

National Anubhav Awards, 2026

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During the National Anubhav Awards 2026 campaign, published write-ups reached a record high of 2,141, with the best entries set to be honoured at the upcoming award ceremony.

- **Launched** - March, 2015.
- **Aim** - To recognise and incentivise outstanding contributions of retired and retiring government employees.
- **Purpose** - To document the administrative history of the country through the sharing of knowledge, best practices, and administrative insights by retired and retiring employees.
- **Nodal Ministry** - Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions.
- **Eligibility** - Any employee who is going to retire in next 8 months or who has retired within a period not exceeding 3 years can submit their write-up on the portal.
- **Sectors Covered** - Central Government, CPSU, or Public Sector Bank employees.
- **Categories** - Based on various categories, includes
 - Accounts and administration
 - Good governance practices
 - Government process re-engineering
 - Information technology
 - Research and innovation
 - Simplification of procedures
 - Public dealing and fieldwork contributions
 - Learning from failures
 - Acts of bravery or strength
 - Constructive suggestions for improvement.
- **Selection Process** - Retiring/retired staff upload a 5,000-word write-up on the portal, which must be officially approved and published by their Ministry.
 - **Tier-I Screening** - A committee scores entries (out of 40) based on criteria like content, innovation, leadership, and medals specific to the employee's pay grade.
 - **Tier-II Evaluation** - A high-level Evaluation Committee reviews the top-scoring entries for final shortlisting.
 - **Final Clearances** - Winners are finalised only after receiving No Objection Certificates (NOCs) and clearance from the Intelligence Bureau (IB) and the Department Secretary.
- **Final Authority** - The Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare holds final

authority over all decisions.

- **National Anubhav Award (5 Winners)** - Includes a medal, a certificate, and a cash prize of Rs. 10,000.
- **Jury Certificate (10 Winners)** - Includes a medal and a certificate.
- **Present Status** - Till date, 63 National Awards and 29 Jury Certificates have been presented.

References

1. [PIB | Anubhav Awards](#)
2. [Pensioners Portal | Anubhav Awards](#)

