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SOCIETY OF INDIAN DEFENCE MANUFACTURERS



SIDM presents 3rd Edition of Champion Awards to recognise and applaud the Indian Industry's contribution to the Defence Forces Capability.



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# SIDM CHAMPION AWARDS



## Introduction

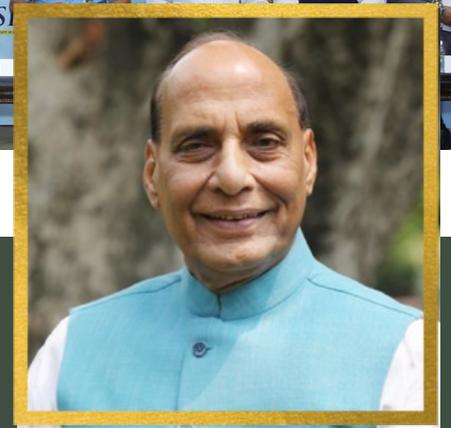
SIDM - CII completed its 25 years of their Defence Initiative in the year 2020 with association of the MoD and the Industry. To commemorate this landmark association, SIDM instituted the "SIDM Champion Awards" to recognise the distinguished performance of industries in critical areas such as technology or product innovation to address military capability gaps, and serially producing these products / systems, import substitution and creating niche technological capabilities through green / brown field investments and exports performance.

Two editions of the Awards have been successfully accomplished and on both occasion Hon'ble Raksha Mantri ji had facilitated the Champions amongst the distinguished gathering of stakeholders.

## Objectives

The core objectives for instituting SIDM awards are envisaged as follows:

- Encourage Indian industries to invest in technology and product innovations to address capability gaps of defence forces.
- Spur Indian industries to develop products for import substitution to sustain legacy capabilities of the Defence Forces and save Foreign exchange, and in turn create capabilities to undertake indigenous development of future products.
- Encourage industries to invest in niche, indigenous technological capabilities in the areas of design, manufacturing and testing through greenfield projects.
- Recognise and reward distinguished performance of member industries and promote them as role models in various categories.
- Facilitate sharing of knowledge, best practices and experience with the industry.
- Inculcate the culture and spirit of innovation to make the sector globally competitive.



"We can draw a fair degree of satisfaction from the way all stakeholders – the Services, DRDO, DPSUs, private industry and most notable very agile Start-Ups - of our defence industry ecosystem have very energetically and enthusiastically responded to Hon'ble Prime Minister's clarion call for Atmanirbharata in defence sector. Government will continue to review the policy framework and its procedures to enable and facilitate the domestic defence industries to create indigenous capabilities for designing and manufacturing all types of military systems. Positive indigenisation Lists promulgated by MOD now cover all – platforms, weapon systems and even sub-systems & parts, which were earlier being imported.

It is indeed a delight to see participation of industries in large numbers in the previous edition of SIDM Champion Awards. Such enthusiasm being displayed by the industries gives me confidence that we are on track for our coveted mission of self-reliance. SIDM Champions are kind of beacons to rest of the industry to take up the technological and manufacturing challenges to indigenously meet all present and future capability requirements of our Defence Services.

I extend my best wishes to all industry participants."

Shri Rajnath Singh ji, Hon'ble Raksha Mantri

# SIDM Champion Awards Compendium



Hon'ble RM also released the "Compendium" in which all entries for the awards and a brief resume of the participating companies' technological capabilities have been enumerated. The compendium has found wide acceptance amongst stakeholders in MOD, Services and Foreign OEMs.



## Awards Jury

·Dr A Sivathanu Pillai  
Chairman, SIDM Champions Awards Jury, Founder CEO & MD, Brahmos Aerospace, Former Hon' Distinguished Professor, ISRO & Former Chief Controller (R&D), DRDO

·Lt Gen. J P Nehra (Retd), PVSM, AVSM & BAR  
Principal Advisor Confederation of Indian Industry

·Dr Prahlada Rao  
Distinguished Scientist, Former Chief Controller (R&D), DRDO

·Dr R K Tyagi  
Chairman, Board Of Governors, MNIT, Jaipur, Former CMD, Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd (HAL) & Pawan Hans Helicopters

·MR S C Bajpai  
EX DG, Ordnance Factory Board

·Rear Admiral Pritam Lal (Retd.)  
Chairman SIDM Champions Award Screening Committee, Principal Advisor, Society of Indian Defence Manufacturers

·Mr Sunil Misra  
Director General SIDM, Former DG, Indian Electronics Manufacturers Association



## Award Categories

**Category 1: Technology /Product Innovation to address the Defence Capability gaps**

**Category 3: Creation of Niche Technological capability for Design, Manufacturing or Testing**

**Category 2: Import Substitution for mission-critical parts /systems/sub-system**

**Category 4: Export performance of Defence and Aerospace products**

## Sub-Categories

Each Award has three sub-categories

- Large Company with turnover above Rs. 250 Cr
- Medium Scale Company, those with turnover from Rs. 75Cr-250 Cr
- SME/Startups with turnover less than Rs. 75 Cr and Startups

## Assessment Criteria

- Technological complexity.
- Design & development approach
- Level of documentation generated
- Whether applied for or obtained local or international patents
- Nature of challenge
- Spin-off benefits for other applications
- Diversity of export, customer geographies

## Why Participate

- Showcase the industry capabilities for development & manufacturing of military platforms to harness modern technology
- Get Recognition as the The 6th Force : "The force that arms the Nation's Armed Forces"
- Create performance and capability benchmark in defence industry eco system
- Take pride to be a part of the Hon'ble Prime Minister's vision of an Aatamanirbhar Bharat

## Participation Criteria

Participation is Open for Companies registered in India with Maximum 49% Foreign Holding and not a subsidiary of Foreign Companies.



## ABOUT SIDM

Since 2017, the Society of Indian Defence Manufacturers (SIDM) has grown and established itself as India's only Defence Industry association and, today plays a proactive role as an advocate, catalyst, and facilitator for the growth and capability building of the defence industry in India. The Society represents the entire spectrum of Defence and Aerospace manufacturers in India covering both the Public and the Private Sector. Its membership constitutes Large companies, MSMEs, Start-Ups, FOEMs and Academic Institutions which are spread across all states and regions of the country.

SIDM stands as the 'Voice of the Industry' and works closely with the Government to shape a conducive policy environment for the growth of the defence Industry in India. SIDM has played an instrumental role in the formulation of key policies related to the Aerospace & Defence sector such as the Defence Acquisition Procedure (DAP) 2020, Draft Defence Procurement Manual (DPM) 2020, Draft Defence Production & Export Promotion Policy (DPEPP) 2020 as well as the first and second positive indigenisation lists and the third positive indigenisation list which is currently being formulated.



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