

INDIAN COUNCIL FOR CHILD WELFARE
A NON-GOVERNMENT VOLUNTARY ORGANISATION SINCE 1952
4-DEEN DAYAL UPADHYAYA MARG
NEW DELHI-110002

SCHEME OF ICCW BRAVERY AWARDS FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH (2026)

INTRODUCTION: The Scheme of Awards to Children for bravery was started 68 years ago in the year 1957. It was in this year that two children a boy and a girl were first rewarded for their exemplary presence of mind and courage. Since then, ICCW confers these Awards to children, every year.

In 2023, the ICCW National Bravery Awards were renamed as “ICCW Bravery Awards for Children & Youth”.

OBJECTIVES: The main objective of the scheme is to give due recognition to the children and youth who perform acts of bravery with a view to inspire other children to follow their example. The deed should be “an act of spontaneous selfless service in the face of risk to life or threat of physical injury and or an act of courage and daring against a social evil/crime”.

PROCESS OF INVITING APPLICATIONS: Wide publicity is given for the Programme. Nominations are invited from all over India.

PROCESS OF APPLYING: Nominations are received in the prescribed application form which can be obtained from ICCW headquarters office or can be downloaded from ICCW’s website. The application should be recommended by the listed Competent Authorities. The form is to be accompanied by a write-up of about 250 words giving the details of the deed performed by the applicant, proof of date of birth, Newspaper/Magazine clippings and/or the First Information Report (FIR) or Police Diary filed with the Police Station. The account of the incident as well as the supporting documents should preferably be endorsed by the listed Competent Authorities.

AGE-LIMIT: Awards will be given in two categories.

- The applicant should not be below 6 years and above 18 years of age on the date of the incident (**Child Award**).
- The applicant should not be below 18 years and above 24 years of age on the date of the incident (**Youth Award**).

RECOMMENDING/COMPETENT AUTHORITIES: The application must be recommended by the following:

1. Principal/Headmaster of the school/college in which the applicant is studying.
2. President or General Secretary or any other Office Bearer of the State/UT Council for Child Welfare/Institutional Members.
3. Any retired Government Officer._

DATE OF INCIDENT: Incidents which have occurred **between July 1, 2025 and September 30, 2026** will be considered for the 2026 awards. The Selection Committee, may at its discretion, relax the date by a maximum period of six months prior to July 1, 2025 if it so deems fit. ICCW reserves the right to relax the date of the deed for a very deserving act for recognition.

DATE OF SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION: Last date of submission of application is **October 05, 2026**.

SELECTION PROCEDURE: The selection is made by a high powered Committee constituted by ICCW.

Applications once rejected for whatever reason will not be entertained again.

The Selection Committee may at its discretion consider relaxation of any of the conditions/rules if it so deems fit.

Submission of Application does not guarantee Selection.

The decision of the Selection Committee shall be final.

AWARD:

The Award Confers

- A medal (Gold, Silver)
- A certificate
- Cash award.

The Awardees also receive various gifts from philanthropic organizations.

The Award will be presented at New Delhi by an eminent and distinguished personality.

The Awards details are given below:

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|--------------------------|---|---------------|
| 1. ICCW Bharat Award | : | Rs.1,00,000/- |
| 2. ICCW Dhruv Award | : | Rs. 75,000/- |
| 3. ICCW Markandeya Award | : | Rs. 75,000/- |
| 4. ICCW Shravan Award | : | Rs. 75,000/- |
| 5. ICCW Prahlad Award | : | Rs. 75,000/- |
| 6. ICCW Eklavya Award | : | Rs. 75,000/- |
| 7. ICCW Abhimanyu Award | : | Rs. 75,000/- |
| 8. General Awards | : | Rs. 40,000/- |

Total Awards restricted to 25.

Highlights of the Awards

- Eligible awardees are granted financial assistance until they complete their schooling.
- Financial assistance under the Scholarship Scheme for graduate/post graduate/professional courses.

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NOMINATION FORM FOR ICCW AWARDS FOR BRAVERY FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH (2026)

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|-----|---|---|---|
| 1. | Name of the Child
(IN CAPITAL LETTERS) | ⇒ | _____ |
| 2. | Date of Birth
(Supported by proof of date of birth duly
attested by Competent Authority (See Note 6) | ⇒ | _____ |
| 3. | Sex | ⇒ | Male / Female |
| 4. | Address (IN CAPITAL LETTERS with Pin
Code) | ⇒ | _____

_____ |
| | Telephone No | ⇒ | _____ |
| | E-Mail Address | ⇒ | _____ |
| 5. | CLASS IN WHICH STUDYING | ⇒ | _____ |
| 6. | Name & full address of school including
Tel. No. , And E-mail (if any) | ⇒ | _____

_____ |
| 7. | Name of the Father/Mother/Guardian | ⇒ | _____ |
| 8. | Date on which the deed was performed | ⇒ | _____ |
| 9. | Nature of the deed performed | ⇒ | _____
_____ |
| 10. | Relationship of Applicant with the
person(s) saved | ⇒ | _____ |
| 11. | Supporting Documents
(Please tick those enclosed) | | |
| a) | First Information Report (FIR) or
Police Diary filed with the Police
Station. | ⇒ | _____ |
| b) | Newspaper/Magazine
clippings/Social Media Post. | ⇒ | _____ |
| c) | 2 copies of recent photographs of the
child duly attested by a Competent
Authority (See Note 6) | ⇒ | _____ |
| d) | Detailed Description of Deed
performed (in about 250 words. To be
attached separately and preferably endorsed by
the Competent Authorities recommending the
application). | ⇒ | _____ |

e)

Any others (Please specify)

⇒

12.

