7th Dehradun International Science & Technology Festival - 2026

9th Teacher of the Year Award – 2026

LIST OF AWARDEES

A meeting of the Screening & Selection Committee constituted for the 9th Teacher of the Year Award–2026 was held on 14 November 2026 at 11:00 AM via online mode, under the chairmanship of Dr. Tripta Thakur, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, VMSB Uttarakhand Technical University. The following members attended the meeting:

1.	**Dr. Tripta Thakur,** Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, VMSB Uttarakhand Technical University	**Chairman**
2.	**Dr. A.S. Uniyal**, Joint Director, Higher Education, Uttarakhand	**Convenor**
3.	**Prof. (Dr.) OPS Negi,** Former Vice Chancellor, Uttarakhand Open University	**Member**
4.	**Prof. (Dr.) Ajay Saxena,** Former Principal DAV (PG) College, Dehradun	**Member**
5.	**Prof. (Dr.) Manish Prateek, Vice Chancellor, GRD Uttarakhand University**	**Member**
6.	**Prof. (Dr.) Manish Pandey, Vice Chancellor, Phonics University, Roorkee**	**Member**
7.	**Mr. Ranbeer Singh, Former Joint Secretary, CBSE, New Delhi**	**Member**
8.	**Prof. Lalit Tiwari, Professor at Kumoun University, Nainital**	**Member**
9.	**Prof. M.M. Semwal, Pfofessor at HNB Garhwal Central University**	**Member**
10.	**Prof. (Dr.) Ashutosh Sayana, Director, Medical Education, Uttarakhand**	**Member**
11.	**Dr. Prem Kashyap,** President, Principals' Progressive Schools' Association	**Member**
12.	**Prof. (Dr.) Naveen Singhal,** Dean (AR), DIT University, Co-Convener, 7th-DISTF-2026	**Ex-Officio Member**
13.	**Shri Kunwar Raj Asthana** ,Organizing Secretary, 7th-DISTF-2026	**Ex-Officio Member**

Chairman of Screening & Selection Committee has approved the list of awardees as recommended by the members of Screening & Selection Committee.

Award Category: Teacher of the Year (DISTF-2026)

S. No.	Name of Applicant	Current Organization	District	Type of Organization	Category
1	**Deepak Kumar**	GOVTITICHAMBATEHRIGARHWAL	TehriGarhwal	Vocational Education (ITI Stream)	Teacher of the Year
2	**Prof (Dr) Amit Kumar Sen**	SamratPrithviraj Chauhan College of Pharmacy	Udham Singh Nagar	Higher Education (Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
3	**Dr.Geeta Tewari**	Kumaun University l, Nainital	Nainital	Higher Education (Non-Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
4	**Dr. Gaurav Varshney**	Sridev Suman Uttarakhand University, PanditLalit Mohan Sharma Campus Rishikesh	Dehradun	Higher Education (Non-Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
5	**Dr.Alka Pant**	Graphic Era Hill University, Dehradun	Dehradun	Higher Education (Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
6	**Dr.Surendra VikramSingh Padiyar**	H.N.B.G.P.G.CollegeKhatima,uttarakhand	Nainital	Higher Education (Non-Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
7	**Ms. Vandana Dobhal**	The Himalayan Public School, Dehradun	Dehradun	ICSE Board	Teacher of the Year
8	**Dr.Mukesh Maithani**	Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, HemvatiNandanBahugunaGarhwal University, Srinagar, PauriGarhwal, India	PauriGarhwal	Higher Education (Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
9	**Ms. Meenu Batra**	Vantage Hall Girls' Residential school ,Dehradun	Dehradun	CBSE Board	Teacher of the Year
10	**Dr. Deepa Agarwal**	Chaman Lal Mahavidhyalaya, (Autonomous) Landhora, Distt. Haridwar	Haridwar	Higher Education (Non-Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
11	**Dr. Sandeep Joshi**	Roorkee Institute of Technology, PuhanaRoorkeeUttarakhand	Haridwar	Technical Education (Engineering Stream)	Teacher of the Year
12	**Prof. Deepak Arya**	Roorkee Institute of Technology	Haridwar	Technical Education (Engineering Stream)	Teacher of the Year
13	**Dr. Jyoti Maithani Kalra**	Shri Guru Ram Rai University	Dehradun	Higher Education (Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
14	**Dr. Bharat Pandey**	SSJDWSSS Government P.G.College,Ranikhet,Almora	Almora	Higher Education (Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
15	**Dr. Bhanu Pratap Singh**	Govt. Degree College Gururabanj, Almora	Almora	Higher Education (Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
16	**Dr. BarkhaRautela**	SSJDWSSS Gove P G College Ranikhet	Almora	Higher Education (Non-Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
17	**Dr. Promod Joshi**	Uttarakhand higher education	Almora	Higher Education (Non-Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
18	**Mr. Satish Kumar**	Vishist Govt. ITIRoshanabad (Haridwar)	Haridwar	Vocational Education (ITI Stream)	Teacher of the Year
19	**Dr.Ankur Nehra**	DANAURI P.G. COLLEGE, DHANAURI, HARIDWAR, UTTARAKHAND, INDIA, PRICNCIPAL OFFICE,	Haridwar	Higher Education (Non-Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year

