

## Privacy Notice and Terms & Conditions

Please read the entry rules below and check the checkbox on the submission page of your application to agree:

In the below rules given, 'National Indian Students and Alumni Union UK' will be referred to as NISAU or NISAUUK.

The term 'Applicants' in the following section may refer to the actual nominee, organisation or the individual filing the nomination.

NISAU will use only the contact information provided in the application, therefore it is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that this information is accurate and up to date at all times. If you need assistance, please get in touch with us by writing to us at [info@achieversshowcase.com](mailto:info@achieversshowcase.com). India UK Achievers Honours applicants must:

- Provide personal information that is in all respects true, accurate, and up to date and is not, in any respect, misleading, deceptive, inaccurate, or likely to mislead or deceive.
- Notify NISAU immediately of any relevant changes in their application at any stage during the application process. It is the responsibility of the applicant to inform NISAU of any changes, failure to do so can result in the application being withdrawn.
- Applicants may be required to re-confirm the accuracy of their application should they be selected as an Achiever.
- Achievers may be asked to record a small video.
- If you do not provide the nominee's personal data, the NISAU will be unable to process the application. Your submission will automatically be withdrawn.
- The Achievers programme will be promoted through the NISAU's official channels, including the website [www.nisau.org.uk](http://www.nisau.org.uk) and partner party channels e.g., British Council, UK universities and others. Paper applications will not be accepted. All applicants must access the application portal link and then follow the steps on the website [www.achieversshowcase.com](http://www.achieversshowcase.com).
- Applicants can save their application and complete it later; however, they must submit it before the application deadline.
- Applicants' data may be shared and verified with the applicant's UK Higher Education Institution as well as other educational authorities in the UK and overseas. The NISAU reserves the right to independently check all information provided by applicants. Should the applicant be found to have submitted false information, and/or have provided falsified information in support of their application, the applicant may be disqualified from the Achievers Honours. Any titles already awarded may be removed from the applicant during or after the Achievers Honours.
- NISAU reserves the right to withdraw an Achievers' story should it pose a potential reputational risk due to negative publicity, public perception, or uncontrollable events.
- NISAU reserves all rights in respect of the decision to make or withdraw an award at any point. The NISAU can exercise its discretion in the decision to make or withdraw any awards. The NISAU's decision is final and binding.

The National Indian Students and Alumni Union UK ("NISAU") complies with UK data protection law and data protection laws in other countries that promote data protection best practices.

The personal information provided by applicants will be used by NISAU to manage the India UK Achievers Honours and may be used for other purposes deemed necessary by the NISAU. The information will be used by the NISAU and/or judges to assess the applications in line with the judging criteria.

The legal basis for processing personal data is that processing is necessary for the performance of a contract (the Competition Terms and Conditions).

All applications may be shared with the applicant's former or current UK university/ies, and organisations such as but not limited to English language testing companies, educational counsellors etc. The NISAU may also share personal information with trusted third parties, including any external shortlisting agencies, reference-checking agencies, and applicants' former scholarship awarding bodies, when necessary to fulfil the purposes stated above. The information that NISAU holds/shares about you will be treated as confidential. They will only be disclosed to any other party but not limited to your former UK university/ies, scholarship awarding bodies, administrative shortlisting, judging panels:

- as detailed in this notice, and with NISAU's Privacy Policy available at [www.nisau.org.uk](http://www.nisau.org.uk), at your request and with your consent;
- to investigate or prevent fraud;
- to publish/create case profiles if selected as an Achiever.

The NISAU intends to publish the names and photographs/information of the finalists and winners on the NISAU's, partners', sponsors' websites, and social media pages, press releases and in other promotional and marketing material. In addition, the NISAU may write and publish articles about the applicants, finalists and winners. Publicity material of applicants, winners and finalists may be shared with their UK Higher Education Institution/s. By entering the Achievers Honours, each applicant agrees to the use of their name, image and information submitted by them during or after the nomination process and agrees to cooperate with any such publicity or marketing if they are selected as an Achiever.

By entering the India UK Achievers Honours each applicant grants the NISAU, British Council, Partner organisation and own Higher Education Institution, free of charge, permission to use the entry material in any way it wants (including, without limitation, modifying and adapting it for operational and editorial reasons) in any media worldwide. Each applicant confirms that the entry material is their original work, is not defamatory and does not infringe any English or Indian laws and they have the right to give the NISAU and their former UK university/ies permission to use it for the purposes specified above, and that all necessary consents for the submission of the entry material have been obtained.

