

SAFE MANUFACTURING EXCELLENCE AWARDS 2026

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Safest Manufacturing Site in Middle-East



OUR MISSION



MISSION

To assist adoption of Safe Development Practices across companies through healthy benchmarking.



VISION

These awards recognize and reward the companies that have demonstrated effective deployment of Safe Development Practices in their organization

IMPORTANCE OF SAFETY IN MANUFACTURING

Safety in manufacturing is not merely a compliance requirement; it's a fundamental pillar of a successful and sustainable operation. Prioritizing safety not only safeguards human life but also yields tangible benefits that contribute to a thriving business:



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By prioritizing safety, companies can create a healthier, more productive, and more sustainable work environment.



SMEA FRAMEWORK

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The focus will be to look at various metrics that are tracked under each of the 5 parameters and related 19 sub-parameters and efforts that have been made toward improvement over a period.

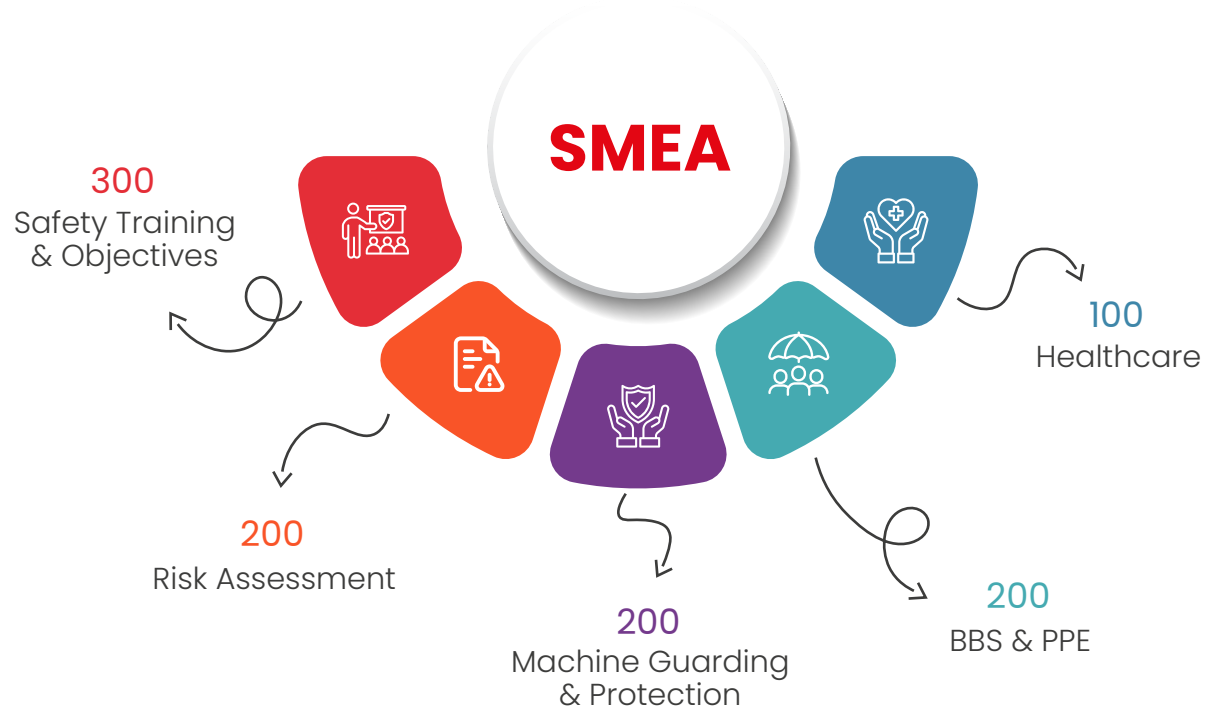
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The assessment will be two day rigorous series of discussions and activities that will focus on assessing overall safety practices, various safety initiatives and processes involved in the planning, execution and monitoring of such efforts. It will cover entire Manufacturing area.

