



#### Automotive Component Manufacturers Association of India

# ACMA Excellence Awards 2025 – **Guidelines** (In a New Avatar)

"Excellence Starts with You"

"Be Seen. Be Valued. Be Excellent"

# "Raising the Bar, together"

Organized by the **Automotive Component Manufacturers Association of India (ACMA)** since 1966, the **ACMA Excellence Awards** recognize achievements in quality, innovation, sustainability, and manufacturing excellence in the Indian auto component sector.

The ACMA Excellence Awards offer a unique opportunity to gain recognition from leading OEMs and position your company as an industry leader

# Why Participate in ACMA Excellence Awards?

#### 1. Deep Organizational Insights

- Discover your strengths and improvement areas during the application process.
- Receive feedback from expert ACMA assessors.
- Get a detailed report post-assessment for internal benchmarking.
- Meet industry leaders and potential customers during the summit.

#### 2. Enhanced Visibility

- Finalists are chosen by a Jury of OEM Leaders.
- Network during the grand awards ceremony with key industry players.
- Winners featured in "IMPACT" ACMA' global magazine, circulated pan-India and internationally.
- Awards and winners are covered by major media outlets.

#### 3. Organizational Growth

- Recognition for outstanding performance.
- Boost employee morale and motivation.
- Clear roadmap for performance enhancement.
- Drive aspiration to lead across categories.

#### 4. Credibility of the Award

 Conducted by a neutral body (ACMA) with integrity since 1966. Transparent, independent evaluation by OEM experts. Entirely digital, user-friendly, and efficient application process.

## 5. Maximize Visibility and Industry Recognition through ACMA Excellence Awards

- Judged by Industry Leaders: Final evaluation is conducted by an esteemed jury panel comprising top executives from leading OEMs (Original Equipment Manufacturers), ensuring credibility and recognition.
- Unmatched Networking Opportunities: Connect directly with OEMs, Tier 1 suppliers, and global component manufacturers during the Grand Award Ceremony — a prestigious industry gathering.

## Exclusive Feature in ACMA' "IMPACT" Magazine:

- Detailed profiles of award-winning companies are published in a special edition of IMPACT.
- The magazine is distributed pan India and globally to key industry players and stakeholders.
- Also showcased prominently on the ACMA website: https://www.acma.in/impact.php

## Companies Growth

- Self-assessment during application identifies strengths and improvement areas.
- Expert feedback from assessors highlights industry best practices.
- Detailed assessment reports provide a roadmap for operational excellence.
- Engages employees, boosting morale and innovation.

# > Competitive Advantage:

- Benchmarking against peers positions companies as industry leaders.
- Strengthens customer trust, particularly with OEMs.
- Enhances global reputation in categories like Exports and Digitalization.

## Post-Award Support:

- Access to workshops and networking events for winners and participants.
- Opportunities for continued collaboration with ACMA and industry stakeholders.

#### Alignment with National Goals:

• Contributes to initiatives like Make in India, Sustainable Development Goals, and Digital India.

#### **✓** Eligibility Criteria

#### Who Can Apply:

- ACMA Members (Registered)
- Non-Members (Must become ACMA member before applying. Join here)
- Exempted from Membership Requirement:
  - o ACMA Cluster & UNIDO Cluster Companies (past & Present ,Company Group turnover up to ₹100 Cr)
  - $\circ\quad$  VDA (Germany) Auto Component companies operating in India

## Fees & Turnover Slabs (Excl. GST)

Category	Company Group Turnover (2024–25)	Corporate Level Fee	Plant Level Fee
Small	Up to ₹100 Cr	₹80,000	NIL
Medium	₹100 Cr – ₹300 Cr	₹1,30,000	₹60,000
Large	₹300 Cr – ₹750 Cr	₹1,80,000	₹75,000
Very Large	Above ₹750 Cr	₹2,30,000	₹95,000

# T Plant-Level Fee Waivers

### (Not applicable for Corporate Level)

- Free if:
  - o Company is Small (up to ₹100 Cr Company Group Turnover), or
  - o Plant employees ≥15% women or ≥5% differently abled

Must submit signed declaration in the template provided during registration.

