



Recognising Hospitals Leading Environmental Transformation

The HELP Sustainability Excellence Awards celebrate hospitals that are redefining healthcare excellence through environmental stewardship, responsible governance, and measurable impact. These awards recognise institutions and leaders who are integrating sustainability into core hospital operations - from infrastructure and energy to procurement, waste, and community engagement.

The List of Award Categories and Their Guidelines

Ecopreneur Award (Individual)

This award recognises an outstanding individual within a HELP member hospital who has championed environmental sustainability through visionary leadership and measurable impact.

Recognises: Institutional sustainability leadership; Innovative green initiatives; Demonstrated environmental outcomes; Capacity to inspire systemic change.

Eligible applicants include administrators, clinicians, engineers, sustainability officers, or department heads who have led impactful initiatives within their institutions.

Sustainable Hospital Design Award

Honouring hospitals that have embedded sustainability into infrastructure design, renovation, or retrofitting to create environmentally responsible and patient-centric healthcare spaces.

Focus Areas: Green building design & retrofits; Passive lighting and cooling strategies; Renewable energy integration; Sustainable material usage; Climate-resilient infrastructure.

Evaluation emphasises environmental performance, operational efficiency, and long-term sustainability.

Best Carbon Emission Reduction Practice Award

Recognises hospitals that have implemented structured and measurable strategies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions across operations.

Scope May Include: Renewable energy adoption; Emissions monitoring & reporting; Sustainable transport initiatives; Low-carbon supply chain measures; Decarbonisation roadmaps, Anesthesia, Greener clinical practices.

Applicants must demonstrate quantifiable carbon reduction supported by baseline and current data.

Best Energy Efficiency Practice Award

Celebrating hospitals that have significantly improved energy performance through optimisation, retrofits, and smart energy management systems.

Scope Includes: Lighting & cooling optimisation; Solar installations; Energy management systems; Demand-side management initiatives.

Submissions should demonstrate measurable energy savings and financial efficiency gains.

Best Waste Reduction & Recycling Practice Award

Honours hospitals that have strengthened waste segregation, reduced overall waste generation, and implemented effective recycling systems while ensuring regulatory compliance.

Focus Areas: Biomedical waste management excellence; Reduction of single-use plastics; Recycling partnerships; Composting & material recovery systems, Capacity building and employee training.

Evaluation prioritises measurable waste reduction and landfill diversion rates.

Best Sustainable Water & Wastewater Management Award

Recognises responsible water stewardship and innovative wastewater management practices within hospital operations.

Scope Includes: Water conservation initiatives; Rainwater harvesting; Water recycling & reuse systems; Sewage Treatment Plant optimisation; Effluent quality monitoring, Capacity Building and employee training.

Applicants must demonstrate water savings, compliance standards, and long-term sustainability planning.

Best Green Procurement Practice Award

Celebrates hospitals that have integrated sustainability criteria into purchasing and supply chain decisions.

Recognises: Eco-certified product sourcing; Sustainable medical supplies; Reduced packaging initiatives; Vendor sustainability engagement; Life-cycle costing approaches, phasing out hazardous chemicals; Phase down plans for plastics.

Submissions should reflect institutional policy integration and measurable procurement impact.

Best Pollution Control Practice Award

Honours hospitals implementing effective systems to minimise air, water, and hazardous pollution.

Focus Areas: Emission control systems; Safe incineration practices; Mercury-free healthcare; Refrigerant management; Air quality monitoring & improvement, Incineration reduction.

Evaluation considers regulatory compliance, risk mitigation, and documented pollution reduction.

Best CSR Program for the Environment Award

Recognises impactful environmental CSR initiatives undertaken by HELP member hospitals beyond core operations.

Scope May Include: Community plantation drives; Environmental awareness campaigns; Clean air and clean water initiatives; Climate resilience programs; NGO and local government partnerships, capacity and awareness building.

Submissions should demonstrate measurable environmental and community-level impact.

Award Evaluation Framework

All submissions will be evaluated based on:

Measurable Environmental Impact | Innovation & Differentiation | Institutional Integration | Scalability & Replicability | Governance & Compliance

HELP recognises hospitals that lead not only in clinical excellence, but also in environmental responsibility and sustainable healthcare transformation.

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