

Indian Council of Agricultural Research ICAR AWARDS, 2003

The Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi announces the following ICAR Awards:

1. Sardar Patel Outstanding ICAR Institution Award, 2003

In order to recognize the best performance in Agricultural Research and Education, three annual Awards of Rs Five lakh each are given to two ICAR Institutes/NRC/Project Directorates and one State Agricultural University. An Institute winning the Award will be eligible to apply again after a lapse of 5 years.

2. Chaudhary Devi Lal Outstanding All India Coordinated Research Project (AICRP) Award, 2003

In order to recognize the outstanding performance of the All India Coordinated Research Project and its cooperating Centres, one annual Award of Rs One lakh is given away by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi. All the All India Coordinated Research Projects, which have been in operation for at least 10 years can apply for the award.

3. Jawaharlal Nehru Award for P.G. Agricultural Research, 2003

In order to promote high quality doctoral thesis research in priority/frontier areas of Agriculture and allied Sciences. ICAR has instituted 18 awards of Rs 20,000/- each to be given away annually for the outstanding original research work in agriculture and allied sciences. All postgraduate students who have obtained their Ph.D. degree during 2002 in India in agriculture or allied sciences will be eligible to apply. Candidates shall be required to submit the following documents along with application form through the Head of the Institute from where the thesis has been obtained: (i) An attested copy of the final Ph.D. degree certificate (obtained during 2002 only). (ii) A copy of the thesis submitted by them for the award of doctoral degree. (iii) A certificate from the guide of the candidate for Ph.D. degree stating the extent to which the work is the candidates own contribution. (iv) Six copies of the application form with complete address for correspondence with telegraphic address and telephone nos. (v) Six copies of the synopses indicating precisely and in concise terms the work done by the candidate and (vi) Any reprint of papers published/presented based on the doctoral thesis.

4. Panjabrao Deshmukh Woman Agricultural Scientist Award, 2003

All women scientists working in ICAR Institutes/State Agricultural Universities are eligible for the award. Two awards of Rs 50,000/- each are to be given away annually for the significant contributions made during their career as agricultural scientists.

5. Vasantrao Naik Award for Research Application in Agriculture, 2003

All scientists or extension workers who have made outstanding contribution in the areas of Water Conservation and Dryland Farming in India shall be eligible for the Award. One Award of Rs 1,00,000/- is to be given annually for the work done during the preceding five years of the award.

6. Jagjivan Ram Kisan Puruskar, 2003

In order to recognize the outstanding contributions of innovative farmers in agriculture and allied activities, two annual awards (one award in the area of Crop production and the other in the area of

Livestock, Poultry and Fish farming, etc.) of Rs 1,00,000/- each are to be given to practising farmers (he/she) whose creative approaches and initiatives should result in (i) new knowledge/packages of practices/management strategies/additional information to the existing one, (ii) additional income to the individual farmer/farming community, (iii) saving in resources/inputs, (iv) prevention of outbreak of diseases and pests and in breaking technology transfer barriers.

Any farmer who has been involving himself/herself in Agriculture, Livestock, Poultry and Fish farming, etc. for at least 10 years, is eligible for consideration. The nominations are invited from the Agriculture Production Commissioners/Secretaries of Agriculture, District Magistrates; the Vice-Chancellors of State Agricultural Universities; Directors of the ICAR Institutes/Directorate of Extension, Zonal Coordinators of KVKs, etc.

7. N.G. Ranga Farmer Award for Diversified Agriculture, 2003

In order to recognize the outstanding contributions of innovative farmers for diversified agricultural activities, one annual award of Rs 1,00,000/- is to be given to a practising farmer (he/she) whose creative approaches and initiatives should result in (i) new entrepreneurship/enterprises/management strategies/additional information to the existing one in diversification of Indian agriculture, (ii) additional income to the individual farmer/farming community.

Any farmer who has been involving himself/herself in diversified rural activities/enterprises such as Horticulture, Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, Rural Artisans/Handicraft activities for at least 10 years, is eligible for consideration. The nominations are invited from the Agriculture Production Commissioners/ Secretaries of Agriculture/Horticulture/Fishery/Animal Husbandry, District Magistrates, the Vice-Chancellors of State Agricultural Universities, the Directors of the ICAR Institutes/Directorate of Extension, Zonal Co-ordinators of KVKs, etc.

