

# YOUNG ACHIEVERS ALUMNI AWARD 2026



## "BITS Pilani Young Achievers Alumni Awards"

#### Purpose:

The "BITS Pilani Young Achievers Alumni (YAA) Award" was instituted by BITS Pilani to recognize and honor young alumni who have brought laurels to their alma mater by making significant and outstanding contributions to their profession, their businesses, and/or to the society.

#### **Eligibility:**

Any BITS alumni who satisfies the following conditions is eligible for the award:

- 1. S/he has completed a degree programme from any of the campuses of BITS,
- 2. S/he must be living at the time a nomination is made.
- 3. S/he must be not more than 40 years on the last day of nomination.
- 4. S/he should have made significant and outstanding contribution to one or more of the following fields (or categories):
  - a. Start-Up: Entrepreneurship or Venture Capital
  - b. Areas of UN Sustainable Development Goals, Social Upliftment, and Environment
  - c. Technology, Design, and Invention
  - d. Corporate / Family Business
  - e. Performing Arts, Arts and Culture
  - f. Academia and Research
  - g. Avant-Garde / Off-Beat
  - h. Public Life



# BITS alumni who belong to the following categories are not eligible for the award:

- Current members of the BITS' administration, faculty and non-teaching staff,
- 2. Members of the Board of Governors of BITS, members of the General Body of BITS,
- 3. Members of the BITS' Senate, and members of other statutory bodies of BITS,
- 4. Members of the committee to select or short-list "BITS Pilani Distinguished Alumnus Awards", and their immediate family members.
- 5. Previous BITS Pilani Distinguished Alumnus Awardees
- 6. Alumni who are currently doing substantial business either directly or indirectly with BITS.

#### **Nomination:**

Any member of the General Body of BITS, any member of the Board of Governors of BITS, any member of BITS' Senate, any member of the BITS' administration or faculty, any member of BITS Alumni Association Chapters, or any alumni in India or abroad may nominate an alumnus who meets the eligibility criteria.

- 1. The nominations (to be submitted via an online form) must be received by the BITS Alumni Relations Office no later than 15th October 2025.
- 2. A nomination will be considered for a maximum of 2 years from the date of the first nomination

#### **Selection Process:**

1. There will be a maximum of five (05) awards, every year. However, BITS Pilani reserves the right to change the number of awards to be conferred on its discretion.





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- 2. A selection committee, with the following constitution, will be appointed by the Chancellor to select the awardees. The selection committee shall consist of the following:
  - a. Director of a BITS Pilani Campus, nominated by the Vice-Chancellor (Chairperson),
  - b. Dean, Alumni Relations (Convenor)
  - c. One person of eminence outside the BITS system, less than 50 years of age
  - d. One nominee from BITSAA International, less than 50 years of age
  - e. One Previous BITS DAA / DSA / YAA awardee
- 3. The selection of the BITS Pilani YAA Award will be on the basis of the following criteria:
  - A. He/she should have made significant and outstanding contributions to one or more of the fields (or categories) listed in the eligibility criteria.
  - B. The contribution should have resulted in a significant impact in terms of
    - a. dissemination or creation of knowledge, or an outstanding discovery
    - b. enrichment in people's lives,
    - c. distribution or wealth creation,
    - d. promotion or establishment of high ethical or work standards in private or public life, or
    - e. Creating a space or solution where none existed before.
  - C. Further, the contribution should be such that it can be adequately documented in the form of:
    - a. national or international awards,
    - b. national or international patents,
    - c. publications in journals of international repute,
    - d. creation of jobs,
    - e. market share of products/services,
    - f. growth in company valuation in venture capital terms or stock exchanges,





- g. the volume of donations to social causes, etc.
- h. Heading or Leading high private or public offices
- i. Measurable impact on people's lives
- D. S/he should be a person of high integrity and stature, and one whose contributions will make her / his Alma Mater proud and inspire BITS' faculty, staff, students, and alumni.

#### **Award Presentation:**

The award will be presented in the form of a Plaque and other BITS branded merchandize.

