Terms and Conditions for Esri India Call for Maps 2026

An initiative of Esri India Technologies Private Limited

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ENTRY TO THIS Esri India Call for Maps 2026 ("Program")

Program Introduction

The Program is an initiative by Esri India to bring together students, creators & academicians and provide a platform to showcase their abilities as creators and storytellers using Esri Inc. USA/ Esri India Technology ('GIS Technology').

Why Participate?

- Get Recognized: Get a chance to have your work featured on Esri India's digital platforms and marketing collaterals.
- Inspire the Community: Share your innovative ideas and inspire fellow GIS enthusiasts.
- Build Your Portfolio: Highlight your expertise and enhance your professional visibility.
- Reward & Recognition: Trophy to Winner
- The winner shall be recognised during the Closing Session of the Esri India User Conference 2026, scheduled to be held on 2–3 September 2026 at Hotel Pullman Aerocity, New Delhi, or in such other manner as may be determined by Esri India at its sole discretion.
- Any complimentary conference pass extended to selected creators shall be non-transferable and may be issued only upon the creators confirming their attendance and furnishing details of their travel, accommodation, and local transportation arrangements to Esri India. The issuance and continued validity of such pass shall remain at Esri India's sole discretion and shall not constitute an automatic or guaranteed entitlement.
- Esri India reserves the right to refuse, withdraw, or cancel any complimentary conference pass if the conduct, actions, statements, or circumstances relating to a winner are determined by Esri India, in its reasonable discretion, to be inconsistent with Esri India's values, policies, or legitimate business interests, or otherwise likely to adversely affect Esri India's reputation or goodwill. In such event, the affected creator shall have no claim against Esri India for any compensation, damages, reimbursement, or other relief arising out of such refusal, withdrawal, or cancellation.
- Any travel, accommodation, local transportation, visa, incidental, or other related expenses incurred in connection with attending the event shall be borne solely by the respective winners, and Esri India shall have no liability in respect thereof.

✓ **Email:**

For Esri India: ucmaps@esri.in

Terms & Conditions

1. Agreement

In order to be a participate in the Program, you are required to agree to the rules stated herein below. Please read these rules prior to submitting your creative entries to ensure you understand and agree. Submission of your entries constitutes your acceptance to these rules. These terms constitute a binding legal agreement between you and Esri India Technologies Pvt. Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as the "Company") regarding your entry and participation in Program.

2. Eligibility

2.1 The contest is open to residents of India.

2.2 Each entry must be an original work created using Esri's ArcGIS technology and adhere to all content guidelines.

3. Submission Process

3.1 Format of Submission

Participants must submit:

- Original Map as a High-resolution PDF.
- Accompanying document providing a brief written description of the Map's content and purpose.
- Entries via private or inaccessible links will be ineligible.

3.2 Required Information

Each submission must include:

- Full Name
- Organization/University/College:
- City:
- Phone:
- Email:
- Title of the Map:
- Esri software used:
- Data Sources:
- Brief Description of the Map:

3.3 Number of Submissions

- Participants may submit up to three (3) unique Maps.
- Rules for multiple submissions:
  - Each entry must be distinct and original.
  - No content may be duplicated across entries submitted by the same participant.
  - Duplicate submissions of the same Map will not be accepted.

3.4 Mode of Submission

- All entries must be submitted through the Map Entry Form at esri.in

4. Content Guidelines

4.1 Entries must be original and created by the participant.

4.2 Plagiarism or use of copyrighted material without proper attribution will result in immediate disqualification, at the sole discretion of Esri India.

4.3 Submissions shall be subject to Content Restrictions as mentioned in clause 10 below.

4.4 Participants must ensure that all data sources used in their submission are properly attributed.

5. Ownership of Intellectual Property

5.1 Pursuant to the participation, all intellectual property developed or created by the Participant during the Program or any other Esri India program shall be the exclusive property of Esri India. If Esri India requires any Intellectual Property transfer documents, the Participant agrees to fully cooperate and promptly provide the necessary documentation.

5.2 Esri India reserves the right to share and promote selected entries on its website, social media channels, and marketing materials. The Participant waives and surrenders all rights to the Intellectual Property developed as part of this Program to Esri India.

6. Selection & Judging Criteria

6.1 Entries will be judged by a panel of experts from Esri India based on the following:

- Story telling: Clarity and Creativity
- Data & Maps Usage
- Creativity & Design
- Impact / Relevance
- Visual and multimedia elements

6.2 Judges' decisions will be final and binding.

7. Recognition & Notification of Winners

7.1 Esri India may, at its sole discretion, shortlist eligible entries from among all submissions received under the Program. Participants whose entries are shortlisted shall be notified through the contact details provided in their submission.

7.2 Shortlisted entries may be displayed or showcased in the Esri India UC Map Gallery as part of the Esri India User Conference 2026, scheduled to be held on 2–3 September 2026 at Hotel Pullman Aerocity, New Delhi, or in such other manner as Esri India may determine.

