

## About CAG's awards for Innovation and Excellence in Public Auditing and Accounting, 2022

The Comptroller and Auditor General of India in 2021 instituted the scheme for 'CAG's Awards for Innovation and Excellence in Public Auditing and Accounting', to recognize and reward the extraordinary and innovative work done by the officers and staff of the Indian Audit and Accounts Department in the areas of public auditing, accounting, entitlement and support functions. While the CAG Awards Scheme 2021 recognized specific team excellence engendering a meritocratic environment, from an organizational perspective it is even more important to nurture all round qualitative improvement. With this aim, in addition to the existing scheme of awarding team endeavors towards excellence and exceptional work, a new category of awards has been instituted in 2022, that of awarding 'the most improved office'. This category of Awards seeks to recognize those offices working in the spheres of Accounting, Auditing and Training that showed maximum improvement in performance over a specified period of assessment.

Accordingly, CAG's Awards in the year 2022 have been conferred in the following two categories:

➤ **Category I- Project/Team awards for projects demonstrating innovation and excellence in Public Auditing and Accounting**

These awards seek to promote innovation and excellence backed by demonstrated exceptional performance and initiatives taken in the field of functional areas, working environment and welfare including:

- Auditing processes
- Stakeholder engagement
- Audit Reports and other audit products
- Communication and follow up of Audit Reports/products
- Accounting processes and financial reporting
- Entitlement processes and settlement of claims
- IT driven and IT led initiatives
- Human Resources and Capacity Building
- Administrative efficiency
- Grievance Redressal Mechanism
- Staff Welfare
- Any other area that contributes to achievement of the overall mission of IA&AD

This year a total of 50 eligible applications were received from various field offices of the IA&AD and wings in the office of the CAG of India. The CAG is

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pleased to declare nine entries as the winners of the Awards for the year 2022, of which two are being jointly awarded. The awarded entries have been selected through a meticulous process involving short listing of the entries by an Expert Committee followed by independent assessment of the shortlisted proposals by an Empowered Committee.

➤ **Category II- Awards for the most improved offices**

CAG's Awards for the most improved offices seek to recognize those offices working in the spheres of Accounting, Auditing and Training that showed maximum improvement in performance over a specified period of assessment i.e. the three preceding financial years. The endeavor is to encourage field offices to review their systemic strengths and weaknesses objectively every year and inspire them to compete with themselves to improve their own performance. Identification of the most improved field office has been through a process of self-assessment on certain prescribed parameters. The scores assigned by the offices to themselves have undergone a rigorous process of independent validation by the functional wings and thereafter, verification by the Inspection and Peer Review wing of the C&AG office.

These Awards are given under four categories of field offices viz. Accounts & Entitlement, State Audit, Central Audit and Training Institutes.

List of Awardees for CAG's Awards to 'Projects demonstrating innovation and excellence in Public Auditing and Accounting' 2022 (Category-I)

