

Legal Media 360 Awards Report

India



Introduction

Legal awards acknowledge the market recognition of a law firm and lawyer's success, ability, effort and, above all, excellence.

While rankings consider the accumulation of a firm or lawyer's efforts year-on-year, awards represent the achievements of firms or lawyers during the past 12 months. Awards can be viewed as being more significant than rankings because being shortlisted or winning an award means a firm or lawyer is one of a very select number of parties considered to be "the best".

Legal Media 360's Awards Reports consolidate the nominations and winners of the most reputable international and regional awards, showcasing the top performers by jurisdiction.



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Methodology

Atomic awards data is categorized, and naming conventions standardized. This highlights which firms, lawyers, cases and deals are receiving the greatest recognition via a nomination/win ratio. Awards data from the following sources are used in our research:

Asian Legal Business, ALM, asialaw, Benchmark Litigation, China Business Law Journal, Chambers and Partners, China Law and Practice, India Business Law Journal, International Financial Law Review, In-house Community, Legal 500, Managing IP.

The awards period used for our research is January to December 2022.

Legal Media 360's awards analysis splits firm awards into two distinct categories: Firm awards and Case/deal awards.



Award Categories

Firm Awards

Firm awards include categories such as practice area specific awards, practice management, diversity and inclusion and firm-wide awards (such as firm of the year).

The following data is for India.

Table 1: Top 30 firms by highest number of firm award nominations

Firm Name	Nominations	Win	Win %
Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co	39	19	49%
Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas	37	21	57%
IndusLaw	32	11	34%
Khaitan & Co	29	18	62%
AZB & Partners	26	20	77%
JSA	24	12	50%
DSK Legal	21	8	38%
Trilegal	20	11	55%
Anand and Anand	16	6	38%
Samvad Partners	16	6	38%
Luthra and Luthra Law Offices	11	6	55%
Nishith Desai Associates	11	7	64%
Ikigai Law	9	5	56%
K&S Partners	9	5	56%
A&P Partners	8	2	25%
Hammurabi & Solomon	8	2	25%
Lakshmikumar & Sridharan	8	6	75%
Majmudar & Partners	8	1	13%
Juris Corp	7	1	14%
Link Legal	7	2	29%
S&A Law Offices	7	2	29%
TMT Law Practice	7	2	29%
HSA Advocates	6	2	33%
Kochhar & Co	6	5	83%
MZM Legal	6	2	33%
Acuity Law	5	0	0%
AnantLaw Solicitors & Advocates	5	0	0%
Argus Partners	5	2	40%
Bharucha & Partners	5	2	40%
Economic Laws Practice	5	4	80%

Commentary: In 2022, a total of 143 law firms were nominated for firm related awards. 111 firms won awards. Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas were nominated the greatest number of times and Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas won the greatest number of awards. Of the top 10 firms, AZB & Partners had the best nomination to win ratio, winning almost four in five of their nominations. Induslaw had the lowest nomination to win ratio of the top 10 firms.



Case/Deal Awards

Case/deal awards recognise the firms working on the most significant matters in the past 12 months.

Table 2: Firms by highest number of case/deal award nominations

Firm Name	Nominations	Win	Win %
Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas	30	9	30%
JSA	23	2	9%
AZB & Partners	21	6	29%
Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co	21	3	14%
Khaitan & Co	15	0	0%
Trilegal	10	1	10%
IndusLaw	7	2	29%
Talwar Thakore & Associates	5	1	20%
Veritas Legal	5	3	60%
S&R Associates	4	0	0%
Quillon Partners	3	0	0%
Coubey & Co	2	0	0%
HSA Advocates	2	0	0%
K Law	2	2	100%
Karanjawala & Co	2	2	100%
Luthra and Luthra Law Offices	2	1	50%
Nishith Desai Associates	2	0	0%
Pioneer Legal	2	0	0%
Rajani Associates	2	0	0%
Saikrishna & Associates	2	2	100%
Saraf & Partners	2	1	50%
Touchstone Partners	2	0	0%
Agarwal Law Associates	1	1	100%
Algo Legal	1	0	0%
Anoma Legal	1	0	0%
Naik Naik & Co	1	1	100%
P&A Law Offices	1	1	100%
Phoenix Legal	1	0	0%
Rajaram Legal	1	0	0%
Samvad Partners	1	0	0%
ZBA	1	0	0%

Commentary: Sixteen firms won at least one case/deal awards out of the thirty-one nominated firms. Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas were nominated for and won the most number of awards, which suggests the firm led the most significant matters in India in 2022.



