

Young Scholar Program 2026

Terms & Conditions



Participation in this Esri India Young Scholar Program constitutes your acceptance of these Terms and Conditions.

1. Program: In order to participate into Esri India Young Scholar Program (**'Program'**) being sponsored by Esri India Technologies Private Limited (**'Esri India'** or **'Company'**), you must agree to these terms and conditions (**'T&Cs'**). Therefore, please read these T&Cs prior to submitting your application for participation in the Program, to ensure you understand and agree to them. You agree that submission of your application in the Program constitutes your agreement to these T&Cs. Unless you agree to these T&Cs, you may not submit an application and you are not eligible to receive any benefit under this Program. These T&Cs form a binding legal agreement between you and the Company with respect to your participation in the Program.

2. Eligibility:

- a. The Program is open to students studying in India, who are enrolled in a regular undergraduate or a regular postgraduate degree course, from a college affiliated from a university recognized by the Government of India and must be of at least 18 years of age (**'Participant'**). Participation is also open for students graduating in the year 2026.
- b. The candidate must submit their college/university Id along with their application for participation in the Program.
- c. Applications shall be submitted online using the submission form link available on [Young Scholar Program | Esri India](#)

3. Application Submission Criteria:

- a. The Participant must submit their project using Esri GIS technology/ Indo ArcGIS technology (**'Project'**).
- b. The Participant irrevocably agrees that the Project if selected may be presented at the Esri International User Conference (**'Event'**) scheduled to be held in July 2026 at San Diego, California, organized by Esri Inc., USA (**'Event Organizer'**).
- c. The Participant must ensure compliance of all applicable laws in their Project, including but not limited to U.S. Export laws and non-infringement of third-party Intellectual Property rights.

- 4. Rejection:** Any false information provided within the context of the Project/ Program by the Participant concerning ownership, non-compliance of laws, breach of a T&C(s) and personal information including identity, mailing address, telephone number, email address, or the like may result in the immediate disqualification of the application of the Participant for panel review for notification of results, under the Program without any notice, at any stage.

- 5. Panel Review and Notification of Result:** The Participants will be reviewed and notified on the below parameters:
 - a. Esri India will notify the results on the email id registered under the Program. Esri India will not be responsible in case the Participant does not receive or acted upon the communication.
 - b. A final selection will be made on the basis on the review of the Project by the Review Panel. The decision of the Review Panel with respect to the notification of results will be final and non-appealable.
 - c. The prize/ appreciation, if any, can only be accepted in the form it is awarded.
 - d. In the event, for any reason whatsoever, the Participant(s) does not claim the prize/ appreciation within five days of being notified, Esri India may decide to award the prize/ appreciation to another finalist. In case the Participant is selected to represent at the Event but is unwilling to travel, Esri India may decide to pass this opportunity to another finalist.

- 6. Participant's Travel Pre-requisites:**
 - a. To be fully vaccinated and possess a certificate for any such vaccination, as maybe required for travel to the United States for Event to be organized by Event Organizer.
 - b. To not possess a criminal record and must be eligible to travel to the United States.
 - c. To not have violated the Law of Land.
 - d. To obtain the necessary visas in time for their visit if they get selected for the Event.

- 7. IP rights and compliance of Law:** All intellectual property, including but not limited to, text, documents, videos, images, software, code, and any other materials or content created by Participants submitted under this Program, shall be owned by the creators of such intellectual property.

- 8. Rights of Esri India/ Event Organizer:**
 - a. Esri India/ Event Organizer reserves the right to use the submitted and award-winning project for marketing promotion material. No compensation will be provided, except the winner may get an opportunity to attend/ or to present the

award- winning project in any of the Esri India marketing events in future.

- b. By participating in the Program, Participants grant Esri India a worldwide, non-exclusive, royalty-free, and irrevocable license to use, reproduce, modify, adapt, publish, translate, distribute, and display such intellectual property, in whole or in part, for promotional, educational, and administrative purposes related to the Program or otherwise.
- c. **RIGHT TO CANCEL, MODIFY OR DISQUALIFY.** If for any reason the Program is not capable of running as planned, including infection by computer virus, bugs, tampering, unauthorized intervention, fraud, technical failures or any other causes which corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, integrity, or proper conduct of the Program, Esri India reserves the right at its sole discretion to cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the Program. Esri India further reserves the right to disqualify any Participant who tampers with the submission process or any other part of the Program or Program Site. Any attempt by a Participant to deliberately damage any website, including the Program Site, or undermine the legitimate operation of the Program is a violation of criminal and civil laws and should such an attempt be made, Program Administrator reserves the right to seek damages from any such person to the fullest extent of the applicable law.

