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ARRW Award for Outstanding Doctoral Thesis Research in Rice Sciences

General Rules Governing the Award

- 1) Name of the Award: ARRW Award for Outstanding PhD Thesis in Rice Sciences
- 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 Doctoral degree students.
- To provide incentive for enhancing the quality of Doctoral thesis research in the field of rice science.
- To promote high quality Doctoral thesis research in the emerging areas of rice science.

4) Nature of the Award

This award is for the best Doctoral thesis on rice sciences from any Indian University/Institute. The award consists of Rs. 5000/- in cash plus a citation.

5) Eligibility

- Indian national who has completed his PhD 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.
- Should have published/accepted at least one research paper in a Journal with NAAS score of 6 and above.

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 |
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| 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 |
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| Relevance of the output/outcome to the society | Discussion, Conclusion and Sl. No. 13 in Proforma | 10 |
| Publication from the thesis research | Sum of the NAAS score of research papers published from thesis (First authorship will only be considered) | 20 |
| 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 Executive Council, 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 PhD Thesis to the ARRW before the award presentation programme, if possible.

11) Deadline

Hard copies of duly completed application form of the Ph. D. 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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