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AERB receives the prestigious “SKOCH Smart Governance Award” during 41st SKOCH summit on Transformative Governance

The Atomic Energy Regulatory Board has received the prestigious “SKOCH Smart Governance Award - 2015”. The award to AERB came for its successful implementation of state-of-art e-licensing of Radiation Applications (e-LORA) system for all types of radiation facilities in the country.

As a part of e-Governance, AERB has put into operation the e-LORA system, with the objective of implementing a paperless end-to-end licensing process for Radiation Facilities, increasing the efficiency and transparency in the regulatory processes. e-LORA is basically a web based licensing system, facilitating remote filing of application for various regulatory clearances and speedy issuance of clearances. The system is operational for various stakeholders handling radioactive sources and radiation generating equipment used for applications such as treatment of cancer (radiotherapy), diagnostic radiology examinations (e.g. x-ray, CT scans, IR procedures), nuclear medicine procedures (e.g. PET-CT), industrial nucleonic control systems, inspections of welds/castings, food preservations, etc. The e-LORA also aids in ensuring a ‘cradle to grave’ approach in handling of radiation sources covering procurement, use, movement, storage and finally
safe disposal. The eLORA system was developed by AERB in association with a premier IT consultant.

The SKOCH foundation has been aiming at recognising top performing government organisations and organisations working with the government, operating at local, state and national level in the area of Health, Education, Rural Development/Panchayati Raj, Urban Development, Finance, and Security. AERB’s eLORA system was recognized by SKOCH foundation in its 41st SKOCH Summit on Transformative Governance hosted at Indian Habitat Center, Delhi during 22 -23, September 2015. The theme of the 41st SKOCH summit was a step towards recognising the best electronic governance practices being implemented at local, state, central government level for excellent and efficient implementation of government schemes and service delivery. After a rigorous evaluation process, about 300 government implemented projects were shortlisted for the SKOCH Order of Merit Award - 2015 and out of them, top 30 projects were selected for the “SKOCH Smart Governance Award - 2015” and e-LORA is one among them.

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