

YOUNG SCIENTISTS' AWARD SESSION

Criteria, Guidelines & Checklist for Submitting the Paper

CRITERIA

1. **Senior Award:** The contestant should be **below 35 years** of age and be working in an organisation for a minimum period of 3 years. He/She should be the first author of the paper and should be the member of the society for at least 3 years or life member as on date of submission of the paper.
2. **Junior Award:** The contestant should be **below 25 years** of age. He/She should be the first author of the paper and should be the member of the society for at least one year or life member as on date of submission of the paper.
3. The author should indicate the category '**Community Nutrition**' or '**Experimental Nutrition**', under which the paper is to be considered for the award.
4. The work done should be original in content and directly or indirectly related to nutrition problems of national importance.
5. The research work of the paper presented must be the actual work undertaken by the main author. If later, it is known that the person did not do the work by himself/herself, stringent action will be taken by the Society that can include withdrawal of the award under public intimation.
6. He/She should **obtain a certificate stating that "the paper submitted for consideration is an original research work of the first author and not published in any scientific journal" from the Head of the Institute or the Department where the applicant primarily carried out the work. The paper should not have already been published in any scientific journal.** However, there will be no objection to the paper being published elsewhere after the presentation, provided it is acknowledged that the paper was presented at the National Conference of the Nutrition Society of India.
7. A member who has been awarded the prize against a particular Award previously, shall not be eligible for that Award for the second time, although such a member can be a co-author of a paper for the subsequent award.
8. No member can present more than one paper for the Award.
9. Co-author(s) need not necessarily be member(s) of the Society.
10. Entries received after the due date of **30st September 2023** will not be considered.
11. The papers submitted for the Awards will be evaluated by a panel of three judges nominated by the Executive Committee of the Society for presentation at the conference.
12. After the evaluation, selected candidates will be intimated through e-mail for an **oral presentation of the paper at the Conference.** Nine minutes will be allotted for presentation (7 minutes for presentation and 2 minutes for discussion).

13. Identity of the authors or place of work **should not be disclosed** in the entire text of the paper. **The first page bearing names (should be in separate page) will be deleted by the Society's Secretariat and coding will be done before sending the papers to the panel of judges for evaluation. No acknowledgements page included in the paper.**
14. **Best papers** will be awarded in the Young Scientists' Awards Session as follows: 1. Senior award in community nutrition; 2. Senior award in experimental nutrition; 3. Junior award in community nutrition 4. Junior award in experimental nutrition. **The award includes a certificate and cash prize of Rs.5000/-.**
15. A Certificate of Merit will be given in case the paper is not selected for an award after oral presentation
16. The decision of the panel of judges shall be final and binding on all concerned.

GUIDELINES

1. The research paper should have clear and specific objectives and an appropriate plan of investigation.
2. The methods employed should be appropriate to fulfill the objectives.
3. The sample size employed should be adequate.
4. Appropriate statistical methods should be employed.
5. The results should be clearly presented in tables and figures.
6. Discussion should be centered around the findings.
7. The conclusion should be precise.
8. The candidate should clearly highlight the salient findings either as new findings in the approach to problems or in terms of adding to the existing knowledge in the field.
9. **Four copies of full paper**, indicating the name of the award for which it is submitted at the top of the paper, should be sent to **The Organizing Secretary, 55th Annual National Conference of NSI, ICMR-National Institute of Nutrition Campus, Jamai-Osmania PO, Tarnaka, Hyderabad - 500 007, Telangana, India** on/or before **30th September 2023**.
10. **Structured abstract of the paper must be submitted online on the conference website <http://nsi-aicon.com/>.**
11. The paper should be written in a standard format consisting of introduction, objectives, materials & methods including sample size calculation, statistical methods, results, discussion, summary and bibliography. **Maximum length of the paper should be between 12 and 15 pages of A4 size (including tables, figures and references) typed in double space. The number of references should be within the limit of 15-20.**
12. The competitors should submit their **brief bio-data** which should include **date of birth**, age (**as on 30-09-2023**), qualifications, designation, place of work, address for correspondence including **telephone nos., email-Id**.
13. **Please complete the check-list provided below and send along with the above documents.**

55th ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF NUTRITION SOCIETY OF INDIA
 25-26 November 2023
 Venue: ICMR-National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad, Telangana State

CHECK LIST

[Tick (✓) opposite box if applicable and enclose with the paper]

	SENIOR AWARD		JUNIOR AWARD	
Age	Below 35 years	<input type="checkbox"/>	Below 25 years	<input type="checkbox"/>
Work experience	More than 3 years	<input type="checkbox"/>	--	
NSI membership	3 years ordinary or life member as on date of submission	<input type="checkbox"/>	1 yr ordinary or life member as on date of submission	<input type="checkbox"/>
Authorship	First author	<input type="checkbox"/>	First author	<input type="checkbox"/>
Category	Community Nutrition	<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Nutrition	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Or Experimental Nutrition	<input type="checkbox"/>	Or Experimental Nutrition	<input type="checkbox"/>
Abstract of the paper submitted online	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Original work in nutrition / allied subjects	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Paper already published	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Certification from Head of the Institute/Dept. included	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Received this award earlier	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Submitted four copies of full paper (as per guideline 11)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Bio-data (as per guideline 12)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

The information provided above is true.

Name:

Date:

(Signature of delegate)