# Award Categories

### **Corporate Level (Separate Fee Per Category)**

- 1. Excellence in Exports
- 2. Excellence in NPDD & Localisation
- 3. Excellence in ESG
- 4. Excellence in Tier 2 Supplier Development

Note: You cannot apply for the same category at both Corporate and Plant level.

## Plant Level (One Fee Covers All 8 Categories)

- 1. Excellence in Exports
- 2. Excellence in NPDD & Localisation
- 3. Excellence in ESG
- 4. Excellence in Tier 2 Supplier Development
- Excellence in Manufacturing
   Excellence in Digitalisation
   Excellence in Safety

- 8. Excellence in Skill Development



#### Important Note on Eligibility

# Platinum Award Winners - Eligibility Restrictions

Organizations (either at the corporate or plant level) that received a Platinum Award in the previous year are not eligible to apply in the same category for this year. However, they are welcome to apply in any other category, as applicable.

#### Category Focus Areas

Category	Focus	Key Evaluation Criteria	Purpose
Exports	International market	Export volumes, market	Promote India's global
	growth	reach	presence
NPDD & Localisation	Innovation & import reduction	New products, local sourcing	Drive self-reliance
ESG	Sustainability & ethics	Green practices, governance	Align with ESG benchmarks
Tier 2 Supplier Development	Supply chain capacity	Support, training, collaboration	Strengthen ecosystem
Manufacturing	Process excellence	Lean, automation, QC	Reward operational superiority
Digitalisation	Industry 4.0	IoT, AI, automation	Push digital transformation
Safety	Workplace safety	Training, protocols	Encourage safe environments
Skill Development	Upskilling workforce	Technical & soft skills	Build future-ready talent

# Application Process

Apply Online: <a href="https://www.acmaawards.com">www.acmaawards.com</a>

## Steps:

- 1. **Register** → Get login credentials (within 24 hrs)
- Fill Company Profile → Await ACMA approval
   Submit Part 1:
- - Enter 10 Common KPIs
  - Select categories (all 8 eligible in single Plant-level fee)
  - Enter max 5 KPIs per selected category
- 4. Schedule Site Assessment
- 5. Submit Part 2:
  - o Common + Category-Specific Questions
  - o PDF Presentation
  - o Deadline: 3 days before site visit / Sept 15, 2025
- 6. Site Assessments: Complete by October 30, 2025

# Mandatory:

- Upload accurate data
- Include 3 customer details (only for Export & Manufacturing)
- Submit both Part 1 & Part 2

Incomplete or incorrect submissions will be disqualified.

# **©** Evaluation Process

- Marks: Out of 500
- **Assessment Rounds:** 
  - 1. Document Review
  - 2. Virtual Site Visit (July 20 Oct 30, 2025)
  - 3. Final Jury Evaluation (Dec 2025)
- **Evaluation Metrics**:
  - **KPIs** 0
  - Customer feedback
  - Process excellence
  - Leadership involvement
  - Business & sustainability impact

## Recognition Levels

- Trophies: Platinum, Gold, Silver, Bronze
- Certificates: Progressive, Striving, Emerging, Participation
- Publicity: Featured in ACMA' IMPACT Magazine

# m Key Dates

Event	Date
Portal Opens	July 15, 2025
Awareness Sessions	July 17 & 24, 2025
Part 1 & 2 Deadline	September 30, 2025
Site Assessments	July 20 – Oct 30, 2025
Jury Evaluation	December 2025
Awards Ceremony	February 11, 2026 at Taj Palace, New Delhi

#### Action Checklist

- Register at <a href="https://www.acmaawards.com">www.acmaawards.com</a> (From July 15, 2025)
- Download templates (for offline prep)
- Submit all applications online only
- Attend free awareness sessions:

#### **Zoom Sessions**

• July 17, 2025 Join Meeting

ID: 835 0947 2126 | Passcode: 705096

July 24, 2025
 Join Meeting

ID: 899 6442 2727 | Passcode: 372201

## Application Guidelines: Download from the Guidelines section:

- Application Guidelines and Revised Criteria
- Virtual Site Assessment Guidelines
- CO<sub>2</sub> Calculator for Emissions
- COPQ Calculator
- Awareness Session Presentation / Video Recording (available after 10<sup>th</sup> July 2025)

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Warm regards,
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