Honouring Excellence
Culmination of the 22 months long campaign!

The CMS VATAVARAN Environment and Wildlife Film Festival, with each passing year, have been growing in stature. With the national and international acclaim it has garnered in the choice of films and issues showcased, the rigour of its selection procedure and the huge scale on which it is held, the Festival is well on its way to becoming the most prestigious environment and wildlife festival in Asia. The festival has gradually become a “must visit” event on the social calendar and schedules of bureaucrats, policymakers, renowned filmmakers, environment enthusiasts, students and children, too. Owing to the eclectic nature of topics covered from world over, it has something for everybody, across ages.

This year, the festival received more than 300 entries from 22 Indian states and 27 countries in 10 categories. The award winners have been selected after three rounds of evaluation in which 50 eminent personalities from different sectors dedicated their valuable 10 days (nearly 1500 hrs) to decide the award winners.

INDIAN AND INTERNATIONAL AWARDS AND CATEGORIES

- Prithvi Ratna Award
- Best of the Festival Award
- Biodiversity
- Climate Change and Sustainable Technologies
- Environmental Conservation
- Water for All
- Series
- Films for Children
- Newcomer
- Animation
- Livelihoods
- Public Service Announcements (PSA)
- Technical Excellence Awards (for Indian only)
- CMS-Panos Young Environment Journalist Award
Green Salute!
The CMS VATAVARAN trophy symbolises “The Core of Earth and Life-TREE”.

Life surrounds the tree; the branches, stretch their arms up to the sky, its roots, deep inside the earth, hold it tight to its moorings. A tree is the link between life and earth. To symbolise this, the trophy has the trunk of the tree composed of a human figure, with arms extended like the branches of a tree, hugging the Earth.

The design is symbolic of efforts to protect, nurture and conserve our planet and its precious biodiversity, without which the perpetuation of organic life on Earth would be impossible. It also conveys that our natural environment and Gaia is dependant on each other for their survival and that of human life, too.

The design is modern, abstract and symbolic and conveys vigor like the dynamic environment it has always talked about. The trophy, thus, reflects CMS’ commitment for maintaining harmony between nature’s resources, its processes and mankind’s growth trajectory.

Highlights!
19 Indian Awards and 9 International Awards in 10 Categories
CMS VATAVARAN Prithvi Ratna Award
Award money ranges from INR 50,000 – 1,50,000
(for Indian Filmmakers)
Total Award Money INR 13.5 Lakhs