FAMILY BACKGROUND

a) Occupation & Designation of Father

⇒

b) Occupation & Designation of Mother

⇒

(if working)

c) Total number of family members

⇒

d) Total family income per annum

⇒

13.

NEAREST RAILWAY STATION

⇒

14.

NEAREST AIRPORT

⇒

15.

Name of the Escort & Relation with applicant (in case the child is selected and asked to come to Delhi)

⇒

16.

AGE OF THE ESCORT

⇒

17.

Has any member of the applicant’s family already received this award ? If yes, give name, year and relationship with recipient.

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18.

Has the applicant applied for this award earlier ? If yes, give year of application

⇒

19.

Has the applicant received this award earlier ? If yes, give the year.

⇒

20.

Has the applicant received any other award/benefit for the same deed ? If yes, give details (viz. Year of award, name of Orga./Dept. which gave the award, amount etc.)

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Has the Applicant applied in This Calendar Year January 2026 - December 2026 For Any other Award For Bravery. No Or Yes (With Details)

TO BE FILLED IN BY RECOMMENDING AUTHORITIES

RECOMMENDING AUTHORITY -I
UNDERTAKING

- a) This is to certify that the deed performed by _____ and the account detailed with the application has been verified by me. I confirm that this is a bonafide case.
- b) I consider the act as one of bravery as defined in the scheme.
- c) The act fulfills all criteria as laid down in the scheme.
- d) **The Applicant has given a declaration that he has not applied in this calendar year January 2026 to December 2026 for any other Award for Bravery. I have verified and satisfied myself that the Applicant’s declaration is true.**
- e) I recommend _____ for consideration for the ICCW’s Bravery Award 2026.

NAME: _____
&
DESIGNATION _____
OF RECOMMENDING AUTHORITY _____
(IN CAPITAL LETTERS) SIGNATURE & SEAL OF
RECOMMENDING AUTHORITY

FULL OFFICIAL ADDRESS: _____
OF RECOMMENDING AUTHORITY _____
(IN CAPITAL LETTERS) _____

TEL. NO. _____ Email _____

RECOMMENDING AUTHORITY II
UNDERTAKING

- a) This is to certify that the deed performed by _____ and the account detailed with the application has been verified by me. I confirm that this is a bonafide case.
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NAME: _____
&
DESIGNATION _____
OF RECOMMENDING AUTHORITY _____
(IN CAPITAL LETTERS) SIGNATURE & SEAL OF
RECOMMENDING AUTHORITY

FULL OFFICIAL ADDRESS: _____
OF RECOMMENDING AUTHORITY _____
(IN CAPITAL LETTERS) _____

TEL. NO. _____ Email _____

NOTE:

1. Applications should be sent in duplicate.
2. Applications must be **recommended by the listed competent authorities** (see item 6)
3. Applications which are incomplete or not authenticated by the Competent Authorities or not supported by the relevant documents **will not be entertained**.
4. A write up of about 250 words giving the details of the deed performed by the applicant, either in English or Hindi should be attached separately, preferably endorsed by the Competent Authorities recommending the application. Accounts of deeds or any other information/enclosures in the **regional/local language should be accompanied by a translation in Hindi or English** duly verified by the Competent Authorities.
5. The detailed description of the deed should clearly give the steps taken by the applicant performing the act. For example, in cases pertaining to drowning, the depth/width of the pond/river etc. must be mentioned. It should also be explicitly stated whether the applicant knows swimming or not. In other cases pertaining to rescue from fall, the height of the structure must be mentioned.
6. **Competent Authorities means the following:**
 - a. Principal/Headmaster of school/college in which the applicant is studying.
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 - c. Any retired Government Officer._
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9. The applicant should **not be below 6 years of age and above 18 years of age** on the date of the incident for Child Award and **between 18 to 24 years of age** for Youth Award.
10. Applications not submitted in the prescribed proforma and or within the stipulated time are liable to be rejected.
11. Applications once rejected will not be entertained again.
12. The Selection Committee may at its discretion consider relaxation of any of the conditions/rules if it so deems fit.
13. Submission of Application does not guarantee Selection.
14. The decision of the Selection Committee shall be final.
15. If at any time it is found that the **information/documents** which formed the basis for considering the applicant for the Award are false, the Award and it's related facilities may be withdrawn.
16. The applicant should not have applied in this Calendar **Year January 2026 to December 2026** for any other Award for Bravery. A Personal Declaration in the format given below must be signed by the Applicant that should be given to the Recommending Authority.

UNDERTAKING

This is to certify that I, _____, son/daughter of Shri _____ have not applied in this calendar year January 2026 to December 2026 for any other Award for Bravery.

NAME OF THE APPLICANT

SIGNATURE