



# PRESENTING THE SIDM CHAMPION AWARDS INDIA'S SALUTE TO ITS SIXTH FORCE

“India has as much commitment to make its security apparatus & armies strong as it has for establishing peace & harmony. Mammoth steps have been taken in the field of defence production, to make self-reliant India. Recently, we have put a stop on the import of more than 100 military equipment. From missiles to light military helicopters, from assault rifles to transport aircraft – all will be made in India.”

Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble PM  
on the occasion of 74th Independence Day address to the Nation





**“Our scientists, academia, industry and independent experts must come together to understand the war-fighter’s capability requirements and to create a technologically contemporary and dynamic defence manufacturing ecosystem that the world looks up to. That will make us both self-reliant and economically strong. The defence manufacturing sector is key to Atma-Nirbharta. I am extremely delighted to know that Society of Indian Defence Manufacturers (SIDM) has instituted SIDM Champion Awards to recognise the contributions of Indian industries towards self-reliance in defence sector. This is a very laudable initiative to honour the achievements of the industries, infuse a sense of pride in indigenous products and motivate the industries to embrace technology and culture of innovation.”**

— Shri Rajnath Singh, Hon’ble Raksha Mantri

# SIDM Champion Awards: to shape an invincible defence sector

The government, for the past five to six years, has been focussing extensively on making India the global hub for quality defence manufacturing. The creation of Society of Indian Defence Manufacturers (SIDM) in 2017 by the major private industries in Defence Sector, under the aegis of CII, itself is a reflection of the growing aspirations of India Inc in this direction. It is important to ensure that these aspirations are rooted in a strong foundation of excellence. To this end, SIDM has instituted the SIDM Champion Awards with the following intent:

- To encourage Indian industries to invest in technology and product innovations to address capability gaps of defence forces.
- To 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.
- To encourage industries to invest in niche, indigenous technological capabilities in the areas of design, manufacturing and testing through greenfield projects.
- To recognise and reward distinguished performance of member industries and promote them as role models in various categories.
- To facilitate sharing of knowledge, best practices and experience with membership.
- To inculcate the culture and spirit of innovation to make the sector globally competitive.



# DAP 2020: fueling India's manufacturing might



Provisions contained in the DAP are meant to ensure that India turns into a global manufacturing hub.

The Defence Acquisition Procedure (DAP) 2020 is aligned with the vision of an Atmanirbhar Bharat. It empowers the Indian domestic industry through Make in India initiative with the ultimate aim of turning India into a global manufacturing hub. It has adequate provisions to encourage FDI in manufacturing hubs both for import substitution and exports while protecting interests of Indian domestic industry. One of the key focus areas of the review was to implement 'Ease of Doing Business' with emphasis on simplification, delegation and making the process industry friendly.



The government is aiming for a turnover of Rs 1.75 lakh crore in defence manufacturing by 2025 with the sector identified as having the potential to boost the overall economy.





# SIDM Champion Awards: for the last ones standing

The Society of Indian Defence Manufacturers (SIDM) has instituted the SIDM Champion Awards, with the active encouragement of the MoD, to recognize the players who are already making their mark in the space and encouraging others to aspire for excellence.



## Award Categories

- 1 Technology/product innovation to address defence capability gaps.
- 2 Import substitution for mission critical parts/systems/sub-systems.
- 3 Creation of niche technological capability for design, manufacturing or testing.
- 4 Export performance of Defence and Aerospace products.

## Eligibility criteria

- 1 All Indian manufacturing companies are eligible for the SIDM Champion Awards.
- 2 Members may apply for more than one category simultaneously.
- 3 SIDM Champion of a particular category will not be able to apply for the award in the subsequent two editions.





# SIDM Champion Awards: the selection process



1. Applicants to file their application via an online form : [www.award.sidm.in](http://www.award.sidm.in)



2. Screening Committee to filter applications on basis of eligibility, accuracy and completeness.



3. Successful applicants to fill a detailed questionnaire, specific to the category they are competing in, and submit the same along with a nomination fee.



4. Applicants to be scored based on their response to the questionnaire.



5. Shortlisted applicants to be invited for presentations to the Awards Committee.



6. Awards Committee to select the SIDM Champions in each category, based on their presentation.

The decision of the Awards Committee will be binding on all participants.

## Selection Criteria

- 1 Technological complexity.
- 2 Design and development approach.
- 3 Level of documentation generated.
- 4 Whether applied for or obtained local or international patents.
- 5 Nature of challenge.
- 6 Spin-off benefits for other applications.
- 7 Diversity of export, customer base/geographies.



# The Awards Committee

**Dr A Sivathanu Pillai**, *Chairman*

Founder CEO & MD, BrahMos Aerospace, Former Hon' Distinguished Professor, ISRO and Former Chief Controller (R&D), DRDO

**Dr Prahlada Ramarao**, *Member*

Former Distinguished Scientist & CC R&D, DRDO

**Lt Gen JP Nehra**, *Member*

PVSM, AVSM and Bar (Retd)  
Principal Advisor, CII

**Mr SC Bajpai**, *Member*

Ex DGOF & Chairman, Ordnance Factory Board

**Dr RK Tyagi**, *Member*

Chairman, Board of Governors, MNIT, Jaipur and former CMD, Hindustan Aeronautics Limited and PawanHans Helicopters

**Rear Adm. Pritam Lal (Retd)**, *Member*

Principal Advisor, Society of Indian Defence Manufacturers and Chairman, SIDM Champion Awards Screening Committee

**Mr Sujith Haridas**, *Member Secretary*

Director General, SIDM

Shri Rajnath Singh, Hon'ble Raksha Mantri has kindly consented to give away the SIDM Champion Awards. Date, venue and modalities will be communicated when finalised.

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## ABOUT SIDM

The Society of Indian Defence Manufacturers (SIDM) is the apex body of the Indian defence industry. It is a not-for-profit association that plays a proactive role in the growth and capability building of the defence industry in India. It works as an advocate and a catalyst, serving as a strong bridge between the government, the forces and the Industry, in the sector's journey towards global recognition.

**Vision: To help shape a globally recognised defence manufacturing industry that works effectively towards India's national security.**

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