

## **a) General Rules Governing the Award:**

1. **Name of the Award:** ICAR-Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed Award for Outstanding Research in Tribal Farming Systems.

2. **Sponsor**

Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi

3. **Objective of the Award**

To provide recognition to outstanding research done aimed at improving the biological resources and livelihoods in tribal areas for the improvement of tribal farming systems with a view to bringing improved livelihood and nutritional security to tribes.

4. **Nature of the Award**

The award is primarily meant for any person or team (with two or three associates, if any) engaged in applied research and its applications in tribal areas of the country aimed at improving the biological resources and livelihoods. Original work directly applicable to tribal farming system.

Two awards of the value of Rs.1,00,000 (One Lakh Only) in cash, Memento, Certificate & Citation + Provision of equal amount for study on related subject in geographical area. The approved research related work shall be completed in one year and the report may be submitted to the Technical Coordination Unit of ICAR.

5. **Frequency**

One Annual Award

6. **Eligibility Criteria**

Any person or a team working in tribal areas of the country and engaged in applied research / extension work aimed at improving the biological resources / Livelihood and nutritional security of farmers/ entrepreneurs is eligible.

The work must have been carried out in the tribal dominated (tribal population of over 60%) area for a minimum period of three years.

7. **Administration of the Award**

There shall be a Judging Committee of 3-5 members, including the chairperson, constituted by the DG, ICAR to evaluate the nominations, identify the outstanding entries and make recommendations to the Council. The Committee will also suggest an area of work i.e. to be completed in a year.

8. **Evaluation Criteria (relative score)**

- Scientific validity; and technological and socio-economic relevance (20);

- Value of research outcome/system evolved in improving the production, productivity, profitability and sustainability of specific tribal farming systems (20).
- Acceptability and adoption by the tribal farmers, and others concerned of the recommendation made (20).
- Actual impact of the recommendations on enhancing tribal biological resources (20).
- Quality of publications arising out of the research work.

## **9. Procedure**

Applications/Nominations for the award will be invited during Dec/Jan/Feb once every year. Nominations in the prescribed format will be made online. The Judging Committee will screen the nominations, identify outstanding entries, and make recommendations to the council along with the draft citations. Self-Nominations will also be accepted. If no outstanding entries have been received, no award will be awarded.

## **10. Presentation**

- The announcement of the awards shall be made through letters & personal mails to the awardees before the Awards Presentation Ceremony to be held on the Foundation Day of ICAR i.e. 16<sup>th</sup> July following the year of award or on any other important occasion as decided by the competent authority.
- The awardee scientists shall give presentations on achievements before an audience consisting of eminent agricultural and nonagricultural scientists among other invitees.
- The achievements of the awardees shall be publicized widely through press and electronic media and other communication channels.

## **b)Application/ Nomination Form for ICAR- Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed Award:**

1. Name of the Award
2. Year of the Award
3. Name of the scientist including the associates, if any, in full (underline surname)
4. Father's / Husband's Name
5. Date and place of birth
6. Marital status
7. Postal address
8. Mobile No./e-mail
9. Educational qualifications beginning with the first-degree or equivalent (in a tabular form)



S.No.	Degree	Institution	Year

10. Employment record (in tabular form)
11. Any other relevant experience
12. Details of the research / extension work in tribal area submitted for the award not exceeding 20 pages.
  - i. How the research / extension work was conceptualized?
  - ii. Salient features of the approach for tribal farming system improvement.
  - iii. Tribal villages / tribal farmers targeted.
  - iv. How the research/Extension work was organized?
  - v. Socio-economic profile at the start of the work of the area.
  - vi. What were the principal milestones reached in the progress of research / extension work in tribal area?
  - vii. Impact of the work done in area on
    - Technology dissemination and adoption
    - Productivity enhancement
    - Income enhancement
    - Nutritional improvement
    - Socio-economic profile of tribal farmers of the region targeted under the project.
  - viii. Success stories documented
  - ix. Trainings organized
  - x. How has the technology dissemination become sustainable?
  - xi. Publications, if any
  - xii. Innovations introduced
13. A concise statement (about 150 words) highlighting the most significant aspects of the research /extension contribution made that can be included in citation of award in case selected.

14. Name and designation of the associate scientists along with brief account of the specific contribution made by each separately in personal data sheet (copy enclosed).
15. Whether the nominee/associate has submitted any part/whole of these findings for recognition / award to any other organization? If so, what is the outcome?
16. Copy of the Annual Immovable Property Return (year of the award) if the person is employed in ICAR and any other Government Organization.
17. Certificate by the nominee.

Signature

18. Certificate & forwarding note by the Head of the Institution where the research work was done.

Signature

Name & Designation