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The objective is to evaluate the maturity of the organization with respect to SMEA framework and identify opportunity for improvements

SMEA ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK





METHODOLOGY

Machine Guarding & Protection (200)

- Machine & Tool Safety, Equipment Management
 - Lifting Tools & Tackles
 - Storage Tanks & Vessels

Risk Assessment (200)

- Workplace Safety, Work Permit & Fire Safety
- Hazard Identification & Control
- Material Storage & Control

Safety Training & Objectives (300)

- Performance Management
- Safety Training
- Accident & Incident Prevention

BBS & PPE (200)

- Safety Culture
- Emergency Preparedness
- Contractor Safety

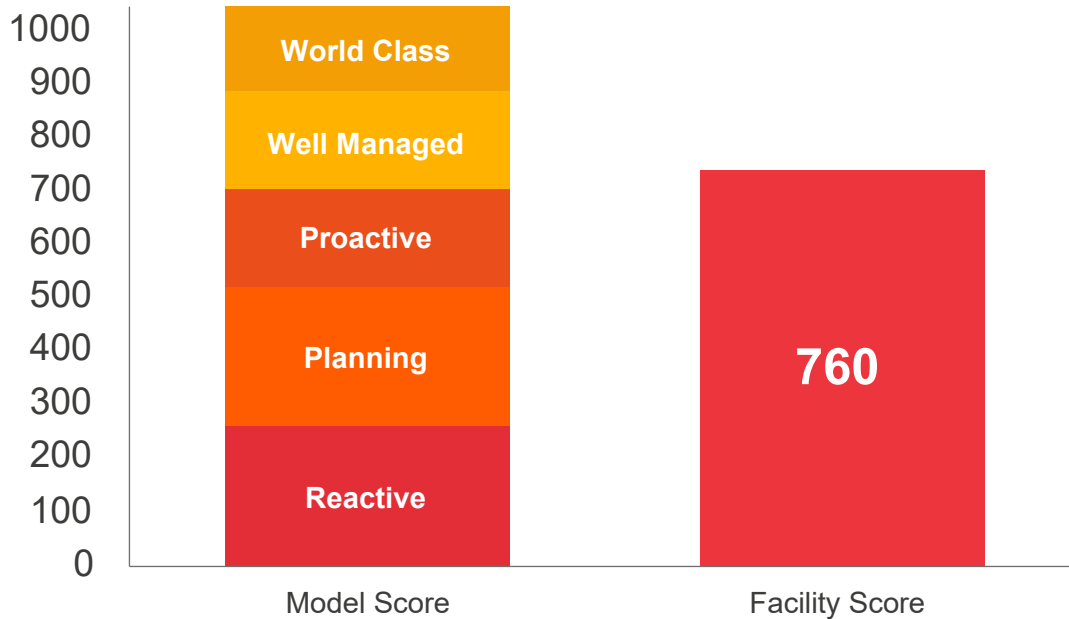
Healthcare (100)

