

NatWest Group Earth Heroes Awards 2022



NatWest Group India

NatWest Group India is pleased to announce the nomination process for the **NatWest Group Earth Heroes Awards 2022**.

The awards will be presented in November 2022. These awards were constituted in 2011 and have since then recognized some outstanding individuals and institutions who have gone beyond their 'call of duty' to make a demonstrable difference to India's wildlife and its habitat. Forests are slated to contribute significantly towards India's Nationally Determined Contributions ([NDCs](#)) committed at the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change ([UNFCCC](#)).

Forests provide both mitigation as well as adaptation outcomes on climate change through a range of services. Wildlife and habitats are an integral part of a forest/ wetland/ grassland/ desert/ coral/ mangrove ecosystem, and a good ecosystem reflects a thriving interactive relationship among its flora, fauna, and the natural resources. The NatWest Group Earth Heroes Awards strive to recognize and honour individuals and institutions who work exceptionally hard to protect and conserve India's wildlife and its habitat.

The NatWest Group is a 300-year-old bank with over 19 million banking customers globally. The Group is committed to tackling climate change, which is central to its purpose-led strategy. It was also the principal banking sponsor of the 26th UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26) that took place in Glasgow in November 2021.

Award categories



1. NatWest Group 'Lifetime Achievement' Award (Felicitation) – NatWest Group Earth Hero - Individual

This award recognises extraordinary achievements of an individual who has worked a lifetime in wildlife and habitat conservation and has influenced policies for the improvement of wildlife habitat and conservation in India. No nominations will be accepted as this will be the Jury's choice.



2. NatWest Group 'Earth Guardian' Award (INR 2,50,000) – Institution

This award recognises an institution (NGO/corporate/government/village, or Forest Council or Biodiversity Management Committee/Forest Protection Committee/ research/educational institutions/media) that has made exceptional contributions in the field of conservation of wildlife, human life, and property in wild habitat, natural resource management, environment, wildlife research, and awareness building.



3. NatWest Group 'Save The Species' Award (INR 2,50,000 each) – Two individuals (one each from Government and Non-Government organisations)

This award recognises individuals who have been involved directly or indirectly in protecting any species listed in the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972. Preference will be given to work on the critically endangered species as identified by the Union Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change (MoECC) under its '**Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats**', and who has contributed to education, awareness programs, capacity building, and resolving human-wildlife conflict. The jury will retain the right to carry forward or dispense or award both in the same category (official/non-official) depending on the merit of nominations received.



4. NatWest Group ‘Inspire’ Award (INR 2,50,000) – Individual or Institution

This award recognises an individual (journalist/filmmaker/artist/conservationist) or institution who has influenced thought or inspired action on wildlife conservation, natural resource management, and environmental protection through his/her creative expression.



5. NatWest Group ‘Green Warrior’ Award (INR 2,50,000 each) – Two individuals (one each from Government and Non-Government organisations)

This award recognises exemplary work in protecting habitats that host India’s important species listed in the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972 or have demonstrated work that supports habitat protection, human lives, and property in wild habitat. The jury will retain the right to carry forward or dispense or award both in the same category (official/non-official) depending on the merit of nominations received.

Selection process

The award winners in each category will be selected by an independent jury comprising experts from the field of wildlife conservation, biodiversity management, science, government, media, and NatWest Group. To request a nomination form, please contact:

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The form can also be downloaded from –

<https://www.rbs.in/about-us/natwest-group-earth-heroes-awards.html>

Timelines

Last date for submitting the nomination: **20th July 2022**

Award winners to be notified by **October 2022**