDIDATE'S LIFE AND ACHIEVEMENTS THAT QUALIFY HIM/HER/GROUP FOR THE AWARD. HIGHLIGHT NOT ONLY WHAT IS IMPORTANT FOR US TO KNOW ABOUT THIS NOMINEE, BUT ALSO WHAT IS INTERESTING OR UNIQUE ABOUT THIS INDIVIDUAL/GROUP.
- > NOMINEE'S INFORMATION (MAXIMUM OF FOUR PAGES): INCLUDING, FOR EXAMPLE, RELEVANT VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION, PREVIOUS RECOGNITION, AWARDS, OR HONOURS RECEIVED, AND MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANISATIONS OR HONORARY SOCIETIES.
- > TWO LETTERS OF SUPPORT: BY INDIVIDUALS OTHER THAN THE NOMINATOR



MEDIA CLIPPINGS (MAXIMUM OF TWO MEDIA CLIPPINGS, IF RELEVANT): ENSURE THAT MEDIA CLIPPINGS INCLUDE A CLEAR REFERENCE TO THE PUBLICATION (NAME/DATE/PAGE). IF THERE ARE ADDITIONAL MEDIA CLIPPINGS, PLEASE INCLUDE ONLY AREFERENCE LIST OF THESE.

PLEASE REFERENCE CANDIDATE'S NAME ON EVERY PAGE OF THE NOMINATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION. THE BHARTIYA SAMAJ TEAM WOULD BE PLEASED TO PROVIDE ADVICE IN DEVELOPING YOUR NOMINATION PACKAGE SHOULD YOU REQUIRE IT.

OPTIONAL DOCUMENTATION

- PLEASE SEND ANY *SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION* TO <u>NOMINATION2024@OUTLOOK.COM</u> WITH THE NOMINEE'S NAME IN THE SUBJECT LINE.
- ACCEPTED DOCUMENT TYPES ARE .DOC/.DOCX, .JPG, .PDF, .PNG (5 MB MAXIMUM FILE SIZE PER DOCUMENT).
- FOR QUESTIONS,
 PLEASE CONTACT THE BHARTIYA SAMAJ TEAM SHOULD BE TOGETHER
 TEAM AT 0406 344 692 OR EMAIL AT: NOMINATION2024@OUTLOOK.COM



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 CONTACT THE BHARTIYA SAMAJ TEAM FOR QUESTIONS & ENQUIRIES AT:
 NOMINATION2024@OUTLOOK.COM ABOUT THE AWARDS AND REFER TO THE KEY DATES FOR THE CURRENT NOMINATIONS' DEADLINE, AND DATE OF THE AWARDS CEREMONY.

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