Government of India
Department of Biotechnology
Ministry of Science & Technology

Women Bioscientist Awards: 1999

The Department of Biotechnology (DBT) invites nominations of women bioscientists currently working in the areas of Biology and Biotechnology including agricultural, biomedical and environmental sciences and have made outstanding contributions in research, product and technology development for the above award. Fifteen copies of the nominations typed on plain paper in the prescribed proforma complete with enclosures should be sent to the Principal Scientific Officer (Attn: Dr Suman Govil), Department of Biotechnology, Block 2 (6–8th Floor), CGO Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi 110 003 so as to reach on or before 15 November 1999.

The details are as under.

1. **Nature of the award**

   Three awards will be given every year. There will be two categories of awards, namely, one award for a senior women scientist and two awards for young women scientists.

   **Senior Woman Bioscientist Award**

   The award is for a senior woman scientist for her lifetime contributions in research and application of biotechnology and biology for the benefit of the society. The award would carry a cash amount of Rs 1 lakh, a citation and a gold medal.

   **Young Women Bioscientist Awards**

   Contributions made by the scientist in the last 5 years would be the main consideration in selection. The awards would carry a cash amount of Rs 50,000 each with a citation and a gold medal.

2. **Eligibility**

   The woman scientist shall be a citizen of India and actively involved in research and teaching activities in biology and biotechnology in the country. For the senior category, there is no age limit. However, for the two young women bioscientist awards, the candidates should be below 45 years of age as on December in the preceding year.

3. **Nominations**

   Women scientists working in the area of biology/biotechnology can be nominated by members of the Scientific Advisory Committee (DBT), Scientific Advisory Committee (Overseas), DBT, Vice Chancellors/ Directors of Universities, Deemed Universities, Chairman, UGC, DG, CSIR, ICAR, ICMR, DRDO, etc., Presidents of approved scientific societies and academies of All India nature, Secretaries of S&T Department such as DST, DBT, DSIR, DOD, MNES, MOEF, Atomic Energy, Commerce, Industry, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Human Resource Development. Member (Science) Planning Commission may also nominate women scientist for the award. Nominations have to be sent in the prescribed proforma. Nominations from individuals sponsoring their own names will not be considered.
4. Mode of selection

The selection of candidates for the award would be based purely on scientific excellence, on the recommendations of an expert committee constituted specifically for the purpose by the Department of Biotechnology. For the senior category, contribution made by the scientist during her entire career will be considered. For the young category, contributions made during the last 5 years will be the major consideration.

5. Presentation of the award

The award will be given to the selected women scientists at a formal function organized by the DBT on International Women’s Day, every year, from next year.

6. Payment of TA/DA

TA/DA to the members of the expert committee for attending the selection committee meeting and TA/DA to the awardees for attending the award function will be paid by DBT as per Govt of India rules.

Proforma for Nomination
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1. Name of the Nominee : 

2. Date & Place of Birth  
   (attach proof for age) : 

3. Present position/designation : 

4. Address with Tel/Fax  
   (a) Official : 

   (b) Correspondence : 

5. Academic qualifications (in the form of a table) :  
   from Bachelor’s degree onwards including particulars such as subject, class/division, name of institution, year, rank/prizes, etc.) 

6. Positions held (in chronological order) : 

7. Current area of research (give particulars in not more than 100 words) : 

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8. (a) List of publications in indexed journals (exclude presentations made in conferences/seminars, etc.; attach copies of not more than five publications which you consider the best in the last 5 years)

(b) List of patents taken/applied

(c) Details of technologies developed and transferred including name of the industry to which transferred and technology fee obtained

(d) List of books/reviews written

(e) Particulars of citation index of published work

9. Overseas visits (indicate the duration of the visit with dates, name of the institute/laboratory and country, purpose, etc.)

10. Particulars of Memberships in academies/societies/ professional bodies

11. Awards won (give full particulars such as the awarding agency/organization, the nature of the award, etc.)

12. Significant research contributions made in the area of Biology/Biotechnology during the past 5 years (not exceeding 3 pages) for which the nominee is recommended for the Women Bioscientist Award of DBT

13. Any other information in support of the nomination

Date:  
Place:  

(Signature of the Nominee)  
Name

Certificate-by-the-Sponsor

This is to certify that the above information given by the nominee is correct. I recommend her for consideration for the 'Women Bioscientist Award' of the Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science & Technology, Government of India.

Date:  
Place:  

(Signature of the Sponsor)  
Name & Address