- Occupational & Health Centre
- Ergonomics
- Occupational Diseases

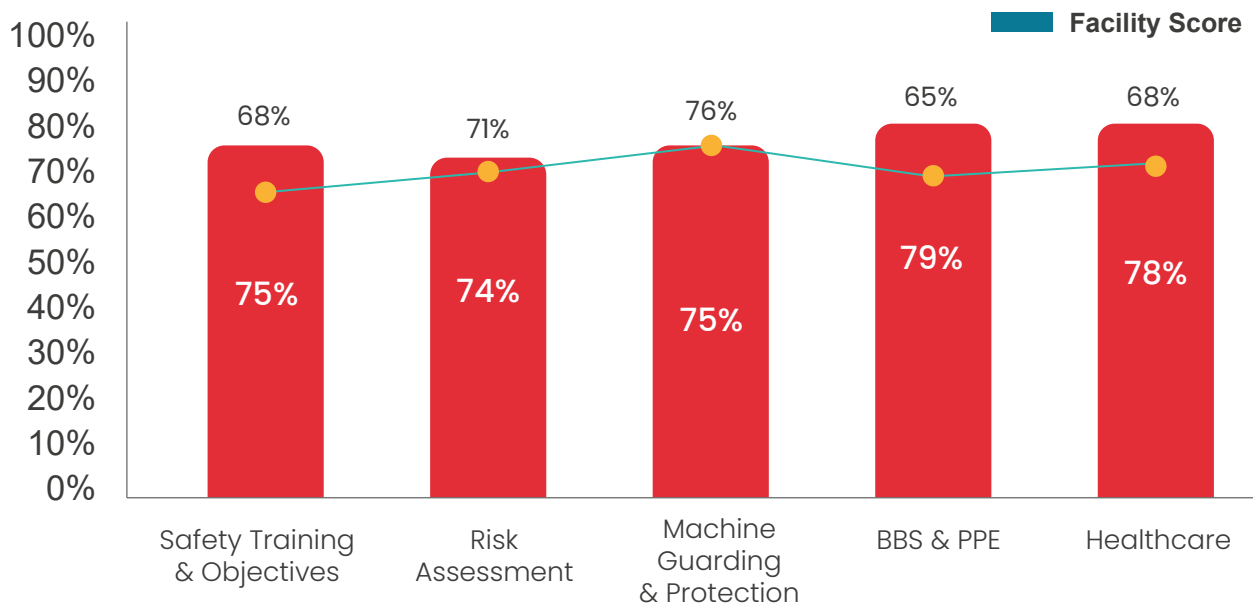


SMEA ASSESSMENT OUTCOME:

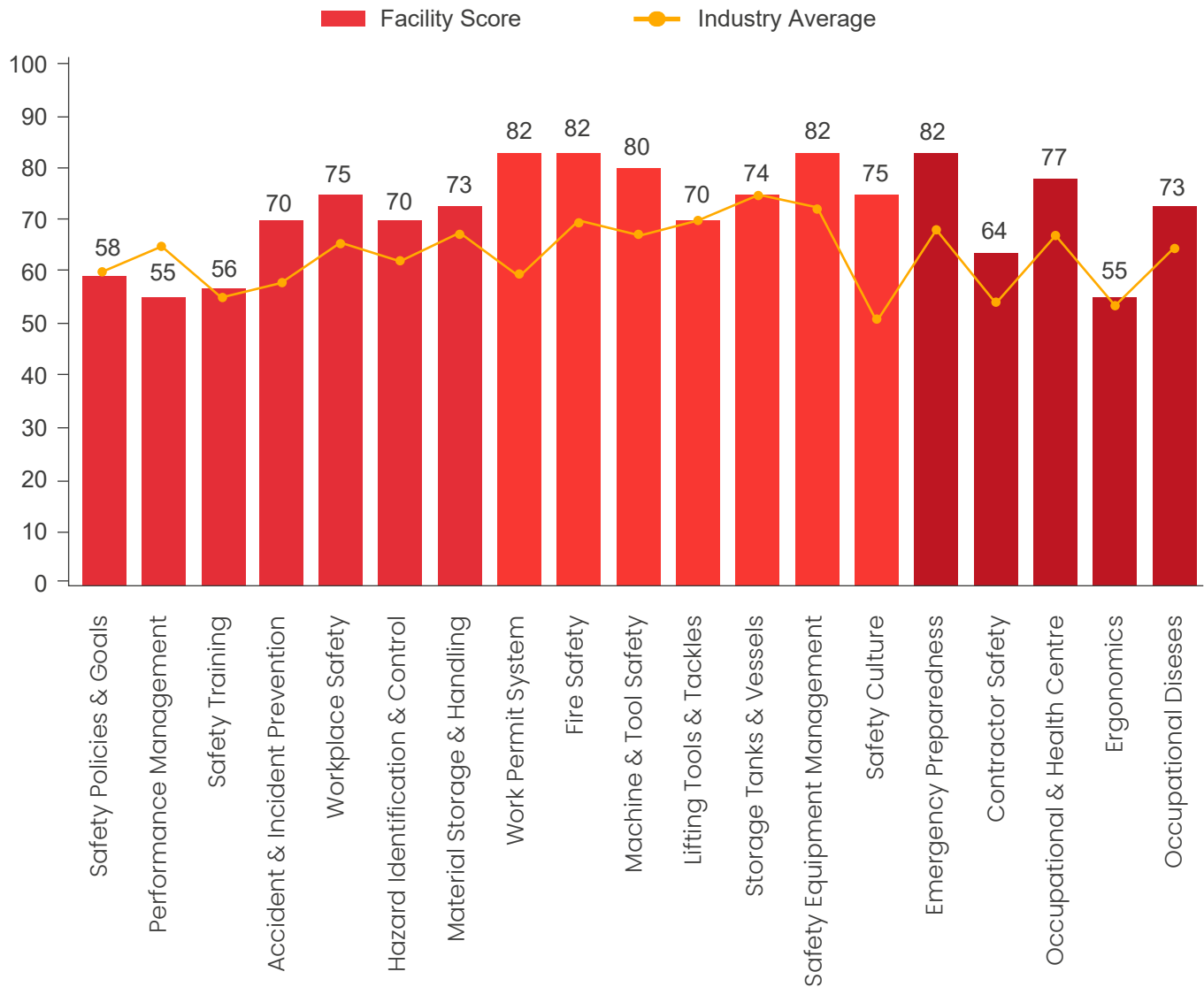
Safety Maturity Scale



Safety Industrial Benchmarking



Parameter Wise Percentile



2-DAY ASSESSMENT PLAN

Eligibility Criteria

All Manufacturing sectors (Oil & Gas, FMCG, Pharmaceuticals, Automotive & Ancillary, Electronics, Alcohol Beverages etc) based out of Middle-East can nominate their site for Safe Manufacturing Excellence Awards

Awards & Categories

Safest Manufacturing Site of the Year

Safest Manufacturing Site of the Year – Winner & Runner up

Emerging Business

Medium Business

Large Business

Mega – Large Business

All the companies scoring over 700 out of 1000 will be recognized with "Safety Excellence – Certificate of Merit". Under each participating category, the top two scoring companies will be recognized with "Safe Manufacturing Excellence Award – Winner & Runner Up." and "Certificate of Merit with SMEA Certificate of Merit" respectively.

Assessment & Feedback

Safety Maturity Report: A comprehensive report will be provided to the assessed facility within 2-3 weeks of the evaluation.

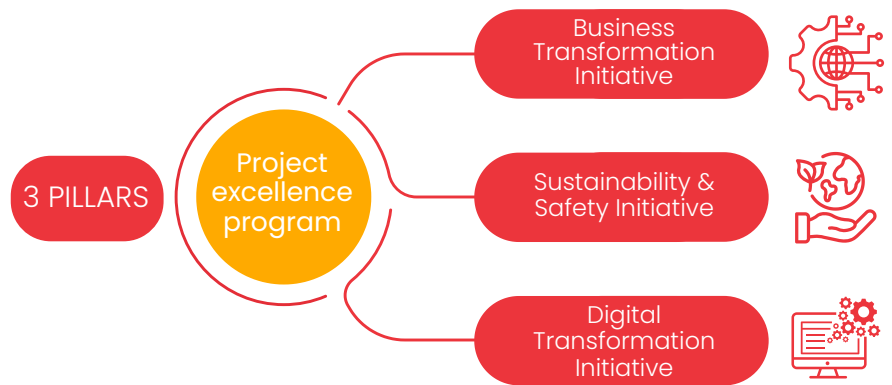
An executive summary outlining key improvement areas will be presented during the closing meeting.

