



Manthan Award South Asia and Asia Pacific Grand Jury 2013: The Leaders' Brainstorm

This year we are celebrating the 10th year of the Asia's biggest ICT Ecosystem under the banner of Manthan Award South Asia and Asia Pacific 2013. Manthan Award is a well-established 10 year movement for ICT & Digital Inclusion. The mission is to create an information rich society where everyone, irrespective of caste, religion, race, region, gender etc. is empowered to create, receive, share and utilize information and knowledge through digital content for their economic, social, cultural and political upliftment and development.

The Manthan Award South Asia & Asia Pacific 2013 Grand Jury was successfully held at Kathmandu, Nepal on 2nd and 3rd October, 2013. Kathmandu was chosen for the Jury to show the fundamentals of inclusivity of Manthan Award and also for cross learning for the Jurors.

The Jury marked the second and final stage of selection of best practices for the 9th edition of the Manthan Award (extended to Asia Pacific this year). The Jury marked a fine amalgam of great minds from vastly different walks of life in sync with diversity in 16 award categories.

Manthan Award South Asia and Asia Pacific Grand Jury is one of the most crucial milestones in entire Manthan Award Process, which is aimed to invite, identify the best e-practices and innovations across South Asia and Asia Pacific. It aims to bring together the Domain experts from 36 South Asian and Asian Pacific Countries to an opportunity to exchange their ideas & evaluate the most innovative initiatives in the e-domain. The experts of the Grand Jury offer their perspective not only on how innovative the product/service is, but how well it is sustaining & how well strategically positioned it would be.

Manthan Award jury is a three tier process where the entries go through rigorous review and filtering, followed by the virtual jury selection and a conclusive grand jury selection of the best nominations. The process of Manthan Award Grand Jury is to select the final winners, however all the shortlisted candidates are invited in the final event where the final winners are announced.

Manthan Award is a dedicated platform to explore, recognize and felicitate the best e-content and digital practices across 36 countries in South Asia and Asia Pacific Region. Manthan Award is a first of its kind initiative to recognize the BEST use of ICT and digital tools to create holistic and comprehensive impact on people. Manthan Award is less about technology and digital media but more about the right use of the digital and technological tools. It was launched by Digital Empowerment Foundation in partnership with World Summit Award, Department of Information Technology, Govt. of India, and other similar organizations engaged in promoting digital content inclusiveness in the whole of South Asian & Asia Pacific nation for development.

The core objective of the Manthan Award process is: making visible the contents that already exist and thus demonstrating the richness and diversity of content creativity to those interested in understanding and planning an Information Society. The Manthan Award wants to demonstrate to every stakeholder the existing range of creativity and excellence in the use of the ICT tools and communication networks.

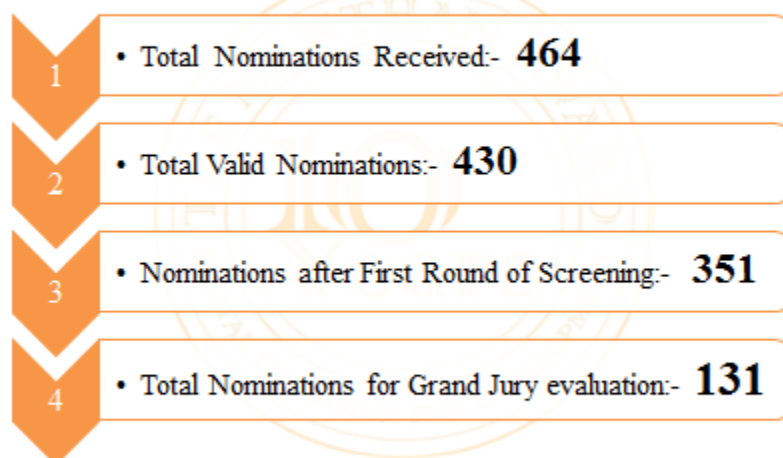
MANTHAN AWARD COUNTRIES

AFGHANISTAN, AUSTRALIA, BANGLADESH, BHUTAN, BRUNEI, CHINA, CAMBODIA, FIJI, HONGKONG, INDIA, INDONESIA, IRAN, JAPAN, KIRIBATI, LAOS, MACAU, MALAYSIA, MALDIVES, MONGOLIA, MYANMAR, NEPAL, NEW ZEALAND, NORTH KOREA, PAKISTAN, PAPUA NEW GUINEA, PHILIPPINES, SAMOA, SINGAPORE, SOLOMON ISLAND, SOUTH KOREA, SRI LANKA, TAIWAN, THAILAND, TIMOR, TONGA, VIETNAM

