

## Introduction

BIRAC announces the special edition of **WInER Award (Women In Entrepreneurial Research)** to recognize, reward and support women entrepreneurs in biotech sector implementing their innovative solutions in the states of North East Region (Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura).

## Key Features

Under this award program, top 5 women entrepreneurs implementing their innovative products/technologies in NER will be awarded with the following:

- Award money of INR 5 lakhs each
- Access to BIRAC's expert mentor network
- Opportunity to participate in BIRAC's accelerator programme

## Who can apply

A proposal can only be submitted by Indian company, registered under the Indian Companies Act, 1956/2013 with woman entrepreneur\* as Principal investigator. The company should be in existence for less than 10 years as on closure of the call. Minimum 51% of the shares of the Company should be held by Indian Citizens holding Indian passport (Indian Citizens do not include Person of Indian Origin (PIO) and Overseas Citizenship of India (OCI) holders).

\*A woman entrepreneur should be:

1. The principal Investigator of the submitted project for consideration under this application
2. An Indian Citizen holding Indian passport
3. One of the promoter shareholders of the Indian Company

## How to apply

Only online application is accepted. For submissions, please register on BIRAC website under WInER Award Category. User registration is open round the clock and closes by 5:30 PM on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

*Note: Prior recipients of WInER Awards are ineligible*

<b>Submission</b>	
<b>Opens</b>	<b>Closes</b>
<b>1st December, 2019</b>	<b>15<sup>th</sup> January, 2020 (05:30 PM)</b>

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