All rights in the NISAU's name and logo, websites, Facebook pages, Twitter pages, press releases and other promotional and marketing material and all course and examination content and materials (together the "Achievers Materials") shall vest in and remain with the NISAU (or its licensors). By participating in the Achievers Honours, applicants agree that they will not use, broadcast, publish, export, exploit, reproduce or copy part or all of the Achievers Materials except where permitted by the NISAU.

Under UK data protection law, you have the right to ask for a copy of the information we hold on you and the right to ask us to correct any inaccuracies in that information. If you have concerns about how we have used your personal information, you also have the right to complain to a privacy regulator. If you want to find out more, please visit our website: [https://www.nisau.org.uk/docs/privacy\\_policy.pdf](https://www.nisau.org.uk/docs/privacy_policy.pdf).

## **1. The India UK Achievers Honours**

The India UK Achievers Honours (the "Achievers Honours") are operated by or on behalf of the NISAU UK to recognise and honour the outstanding achievements made by current students or alumni who have studied at or for a qualification awarded by a listed or registered UK Higher Education Institution.

Applicants submit one application which will be considered for the Achievers Honours.

The Achievers are expected to be celebrated at a Gala Ceremony. This is expected to be followed by a multi month digital campaign. There are the following award categories:

- Business and Entrepreneurship - Recognising leaders and innovators who have demonstrated considerable impact in starting, running, or managing businesses, innovating new ideas, solutions, or opportunities, that have significant growth potential.
- Education, Science, and Innovation - Recognising researchers and educators who have distinguished themselves through their achievements in the field of education, science, and sustainability, demonstrating the impact and scale of their achievements.
- Arts, Culture, Entertainment and Sport - Recognising trailblazers who can demonstrate their excellence, creativity or artistic genius having created acclaimed careers in arts, entertainment, or culture; or individuals who have achieved excellence in the realm of sports, showcasing unparalleled dedication and skill in their respective disciplines.
- Government and Politics - Recognising students or alumni who have distinguished themselves in their career in a political, governmental, or civil service to create a just, safer, and equitable society.
- Society, Policy, and Law - Individuals who have made substantial contributions to shaping and influencing societal development, public policy or those who have led the cause for creating an equitable society where justice is accessible to everyone.
- Media and Journalism - Recognising students or alumni who have made a pathbreaking contribution to the field of media and journalism, demonstrating a commitment to democratic values, unbiased reporting, and innovation.
- Student Society award – Can show a considerable amount of achievement in their work towards student welfare. Societies that demonstrate how a particular need of Indian and /or Indian-origin students on campus has been met; how social impact has been created, evidence of innovation and leadership.

Applicants can apply for only one of the individual honours categories. The judging panel reserves the right to move applicants into a different award category. The NISAU reserves the right to sub-categorise as deemed necessary by the NISAU.

## **2. Achievers Honours Dates**

The NISAU UK reserves the right to amend the opening and closing dates and vary them according to its requirements. Any such amendments will be notified in these Entry Rules, on the application portal, and via our promotional activities.

The opening date of the Achievers Honours is 4 November 2024. The closing date for all applications is 8 December 2024.

Any entry received before the opening date or after the closing date will not be accepted. The NISAU UK accepts no responsibility whatsoever for any technical failure or malfunction or any other problem with any system, server, provider or otherwise that may result in any entry being lost, delayed or not properly registered.

Applicants whose application is found to be ineligible will not be notified.

All Finalists are expected to be notified during December 2024. Winners of the Achievers Honours will be announced at the ceremony in February 2025. This notification will be made to the email address provided by the applicant when applying for the Achievers Honours.

The NISAU UK reserves all rights to change any dates at its discretion.

## **3. How to enter**

### **Introduction**

Below are the India UK Achievers Honours Entry Rules and how we store and use the information you provide to us via your application form. All applicants must click 'Yes, I accept' for all boxes on the application submission page for their application to be submitted and considered for the Achievers Honours.

All applicants must access the application portal link via [www.achieversshowcase.com](http://www.achieversshowcase.com), and then follow these steps:

- Read and agree to the Terms and Conditions, and the Data Protection/Privacy notices on how data is stored and used.
- Enter their first and last name and email address where indicated.
- Enter details of the UK Higher Education Institution and award category selected.
- All applicants are required to answer each of the questions listed on the application form. All applicants are required to:
- Accept the entry rules and privacy notice by clicking the box in the application form.
- Click on the button to submit the application.

Applicants can save their application and complete it later; however, they must submit it before the application deadline.

Applications can be made by someone on behalf of themselves or another person. The person submitting the application on behalf of another person is responsible for ensuring communication with the person on whose behalf they are making the application. The NISAU may ask you to share contact details for the person on whose behalf you have applied as and when required at the sole discretion of the NISAU.

