

Sri Lanka Export Development Board (EDB) will award the Presidential Export Awards (PEA) with the objective of recognizing the efforts of the Sri Lankan exporters and their contribution towards the development of exports and national economy. The 2018/19 Awards will be presented by His Excellency the President of Sri Lanka in respect of performance in the financial year ending 31st March 2019.

TYPES OF AWARDS & ELIGIBILITY

- A. Overall Awards
- B. Product/Service Sector Awards

A. Overall Awards

The following 14 Overall Awards will be presented to recognize the performance of best export company in Sri Lanka.

1. Exporting Conglomerate of the Year
2. Exporter of the Year
3. Globally Operated Highest Foreign Exchange Earner
4. Most Globally Outreached Sri Lankan Brand
5. Net Foreign Exchange Earner
6. Market Diversified Exporter
7. Sri Lankan Export Brand
8. Employment Provider in the Export Industry
9. Contributor from the Regions to the Export Supply Chain
10. Contributor to Sustainable Development in Exports
11. Supplier to the Global Value Chain
12. Innovative Export Product of the Year
13. Organic Product Exporter of the Year
14. Woman Exporter of the Year

Eligibility for the Award of “Exporting Conglomerate of the Year”:

This award will be given to the best Exporting Conglomerate for their export excellence.

- A Conglomerate comprising a minimum of two Companies in the same corporate group, and including the parent/holding Company and engaged in the export of a minimum of two diverse products or services.
- Exporting companies (Subsidiaries) in the Conglomerate should be engaged in export business for a minimum of 3 years including the financial year ending 31st March 2019.

Eligibility for Other Overall Awards:

- A Company, individual or any other legal entity registered in Sri Lanka
- The annual export turnover in the financial year ending 31st March 2019 should be not less than USD 5.0 Mn
- Should demonstrate a growth in exports during the financial year ending 31st March 2019.

Additional Eligibility Criteria for the Award of “Contributor from the Regions to the Export Supply Chain” :

To qualify for this award the applicant should establish export led-supply/ industrial/economic activities/ farmer or producer clusters in the districts other than Colombo, Gampaha, Kalutara, Galle, Kurunegala & Kandy.

Additional Eligibility Criteria for the Award of “Exporter to the Global Value Chain” :

This Award is to recognize the contribution to the national exports made by the exporters who connected to the Global Value Chain (GVC) supplying Parts, Components/Accessories other than for final consumption. Exporting companies who are supplying Parts, Components/Accessories other than for final consumption during the financial year will be eligible to apply for this award.

Additional Eligibility Criteria for the Award of “Innovative Export Product of the Year”:

This award is to recognize innovations and R&D efforts in export companies to produce new/innovative products targeting export market. Exporting company which has innovated new products during the financial year will be eligible to apply for this award.

Additional Eligibility Criteria for the Award of “Women Exporter of the Year”:

This award is to encourage and recognize woman entrepreneurs’ contribution in National Export Development drive and also to enhance women’s full & effective participation in leadership. This award will be applicable only to woman exporters and companies which holds majority of shares by a woman and/or a women led company

B. Product/Service Sector Awards for Individual Export Companies:**Best Exporter Award**

The Exporters recording the highest score as per the multiple criteria in the financial year ending 31st March 2019 in each of products and service sectors in the **Annex I** will be awarded.

Merit Certificate will be awarded to the next best company based on the sector performance as decided by the PEA Panel of Judges.

Eligibility for Product/Service Sector Awards:

- a) A Company, individual or any other legal entity registered in Sri Lanka and engaged in business in any of the forty three (43) sectors stated in the **Annex I**.
- b) Should demonstrate growth in exports during the financial year ending 31st March 2019.

General Information for the Applicants of PEA of 2018/19

1. Each entity should submit separate "Application Form" as evaluation of export performance will be on legal entity basis. However for the Overall Award of "**Exporting Conglomerate of the year**", Conglomerates should use "Application Form" which is specially designed for this award.
2. Certification from bank should be submitted by the Service Exporters with regard to the receipt of inward remittance (format is given in the last page of application).
3. Award Winners will receive a Trophy and a Certificate. The recipient will have the privilege of using the Presidential Export Award Logo on their letter heads/promotional/publicity materials for a period of 3 years from the date of receipt of the Award/ Certificate of Merit.
4. Exporters who have been charged with or found guilty of violation of Exchange Control, Customs, Import/Export Control laws/regulations or circumventing regulations pertaining to EDB assistance schemes or any other fraudulent activity are not eligible to apply.
5. Exporters who have defaulted EDB loans are not eligible to apply unless all the outstanding dues to the EDB are settled before sending the application.
6. Completed "Application Form" with **all relevant documents** should be submitted to the Chairperson & Chief Executive, Sri Lanka Export Development Board, No 42, Nawam Mawatha, Colombo 02 on or before 4.00 p.m. on 01st July 2019.

Documents required to be submitted by the applicants for Evaluation:

- Duly Completed Application
- Copies of Brand Registration Certificates
- Copies of Quality/ Standard Certificates
- EPF or ETF Receipts for December 2018
- Company/Consolidated Audited Financial Statements for the year ending 31st March 2019.
- Evidence of CSR Activities
- Bank Certification for Inward Remittances in the case of export services

The EDB reserves the right to reject any application in the event of information given is found to be false, inaccurate or inconsistency with any official information and also to disqualify the applicant to receive the Award under this Scheme, and/or to withdraw the Award after the Award has been granted. The selection of Award winners will be decided by the Panel of Judges and their decision is final.

Following product/service sectors are considered for the “Best Exporter Award” in each Product/Service Sector.

Industrial Products (21):-

1	Apparel	9	Dry Rubber Products	17	Handloom, Toys, Crafts & Lifestyle Products
2	Textile	10	Latex Rubber Products	18	Electronics & Electrical Products
3	Footwear	11	Chemical & Paints Products	19	Packaging
4	Leather Products	12	Boat & Pleasure Craft Building	20	Printing & Stationery
5	Gems	13	Ship Building	21	Furniture Products
6	Jewellery	14	Ceramics & Porcelain Based Products		
7	Diamond	15	Glass Based Products		
8	Plastic Products	16	Light Engineering		

Agricultural & Fisheries Products (14)

1	Tea	8	Herbal & Spa Products
2	Spices & Spice Concentrates	9	Fish & Fisheries
3	Processed Food	10	Ornamental Fish
4	Processed Vegetables, Fruits & Juices	11	Coconut Kernel Products
5	Confectionery & Bakery Products	12	Coconut shell Products
6	Fruit & Vegetables	13	Coconut Substrates
7	Rice & Cereals	14	Floriculture

Export Services (8)

1	ICT
2	BPM/KPM
3	Wellness Services
4	Construction Services
5	Entrepot Trade
6	Logistic Services
7	Education Services
8	Engineering Services