

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

1.Name of the Award: ICAR-Haldhar Organic Farmer Award

2.Sponsorship of the Award: Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi

1. **Objective:** To recognize outstanding contribution of organic farmers

4. Number of Awards and Frequency

One annual award of Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only) for excellence in organic farming), Memento, Citation & Award Certificate

5.Area of Award

(i)Entrepreneurship and enterprise development/ management strategies/ additional information/ practices generated in practicing and promoting organic farming.

(ii)Establishing linkages especially in respect to product certification and marketing

(iii)Additional income to the individual farmer/ group of farmers

1. Administration of the Award

A five-member Judging Committee will be appointed by the DG, ICAR including one representative farmer to assess nominations and make suitable recommendations.

2. Eligibility Criteria

Any farmer involved in organic farming/ activities in field crop/ horticultural crops/ medicinal crops/ milk products etc., with an experience of 5 years in organic farming including certification period.

Criteria of Award and the relative weightage		
Sr. No.	Criteria	Relative Weightage
1	Linkages with product certification agencies/ market	10
2	New knowledge/ package of practices/ management strategies developed	10

3	Additional income to the individual farmer/ farming community	10
4	Saving of resource/ inputs	10
5	Enrichment of soil health	10
6	Breaking technology barriers	10
7	Development of strategy for prevention of outbreak of diseases and pests	10
8.	Change/ improvement in packages of practices	15
9.	Awards & Recognitions received by the farmer	15
	Total	100

3. Procedure for Nomination

Applications/Nominations for the award will be invited during Dec/Jan/Feb every year. Applications/ Nominations in the prescribed format will be made online. Agricultural Production Commissioners/ Secretaries/ Directors of Agril./Hort./A.H./Fisheries/Sericulture, Vice-Chancellors of AUs/ Directors of ICAR Institutes/ATARIs /NGOs, other organizations connected with agriculture will identify and nominate the farmers in their area of jurisdiction and forward the nomination after proper authentication to the Council. Self-nominations shall also be accepted. The Judging Committee will screen the nominations, identify outstanding entries, and make recommendations to the council along with the draft citations. If no outstanding entries have been received, no award will be awarded.

4. Presentation of the Award

- 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. 16th July following the year of award or on any other important occasion as decided by the competent authority.
- The awardee farmer shall give presentation on the achievements before an audience consisting of eminent agricultural and nonagricultural scientists among other invitees.
- The achievements of the awardee farmer shall be publicized widely through press and electronic media and other communication channels.

**b) Application/Nomination Form for ICAR-
Haldhar Organic Farmer Award:**



1. Name of the Award
2. Year of the Award
3. Name of the Farmer
4. Marital Status & Gender
5. Date and place of birth
6. Postal address, Mobile No./e-mail, Bank A/c No. with MICR & IFC code
7. Formal/ informal education
8. Resources owned by Farmer
 - (i) Land (ha)
 - (ii) Water bodies with irrigation capacity
 - (iii) Animal Resources including fish and Poultry
 - (i) Farm Machinery
 - (ii) Area Under
 - (iii) Field Crops
 - (iv) Horticultural Crops
 - (v) Agro-forestry
 - (vi) Dairy/ Poultry/ Fisheries/ Duckeries/ Piggeries (specify unit)
9. New Technologies developed
10. New Technologies adopted in Farming (List only)
11. Technologies modified if any
12. Product certification agency to process
13. Marketing system & economics
14. Area under the organic cultivation
15. Cost of cultivation- Rs./ ha., Total production- q/ ha., Gross Income- Rs./ha, Net Income. Rs./ha
16. Productivity Levels achieved during the last five years
17. What improvement have been affected for productivity, profitability and sustainability-enhancement
18. Any spread effect on Fellow Farmers (Give brief account in one page)
19. Innovative interventions inducted in the system of production and management and effects
20. The contribution of the farmers in terms of
 - (i) New package of practices/ management strategies

- (ii) Saving of resources/ inputs
- (iii) Breaking technology transfer barriers
- (iv) Prevention of outbreak of diseases and pests
- (v) Bringing about radical change in management packages/ in contributing record production from land, water or animals
- (vi) Recognition received at the Block/ District/ State level and

- 21. Extent of publicity of his/ her innovations/ contributions/ success story
- 22. Any other relevant information (documentary proofs through photos, publications, CDs, certificates, medals and awards, etc.)

(Signature of the farmer)

Recommendations by Agricultural Production Commissioners/
Secretaries/ M.D's/ Director of
Agri./Hort./A.H./Fisheries/Sericulture, Vice-Chancellors of AUs/
Directors of Extension/ Research/ ICAR Inst./ATARI Directors / Heads
of NGOs

(Signature of Sponsoring Officer/ recognition)

