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ARRW Award for Outstanding MSc Thesis Research in Rice Sciences

General Rules Governing the Award

- 1) Name of the Award: ARRW Award forOutstanding MSc Thesis in Rice Science
- 2) Sponsor: Association of Rice Research Workers, ICAR-NRRI, Cuttack

3) Objectives of the Award

- To recognize the outstanding original research on rice done by Master's degree students.
- To provide incentive for improving the quality of Master's thesis research in the field of rice science.
- To promote high quality Master's thesis research in emerging priority areas on rice.

4) Nature of the Award

This award is for MSc thesis related to rice sciences from any Indian University / Institute. The award consists of Rs. 3000/- in cash plus a citation.

5) Eligibility:

- Indian national who has completed his MSc degree in the field of rice sciences.
- The certificate of the degree/provisional degree should have been obtained during the year preceding the year of the award.
- The research work should be original with relevance to rice systems.

6) Administration of the Award:

There shall be a Judging Committee appointed by the Executive Council (EC) of the Association. The Judging Committee shall evaluate the theses and make recommendations to the EC, ARRW.

8) Evaluation Criteria

Parameter	Documents required/evaluated	Marks
Carrier Marks (CGPA: more than 8.5 will fetch 5 marks, 7.5-8.5 will fetch 4 marks, 6-7.5 will fetch 3	UG and PG degree certificates and transcripts	10
marks) Priority area in the field of rice systems and socio-economic relevance	Title of the topic, Abstract of the thesis and Sl. No. 9 in the Proforma	15
Has it been put hypothesis properly by putting the existing gaps? (Conceptual clarity and coherence of research problem)	Review of Literature and Sl. No. 10 in the Proforma	10
If new techniques, procedure, technological modernity/ instrumentation tools latest to support the research, design of the experiment or statistical analysis of data is being used?	Materials and Methods section and Sl. No. 11 in the Proforma	10
Overall presentation (quality of tables, diagrams/ models field data problem analysis)	Overall thesis	10

Summary- reflects the claimed excellence and to be the first of its kind in research. Does it meet the objectives?	Results and Sl. No. 12 in the Proforma	10
Relevance of the output/outcome to the society	Discussion, Conclusion and Sl. No. 13 in Proforma	10
Publication from the thesis research	Sum of NAAS score of research papers published from thesis (First authorship will only be considered)	10
Technogram/ Technology/ Process/ Product development	Product, Patent, Variety, etc. as mentioned in Sl. No. 15 in Proforma	10
Any other	Significant output/outcome does not come under the proforma	5

9) Procedure:

Applications/Nominations for the award will be invited during August. The Judging Committee will screen the nominations, identify outstanding entries, and make recommendations to the EC, ARRW along with the draft citations. If no outstanding entries have been received, no award will be awarded.

10) Presentation:

The announcement of the award shall be made through letters & personal mails to the awardees and will be presented during the Annual General Body Meeting of the Society (generally held in Mid-December of every year). The Awardee should submit a hard copy of the MSc Thesis to the ARRW before the award presentation programme, if possible.

11) Deadline:

Hard copies of duly completed application form of the M. Sc. Thesis and relevant documents should be sent to Secretary, Association of Rice Research Workers (ARRW), ICAR-National Rice Research Institute, Cuttack 753006, Odisha by Regd. Post/Speed post/Courier Services and soft copy of the application and relevant documents (single PDF file not exceeding 25 mb) should be sent by e-mail to arrwsecretary@gmail.com so as to reach by October 15.

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