MANTHAN AWARD CATEGORIES

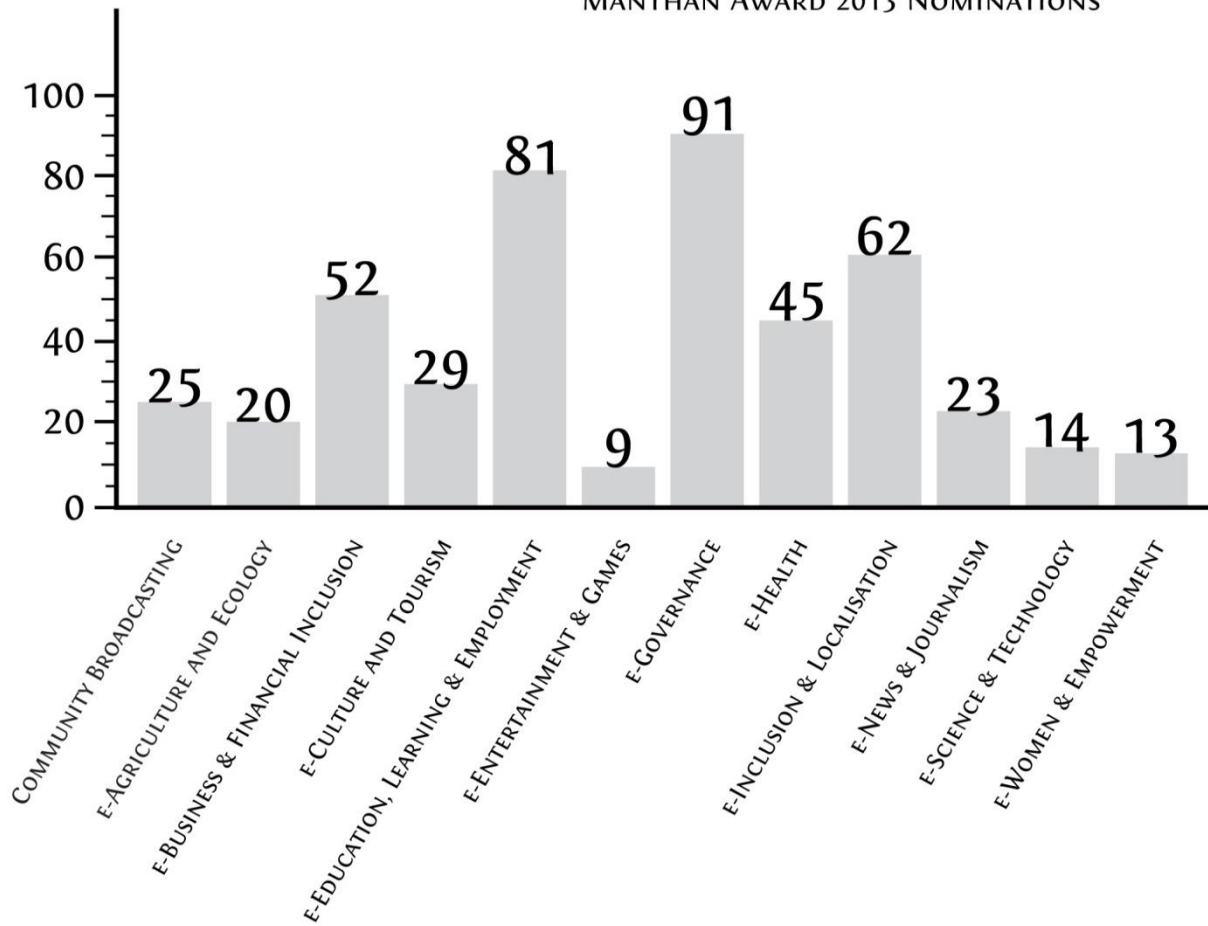
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Nominations Statistics: Summary



CATEGORY BASED STATISTICS

MANTHAN AWARD 2013 NOMINATIONS



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