

PMI KERALA AWARDS 2026

PMI Kerala Chapter was established in the year 2003 with an aim to build professionalism in project management. The Chapter is jubilantly celebrating its 23th anniversary, marking more than two decades of excellence and dedication in the field of project management. Over the years, this chapter has grown into a vibrant and dynamic community of professionals who have played a pivotal role in advancing the discipline of project management across the region.

Last date for submission
May 22nd, 2026



WHY GO FOR IT ?



INDUSTRY RECOGNITION



AHEAD OF TIME



COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE

PMI KERALA AWARDS

The prestigious PMI Kerala Awards represents the highest recognition for the project management community in the state.

Being one of the finest professional organizations, PMI Kerala has established various awards under different categories to recognize the contributions made by organizations in delivering successful projects.

We are looking for exemplary projects from Kerala and to meet resolute project teams who beat the odds to meet their project goals.

PMI Kerala chapter will distribute the awards during CXO Meet and Awards Night 2026, in a luminous /grand event in presence of industry leaders, invited guests and august participants of the annual project management conference. The event will be covered by visual, digital and print media

NOMINATIONS ARE FREE AND MULTIPLE SUBMISSIONS ARE ALLOWED.

SHARE YOUR INSPIRING PROJECT STORY AND GET REWARDED!

AWARD CATEGORIES

Award Title	Categories		
PMI Kerala Project of the Year Award	Large	Medium	Small
PMI Kerala Sustainability Project of the Year Award			
PMI Kerala Social Project of the Year Award			
PMI Kerala AI Excellence Award - Services Industry			
PMI Kerala Innovative Manufacturing Project Award			
PMI Kerala Green Infrastructure Project - Construction Industry			

PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARD

This award recognizes and honors a project team that has delivered exemplary results through application of project management practices par excellence and having social impact in any of the following categories of projects.

LARGE PROJECTS

A project or program or similar initiative which has budgeted project cost of **more than INR 100 Crores** with impact for a transformational change to millions of people and/or one or more services and involve cross functional team as well as multiple public and private stakeholders.

For Project of the Year - Large projects Award, the project should have been completed by **March 31, 2026**.

MEDIUM PROJECTS

A project or program or similar initiative which has budgeted project cost between **INR 5 crores to INR 100 crores** with a focused set of deliverables requiring a significant amount of work and having multiple stakeholders in agreement on the project goal.

For Project of the Year - Medium projects Award, the project should have been completed between the period of **April 1, 2025 and March 31, 2026**.

SMALL PROJECTS

A project or program or similar initiative which has budgeted project cost less than INR 5 crores but more than INR 50 lakhs with defined scope and involves 10 or less team members.

For Project of the Year - Small projects Award, the project should have been completed between the period of **April 1, 2025 and March 31, 2026**.

PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARD

This award recognizes and honors a project team that has delivered exemplary results through application of project management practices par excellence and having social impact in any of the following categories of projects.

NOMINATION CRITERIA

- Project of any type, from any industry, in public or private sectors of Kerala.
- Demonstrated originality and uniqueness of applied project management techniques including innovative application of practices / methods.
- The Project of the Year Award evaluates projects on their strategic impact, complexity, professional management excellence, and alignment with PMI's cultural values to ensure they deliver measurable, long-term value.

DETAILS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NOMINATION

- General Project Information – Description, Stakeholders, Schedule, Cost, Scope, Risks
- Sample documents and artifacts of the processes
- Exhibiting technical aspects and advancement of the project management profession consistent with global standards in project management - an example being "A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK Guide)" - Seventh Edition or its equivalent
- Benefits Realization, demonstrating excellence in overcoming inherent complexity of the project and unusual conditions, issues and barriers that required special team performance and actions
- Project Change Management
- Lessons Learned

SUSTAINABILITY PROJECT AWARD

PMI Kerala Sustainability Project Award recognises organizations or individual projects that demonstrate environmental sustainability practices in the development and delivery of their projects.

NOMINATION CRITERIA

- Open to all organizations or individual projects executed in Kerala.
- Demonstrated originality of the project.
- Highlight the sustainability practices and depict the impact created.