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20	**Dr. Aaradhna**	Ram Chandra Uniyal Rajkiya SnatkottarMahavidyalaya, Uttarkashi	Uttarkashi	Higher Education (Non-Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
21	**Dr Lata Arya**	Moti Ram Babu Ram Government Post Graduate College HaldwaniNanitalUttrakhand	Nainital	Higher Education (Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
22	**Dr.Subodh Kumar**	OMKARANANDASARASHWATI GOVERNMENT DEGREE COLLEGE	TehriGarhwal	Higher Education (Non-Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
23	**Dr. Meenakshi**	Dhanaurip.g college dhanauriHaridwar	Haridwar	Higher Education (Non-Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
24	**Ms. Sunita Manhas**	The Pestle Weed School	Dehradun	CBSE Board	Teacher of the Year
25	**Dr.Sunita Paswan**	Dhanauri p.g college Dhanauriharidwar	Dehradun	Higher Education (Non-Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
26	**Dr. Arun Pratap Singh Rathod**	GRAPHIC ERA HILL UNIVERSITY DEHRADUN	Dehradun	Higher Education (Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
27	**Dr. Vasundhara Upadhyay**	सरदार भगतसिंह राजकीय स्नातकोत्तरमहाविद्यालय रुद्रपुर	Udham Singh Nagar	Higher Education (Non-Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
28	**Dr. Priyanka Sharma**	Dhanauri PG college dhanauriharidwar	Dehradun	Higher Education (Non-Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
29	**Dr. Sheo Kumar Lal**	SDMGOVT.PG COLLEGE DOIWALA DEHARADUN	Dehradun	Higher Education (Non-Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
30	**Dr. Ashutosh Sharma**	RAS BIHARI BOSE SUBHARTI UNIVERSITY, DEHRADUN	Dehradun	Higher Education (Non-Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
31	**Ms. Rashmi Pant**	Higher education	Nainital	Higher Education (Non-Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year
32	**Ms. Jyoti Chhabra**	Graphic Era Hill University	Dehradun	Higher Education (Professional Stream)	Teacher of the Year

Award Category: Principal of the Year (DISTF-2026)

S.No.	Name of Applicant	Current Organization	District	Type of Organization	Remark
1	**Dr. Abdul Qadir**	THE PESTLE WEED SCHOOL	Dehradun	CBSE Board	Principal of the Year
2	**Ms. Vijay Kumar**	Dhanauri P G college Haridwar, Uttarakhand	Haridwar	Higher Education (Non-Professional Stream)	Principal of the Year

Award Category: Excellence in Research of the Year (DISTF-2026)

S.No.	Name of Applicant	H-Index	Current Organization	District	Type of Organization	Remark
1	**Dr. Balwant Singh Rawat**	23	Graphic Era Hill University, Dehradun	Dehradun	Higher Education (Professional Stream)	Excellence Research c the Year
3	**Dr. Rohit Kanauzia**	7	Swami Rama Himalayan University	Dehradun	Technical Education (Engineering Stream)	Excellence Research c the Year
4	**Dr. Vijay Prakash Semwal**	7	Shaheed Durga Mall Government P G College Doiwala Dehradun, Uttarakhand	Dehradun	Higher Education (Non-Professional Stream)	Excellence Research c the Year
5	**Dr Sarvesh Rustogi**	53	Dev BhoomiUttarakhand University	Dehradun	Higher Education (Professional Stream)	Excellence Research c the Year

Honorable Screening Committee has nominated names for **VICE CHANCELLOR OF THE YEAR-2026**

1. **Dr. Shivendra Kashyap, Vice Chancellor, GB Pant University of Agriculture and Technology, Pantnagar**
2. **Dr. Sunil Rai, Vice Chancellor, UPES, Dehradun**

Honorable Screening Committee has also nominated some other names **for Outstanding Leadership Award for their excellent contribution in Visual Disability Education.**

1. **Ms. Manju, Principal, NIEPVD**

All members of the committee have provided their consent for the aforementioned awards in writing via email.

(Dr. Tripta Thakur)
Chairman,
Screening & Selection Committee,
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