Site will be evaluated over two day by two Assessors (Futurescaper/Independent Consultant etc)

Observation and opportunities for improvement during the discussions can be noted by a coordinator during Assessment

PROJECT EXCELLENCE PROGRAM

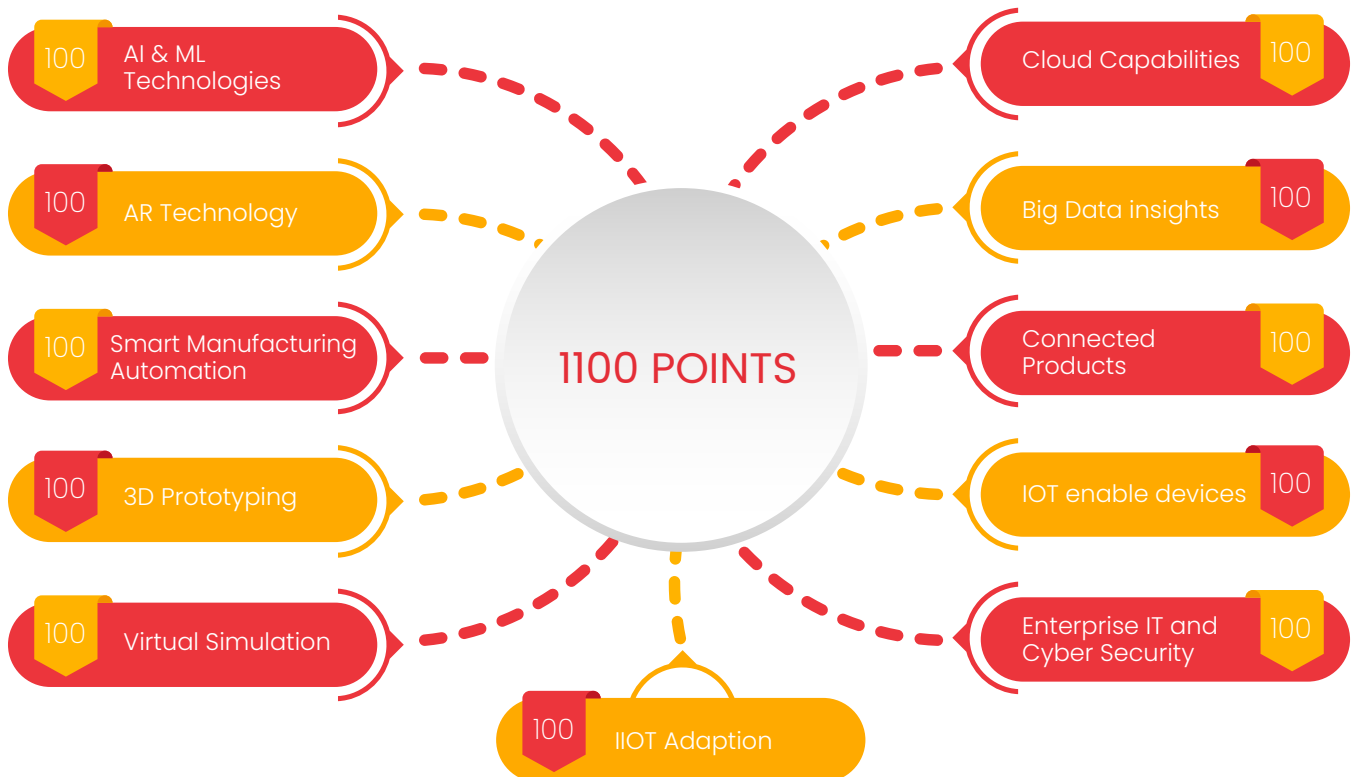
Any improvement project that has been completed before 1st December 2024 can be nominated under the respective category. Projects are to be nominated by submitting the duly filled Application Form, the Project Presentation as per the guidelines and the Application Fee.