DETAILS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NOMINATION

- Description of the contribution and use of project management practices
- Benefits Realization / outcomes to end users
- Supporting images or graphics (Video and audio not accepted)

For Sustainability Project Award, the project should have been completed between the period of **April 1, 2025 and March 31, 2026**.

SOCIAL PROJECT AWARD

This award recognizes and honors significant initiatives undertaken by corporate bodies or organizations (as part of their Corporate Social Responsibilities activities) towards improvement and well-being of the community or addresses global concerns like disease prevention & treatment, equality, diversity & inclusion, health & wellbeing, etc.

NOMINATION CRITERIA

- Open to all organizations or individual projects executed in Kerala.
- Demonstrated originality of the project.
- Highlight the concern addressed and depict the social impact created.

DETAILS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NOMINATION

- Description of the contribution and use of project management practices
- Benefits Realization / outcomes to end users
- Supporting images or graphics (Video and audio not accepted)

For Social Project of the Year Award, the project should have been completed between the period of **April 1, 2025 and March 31, 2026.**

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE EXCELLENCE AWARD- SERVICE INDUSTRY

In the evolving space of AI, organizations are leveraging this technology to solve real world problems. This is contributing to enhance products and services, thereby ensuring digital literacy, financial inclusion, improving the quality of life and so on.

PMI Kerala Artificial Intelligence Excellence Award recognizes the project teams which have built unique solutions incorporating artificial intelligence.

NOMINATION CRITERIA

- Projects in Kerala involving AI should be original or proof-of-concept initiatives that clearly demonstrate lasting impact.
- Projects are evaluated on clear goals, defined challenges, measurable results, and alignment with business objectives.
- They should show strong project management, reflect PMI values, and deliver meaningful overall success.

DETAILS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NOMINATION

- Details to be included in the nomination (not limited to):
 - AI for predictive analytics.
 - AI for sentiment / text analysis.
 - AI for ML consulting / data strategy.
- Description of the contribution and use of project management practices
- Benefits Realization / outcomes to end users
- Supporting images or graphics (Video and audio not accepted)

For AI Excellence Award, the project should have been completed between the period of **April 1, 2025 and March 31, 2026.**

INNOVATIVE MANUFACTURING PROJECT AWARD

In the ever evolving manufacturing industry, organizations are leveraging digital and information technology to solve real world problems. This is contributing to innovation and use of generative AI and other tools and techniques.

PMI Kerala Innovative Manufacturing Project Award recognizes the project teams which have built unique solutions for the manufacturing industry.

NOMINATION CRITERIA

- Novel manufacturing projects in Kerala demonstrating originality, innovation, or a successful proof of concept.
- Demonstrates project management excellence in planning, schedule, communication, cost, quality, risk, safety, governance, and stakeholder engagement.
- Demonstrates measurable impact and effective handling of project complexity.

DETAILS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NOMINATION

- Innovation, tools, techniques, technology, or process improvements with lasting impact.
- PM practices applied across planning, schedule, cost, quality, risk, safety, governance, communication, and stakeholders.
- Benefits realized and measurable outcomes delivered.
- Supporting images, graphics, charts, dashboards, or artifacts. No video/audio.

For Innovative Manufacturing Project Award, the project should have been completed between the period of **April 1, 2025 and March 31, 2026.**

GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT AWARD

Honoring the outstanding construction projects that demonstrate, exceptional environmental responsibility, sustainable practices, and green innovation. This award recognizes efforts that minimize environmental impact while delivering project excellence in construction sector.

NOMINATION CRITERIA

- Construction/infrastructure project in Kerala with originality, innovation, sustainability, or proof of concept.
- Shows project management excellence in planning, schedule, cost, quality, risk, safety, sustainability, governance, communication, and stakeholder engagement.
- Demonstrates measurable impact and effective handling of construction/infrastructure complexity.

