HIMACHAL PRADESH
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

NO.PWE-95-3-75(Gen-Cir)/16-ES-I- 6289- 6388 Dated:-26-08-2016
From: ENGINEER-In-CHIEF.

To
The Engineer-In-Chief (QC&D), HP-PWD, Shimla-1
All the Chief Engineers in HP.PWD.
All the Superintending Engineers in HPPWD.
All the Executive Engineers in HP.PWD
All the Land Acquisition Officers in HP-PWD.

Subject:- Regarding Skoch SMART Governance Awards.

I am to enclose herewith a copy of letter No.DIT-F (10)-
10/2015-13 dated 2.8.2016 alongwith its enclosures received from Joint Director,
Department of Information Technology, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-9 to the Govt.
of HP on the subject cited above for necessary action.

Encl: As Above.

Registrar, 26/8
Himachal Pradesh, PWD,
Shimla-2

Copy is forwarded for information and similar necessary action to:
1. The Chief Engineer (S), (PMGSY), (NH), (SRP), HP-PWD, Shimla.
2. The Chief Architect, HP-PWD, Shimla-2
3. All Head of branches.
4. Nodal Officer (IT) in this office along with copy of above letter. He is requested to
display above letter on the official website of the department at the earliest.
5. Guard file.

Encl: As Above

Registrar, 26/8
Himachal Pradesh, PWD,
Shimla-2
No. DIT-F (10)-10/2015 - 13
Department of Information Technology
Himachal Pradesh

From

The Director,
Department of Information Technology,
Himachal Pradesh.

To

All Heads of Departments in HP
All Divisional Commissioner & Deputy Commissioners in HP.

Dated: Shimla-171013 the 2nd August, 2016

Subject: -

Regarding Skoch SMART Governance Awards.

Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of letter no. nil dated 17-06-2016 received from Sh. Sameer Kochhar, Chairman, Skoch Group on the subject cited above.

In this connection, it is requested to take necessary action at your end at the earliest under intimation to this department please.

Yours faithfully,

Joint Director,
Department of Information Technology,
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-09.
17th June 2016

Mr. Sanjeev Gupta
Additional Chief Secretary
Government of Himachal Pradesh
Information Technology
Higher Education, Elementary Education
Room No. A-222, Shimla, 171002
Himachal Pradesh

Dear Mr. Gupta,

Skoch SMART Governance Index is the only time line based Index that has been measuring smartness of Indian states since 2003. The current cumulative national rank of Himachal Pradesh is #16.

Interactions with the state as well as anecdotal evidence tell us that the state may be doing far better than that. We feel that the reason for current rank could be fewer projects nominated for assessments for Skoch SMART Governance Awards compared to other states. We are keen to study your governance model and request a wider participation from the state to be able to accurately reflect its true position on the SMART Governance Index.

As you may be aware that our Index is the only such index based on primary research on projects offered by the state governments for evaluation. The index is used, as a reckoner by all stakeholders and is widely publicized.

We are now commencing this year's assessments through our Skoch SMART Governance Awards process and I would like to draw your personal attention to the fact that a higher number of well performing governance projects can be offered for evaluation across the good work being done by your government. This provides an opportunity for the state to get rated well and to improve its national ranking to be more reflective of the ground reality.

May I request that all your important departments working in any area where a difference has been made through a smarter governance, process or technology adoption should apply (few nomination forms enclosed). As always of particular interest to us are areas of IT, Infrastructure, Health, Education, Municipal Governance, Finance, Rural Development, and Power etc. This list is only indicative.

The last date for submissions for assessments is 24th July 2016 and the evaluations would be carried out in end July and early August. The awards and the rankings would be announced during the 45th Skoch Summit on Smart Governance to be held on 8-9th September 2016 at either Hyderabad or New Delhi.

For further clarification and/or assistance please contact Mr Deepak Dalal at deepak@skoch.in or call on 9911146912.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

Sameer Kochhar

Sameer Kochhar
# How do you measure up?

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GOVERNANCE
AWARDS 2016
8th-9th September 2016

Terms & Conditions
- Nomination must reach by 12:00 hrs, IST on 24th July 2016
- Nominations received by 7th July will get 10 percent additional points
- Nominations received by 15th July will get 5 percent additional points
- Each submission must include: A completed nomination form / Project Information as per the enclosed format.
- Both hard and electronic copies (submitted via website) are needed. The hard copies should be duly signed and stamped.
- States from a large number of nominations received may be considered for conducting of evaluation/roundtable at state level.

Send entries to info@skoch.in or in a CD at:
Skoch Consultancy Services Pvt. Ltd.
A-222, Sushant Lok – 1, Gurgaon - 122001
Haryana, India
Tel: +91-124-4777444 / 9911146912

WHO CAN NOMINATE
Central Government
State Governments
Urban Local Bodies / Panchayati Raj Institutions
Municipalities
Cities

One implementing agency can nominate more than one project.
- The Awards Committee will also at its discretion nominate projects or people that it feels are deserving and should be under the consideration set.
- Skoch Consultancy Services and its group companies reserve the right to reproduce submitted materials. These reproductions may be edited to suit the format.
- Submitted nominations cannot be withdrawn of want of Organisation approval/sanction, retracting submitted information, submitting additional information or any other related cause. Organisation approval/sanction should be acquired beforehand.
- Skoch has the approval of checking the authenticity of the provided information by contacting the organisation’s head, senior manager, IT staff, consultants, suppliers or business partners. The provided information and context may or may not be revealed to these parties, depending on the situation.
- Skoch would retain the right to ask for additional information or clarification from the nominee. Co-operation from the nominee would be highly appreciated.