Finalists and Achievers may be asked to provide their CV/resume, a reference, and a one-minute self-made video.

Achievers may also be asked to submit a one-minute self-made video highlighting their work and their impact, and the influence of their UK education. They may also be required to provide their passport scan and employer details, to confirm any sanctions against them, and to complete a consent form for a reference checking agency to carry out verification checks, and an image consent/permission form.

Applicants' data will be shared and verified with the alumni's UK Higher Education Institution as well as other educational authorities in the UK and overseas.

The NISAU reserves the right to independently check all information provided by applicants.

Should the applicant be found to have submitted false information, and/or have provided falsified information in support of their application, the applicant will be disqualified from the Achievers Honours. Any titles already awarded (finalist or winner) will be removed from the applicant during or after the Achievers Honours.

NISAU reserves the right to withdraw a finalist/Achiever story should it pose potential reputational risk due to negative publicity, public perception, or uncontrollable events.

All applicants must:

- Accept responsibility for maintaining the confidentiality of the login details used to access the Achievers Honours application portal.
- Provide personal information that is in all respects true, accurate and up to date and is not, in any respect, misleading, deceptive, or inaccurate or likely to mislead or deceive.
- Notify the NISAU UK immediately of any relevant changes in their application at any stage during the application process.
- Applicants may be asked to re-confirm the accuracy of their application should they be selected as an Achiever.

If you do not provide your personal data, the NISAU UK will be unable to process your application.

#### **4. Selection of winning entries and award ceremonies**

After the application closing date, all applications will be reviewed to ensure that they meet the eligibility criteria, and to select the top applications across each category.

Applications will be reviewed and assessed based on the selection criteria provided by the NISAU UK. The shortlisted applications will be forwarded to the judging panel consisting of eminent experts from across the UK-India corridor. Applications of the finalists are expected to be verified by the applicants' UK HEIs. Achievers across the different categories will be identified as a result of the judging process.

##### **Judging criteria**

Judges will review all applications against the same judging criteria (listed below). Applications that demonstrate the highest levels of evidence of meeting each of the criteria will be awarded the highest scores. The highest-scoring applicants will be selected as finalists. The judging panel reserves the right to move applications into a different award category, based on the skills and experiences described in their application.

Applications will be assessed on the extent to which they meet the following criteria:

**PROFESSIONAL IMPACT:** evidence of tangible impact, and its magnitude, of your work in your profession.

**SOCIAL IMPACT:** evidence of tangible impact, and its magnitude, of your work in your community/society.

**POTENTIAL TO ENGAGE:** Extent to which your achievements or contributions are likely to resonate with others locally, nationally, or internationally.

**POTENTIAL TO INFLUENCE AND INSPIRE:** Extent to which your story demonstrates the 'art of the possible' for the next generation of students. How likely are you to inspire and influence young people?

**RECOGNITION:** Evidence of your work being recognised through nominations, awards, publications, media coverage etc.

The judges' decision is final and binding. Where deemed necessary by the NISAU, the panel of judges can include at least one member who is independent of the NISAU UK. The NISAU UK reserves at its sole discretion the right to not to make any particular award in any given Category or disqualify any entry that does not meet the entry requirements.

#### **5. Celebrations of winners and finalists**

Achievers and Finalists will be celebrated physically and digitally.

Finalists will be invited to a Gala celebration in February 2025 where their selection as one of the Achievers is expected to be revealed. Achievers are also expected to be celebrated via a global social media campaign on the NISAU UK's social media platforms. Finally,

Achievers may be invited to participate in engaging conversations with students and wider members of the public. Those who are invited to and choose to attend are responsible for covering their own expenses, including accommodation, subsistence, visas, insurance, international or domestic travel costs or other ancillary costs arising out of participation in the Achievers Honours, unless otherwise expressly stated by the NISAU UK.

If the country or location of an event becomes unsafe due to an event of Force Majeure, the NISAU UK reserves the right to cancel the event with immediate effect. Attendees will be responsible for any cancellation charges on flights, accommodation and any other costs that they may incur in respect of such cancellation.

No correspondence will be entered into with unsuccessful applicants unless chosen to do so by the NISAU UK.

## **6. Publicity and rights**

The NISAU UK intends to publish the names and photographs of the finalists and Achievers on the NISAU UK's, and partners', websites, and social media pages, press releases and in other promotional and marketing material. In addition, the NISAU UK or its partners, sponsors or participating UK or Indian Higher Education Institutions may write and publish articles about the finalists and winners. Publicity material of Achievers and finalists will be shared with their UK Higher Education Institution. By entering the India UK Achievers Honours, each applicant agrees to the use of their name and image and agrees to co-operate with any such publicity or marketing if they are selected as an Achiever or Finalist.