DETAILS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NOMINATION

- Innovation introduced and tools / techniques used to create lasting impact
- Description of the contribution and use of project management practices
- Benefits Realization / outcomes to end users
- Supporting images or graphics (Video and audio not accepted)

For Green Infrastructure Project Award, the project should have either completed or in the closure between **April 1, 2025 and March 31, 2026.**

PMIK AWARDS - ELIGIBILITY

- The primary criteria for classification as Large, Medium or Small will be the budgeted cost of Project. However, if need be, the applicant's project may be re-classified by PMI Kerala keeping in mind the data furnished on project time-line and effort.
- In case of Project of the Year nomination, the project should have been accepted as complete by the Client/Owner, prior to sending the nomination
- In case of other awards, the project should have been accepted as complete by the Sponsor/Governing body of the nominating Organization, prior to sending the nomination
- Permission is obtained for the use of copyrighted materials included in the submission.
- Research or development projects, which may contain proprietary or confidential, technical, or commercial information, are publicly disclosed by owner.
- Complete project management has been driven from Kerala, and significant portion of the project execution has been done in Kerala.
- The nominated project has been successfully completed using processes and approaches consistent with Global Standards in project management, an example being A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide) - Seventh edition or equivalent.
- Current sitting members of PMIK's Board of Directors or any Board Support Committees may not participate in the nomination or evaluation process of an award, nor are those members eligible to receive an award.
- Individuals or organizations that have failed to comply with PMI policies and procedures, including but not limited to PMI's Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct, will not be considered.

PMIK AWARDS - ELIGIBILITY

Questionnaire Template (Mandatory)

- Please answer each question clearly and concisely, with a maximum of 300 words per response. Use complete sentences and professional language. Focus on measurable outcomes, innovative approaches, and lessons learned. Provide specific examples or data where possible to illustrate impact.
- Define the Challenge:
- What specific challenge or opportunity did your project address, and why was it important for your organization or community?
- Highlight Outcomes and Category Alignment:
- What measurable outcomes did your project achieve, and how do these outcomes demonstrate excellence according to the criteria defined for the selected category (Social, Engineering/Technology, Construction/Infrastructure, or Sustainability)?
- Align with Organizational Goals:
- How did your project contribute to your organization's mission, strategy, or strategic priorities?
- Demonstrate Project Management Excellence:
- Which project management practices were most critical to the successful delivery of your project, and how did they drive results?

PMIK AWARDS - ELIGIBILITY

Showcase PMI Values:

- In what ways did your project team behaviors or ways of working naturally align and reflect PMI's values — Make It Easy, Aim Higher, Be Welcoming, Embrace Curiosity, and Together We Can?
- Project Success:
- How does your project reflect PMI's expanded definition of project success -delivering value that is worth the effort and investment-beyond the traditional measures of scope, schedule and cost?

Evidence Pack (Optional)

- You may submit a maximum of 10 pages (slides or pdf) to complement your written responses and support your applications. Examples of this evidence may include signed charter/acceptance, baseline vs. actual report, benefits report, risk log snapshot, lessons learned, safety record, sustainability metrics or similar artifacts. Information can include visual aids, graphs, workflows, charts, or other materials that help illustrate your project's outcomes, processes, or impact.
- Sensitive or proprietary information data may be redacted as long as you provide brief context, so reviewers understand the relevance of the material.
- Evidence should enhance—not repeat—your written responses and remain concise for efficient review.

NUMBER OF AWARDS

For each category, a maximum of one Winner and one Runner-up will be identified out of the nominations received.

PRESENTATION OF THE AWARD AND RECOGNITION

The recipients will be presented with the awards at the **PMI Kerala Chapter CXO Meet & Awards Night 2026**, being held on **06 June 2026**, at **Chakolas Pavilion, Kochi**

Nominations have to be sent to awards@pmikerala.org on or before **May 22, 2026**.

There is no limit to the number of project nominations each applicant can submit. For all nominations, complete project management must have been driven from Kerala and/or significant portion of the project execution has been done in Kerala.

All the nomination documents must be in English and submitted in electronic form, converted to a PDF non-editable format. The documents should be compressed into a single folder using WinZip etc. so that only a single compressed entity gets uploaded. Wherever possible applicants are encouraged to support their responses with metrics and quantitative figures. Submissions should include explanation of all industry and domain based acronyms, wherever used in their responses.

CONTACT US

Any queries pertaining to this award should be sent to **awards@pmikerala.org** clearly mentioning "**PMI Kerala Awards - 2026**" in the subject line.



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