7.3 The winning entry may be selected from amongst the shortlisted entries showcased in the Esri India UC Map Gallery. The winner may be recognized during the closing session of the Esri India User Conference 2026 and may be awarded a trophy and complimentary conference registration. Any travel, accommodation, local transportation, visa, incidental, or other related expenses shall be borne solely by the winner.

7.4 Esri India reserves the right to modify the selection process, number of shortlisted entries, recognition format, award, manner of announcement, date, venue, or format of the Program at its sole discretion.

8. No Fee or Remuneration

8.1 No fee, honorarium, or remuneration shall be payable to the Participant for enrolling or participating in the Program.

8.2 The benefits described herein are indicative and provided for illustrative purposes only. The availability, nature, and extent of such benefits shall be subject to Esri India's sole discretion and prevailing circumstances. Nothing contained in this document shall be construed as creating any obligation on the part of Esri India to confer any specific benefit upon any Participant.

9. Confidentiality

9.1 Any material shared as part of this program should be kept confidential and solely used for learning and personal development.

9.2 The Participant acknowledges that they may receive or have access to confidential and proprietary information belonging to Esri India and/or its affiliates. Such information shall be treated as confidential and shall not be disclosed, copied, or used without Esri India's prior written consent.

10. Content Restrictions

The Participant agrees that any content shared in connection with the Program shall not contain:

(a) Nudity, lewd, or vulgar material.

(b) Content that infringes on third-party rights, including but not limited to intellectual property rights, privacy, and publicity rights.

(c) Unauthorized brand names or trademarks.

(d) Content that promotes hatred, discrimination, or harm against any individual or group based on race, religion, gender, nationality, disability, or sexual orientation.

Esri India reserves the right to remove any content which it reasonably believes to be restrictive content without any notice. Esri India's discretion in this shall be final, binding and non-refutable. Participant hereby agrees that it shall not raise any dispute to the decision of Esri India in this regard.

11. Publicity and Use of Participant Information

11.1 The Participant shall not use Esri India's name, logo, or trademarks in any publicity, advertisement, or promotional material without prior written consent from Esri India.

11.2 The Participant hereby grants its consent to Esri India to feature his/her their name, submission etc. on the Program's website/webpage and related promotional materials.

12. Warranties and Indemnity

12.1 The Participant warrants that any submissions, are his/her original work and do not infringe upon any third-party rights.

12.2 The Participant agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Esri India, its affiliates, officers, and employees from any claims, damages, liabilities, or expenses (including reasonable legal fees) arising from the Participant's breach of these Terms or any wrongful act or omission.

13. Limitation of Liability

13.1 To the maximum extent permitted under applicable law, Esri India's total aggregate liability arising out of or in connection with these Terms and Conditions, whether in contract, tort (including negligence), statute, or otherwise, shall be limited to the actual direct damages suffered by the participant, subject to a maximum amount of INR 5,000 (Indian Rupees Five Thousand), whichever is lower.

13.2 In no event shall either party be liable to the other for any indirect, incidental, consequential, or special damages, including loss of profits, even if advised of the possibility of such damages.

14. Disqualification

14.1 Providing false or misleading information, violating these Terms, or engaging in any conduct that compromises the integrity of the Program may result in immediate disqualification without any notice at Esri India's sole discretion.

15. Program Modification or Cancellation

15.1 Esri India reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to modify, suspend, or cancel the Program if circumstances arise that compromise its integrity, security, or operations.

15.2 Esri India may disqualify any Participant who acts in a manner detrimental to the Program or its reputation and reserves the right to seek damages to the fullest extent permitted by law.

16. Disclaimer of Warranties

16.1 The Program and any related services are provided on an "as is" basis without any express or implied warranties, including but not limited to warranties of merchantability, fitness for a particular purpose, or non-infringement.

17. Data Privacy & Consent

17.1 By submitting an entry, participants hereby agree and provide their express consent that Esri India may collect, store, and process their personal data for the purposes of administering the contest, communicating with participants, announcing winners, and promoting the contest on various platforms, including but not limited to Esri India's website, social media channels, and marketing campaigns.

17.2 Personal data will be handled in accordance with applicable data protection laws and Esri India's privacy policy.

17.3 Esri India will not share personal data with third parties without the participant's explicit consent, except as required by law.

17.4 Participants may request access to or deletion of their personal data by contacting [storymaps@esri.in].

18. Governing Law and Dispute Resolution

18.1 This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of India.

18.2 Any disputes arising out of or in connection with this Agreement shall be resolved through arbitration in accordance with the Indian Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996, as amended from time to time. The arbitration shall be conducted by a sole arbitrator appointed by mutual agreement of the parties. The venue of arbitration shall be New Delhi, and the proceedings shall be conducted in English.

18.3 The courts in New Delhi, India, shall have exclusive jurisdiction over all matters arising out of or relating to this Agreement.