

**Annexure I**  
**Guidelines for Hon'ble Chief Minister's Award for Excellence in e-Governance for Students for the year 2015 - 16**

Preamble:

Hon'ble Chief Minister's Award for Excellence in e-Governance for Students have been instituted to create an awareness on e-Governance among the youth, Students and e-Governance enthusiasts. Vide G.O.(MS). No.5, Information Technology Department (e-Gov.II) dated 30.1.2012.

1. For the Awards of 2015-16, Nomination for "Development of Application Software" shall be called for at the District level, scrutinised and selected for transmitting to the State level committee for selecting the State level awards as per the timeline indicated.
2. The nomination for application for the Hon'ble Chief Minister Award for Excellence in e-Governance for Students 2015-16 shall be submitted in the following categories -
  - (a) Development of Application Software - Innovative use of mobile / GIS technology
  - (b) Development of Application Software for Health / School Education / other Social Sector
  - (c) Development of Application Software for Welfare of Differently -Abled Persons.

However, the applications from all the categories shall be considered at par for the Selection at District level and State level.

**3. Who can apply / compete:**

- I. The competition is restricted to the College Students in Tamil Nadu only covering full time Students of Diploma (polytechnic), Graduate, Post Graduate and Doctorate Level in the Government, Government-Aided and Private Colleges including deemed Universities are eligible. Part-time students pursuing the courses through correspondence are not eligible.
- II. The Students age must be 18 Years and above.
- III. The team size shall be 4 to 8 students for Development of Application.
- IV. Each College may nominate one team for participation in each of the above category.
- V. The Principal of the respective College must verify and approve the project before sending for nomination and a letter of nomination should be enclosed in the project file duly signed by the Principal.
- VI. The Project details should be submitted in the enclosed format.

#### 4. Nature of the Award:

- a. The winners of the Hon'ble Chief Ministers Award for Excellence in e- shall be honoured with Cash Award as well as Trophies & Certificate.
- b. For State Awards -

The State Awards shall be styled the 'Hon'ble Chief Minister's Award for Excellence in e-Governance for Students 2015-16.'

The best project at the District Level (one per District) shall be nominated for the State Awards. The best three projects among these shall be awarded the Hon'ble Chief Minister's Award for Excellence in e-Governance for Students 2015-16.

<b>Hon'be Chief Minister's Award for Excellence in e-Governance for Students</b>	<b>Prize</b>	<b>Details</b>
	1 <sup>st</sup>	Rs.2,50,000/- Cash Award, Trophy and Certificate to all Team members
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rs.2,00,000/- Cash Award, Trophy and Certificate to all Team members
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rs.1,50,000/- Cash Award, Trophy and Certificate to all Team members

- c. For District Awards:

Though the District round is to select suitable projects for the State level scrutiny, as a measure to encourage participation 3 best projects at the District level shall be given prizes styled the '\_\_\_\_\_ District Award for Excellence in e-Governance, 2015-16'.

Each District shall select three best projects and Award them as follows:

<b>Prize</b>	<b>Details</b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Rs.10,000/- Cash Award, Certificate to all Team members, and nomination to the State level selection process
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rs.7,500/- Cash Award and Certificate to all Team members
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rs.5,000/- Cash Award and Certificate to all Team members

#### 5. Selection Process:

In order to select the winners, a selection committee shall be formed with following members at District and State Level:

- a) District Level Selection Committee:

The Chairman of the Selection Committee	The District Collector
Members	e-District Coordinator (Subcollector / RDO)

PD/DRDA or DRO as nominated by the Collector
DIO, NIC
Two Representatives of Department of Computer Science / Engineering/ Information Technology from reputed Colleges in the District - As nominated by the District Collector
Any other Stakeholder experienced in the field of Information Technology / Public Service to be co-opted by the District Collector

b) State Level Selection Committee:

The Chairman of the Selection Committee	From the IT Industry
Members of the Selection Committee	1. Principal Secretary to Government, Information Technology Department.
	2. The Chief Executive Officer, Tamil Nadu e-Governance Agency.
	3. State Informatics Officer, NIC
	4. The Chief Executive Officer, ICT Academy.
	5. Technology Officers from reputed IT Companies - (3 No.)

**6. Guidelines for nominations:**

- The Project must be accepted and approved by the College for this award.
- The project should ideally address the high citizen impact services.
- Applications should be compliant with Open standards and latest Technology.
- Once selected, the participants should handover the project along with its source code, Documentation, User Manuals etc. to the Tamil Nadu e-Governance Agency.

**7. Selection Criteria:**

The Projects received will be evaluated by a selection panel of experts on the following parameters:

I. Scoring pattern for evaluating the project

Marks can be awarded on pro-rata basis depending on the extent of which the initiative complies with the criterion. Special weight-age should be given to the Originality in thought, Innovativeness and Capacity to build as a service and business model.

