

BluGreen Awards: Information Brochure

About Climate Action Cell:

Bengaluru's first ever Climate Action and Resilience Plan (BCAP) was launched on 27 November 2023. With the launch of BCAP, Bengaluru became the 3rd city in India to have a global standard climate action plan. The main objectives of BCAP are to mitigate Greenhouse Gas emissions from the city and build adaptation and resilience against climate change hazards in a collaborative manner, leading to inclusive outcomes for Bengaluru's citizens.

To facilitate and spearhead implementation of BCAP as a multi-stakeholder driven collaborative process, a Climate Action Cell (CAC) has been constituted by the Hon'ble Chief Commissioner of BBMP, under the Chairpersonship of the Special Commissioner, Forest, Environment, Climate Change Management wing of BBMP, with participation from all relevant stakeholder departments as representative members of the cell.

Call for Nominations: BluGreen Awards

Implementation of BCAP requires collective action by every stakeholder in the city including citizens and communities. Several individuals, organizations, or communities are already contributing towards achieving goals and targets set by BCAP across different thematic areas through **implementation** of impactful projects, serving as **enablers** through research, innovation and outreach or acting as **champions** inspiring action and leadership.

The **BluGreen Awards** intends to recognize those making a real impact in advancing Bengaluru's climate action aspirations. Are you or your community/ organization championing such actions? This is your chance to showcase such good practices, get recognized and inspire collective action in making Bengaluru a climate progressive and resilient #BluGreen.

Nominations are invited for actions which are contributing towards greenhouse gas **mitigation** (Potential to reduce Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emission), **adaptation** and resilience building (Capability to build resilience against climate hazards) or **both**.

Why should you apply?

Winning entries will benefit from the following:

- Recognition by the Hon'ble Minister for Bengaluru Development in an event
- Opportunities for scale-up by collaborating with CAC and other ecosystem partners
- Amplification of work through CAC handles, media and publications
- Visibility through national level forums
- All applicants will benefit from access to a pool of experts and masterclasses

Submit your nominations now and be part of the change!

Awards Categories:

a. Solutions:

Practices/pilots that adopt innovative approaches to mitigate climate change or enhance resilience against climate change induced impacts in urban settings.

b. Enablers:

Research, data, governance frameworks, partnerships, technologies that facilitate the implementation of mitigation or adaptation strategies.

c. Champions:

Individuals or organizations demonstrating leadership, inspiring action, and driving progress in climate change mitigation and adaptation efforts.

Awards Criteria:

Applications received will be screened and evaluated by a high-level jury constituted of experts on climate change, environment and specific intervention sectors guided by the following criteria:

- **Climate Action Impact**
Addresses climate change through actions that either reduce GHG emissions (mitigation), or, enhance resilience and adaptive capacity of communities or both.
- **Sustainability of the solution/ initiative**
Ensures long-term viability by considering environmental, social, and economic factors for lasting impact.
- **Replicability & Scalability**
The implementation/enabler/championship can be extended to other areas in Bengaluru, or for a larger group of stakeholders, or can seed change in other cities.

- **Ecosystem Benefits and Ecological Integrity**
Improves natural systems, supports wildlife, and makes air and water cleaner while reducing pollution and helping adapt to environmental changes.
- **Livelihoods and economic benefits**
Create green jobs, use resources wisely, and strengthen the economy, helping communities adapt to and reduce the effects of climate change through sustainable actions.
- **Social Impact**
Encourages community involvement and empowerment, reduces intersectional vulnerability, inspires positive actions to improve well-being, build resilience, and reduce climate-related risks.

Timeline:

Application opens: **21st December 2024**

Application closes: **30th January 2025**

Download application form [here](#)

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