FUTURE READY FACTORY 4.0

We are excited to announce the launch the 2026 edition of “Future Ready Factory 4.0” Awards. As the world continues to embrace the digital transformation of industries, the manufacturing sector in Middle-East is playing a pivotal role in driving innovation and efficiency through advanced technologies. The Future Ready Factory 4.0 Awards is a groundbreaking initiative that celebrates and recognizes manufacturing companies in Middle-East that are leading the way in adopting Industry 4.0 practices, enhancing their operations through digitalization, automation, and smart manufacturing solutions.

PARAMETERS AND SCORES



GUEST OF HONOUR SMEA 2025



MR. TANIL KILACHAND
Chairman - Polychem
(Ex-President CSB)



MR. RK SINGH
CEO - Metals BALCO



MR. VIVEK BHATIA
MD & CEO
Thyssenkrupp India



MR. SANJAY SINGHAL
CEO Wagh Bakri



MR. RAJEEV GOPAL
Mentor & Independent
Consultant
(Ex-Grasim, Ex ITC MD)



MR. SHIRISH BELAPURE
Senior Scientific Advisor
Indian Pharmaceutical
Alliance



MR. NITIN BAKSHI
VP Operations
Ultraviolet Automotive



MR. JAYAVEL SINHA
Site President (Gasification
Complex - Jamnagar)
Reliance Syngas (Motikhavdi)



DR. HARSHAL MATHUR
MD Pecan
Research Solutions



MR. SADASHIVA BALIGAR
Chief Operations Officer
SJS Enterprises Ltd



MR. SUMEET SALUNKHE
Vice-President Zydus
Lifesciences Ltd



MR. DHANANJAY JOSHI
Corporate Head - EHS Lupin
Limited, Tarapur

SMEA WINNERS CELEBRATIONS



GMEA 2025, 20th June 2025 @ ITC Maratha, Mumbai



GMEA 2024, 5th July 2024 @ ITC Maratha, Mumbai



Reliance Industries Limited Sustainable Corporate of the Year - Winner



BALCO, Korba Sustainable Factory of the Year - Winner



Reliance Syngas Ltd, Motikhavdi, Jamnagar Safest Manufacturing Site of the Year - Winner



L&T Energy - Hydrocarbon Modular Fabrication Facility, Hazira Safest Manufacturing Site of the Year - 1st Runner up