Sl. No.	Name of the Office/wing	Topic	IA&AS Officers	Non-IA&AS team members	Number
1	AG (Audit-II) Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow	Performance Audit Report on 'Land Acquisition and Allotment of Properties in NOIDA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shri Saurabh Narain,</li> <li>• Ms. Vinita Mishra,</li> <li>• Ms. Hansha Mishra</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Sanjeev Kumar, Sr. AO,</li> <li>• Mr. Ganesh Chandra Jha, Sr. AO,</li> <li>• Mr. Ashutosh Kumar Chaudhary, AAO,</li> <li>• Mr. Rishi Mathur, Sr.AO,</li> <li>• Mr. Amit Kumar Choudhary, AAO,</li> <li>• Mr. Ajay Kumar Srivastava, AAO,</li> <li>• Mr. Shailesh Kumar Srivastava, AAO,</li> <li>• Mr. Awdhesh Kumar Chaubey, AAO,</li> <li>• Mr. Bhartendu Vikram Sonkar, AAO,</li> <li>• Mr. Vaibhav Mishra, AAO,</li> <li>• Mr. Sachin Kumar Jain, AAO</li> </ul>	14
2	PAG (Audit) Uttarakhand	Flaws in system adopted for preparation of Schedule of Rates	Mr. Pravindra Yadav	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Sudhir Shrivatava, Sr.AO,</li> <li>• Mr. Deepak Malviya, AAO,</li> <li>• Mr. Laxman Singh, AAO,</li> <li>• Mr. Dharam Pal Singh, Sr.AO,</li> <li>• Mr. Dinesh Ramola, Sr.AO</li> </ul>	6
3	PAG (Audit-I) Kerala	Use of GIS and Simulation Studies for analysing the Preparedness and Response to Floods in Kerala	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Sunil Raj</li> <li>• Ms. Anu Jose</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Sandhya Ramachandran.S, Sr.AO,</li> <li>• Mr. Suresh. K, Sr.AO,</li> <li>• Mr. Sreejith Kulangaraparambath, AAO,</li> <li>• Mr. Hari Shankar.N, AAO,</li> <li>• Ms. Asha Deepa. S.M, AAO,</li> <li>• Mr. Arjun Ramesh, AAO,</li> <li>• Mr. R. Harikumar, AAO</li> </ul>	9
4	AG (Audit) Telangana	Estimation of quantum of Off-Budget Borrowings (OBBs)	Ms Saranya Baskar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. K V Kishore Kumar, Sr.AO,</li> <li>• Mr. Dilip Kumar Jena, Sr.AO</li> <li>• Ms. Bh Vasantha Lakshmi, AAO</li> </ul>	4
5	DGA (E&SD) New Delhi	Performance Audit on Conservation of Coastal Ecosystem	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Sanjay Kumar Jha</li> <li>• Ms. Stefi Sofi</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Gautam Gahlaut, Sr.AO,</li> <li>• Ms. Priyanka Mohil, Sr.AO,</li> <li>• Ms. Deepa V.P., Sr.AO,</li> <li>• Mr. Amit Dahiya, AAO</li> </ul>	6
6	PAG (Audit-II) Tamil Nadu & Puducherry	Audit of Marine and Coastal Ecosystems of Tamil Nadu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Vishwanath Singh Jadon</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. K. Narayanan, Sr.AO,</li> <li>• Mr. M. Senthilkumar, Sr.AO,</li> </ul>	8

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. J S Mohamed Ashraf</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. K.R. Venkatasubramanian, AAO,</li> <li>• Ms. B. Nirmala, AAO,</li> <li>• Mr. Charles D. Selwyn, AAO,</li> <li>• Mr. Maddirala Lokeswara Reddy, AAO.</li> </ul>	
7	PAG (Audit-II) Odisha	Performance Audit on 'Assessment of Plantation in Forest Department'	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Bibhudatta Basantia</li> <li>• Mr. K Surjith</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Dinabandhu Behera-II, Sr AO,</li> <li>• Mr. Saroj Kumar Parida, AAO,</li> <li>• Mr. Dilip Kumar Hazary, AAO,</li> <li>• Mr. Manoranjan Tripathy, AAO,</li> <li>• Mr. Md. Imran, AAO</li> </ul>	7
8	PAG (A&E) Chhattisgarh	Web based application under the ABHAAR -CG online Pension Management System in e-Kosh Portal	Mr. Rajiv Kumar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Sheela Santosh, Sr.AO;</li> <li>• Mr. C Santosh, AAO;</li> <li>• Mr. Arvind Kumar Maurya, AAO;</li> <li>• Mr. Avinash Kumar Sinha, AAO;</li> <li>• Mr. Vikash Kumar Mahato, AAO</li> </ul>	6
9	PDA, North Central Railway, Prayagraj	Outcome-based Audit on Punctuality and Travel time in Train Operations over Indian Railways	Mr. Sumant Narain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Shishir Kumar, AAO;</li> <li>• Mr. Digamber Jha, AAO;</li> <li>• Mr. Prafull Kumar Prabhat, AAO;</li> <li>• Mr. Alok Dwivedi, AAO;</li> <li>• Shri Vikalp Tiwari, Sr. Auditor</li> </ul>	6

## List of Awardees for CAG's Awards for 'Most improved offices' 2022 (Category-II)

### **Training Institute**

1. Regional Training Institute, Nagpur

### **Accounts and Entitlement offices**

1. O/o PAG (A&E-I) Maharashtra, Mumbai
2. O/o DAG (A&E) Sikkim, Gangtok

### **State Audit Offices**

1. O/o AG (Audit-II) Gujarat, Ahmedabad
2. O/o AG (Audit-I) Maharashtra, Mumbai
3. O/o PAG (Audit-I), Rajasthan, Jaipur

### **Union Audit Offices**

1. O/o DGA (Defence Services), New Delhi
2. O/o DGA (Shipping) Mumbai
3. O/o DGA (Southern Railway), Chennai