



IARI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BEST UG STUDENT AWARD

Draft Guidelines for “IARI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BEST UG STUDENT AWARD”

A. Name of the Award

The name of the award shall be **“IARI Alumni Association Best UG Student Award”**.

B. Objective of the Award

To recognize and encourage meritorious final year undergraduate students for his/her excellence in academics, research aptitude, co-curricular activities, and overall performance.

C. Nature of the Award

The award will carry a sum of Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only)”, plaque and certificate. Three awards: one each for the IARI, New Delhi (only for the years 2026, 2027 & 2028), IARI Jharkhand and IARI Assam will be given each year.

D. Periodicity of the Award

The periodicity of the award shall be annual, commencing from the year 2026.

E. Eligibility for the Award

- Applicants should be alumni of IARI based on completion of under-graduation degree.
- The student should have an excellent academic record with a consistently high OGPA (Minimum GPA 8.0).
- The applicant should have demonstrated overall excellence, including participation in co-curricular/extra-curricular activities,
- Preference may be given to students showing research aptitude, such as project work or internship.

F. Administration of the Award

IARI Alumni Association shall retain the right to define the criteria, modify eligibility, and oversee the selection process.

G. Selection process

IARI Alumni Association EC shall constitute a Screening Committee for evaluation and shortlisting the eligible candidates.

The Judging Committee shall recommend the name of the recipient for the award in accordance with procedure laid down hereinafter for approval of **IARI Alumni Association EC**. The Award may not be recommended by the Judging Committee if in

their opinion no sufficiently meritorious candidate is forthcoming in that year. The award shall be given to only one person at a time and will not be shared.

The Screening Committee shall consist of:

1. Vice President - Chairperson
2. EC Member - One
3. Secretary, IAA - Member Secretary -

The Judging committee shall consist of:

1. President, IAA - Chairperson
2. Dean, The Graduate School or his/her nominee = Member
3. Experts: Two– one (nominated by President, IAA) and one nominated by Director, IARI
4. Secretary, IAA- Member Secretary

Members of the above committees must:

- Have no conflict of interest
- Should not be a nominee.

The decision of the Judging committee shall be final and binding.

H. Procedure for the selection `

Nominations/applications shall be invited through Director, IARI with clear recommendations from the competent authority. Duly filled applications as per the prescribed format (Annexure-I), accompanied with academic records, achievements, and supporting documents must be submitted on or before the prescribed last date.

The eligible applications shall be evaluated by the Screening/Judging Committee based on the overall merit of the candidate as per the criteria given in Annexure I.

I. Presentation of the Award

The Award shall be conferred during the IAA Foundation Day/IARI Convocation.

J. Reimbursement

IARI Alumni Association shall reimburse the expenditure related to Award and the TA/DA of the awardee.

The Judging Committee shall recommend the name of the recipient for the award from the eligible and shortlisted applicants. Only after the acceptance of the Recommendations of the Judging Committee by the Executive Committee IARI Alumni Association, the award shall be announced.

Academic Performance : 70 marks

OGPA : 60 marks (*OGPA 10 = 60 marks*)

Attendance : 10 marks (100% attendance = 10 marks)

Extra-curricular & Co-curricular Activities : 30 marks

- i. **Sports Achievements:** Participation or achievement in Government-sponsored youth festivals, State-level, or Inter-University competitions. (6 marks)
- ii. **Cultural Activities:** Participation or achievement in Government-sponsored youth festivals, State-level, or Inter-University cultural competitions. (6 marks)
- iii. **Academic Competitions:** Participation or achievement in academic competitions such as national/international conferences/hackathons, quizzes, debates, innovation contests, etc. (8 marks)
- iv. **Positions of Responsibility:** Membership of Institute Graduate School Union, Clubs or Associations. (1.0 mark for each activity) (6 marks)
- v. **Social Service:** Participation in NSS or other University-approved social service activities. (1.0 mark for each activity) (4 marks)
- vi. **Total Score** : 100 marks

In Sports, Cultural and Academic competitions, the marks will be awarded as follows:

- 1) First Prize : 1.5 marks
- 2) Second Prize : 1.0 marks
- 3) Third Prize : 0.5 marks
- 4) Participation : 0.25 marks

Recommended by:

1. Professor/Head of the concerned Division
2. Dean & Joint Director (Education), ICAR-IARI
3. Director, ICAR-IARI