



# BEST CORPORATE CITIZEN

SUSTAINABILITY AWARD **2021**

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The Ceylon Chamber of Commerce proudly announces the 'Best Corporate Citizen-Sustainability Award 2021', for the Eighteenth consecutive year.

The objective of the event is to value and recognise the importance of Corporate Sustainability in Sri Lanka and encourage businesses to adopt best practices to create goods and services, using resilient, circular, and futuristic approaches. In doing so we ensure efficient use of resources, minimize pollution, safe and healthy environment for workers, consumers and communities while enhancing the well-being of all, in line with UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The Ceylon Chamber of Commerce has considered the COVID-19 pandemic that affected corporates and the sustainability in 2020 and adopted an improved evaluation criterion in this year Awards.

The Ceylon Chamber of Commerce continues to highlight the need to mainstream business emergency preparedness, resilience, and stakeholder management in the core business to meet unforeseen challenges.

Many awards have been lined up to recognize best performers in corporate sustainability in Sri Lanka along with the vision and commitment CEOs/Senior Management towards continued corporate sustainability. The Best Corporate Citizen Award ceremony will be held at the Cinnamon Grand, Colombo, on 23rd November 2021.

## BEST PROJECTS SUSTAINABILITY AWARD 2021

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Initiated in 2007, the 'Best Projects Sustainability Awards' are an attempt to recognize and encourage the efforts of the private/public sector to engage in specific projects relating to the key aspects of Sustainability that include economic, environment, governance and social issues material to the organization and in response to contextual needs. These may cover a wide range of activities such as Education, Climate change, Training, Community services, Housing for low income people, Infrastructure, Environmental preservation, Corporate governance, Diversity etc., among others.

The projects can cover several or all aspects of sustainability; economic, environmental, social and governance. These projects could be either integrated with the normal operations of the business or go beyond the normal operations. These projects must necessarily contribute to the well-being of the people or the planet.

## SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS

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All private and public companies listed/unlisted, Government undertakings/institutions are eligible to apply.

An applicant can apply for more than one project but each project should be submitted separately.

Applications should be submitted through the online platform, together with supporting documents.

Please refer the guidelines in the application form for further details. Application forms and guidelines are available at The Ceylon Chamber of Commerce and can also be downloaded from [www.chamber.lk](http://www.chamber.lk).

An application processing fee of Rs. 25,000/= should accompany each application for the Best Sustainability Projects Awards. Cheques should be crossed and drawn in favour of “The Ceylon Chamber of Commerce”.

## EVALUATION

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In evaluating the applications, all questions addressed in the application will be considered. An independent Evaluation Panel will scrutinize the applications as per a predetermined marking scheme under each area as illustrated in the guidance document.

The short-listed applicants will be called upon to make a brief presentation and face an interview with the Panel of Judges and Panel of Evaluators which will also carry marks. The CEO and the Sustainability Manager should represent the company at the final interview. The decisions of the Evaluation Panel and the Judges will be final and binding upon all applicants.

The Ceylon Chamber of Commerce may opt to use a digital platform for the interview process based on the prevailing COVID-19 related challenges at the time of the final interviews.

## CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS

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All applications should be duly completed and submitted via [bccawards2020@gmail.com](mailto:bccawards2020@gmail.com) with supporting documents on or before 4.30 p.m. on Friday, 08th October 2021.

The Application should be submitted under the subject line of “Best Corporate Citizen-Sustainability Award 2021”, along with the company name. An official email confirmation will follow the submission.

### For more info

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