

## **NCPEDP-Mphasis Universal Design Awards invites applications from health startups**

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NCPEDP-Mphasis Universal Design Awards 2021 will be held on September 28, 2021. Health startups can now apply for National Accessibility Awards. The awards are given away every year to those who have been doing exemplary work towards the cause of accessibility and thus ensuring a life of equality and dignity for people with disabilities. Since 2010, the NCPEDP-Mphasis Universal Design Awards, have been awarding individuals and corporations who are enabling persons with disabilities to live more independently. The winners of this apex national award, over the past decade, include several healthcare innovators.

Executive Director of National Centre for Promotion of Employment for Disabled People (NCPEDP) Arman Ali says, “We believe that a person with a disability should get the same information and services as a person without a disability. These awards recognise those who are working towards making this happen. In a country like India, there are many more innovators working actively to build health services for persons with disabilities. We encourage them to apply for the NCPEDP-Mphasis Universal Design Awards.”

“The availability of accessible, cost-effective software, devices, etc. will go a long way in supporting PwDs lead better lives, and through these awards, we hope to raise awareness for this important cause and promote the need for universal design,” said Srikanth Karra, CHRO, Mphasis.

Applications are invited across subjects like accessibility in the built environment, transport, ICT, aids and appliances, advocacy, and public policy and services across four categories:

1. Person with Disabilities
2. Working professionals
3. Organisations/Companies
4. NCPEDP-Mphasis Javed Abidi Public Policy Award.