By entering the India UK Achievers Honours each applicant grants the NISAU UK, Partner organisation and own Higher Education Institution, free of charge, permission to use the entry material in any way it wants (including, without limitation, modifying and adapting it for operational and editorial reasons) in any media worldwide. Each applicant confirms that the entry material is their original work, is not defamatory and does not infringe any English laws, and that they have the right to give the NISAU UK and their former UK university/ies permission to use it for the purposes specified above, and that all necessary consents for the submission of the entry material have been obtained. For avoidance of doubt, if you are submitting the nomination on behalf of another person then you agree that you have discussed your nomination of them with them and provided their contact details.

All rights in the NISAU UK's name and logo, websites, Facebook pages, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn pages, press releases and other promotional and marketing material (together the "NISAU's Materials") shall vest in and remain with the NISAU UK (or its licensors). By participating in the India UK Achievers Honours, applicants agree that they will not use, broadcast, publish, export, exploit, reproduce or copy part or all of the NISAU's Materials.

## **7. Photography or videography**

If you are invited to, and attend, a Gala Ceremony, or if you are selected as an Achiever, you agree to the following:

- I agree to the NISAU photographing and/or recording me and give permission to the NISAU to use any material in the photographs and/or recordings where the copyright or any other rights are owned by me and waive all my moral rights and performers' rights (if any) in the photographs and recordings.
- I confirm that the NISAU and partners shall be entitled to use the photographs and/or recordings made of me in their original format or edited, adapted, or altered, for the NISAU's internal and external promotional and publicity materials and for any programmes, publications, websites, electronic publications, and social media services worldwide produced by or on behalf of the NISAU and partners; and
- I agree that the NISAU and partners shall be entitled to pass the photographs and/or recordings of me, and my name, to external press and media agencies, publishers and broadcasters, Higher Education Institutions and to partners and other third parties with which the NISAU works, anywhere in the world, for the purposes of the Achievers Honours.

All Achievers finalists will be asked to provide a professional-style photograph and images of them demonstrating their careers, and a short personal summary to be used for social media/event/publication purposes.

## **8. Liability**

(a) The NISAU UK does not exclude or limit in any way its liability to the Applicant for any death or personal injury caused by the NISAU UK's negligence, any fraudulent misrepresentation by the NISAU UK, or any liability which cannot be excluded by law.

(b) Subject to paragraph (a), no liability is accepted by the NISAU UK for:

- loss of or damage to property belonging to the Achievers or anyone travelling with the Achievers (for example, watches, jewellery, cameras, or clothing); or
- losses or additional expenses incurred by the Achiever, or anyone associated with the Achievers Honours due to delays or changes in travel services, sickness, weather, strikes, riots, war, quarantine, or any other cause beyond the NISAU UK's reasonable control; or
- any special, indirect, consequential, or pure economic loss, costs, damages, charges, or expenses.

Subject to paragraphs (a) and (b), the NISAU UK assumes no liability to the Achievers or Applicants in contract, tort (including negligence or breach of statutory duty) misrepresentation, restitution or otherwise arising under or in connection with these Programme rules or related to the India UK Achievers Programme in any way whatsoever.

## **9. General**

The NISAU UK may disqualify or refuse to accept the entry of any applicant who does not meet the eligibility criteria or does not otherwise comply with these Entry Rules.

These Entry Rules shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of England and Wales and the courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction over any disputes or claims (including, without limitation, noncontractual disputes or claims) arising out of or in connection with the India UK Achievers Honours.

The website may include links to third-party websites that are controlled and maintained by others. Any link to other websites is not an endorsement of such websites and you acknowledge and agree that the NISAU UK is not responsible for the content or availability of any such sites.

## **10. Acceptance and Entry Rules**

By participating in the India UK Achievers Honours, applicants are deemed to have accepted these Entry Rules. Please tick the box on the application submission page to agree terms and conditions.

## **11. Enquiries**

Applicants/general enquirers may direct their general inquiries to the dedicated email address: [info@achieversshowcase.com](mailto:info@achieversshowcase.com).

## **12. NISAU UK Community**

As an applicant of the India UK Achievers Honours, the NISAU UK welcomes you to our community. Through this we will keep you informed about our activities and initiatives. As a member of the NISAU community we seek to provide you with opportunities for career advancement, global networking, and access to a range of exclusive events and resources. The NISAU's community is free to join.

The NISAU UK will store the information you provide us with indefinitely, as we want to engage with you throughout your lifetime. You can opt out of NISAU UK's communications at any time and your information will be deleted.