DISTINCTION AWARDS – SAFE MANUFACTURING EXCELLENCE AWARDS



Grasim Industries
Limited Chemicals Division
Balabhadrapuram



ITC Limited,
Foods Division ICMF, Mysore



Reliance Industries Limited –
Polyester Unit Patalganga
Manufacturing Division

DISTINCTION AWARDS – GMEA 2025 COMPETITOR'S



SJS Enterprises Ltd Bangalore



Anheuser-Busch InBev India Limited Unit HBL
Sonipat Haryana



Belrise Industries Ltd Aurangabad Unit



Grasim Industries Limited Chemicals Division
Balabhadrapuram

GMEA TOP 10 AWARD WINNERS



Zydus Lifesciences Limited,
Goa



Pernod Ricard India Pvt. Ltd
Nashik



ITC Limited, Foods Division
ICMF, Mysore



Bharat Petroleum Corporation
Limited, BINA Refinery



Lupin Limited, Tarapur



Hindustan Coca-Cola
Beverages Private Limited
Bidadi



Hindalco Industries Limited,
Belagavi Works



Utkal Aluminium International
Limited, Rayagada Orissa



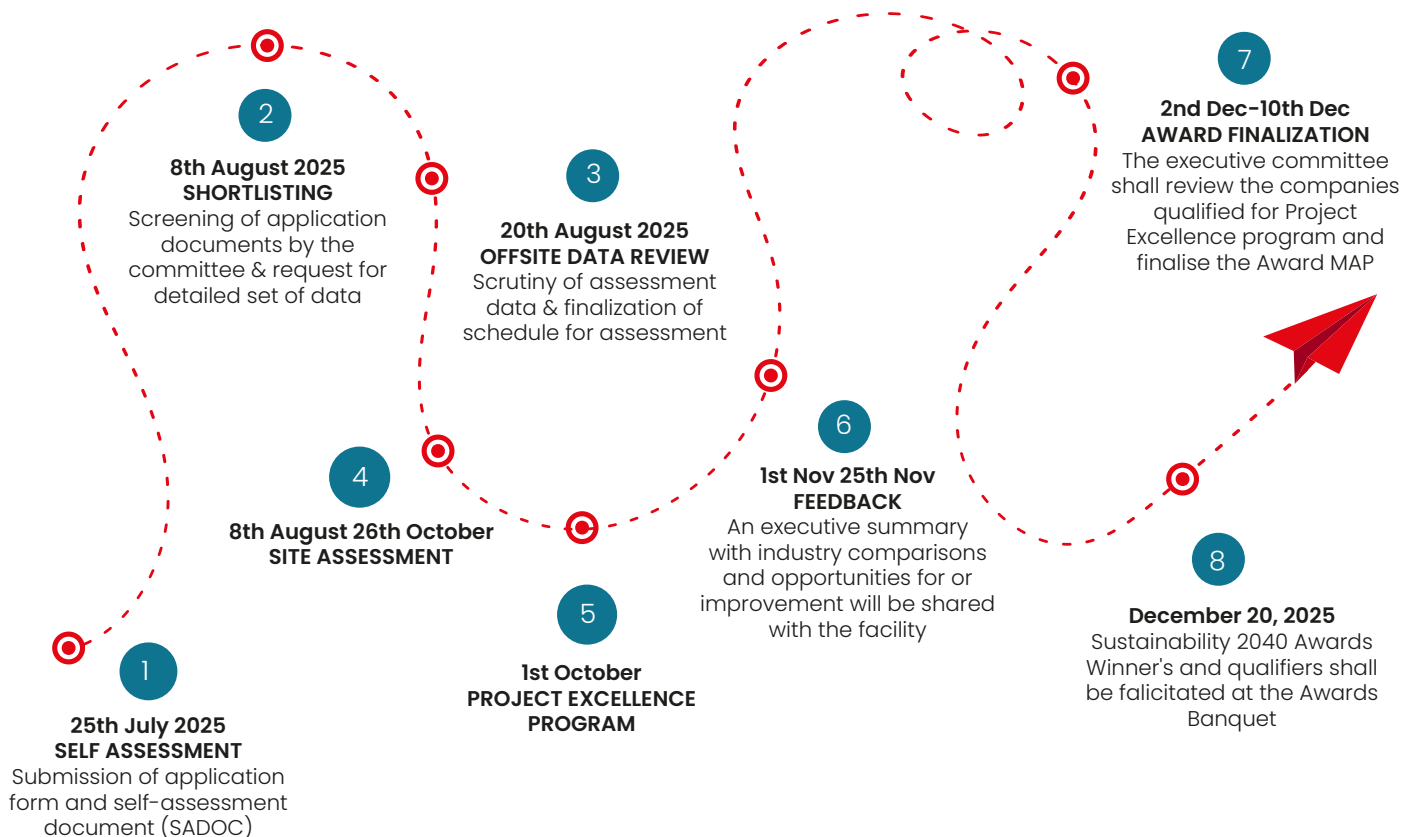
Diageo India
Nashik Unit

FEE & TIMELINES

Participation Categories Turnover	Application Fees	SMEA Assessment Fees	Future Ready Factory 4.0
Emerging Business less than 500M AED	AED 6,500	AED 14,020	AED 18020
Medium Business 500M to 2 Billion AED		AED 20,840	AED 26800
Large Business 2 Billion to 5 Billion AED		AED 25,520	AED 33000
Mega Large Business Above 5 Billion AED		AED 30,200	AED 38800
Project Excellence Program Awards (Per Project Nomination)		AED 6,500	

The fee is exclusive of 5% VAT

TIMELINES



SMEA 2025 TEAM

CONTACT

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INTERESTED COMPANIES ARE REQUESTED TO SEND
THE FILLED APPLICATION FORM (SCAN COPY) FOR
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