

Awards and Accolades

The awards and accolades won by Youth for India fellows are prominently increasing every year.

SBI YFI 2016-17 fellow, Sameer Mishra (Batch: 2016-17) was awarded **the 'Aryabhata'** award under the **Best Science Achievement Category** at the 10th Bihar Awards Ceremony. He was felicitated for his work done during and after his SBI Youth for India fellowship by **the ex-CM Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi**.

While our Sameer was appreciated for his work in Patna, two of our other fellows namely **Chirag Gupta (Batch: 2017-18) and Pratibha Krishnaiah (Batch: 2014-15)** won the first prize at the 'Rural Innovation and start-up conclave (**RISC**)' organised by the National Institute of rural development and Panchayat Raj (NIRD-PR).

Chirag won in the **RIDe** (Rural Innovation & Design Challenge) category for his fellowship **project 'FarmKonnnect'** that aims to use 'Audio Visuals' to educate farmers on good agricultural practices. Pratibha won in the **Rural Startup** category for her social enterprise '**Himalayan Blooms** - a venture to empower the women of Uttarakhand', which she started during her Youth for India fellowship. Out of the three awards at the event and 180 shortlisted projects, two awards were won by Youth for India fellows at this conclave.

We are proud of their efforts and we congratulate them for reaching new milestones!
