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**Government of India, Cabinet Secretariat**  
**National Authority Chemical Weapons Convention**

1 Floor, Chanakya Bhawan, Chanakya Puri  
New Delhi, Dated 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2024

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Subject:- Invitation for submitting applications/ Nominations for the, The Hague Award -2024 OPCW -regarding.

The National Authority for Chemical Weapons Convention (NACWC) has been set up under the cabinet Secretariat, Government of India to fulfil the obligations of the Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC) and to act as the National focal point for effective liaison with the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) and other State parties on matter relating to the convention.

2. Indian National Authority has received the details of The Hague Award -2024 OPCW, Dated 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2024, from the Technical Secretariat The Hague, The Netherland, seeking nomination. More information on the award and the page for submitting nominations can be found on <https://www.opcw.org/opcw-hague-award>. The Award extends the legacy of the OPCW's 2013 Nobel Peace Prize 'for its extensive efforts to eliminate chemical weapons'. The Award is part of the OPCW's ongoing effort to highlight significant contributions made by individuals and organisations, widely from academia, researchers, chemical industry, and civil society to achieve a world free of chemical weapons.

4. In-line with the above, details nomination of applicants fulfilling eligibility criteria of appropriate level along with relevant documents as per the above subject in your organization may be sent to this office latest by 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2024 for scrutinizing and necessary approval before intimating for to apply to OPCW for Hague Award.

Encl: As above



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The Joint Secretary (Director) (Management) has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 15.01.2014 regarding the above mentioned subject. The details of the request are being considered by the concerned authorities. The necessary steps are being taken to expedite the process. The details of the request are being considered by the concerned authorities. The necessary steps are being taken to expedite the process.

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OPCW-The Hague Award

## **Make a nomination**

### **Nominations for the 2024 OPCW-The Hague Award are now open**

Read the eligibility criteria and learn how to make a nomination for qualified candidates and institutions.

Nominations must be submitted by **31 July 2024**.

### **How to nominate**

#### **What you need to apply:**

- Contact details of the candidate nominee (and nominator if relevant)
- Contact details of up to three references (two required for self-nominators)
- A nomination statement of up to 500 words describing how the nominee has contributed to one or more of the areas specified in the eligibility criteria below.

### **Eligibility criteria**

Eligible candidates, which may include young professionals, must be citizens of, or institutions registered in, OPCW Member States who have made major contributions to one of more of the following areas:



Preventing the re-emergence of chemical weapons



Supporting national implementation of the Convention



Promoting chemistry for peaceful purposes



Preventing the threat of chemical terrorism



Ensuring preparedness for chemical incidents and emergencies



Promoting universality and awareness of the Convention



Supporting victims of chemical weapons



Eliminating chemical weapons



Promoting the successful conclusion of the Convention

## Nominations for Young Professionals

Early to mid-career professionals who have demonstrated their commitment to one or more of these areas through their work and intend to pursue ongoing activities related to the OPCW's mission are strongly encouraged to apply.

## Who can nominate?

Nominations for eligible individuals and organisations can be self-submitted or submitted by a third party acting as a nominator.

Nominators may include the following entities:

- Members of national assemblies and government institutions of Member States (including National Authorities)
- Permanent Representations to the OPCW
- Members of intergovernmental, international and regional organisations
- Academic institutions
- Civil society organisations
- Past recipients of the Award
- Chemical industry associations

**Self-nominations must be backed by at least two references from the categories of nominators listed above.**

Current personnel of the OPCW Technical Secretariat and Delegations of Member States to the Organisation are not eligible to apply or be nominated for the Award.

Former personnel of the OPCW Technical Secretariat who have completed three years following their separation from the Organisation are eligible. The same three-year rule shall apply to former personnel of Member States' Delegations to the Organisation.

## Make a nomination

Nominations must be submitted using the online nomination form (<https://forms.microsoft.com/e/y9fkCrXYq6>).

The deadline for submission is **23:59 CEST on Wednesday, 31 July 2024**.

**Click here to make a nomination** (<https://forms.microsoft.com/e/y9fkCrXYq6>)

## Selection process

Nominations will be evaluated by the Selection Panel which is comprised of the OPCW Director-General (</about/technical-secretariat/leadership/director-general>), the Mayor of The Hague (<https://thehague.com/en>), the Chairperson of the OPCW Executive Council (<https://www.opcw.org/about-us/executive-council>), the President of the International Council of Chemical Associations (<https://icca-chem.org/>) (ICCA), and the President of the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (<https://iupac.org/>) (IUPAC).

Up to three nominees may be selected who will each be awarded a share of the €90,000 prize.

Successful nominees will be informed of the Selection Panel's decision and invited to attend the award ceremony, to take place on during the Twenty-Ninth OPCW Conference of the States Parties (25 – 29 November 2024).



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## OPCW-The Hague Award

### A Lasting Legacy

The Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize (</about-us/nobel-peace-prize>) in 2013 in recognition of its extensive efforts to eliminate chemical weapons.

To honour this achievement, the OPCW established the OPCW-The Hague Award in 2014 in partnership with the Municipality of The Hague.

### The Award

The OPCW-The Hague Award recognises the numerous stakeholders, including academia, researchers, the chemical industry, international and regional organisations, and civil society, who make outstanding contributions to achieving a world free of chemical weapons.

Recipients of the award receive a medallion, a certificate, and a share of the €90,000 award fund.



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**Nominations for 2024 are open now**

Read the call for nominations and make a nomination before **31 July 2024**.

Call for nominations (</opcw-hague-award-call-nominations>)



## Selection

Qualified nominations are assessed by a selection panel comprised of the OPCW Director-General, the Mayor of The Hague (<https://thehague.com/en>), the Chairperson of the OPCW Executive Council (</about-us/executive-council>), the President of the International Council of Chemical Associations (<https://icca-chem.org/>) (ICCA), and the President of the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (<https://iupac.org/>) (IUPAC).

Full details are available on the [call for nominations \(/opcw-hague-award-call-nominations\)](/opcw-hague-award-call-nominations) page.

## Award ceremony

The OPCW-The Hague Award is presented by the Director-General (</about/technical-secretariat/leadership/director-general>) of the OPCW and the Mayor of The Hague at the OPCW Conference of the States Parties (</about/conference-states-parties>) (held annually in late November or early December). Successful recipients are invited to accept the award in person in The Hague, Netherlands.

View past ceremonies (</opcw-hague-award-past-recipients>)

## Make a nomination

The deadline for nominations for the 2024 award is 31 July 2024.

Read the call for nominations and make a nomination here (</opcw-hague-award-call-nominations>)

## Previous Recipients

Past recipients include experts in analytical chemistry, medical toxicology and the ethical use of chemistry, as well as CWC negotiators, civil society advocates and first-response training institutes.

Learn more (</opcw-hague-award-past-recipients>)

## Partnership with the Municipality of The Hague

The €90,000 prize is jointly supported by the OPCW and the Municipality of The Hague (<https://thehague.com/en>), international city of peace and justice.

