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Announcement

Nominations for Academy Awards for the Biennium 2011–2012

The National Academy of Agricultural Sciences has instituted various Awards for recognizing significant contributions of senior, middle level and young scientists to promote agricultural research. These awards are presented biennially at the time of Agricultural Sciences Congress. Nominations for the under mentioned categories of Awards are invited for the year 2011–2012.

I. MEMORIAL AWARDS (6 Nos)

These awards are for distinguished services to the cause of Indian Agriculture: Research, Education and Transfer of Technology. The Awardee's contribution should have been recognized nationally/internationally and supported by significant publications. The Awardee shall be a distinguished Scientist above 55 years in age. The period of assessing the contributions shall be life time upto the year of nomination. Each Award consists of a Citation and gold plated silver Medal. However, Dr B. P. Pal Memorial Award, being the apex award of the Academy, also consists of a cash prize of Rs 1.00 lakh.

II. RECOGNITION AWARDS (6 Nos)

These awards are given for significant contributions to the advancement of knowledge/technologies in the relevant scientific disciplines of the particular area of agricultural sciences. The research contributions should be based on work carried out in India as evidenced by publications in scientific journals of repute/products and technologies developed. The period of assessing the contributions shall be upto the year of nomination. The awards shall be made to distinguished scientists, in the age group of 35–55 years, who are Fellows of the National Academy of Agricultural Sciences. Each award consists of a Citation, a gold plated silver Medal and cash prize of Rs 50,000.

III. ENDOWMENT AWARDS (1)

The Academy instituted an Endowment Award in the name of Late Dr L. C. Sikka, eminent scientist in the field of potato research and development in the country. The award will be given to an outstanding scientist for contributions towards ensuring food and nutritional security. The awardee can be from any branch of science relevant to agriculture. The award comprises a Citation, a gold plated silver Medal and cash prize of Rs 25,000.

IV. YOUNG SCIENTISTS AWARDS (6 Nos)

The Young Scientists awards are initiated with primary objective of distinguishing young scientists of promise and creativity through their contributions to agricultural sciences after obtaining Ph.D. degree. Scientists below the age of 35 years are eligible for this award. Each award consists of a Citation, a gold plated silver Medal and cash prize of Rs 25,000.

Persons eligible to identify and nominate are the Fellows of NAAS/previous Awardees; DG/DDGs/ADGs of ICAR; Secretaries of Scientific Departments (Science and Technology, Biotechnology, Earth Sciences, Space, Atomic Energy); Presidents of Science Academies; Directors/Joint Directors of ICAR Research Institutes/NRCs/Project Directorates; Heads of Institutions of CSIR, ICMR; Vice Chancellors/Directors/Deans of SAUs/CAU; Chairman UGC, ASRB, BARC; Principal Scientific Advisors, GOI; Presidents of all Professional Societies in the field of Agriculture; Heads of CGIAR Centres; Chairman of NGOs engaged in R&D in Agriculture. Self nominations are not acceptable.

For details, please visit Academy website at www.naasindia.org or write to **The Executive Secretary**, National Academy of Agricultural Sciences, NASC, DPS Marg, New Delhi 110 012.

Last date for receipt of nominations in the Academy is **31 March 2012**.