Top performing projects that can contribute to best practices will be conferred “Skoch Order of Merit Award on 8th September 2016. Amongst Skoch Order of Merit recipients, the award with highest national ranking would be conferred “Skoch Bolt of Honour Award, which is our highest Smart Governance Award on 8th September 2016.
- States getting highest ranking and highest number of awards will be recognised as state of the year.
- The certificates and awards are conferred in person only and all qualifying nominees would have to personally attend 45th Skoch Summit on 8th-9th September 2016.
- No delegate fee for one delegate. For everyone else a delegate fee of INR 10,000 per delegate or INR 30,000 for five delegates would apply for attending the two day conference.
NIATION FORM

applied by (Please tick category)

☐ Central Government
☐ State Governments
☐ Urban Local Bodies / Panchayati Raj Institutions
☐ Municipalities
☐ Cities

PART II
INTRODUCTORY INFORMATION

Project Name:..........................................................
Institute/Organisation: ............................................
Award Category Applied for: ........................................
Address: ..............................................................
City: .................................................................
PIN: .................................................................
State: .................................................................
Country: ..............................................................
Telephone: ...........................................................
Mobile: ..............................................................
Email: .................................................................
Project Commencement Date: ......................................
Project Completion Date: ...........................................
*Project should have been operational for a minimum of one year

DETAILS OF THE RESPONDENT

Name: ..................................................................
Job Title: ..............................................................
Telephone: ...........................................................
Mobile: ..............................................................
Email: .................................................................
Address: ..............................................................
City: .................................................................
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Please submit materials including project description and attachments in both print and electronic form via website.

PART III
Questionnaire (please enclose separate sheet, Minimum 500 words to Maximum 1,000 words per answer)
1. Brief Overview of the project.
2. Challenges faced before deployment of the project.
3. The objectives of the project.
4. Description of the solution implemented. Please describe the governance practices involved.
5. Details of coverage of the targeted population.
6. Comparison of the pre-deployment scenario and post deployment benefits. Explain how the solution has helped.
7. Key learning from the project.
8. Note on the cost effectiveness of the project.
9. Short CV(s) of the producer(s).
10. Future Road map of the project.

............................................ Name
............................................ Designation
............................................ Signature
Skoch Smart Governance Awards 2016 methodology is as follows:

1. Selected Projects will be called for evaluation presentation in August 2016 or later in New Delhi.
2. A merit list of Top National Projects will be released by 31st August 2016
3. Merit listed projects will be showcased and will receive Skoch Order-of-Merit awards on 8th September 2016.
4. Finalists will be chosen from among the merit listed projects. Skoch Smart Governance Awards to be conferred on 9th September 2016.
5. Attendance during the evaluation presentation and 45th Skoch Summit is mandatory to qualify for the Award.

As a part of the process, an Awards Committee is constituted, which comprises of senior professionals from academia, government, industry and other stakeholders in the area of governance. Initial screening of the project is carried out on the basis of the information sought in the prescribed format. Additional information, if required, would be sought and may be supplemented with Skoch’s own research or the knowledge base of the Awards Committee. Public voting is solicited for wider stakeholder consultation and gets a weightage determined by the Awards Committee depending on the nature of the project. The Awards Committee then deliberates and decides on the awardees. The Committee may also nominate projects in special category that it feels should be in the consideration set.

Ethics Policy

SKOCH Consultancy Services Pvt. Ltd. is committed to high standards of ethical conduct and in pursuance of these we follow the following guidelines:

- The employees of the organization are barred from offering gifts or any other consideration that may be considered improper to any government functionary towards the conduct of business or towards discharging their official duties.
- Our awards follow an editorially independent process. Employees and their immediate relatives are ineligible for applying for or receiving any of our awards. Any form of canvassing towards our awards is prohibited and all such entries are summarily rejected.
- There is no monetary component to any of our awards and these are limited to a memento and a citation for all awards and additionally a biographical documentary and a festschrift in case of the SKOCH Challenger Lifetime achievement award.
- Most of our programs are designed in consultation with the relevant domain ministries, academics, economists and experts etc. Due acknowledgement is provided to the government departments, academic and development institutions etc. that extend formal institutional support to our programs.
- Given our commitment to inclusive growth and poverty alleviation, no gifts in any form are offered to the delegates attending our programs. Participation certificates having no commercial value are provided wherever relevant. Time relevant refreshments and meals are provided during the program in consideration of the program continuity and in the tradition of Indian hospitality.
- Delegates are required to take approvals or follow a process to participate in such programs, they are requested to take these measures beforehand.
- The cost of the programs, content generation, publicity and revenue generation is through sponsorships, advertising and delegate fee collection. The names of sponsors are prominently acknowledged on our web-site, on-site as well as in general communication as per our published sponsorship benefits.

For details & nomination form, visit www.skoch.in

Please contact info@skoch.in if you have any questions or concerns about this disclosure.