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Nominations for Academy Awards for the Biennium 2007–2008

The National Academy of Agricultural Sciences has instituted various Awards of recognizing significant contributions of senior, middle level and young scientists to promote excellence in agricultural research in India. 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 2007–2008.

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. Each Award consists of a Citation and a Medal.

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 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 medal and a sum of Rs 50,000.

III. Endowment Award (1 No.)
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 medal, citation 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 will consist of a citation, a medal and a sum of Rs 25,000.

Persons eligible to identify and nominate suitable candidates are: All Fellows of NAAS; Heads of Institutes in Research Systems, viz. ICAR, CSIR, ICMR, etc.; VC’s of SAUs; Chairman UGC, ASRB; Principal Scientific Advisor, GOI; Secretaries of Scientific Departments (Dept of Science & Technology, Dept of Biotechnology, Ministry of Earth Sciences, Dept of Space, Dept of Atomic Energy); Presidents of Science Academies; Presidents of All Professional Societies in the field of Agriculture; Heads of CGIAS Centres; NGOs engaged in R&D in Agriculture; ADG and above in ICAR HQ.

For details, please visit Academy website or write to Executive Secretary, National Academy of Agricultural Sciences, NASC Complex, New Delhi 110 012.

Last date for receipt of Nominations in the Academy is 31 March 2008.