9. Internet and Disclaimer: Esri India shall have no obligations other than announcing a winner in accordance with the parameter at its sole discretion. Further, in the event it becomes difficult, impossible, illegal, or substantially or materially interfered with for winner, due to any cause or causes beyond the reasonable control including, without limitation, any of the force majeure condition. The Event Organizer reserves the right to cancel, amend the date of the Event or change the venue or otherwise alter/ cancel the Event and shall be under no obligation in case of cancellation.

- 10. Program Prize ('Prize'):** Esri India's Prize to the winner ('Winner') will cover these budgeted expenses related to international travel:
- a. Economy-class ticket(s) as per Esri India travel policy.
 - b. Transportation to and from airports (receipts to be submitted within 10 days of travel).
 - c. Stay for the Event (maximum 7 days) as per Esri India travel policy.
 - d. Travel insurance.

And shall not cover the following:

- a. Expenses associated with optional stopovers before or after travel that has been approved.
- b. Penalties resulting from changes in personal travel arrangements, including optional stopovers.
- c. Charges for excess baggage and ship
- d. Any other expenses, unless pre-approved in writing by Esri India

11. Winner Obligations:

- i. Winner is responsible for:
 - a. Arranging and bearing the cost of visa
 - b. Making travel arrangements as per Esri India travel policy. Failure to arrange travel at least 45 days prior to the Esri International User Conference in July 2026, will lead to automatic cancellation of the prize and the Winner will have no right to claim thereafter.
 - c. Meeting all medical and non- medical requirements for international travel, including stay.
 - d. Arranging and funding any personal travel, which may take place for up to four weeks at the end of the Event. After that, Winner is expected to return home.
 - e. Obtaining travel insurance
- ii. The Winner shall not be entitled to assign, transfer or delegate to a third- party any rights, or obligations that may arise out of the Program.
- iii. Winner(s) acknowledges that his/her participation in Program is strictly voluntary and is not required by Esri India as a condition for any other program from Esri India or any other business relationship with Esri India. Winner agrees that his/her sole and exclusive remedy, in law, in equity, or otherwise, with respect to the Program and/or any breach of the Program terms is withdrawal from participation in Program.
- iv. The Winner agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Esri India/ Esri Inc. from and against any loss, defamation, cost, or damage of any kind (including reasonable outside attorneys' fees) to the extent arising out of his/ her illegal conduct, and/or its negligence or willful misconduct.
- v. The Winner warrants to comply with the laws of both the United States and the area where the grant will be carried out, to cause no harm, to demonstrate sensitivity to the traditions and culture of the area where a project will be carried out, to provide emergency contact information and travel itineraries to Esri India, and to share required information with Esri India at least 15 days prior to the travel or whenever asked to, whichever is earlier and to be liable for any legal liability that could arise from the Winner's acts or omissions thereof that cause harm to others.
- vi. The Winner shall ensure the following:
 - a. To sign the voluntary waiver shared with them at the time acceptance of the prize.
 - b. To submit a date wise travel report upon their return, along with their elaborate experience during the visit.

12. Privacy: Participant is encouraged to read the Privacy Policy on the Website and to use the information it contains to make informed decisions regarding their personal information shared with regards to the Program. Please also note that certain information, statements, data and content (such as but not limited to photographs) which the Participant shall provide on the Website are likely to reveal their gender, ethnic origin, nationality, age, and/or other personal information about the Participant. The Participant acknowledges and agrees that their

submission of such information is voluntary on their part. Further, Participant acknowledges, consents, and agrees that Esri India/ Event Organizer may access, preserve, and disclose information Participant provides to Esri India at any stage during Participant's use of the Website. Disclosures of information to Third Parties are further addressed in Our Privacy Policy.

- 13. Indemnity:** The Participant/ Winner will defend, hold harmless and indemnify, including reasonable legal fees, Esri India/ Event Organizer and its personnel against claims that arise or are alleged to have arisen as a result of negligent or intentional acts or omissions or breach by them of any term of this Program or the Event.
- 14. No Relationship:** Nothing in these T&Cs shall create a relationship of agency, employment, or representation between Esri India and the Winner or give the Winner any interest at the Event or Esri India.