8. Chaudhary Charan Singh Award for excellence in Journalism in Agricultural Research and Development, 2003

To recognize excellence in journalism and to create awareness among the farmers and policy makers for the enhancement and promotion of Agricultural Research and Development in the Country, one annual award of Rs 1,00,000/- is to be given to a journalist for his/her outstanding contributions in Journalism in Agriculture and allied Sciences. The contribution made by the journalist would be judged through the publication of articles/success stories in Hindi/English Newspapers/Magazines/Journals in India during the preceding three years.

9. Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed Award for outstanding Agricultural Research in Tribal areas for the biennium, 2002 2003

All agricultural scientists working in tribal areas (tribal areas for this purpose are those notified by the M/o Home Affairs, Govt. of India) and engaged in applied research and its application aimed at improving the productivity, profitability and sustainability of tribal farming systems are eligible for the Award. Two prizes of the value of Rs 50,000/ each are given biannually for outstanding original research one in the field of Agricultural Sciences and the other in Animal Sciences. The terminal phase of the research work including field validation of the research results must have been undertaken during the five years preceding the Award. The number of associates in a single application should be restricted to two only, if any.

10. ICAR Awards for outstanding team research for the biennium, 2001 2002

These awards are exclusively meant for inter-disciplinary teams of scientists jointly planning and implementing an integrated programme/project of system based research dealing with an inter-disciplinary problem. The team membership should be restricted to eight members. A total of nine individual prizes of Rs 1,00,000/- each are given once in two years for outstanding research work in the field of Agriculture, Horticulture, Natural Resource Management, Engineering and Technology, Animal Husbandry and Fisheries. The final phase of the research work including its field validation must have been completed during the five years preceding the year of the Award. Each member of the team must have remained its active member continuously for at least three years preceding the year of the Award.

11. Bharat Ratna Dr C. Subramaniam Award for outstanding teachers for the biennium, 2002 2003

All faculty members engaged in undergraduate or Post-graduate teaching for at least 5 years in deemed Universities, ICAR Institutes and State Agricultural Universities shall be eligible for the award. Eight awards of Rs 50,000/-each are to be given once in two years for excellent teaching performance in the field of Crop Science, Horticulture, Natural Resource Management, Engineering and Food Technology, Veterinary Science, Fishery Science and Social Science. The Awards are primarily meant for individual teachers independently teaching a course or part of an integrated course.

12. Best Krishi Vigyan Kendra Awards for the biennium, 2002 2003

All KVKs in the country that have completed five years of operation after the year of the establishment are eligible for the award. Two Awards of Rs 50,000/- each are to be given away once in two years for the outstanding contribution made by the Krishi Vigyan Kendra in the field of research, extension and training. A KVK winning the Award will be eligible to apply again after the lapse of 5 years.

13. Dr Rajendra Prasad Puruskar for technical books in Hindi in the field of Agriculture and allied Sciences for the biennium, 2001 2002

The Award is open to Indian authors including Editors of multi-author books. Both published works and manuscripts proposed to be published by its author will be accepted provided that such a work is written originally in Hindi and does not infringe the copyright of any other person.

The publication must have been written and published during the last three years preceding the year of the Award. Eight Awards of Rs 50,000/- each are to be given once in two years.

General Instructions

The prescribed proforma for applying these awards may be obtained from the Council by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope. Six copies of application with complete documents should be sent to Dr R.C. Maheshwari, Assistant Director General (TC), ICAR, New Delhi 110 001, so as to reach him on or before 31 December 2003. The last date for candidates in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep, States/Union Territory in the North Eastern Region, Ladakh Division of J&K State and Sikkim is 15 January 2004. The candidates are required to submit six copies of applications/documents failing which the application will not be considered. The Council will retain the award winning applications/theses for record.

Each candidate will be judged on the basis of the originality and the applied value of the investigations as revealed in the documents submitted by him. In all matters relating to the award, the decision of the Council shall be final and no correspondence on this account will be entertained.