

NGS to felicitate captains of industry

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Ahmedabad: NavGujarat Samay, a Gujarati daily of the Times Group, will felicitate captains of industry and budding entrepreneurs with 'NavGujarat Business Awards' at a grand ceremony on Saturday. The awards in 12 categories, supported by The Times of India, seek to celebrate the achievements of Gujarati business community and individuals who have made a difference in their chosen field.

The awards will salute super-achievers who have not only created wealth but also given back to society. The awards also seek to inspire the generation next of Gujarati entrepreneurs who can take business and trade in the state to the next level.

State finance minister Saurabh Patel will be the chief guest at the ceremony that will be held at YMCA banquet hall. Industrialists Kar-sanbhai Patel, Gautam Adani, Sudhir Mehta, Pan-kaj Patel, Parimal Nath-wani, SN Roy of L&T and Anil Bakeri, among others, will also attend the function.

The list of 12 categories and awardees are as follows: **Best Large Company:** Adani Ports and SEZ (Gautam Adani); **Best PSU:** GSFC (SK

Nanda); **Best Business Person:** Dilip Sanghvi (MD, Sun Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd); **Best Mid-Sized Company:** Cera Sanitaryware (Vikram Somany); **Best SME:** Atul Auto (Jayanti Chandra); **Aneez Khambatta Benevolent Trust CSR Company:** Kantisen Shroff Foundation; **Special Focus Group:** Sarva Vidyalaya Kelavni Mandal — SVKM Trust (Valabhhai Patel); **Best Innovative Company:** Symphony (Achal Bakeri); **Best Women Entrepreneur:** Gorsi Parekh; **Best**

Start-Up of the Year: Gridbots Technologies (Pulkit Gaur); **Global Gujarati of the Year:** Kiran Patel, cardiologist; and **Lifetime Achievement:** AM Naik (chairman, Larsen & Toubro).

The awards were considered for only those companies and entities that are registered in Gujarat. To shortlist the winners, inputs were taken from the Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy (CMIE). The inputs were calibrated on statistical and qualitative parameters by the NavGujarat Samay editorial team.

A jury of eminent people comprising PK Laheri, Chinubhai Shah and Sunil Parekh, deliberated on the inputs and created a

shortlist of 5 entries in each

category. Considering all the aspects, the jury then decided on the winners in each category. The winners and shortlisted entries were attested by a Delphi panel comprising Deepak Parekh, Lord Bhikhu Parekh and YK Alagh.



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