#### **Eligibility criteria:**

- 1. Participant must be Indian individuals or Indian registered companies, or foreign companies with a registered presence in India.
- 2. Innovation can be a product/service/project/process/procedure/methodology developed for rural sector
- 3. Innovation must be already implemented and should not be in a planning or conceptualizing stage. The innovation should be implemented between January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2011
- 4. The innovation must be implemented in the Indian operations of the participant
- 5. The innovation nominated/applied must be developed within the participating organization. An organization cannot participate on behalf of its subsidiary, other units; parent organization or other organization under the parent organization.
- 6. Participation in the Awards is subject to defined rules and regulations available on website *www.nabard.org*

#### Award category (Tick one)

- 1. Please tick one award category as per the type of entity. Refer the definition provided below.
- 2. For the categories 1 to 5, the innovation / initiative needs to be within the following broad segments:

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a. Energy		b. Training & skills up-gradation
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c. Financial Services f. Others

d. Agriculture & Allied activities e. Technology

Sr.	Category of Participants	Definition	Tick one
1	Individual	Any individual or person who has innovated products and / services for the benefit of rural areas	
2	NGO / Trust	NGO / Trust is a non-governmental organization (NGO) legally constituted under MACS / Societies Act / Trust Act.	
3	Academic / Research Institution	Academic institution is an educational institution dedicated to the spread of education. Research institutions specialized in basic or applied research	
4	Private sector	Private sector includes those companies that are owned by private individuals or groups.	
5	Public sector / Cooperative sector / Government	Public sector / Cooperative sector / Government institutions or business units owned, managed and controlled by the central, state or local Government	

#### Instructions for filling the form

- 1. Please complete the form in permanent ink.
- 2. Application form should be completed in English or Hindi language only. Forms provided in only English or Hindi language would be considered for evaluation.
- 3. In case if the participant is not able to apply in English / Hindi language, then the participant may approach NABARD Regional Office / District office (as provided in rules "Modes of application" section) for filling the form.
- 4. All questions must be answered. Incomplete forms may not be considered.
- 5. Once complete, the application form must be signed by authorized signatory
- 6. Please provide supporting documents (photographs, video clippings, certificates, press clippings, references, etc.) wherever possible, to support your entry details (up to 10).
- 7. You may participate in as many award categories as you wish by making copies of this application form.
- The form must reach the following address: CGM, DPD-NFS, NABARD, Plot No. C-24, G- Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Post Box No. 8121, Bandra (East), Mumbai – 400 051 latest by 15 May 2012. Please maintain one copy of the form with you for your records.

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Name of participant				
	Address:			
Contact details	City / Town /Village:			
	Contact no.		Email id:	
Panchayat information	Panchayat Name:			
(Applicable for individual residing in a village)	District:	State:	Pin code:	
Compart of impossible	□ Energy		□ Financial services	
Segment of innovation	□ Training & s	kills up-gradation	□ Agriculture	
(Tick one)	□ Technology		□ Other	
Date of birth (dd/mm/yy)				
Educational qualifications				
Work experience				

# Participant information (To be filled by an Individual)

#### Participant information (To be filled by an organization) Name of participant Address of registered City: State: Head Office / Location Pin code: Website (if any): Name: **Contact details** Contact no. Email id: □ Energy □ Financial services Segment of innovation □ Training & skills up-gradation □ Agriculture (Tick one) □ Others □ Technology Year of establishment Key products / services Other key players in your domain Revenue from the Less than Rs 5 lakhs □ Between Rs 5 - 25 lakhs innovation for FY 2010-11 □ More than Rs 25 lakhs □ Not applicable □ Less than 10 □ Between 10-100 Customers □ More than 100 □ Less than 10 □ Between 10-50 Number of employees on payroll $\Box$ More than 50

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Case study (Mandatory for all participants)

Innovation / Initiative information

Describe the unique features of innovation / initiative done. Please provide illustrations or examples of its application areas.

What is the vision for the Innovation? How do you see your Innovation impacting Rural India in 10 years?

What hurdles / key challenges did you face while developing the innovation? What were the challenges faced while implementing the same?

What were the costs and timelines associated with the innovation? Please provide details.

Benefits / Impact of the innovation on:		
Employment in rural		
area		
Standard of living		
Income of the rural		
people		

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Benefits / Impact of the innovation on:		
Environment		
conservation		
Policy changes		
Others (Please specify)		

#### Future potential

Describe scalability of the innovation stating cost and timelines associated with it. How do you propose to scale up this innovation stating cost and time? E.g. Source for funding, investor, partnership etc.

Describe whether the innovation is replicable in nature i.e. if others can replicate in their business.

## Other information & certifications (Optional)

**Details of any other information or certification(s) that you wish to highlight to the jury (**Please provide photographs, video clippings, certificates, press clippings, references or any other....)

#### **Declaration (Mandatory)**

I/We agree, on behalf of myself / my organization, to abide by the rules of the 'NABARD Award for Rural Innovations' and accept that the decisions of the Jury are final. I confirm that I am / my organization is eligible to take part in this competition and that all information in this application and accompanying documents are correct to the best of my/our knowledge. I / We agree that I / we shall hold harmless, NABARD, the Awards management, its employees, officers, contractors, EY or other persons and shall indemnify them against any loss, claim, demands, costs, damages, judgments, expenses or liability arising out of or in connection with any or all claims that may be brought against the Awards management by any third party in connection with participation in or winning the Award.

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