Lawyer Awards

In the 12 publications examined, a total of 65 lawyers in India were nominated for awards. 41 male lawyers were nominated, compared with 24 female lawyers. The gender ratio of male-female lawyer nominations is 63 to 37 percent.

Six out of the 65 lawyers won awards. four were male and two were female.

Nomination Statistics

Table 3: Firms with the highest number of lawyer award nominations

Firm Name	Nominations
Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas	7
DSK Legal	6
Anand and Anand	3
Nishith Desai Associates	2
Bharucha & Partners	1

Table 4: Nominated lawyers

Lawyer Name	Firm Name	Gender
Anand Desai	DSK Legal	Male
Cyril Shroff	Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas	Male
Aarushi Jain	Nishith Desai Associates	Female
Archana Shankar	Anand and Anand	Female
Manisha Singh	LexOrbis	Female
Abhijit Joshi	Veritas Legal	Male
Abhishek Sharma	Link Legal	Male
Aditi Mittal	Krishnamurthy & Co	Female
Ambarish	Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co	Male
Ameet Naik	Naik Naik & Co	Male
Amita Katragadda	Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas	Female
Anand Pathak	P&A Law Offices	Male
Aparajit Bhattacharya	DSK Legal	Male
Arjun Krishnan	Samvad Partners	Male
Arun Prabhu	Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas	Male
Arya Tripathy	PSA	Female
Ashwath Rau	AZB & Partners	Male
Atul Sharma	Link Legal	Male
Bharat Anand	Khaitan & Co	Male
Dheeraj	JSA	Male
Gaurav Arora	JSA	Male
Gunjan Shah	Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co	Female
Harish Narasappa	Samvad Partners	Male



Table 4: Continued

Lawyer Name	Firm Name	Gender
Hemant Sahai	HSA Advocates	Male
Iqbal Khan	Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co	Male
Kingshuk Banerjee	Khaitan & Co	Male
Krrishan Singhania	Singhania & Co	Male
Lalit Kumar	JSA	Male
Mamta Rani Jha	Inttl Advocare	Female
Mohit Saraf	Saraf & Partners	Male
MP Bharucha	Bharucha & Partners	Male
Naina Krishna Murthy	Krishnamurthy & Co	Female
Natasha Treasurywala	Desai & Diwanji	Female
Neerav Merchant	Majmudar & Partners	Male
Nisha Kaur Uberoi	Trilegal	Female
Nitesh Jain	Trilegal	Male
Nivedita Nivargi	Samvad Partners	Female
Nusrat Hassan	Link Legal	Male
Pallavi Shroff	Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co	Female
Prateek Bagaria	Singularity Legal	Male
Pravin Anand	Anand and Anand	Male
Priti Suri	PSA	Female
Rahul Goel	AnantLaw Solicitors & Advocates	Male
Raian Karanjawala	Karanjawala & Co	Male
Rajesh Vellakkat	Fox Mandal	Male
Reeba Chacko	Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas	Female
Richa Choudhary	Trilegal	Female
Rishi Anand	DSK Legal	Male
Rukshad Davar	Majmudar & Partners	Male
Sahil Arora	Saraf & Partners	Male
Sameena Chatrapathy	IC Universal Legal	Female
Samit Shukla	DSK Legal	Male
Shahana Chatterji	Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co	Female
Shiraz Patodia	Dua Associates	Female
Shuva Mandal	Fox Mandal	Male
Shweta Bharti	Hammurabi & Solomon	Female
Shwetambari Rao	K Law	Female
Sidharth Chopra	Saikrishna & Associates	Male
Sreenidhi Srinivasan	Ikigai Law	Female
Subhalakshmi Naskar	Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas	Female
Supratim Chakraborty	Khaitan & Co	Male
Tripti Dhar	Reina Legal	Female
Vinayak Burman	Vertices Partners	Male
Waseem Pangarkar	MZM Legal	Male
Zulfiquar Memon	MZM Legal	Male



Winner Statistics

Table 5: Winning firms

Firm Name	Wins
Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas	4
DSK Legal	1
Anand and Anand	1
Bharucha & Partners	1
Nishith Desai Associates	1

Table 6: Lawyer award winners

Lawyer Name	Firm Name	Gender
Anand Desai	DSK Legal	Male
Cyril Shroff	Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas	Male
Aarushi Jain	Nishith Desai Associates	Female
Archana Shankar	Anand and Anand	Female
Arun Prabhu	Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas	Male
MP Bharucha	Bharucha & Partners	Male

Commentary: 65 lawyers from 37 firms were nominated for awards in 2022. The six lawyers that won awards were from five firms, Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas won the greatest number of lawyers awards, with Cyril Shroff winning all of the three awards he was nominated for.



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