



राष्ट्रीय नवप्रवर्तन प्रतिष्ठान – भारत

विज्ञान एवं प्रौद्योगिकी विभाग, भारत सरकार का स्वायत्तशासी संस्थान

**National Innovation Foundation - India**

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## **The 11<sup>th</sup> National Biennial Competition for Green Grassroots Unaided Technological Innovations and Traditional Knowledge**

The National Innovation Foundation – India (NIF) seeks entries of unaided technological innovations and traditional knowledge developed at the grassroots for its 11<sup>th</sup> National Biennial Competition. Innovations by an individual or group comprising farmers, artisans, fishermen and women, slum dwellers, workshop mechanics, students and local communities are invited. The innovations can be in agriculture, machines, processes or products for farm/non-farm operations, household utility, transportation, energy conservation or generation, reduction in drudgery, development of plant varieties, development of herbal remedies for human/ animal problems, or other low cost sustainable green technologies. These ideas or prototypes should be unaided/unsupervised and an outcome of one's own creativity, without any technical support from external agencies. Special awards will be given for innovations and outstanding traditional knowledge of/for women and by/for people with physical disabilities as well.

The best innovations will be awarded Rs 500,000 (National First), Rs 300,000 (National Second) and Rs 100,000 (National Third) in different categories. A Life Time Achievement Award of Rs 750,000 may be given to an outstanding innovator or serial innovator with demonstrated lifelong creativity. There will be consolation prizes of Rs 10,000 in different categories depending upon the innovativeness and potential social and environmental impact.

In addition, individuals and/or organizations that make extraordinary contributions in scouting grassroots innovations and traditional knowledge may also get recognition. Technologists and electronic/print journalists promoting grassroots innovations will also be recognized. Entries may be submitted along with copy of the reports. Individuals or groups may send as many as entries to NIF till **March 31, 2019**.

***The entries may be sent to the following address:***

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**Note:** People with professional background/experience and students enrolled in professional courses are not eligible for any support/recognition from NIF though they are welcome to add value to the grassroots innovations. For detailed eligibility criteria and guidelines please refer to webpage: [http://nif.org.in/announcement/biennial competition](http://nif.org.in/announcement/biennial%20competition).