**Category 4: Best Innovative Financial Accessibility model for WASH: Large financial institutions, microfinance institutions, banks, government financial institutions, etc.**

**Eligibility**

Large financial institutions, microfinance institutions, banks, government financial institutions, etc. working to develop, support, or implement sanitation initiatives for a minimum of two years. These could also be involved in the sanitation lending phase.

**Evaluation Criteria**

Entries will be screened for their eligibility, and selection for the final round will be done based on the following parameters:

1. **Outreach:** What has been the outreach of your organisation’s lending mandate in sanitation in the last two years? Give qualitative proof to substantiate the quantum of loans.
2. **Operating Model / Sustainability / Affordability:** Is the organisation delivering the sanitation loans in a cost-effective and viable manner? How effective has the organisation been in recovering these loans? Give qualitative proof to substantiate such claims.
3. **Replicability & Scalability:** Does the model / approach have the potential to upscale and increase its impact? (Up-scaling can be understood from quantitative as well as qualitative perspectives). Does your model / approach have the potential for replication across multiple geographies?
4. **Ease of borrowing**: How has the model / approach improved accessibility to sanitation loans? Has it helped enhance the reach to isolated areas? Are there any unique tools for monitoring and evaluation that your organisation has developed?
5. **Rapidness of action:** Has the financing / lending under consideration matched with the speed at which the product innovations were considered for implementation?
6. **Social Impact:** What is the current number of beneficiaries that are impacted by the programme? How is the social impact being made on the target beneficiaries measured? Does the organisation’s track record indicate that it has learned from experience and improved the programme / product design over time to scale up their operations? Are systems and tools that were used to track and measure the impact being consistently improved based on learning and sustained

***\*Weightage would be given to the programmes that address more than one section of the sustainable sanitation value chain, i.e. Build, Use, Maintain and Treat (for details, on BUMT*** [**Click Here)**](http://www.indiasanitationcoalition.org/bumt.html)

Award entries that clear the screening and preliminary evaluation will make a presentation to the jury in New Delhi. The jury will evaluate the entries and select the finalists. Field validation of the shortlisted entries (finalists) may be done by the jurors leading to the selection of winners. The decision of the jury shall be final and binding for all the contestants.

**Important instructions**

* Names of the applicant, questionnaire submitted and scoring information will be kept confidential and will be the property of the India Sanitation Coalition.
* Information contained can be used for dissemination with consent from the organisation giving due credit. India Sanitation Coalition will not be responsible for the authenticity of the information supplied by the applicant organisation.
* Please make multiple copies if you wish to submit entries for more than one product.
* Incomplete entries will not be considered for evaluation.
* Please submit the completed final questionnaire in soft copy (Word document only) by 11th April, 2021.
* Complete entries should be submitted to –

Email: awards2021@isc.ficci.com

**Section 1(a): Organisation details**

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| **Name:** |  |
| **Contact person:** |  |
| **Designation:** |  |
| **Address for communication:** |  |
| **Telephone:** |  |
| **Email:** |  |
| **Website (if any)** |  |
| **Type of organisation (Financial Institution / Self-help group)** |  |

**Section 1(b):** Name of the programme initiative, its dates of commencement and completion, geographical areas covered, etc.

**Section 1(c): Executive Summary** (Please provide a summary of the application **in 100-150 words**, primarily capturing the essence of the project / initiative that you have described in detail below in terms of the organisation, what, why and how aspects of the project / initiative)

**Section 2: Description of Sanitation Lending**

Outline the features of your organisation’s operations to cover the following points –

1. Describe the technical details, the lending mandate and repayment rates for loans in sanitation your organisation / model / approach administers (100-150 words)
2. What innovations in your project / model have made it better than the already operating models? (75-100 words)
3. Did the speed to action in your intervention match with the speed at which innovative thoughts took shape and were included in your implementation plan— (50 words)
4. Results:
* Describe what has been the positive outcome created by your lending mandate on sanitation objectives including on ODF sustainability.
* Describe how your model / approach has improved accessibility to sanitation loans. Mention if it has enhanced reach to isolated areas as well?
* How did your model benefit women and the marginalized communities?

**Section 3: Supporting Materials**

If you wish to support your application with documents (reports, publications, etc.), kindly attach these files in the same email as that for your application form. Please ensure that the email size should not exceed 10 MB or else the system will reject the mail.

**Section 4: Declaration**

**Take the content below in the letter head of your company and attach it with the questionnaire.**

**DECLARATION**

I hereby declare that the data/ information provided in the questionnaire is correct to the best of my knowledge. I also declare that information contained can be used for knowledge sharing and increasing awareness with due acknowledgement.

**Date:** **Digital** **Signature of Applicant:**

**Place: Name and Designation:**