

27th Edition
Journalism Awards for Excellence 2025
Print and Online Media - Application Form

Important Notice

Please attach 03 copies of the Application Form ONLY .

For office use only

Received on : No :

1. Individual Entry

Full Name in English (block letters) : Rev/ Dr/ Ms/ Mr

2. Team Entry

All Names (in full) :

3. Personal Information

Address :

Mobile Number:

Email:

Phone Number :

NIC Number/ Passport Number:

4. Professional Information

Publication: Newspaper/Online Website:

Staff Journalist Freelance Journalist

Number of Articles / News Reports published in 2025
 (Attached five entrees)

Employer (If employed other than by a newspaper) :

5. Entry Information (Tick appropriate box) Category of Award applied for: (Print Media)

- Mervyn de Silva Journalist of the Year
- Scoop of the Year
- Best Health Care and Medical Report of the Year (S/T/E)
- Sports Journalist of the Year (S/T/E)
- Business and Finance Journalist of the Year (S/T/E)
- B.A. Siriwardena Columnist of the Year (S/T/E)
- Subramaniam Chettiar Award for Reporting on Social Issues
- Best Designed newspaper of the Year
- Investigative Journalist of the Year

- Denzil Peiris Young Reporter of the Year Environment
- Reporter of the Year (S/T/E)
- Cartoonist of the Year
- Photojournalist of the Year
- Upali Wijewardene Feature Writer of the Year (S/T/E)
- Kailasapathy Award for Best News or Feature using RTI

Category of Award applied for: (Newspaper Website)

- Best News Website (S/T/E)
- Best Video Storytelling (S/T/E)

6. Language : Sinhala Tamil English

Has the article/news report submitted been challenged/disputed?
 Yes No

If yes, any corrections, clarifications or retractions made after initial publication should be submitted as part of the application. Copies of any written challenges to the article or the news report's accuracy sent to the applicant or to the news organization must be attached to the application, including responses by the news organization. Judges may interview applicants should the requirement arise.

A. Declaration

I/We have read, the rules and regulations of the Journalism Awards for Excellence and have understood and conform to the criteria pertaining to the awards contained in the brochure and agree to abide by same. I/We agree to abide by the provisions of the Code of Professional Practice of The Editors' Guild of Sri Lanka and the Rules and Procedures of the Press Complaints Commission of Sri Lanka. I/We accept the decision of the Awards Panel of Judges as final and conclusive. I/We further certify to the authenticity of information provided in the application form and documents enclosed together with the form. I/We do understand any violation of the criteria set out in the brochure or mis-information will result in the disqualification or withdrawal of my/our application(s) or Award(s).

Please make sure that you have:

- D Dated and signed the application
- D Attached original publication of article/ news report/ photograph (Certified photocopies by editor accepted)
- D The entree has been properly bound, placed in folder or mounted
- D For photograph entries : Accompanying texts/ captions/stories attached, (Originals attached If not, photocopies certified by the Editor)

Signature of Applicant :

Date : (dd/mm/yy)

B. Certification by Editor

This is to certify that and the newspaper abides by both the Editors' Code of Professional Practice and the Rules and Procedures of the Press Complaints Commission of Sri Lanka.

Date: Name and Signature:

NOTE: Application should be submitted with the consent of the concerned Editor and should be a member of TEGOSL.

Envelope addressed to: The Chairman, Journalism Awards Committee, C/o Sri Lanka Press Institute, 96, Benard Soysa Mw (Kirula Road), Colombo 05

Closing date to receive application: Friday, July 31, 2026