Call for applications/nominations for “Prof. P. C. Mahalanobis National Award in Official Statistics – 2022”

In order to promote excellence and recognizing outstanding contributions made by the Official Statisticians in the area of Official/Administrative Statistics in India, the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation has instituted ‘Prof. P. C. Mahalanobis National Award in Official Statistics’.

2. Nominations/applications are invited for “Prof. P. C. Mahalanobis National Award in Official Statistics – 2022”. Details about the award and eligibility criteria are as under:

(i) The Award:

(a) Maximum of 3(three) Awards will be given annually for outstanding and meritorious contribution of an individual for development and promotion of official statistics that has immensely benefitted the Indian Official Statistical System or the benefits that may accrue in the near future, particularly, but not limited to, in the fields of (i) Sample Surveys; (ii) National Accounts; (iii) Index Numbers; (iv) Social Statistics; (v) Automation in collection, compilation and dissemination of data; (vi) Data Storage and Dissemination; (vii) Statistical Systems; (viii) Big Data; (ix) Data Warehouse; and (x) Management Information System (MIS).

(b) There will be 3(three) categories of award:

- Category A: for in-service Official Statistician with less than 45 years of age;
- Category B: for in-service Official Statistician above 45 years of age; and
- Category C: for non-serving/retired Official Statisticians for their lifetime achievements, who served in the Government/Autonomous Bodies throughout his/her career.

(c) Award in each category will consist of a citation, a cash prize of ₹2,00,000/- (Rupees two lakh only), shawl and a memento.

(d) The awardees will be entitled for payment of TA/DA as per rules and entitlement applicable to them.

(ii) Eligibility Criteria

(a) Any in-service Official Statistician in Central Government, State Governments and Autonomous Bodies, who is less than 45 years of age for Category A and more than 45 years of age for Category B; and non-serving/retired Official Statisticians with more than 55 years of age as on 31st December 2021, who served in the Government/Autonomous Bodies throughout his/her career is eligible for Category C of the Award.

(b) Applicant/nominee should have made significant contribution in the field of official statistics which have significantly benefitted or the benefit that may accrue in near future in contemporary policy formulation, improving official statistical system in the country, in terms of development of MIS, designing or improving survey methodology, bridging data gaps and improving reporting system in the areas viz. coverage, quality, content, timeliness, policy relevance etc.

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3. Submission of applications/nominations

(i) Nominations for the Award should either be proposed by Heads of Central Ministries / Departments and State Departments and Autonomous Bodies or directly by the applicants themselves for all the Categories of the Awards. In case nomination is proposed by Heads of Central Ministries / Departments and State Departments and Autonomous Bodies, then each of them can send normally a maximum of two nominations in each category.

(ii) Applications/nominations of the eligible candidates should be submitted in prescribed format through email at training-mospi@nic.in as per instructions given at annex. Last date for the receipt of duly filled-in and complete applications/nominations is 28th February 2022.

(iii) The Standing Selection Committee of the Ministry can also identify and nominate candidates.

(iv) Incomplete nominations/applications in any manner are liable to be rejected.

4. Procedure for selection of awardee

(i) The selection of awardee will be made on recommendation of the Standing Selection Committee and with the approval of Minister for Statistics and Programme Implementation, Government of India.

(ii) If necessary, short listed nominees may be required to make a brief presentation about his/her contribution in the field of official statistics before the Standing Selection Committee. This may be followed by a question-answer session/discussion.

(iii) The award is given for outstanding contributions made by the Official Statistician on work done in India.

(iv) If the Standing Selection Committee opines that none of the candidates are suitable for the award, the award for that year may be deferred to the next year or may not be given.

(v) Any type of undue influence on the Standing Selection Committee by the applicant/nominee will result in disqualification of application/nomination.

(vi) Notwithstanding anything contained in this advertisement, Ministry reserves right to revise any of the provision related to the award at any time without prior intimation to the applicant /nominees. Decision of the Ministry regarding selection of awardee would be final.

5. Presentation of Award

The Awards will be presented during Statistics Day function on 29th June 2022. During award ceremony, citations highlighting the work of the awardee(s) would be read out and awardee(s) may also be requested to take a session highlighting significance of their work.

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Annex

Instructions for submitting applications/nomination for “Prof. P. C. Mahalanobis National Award in Official Statistics – 2022”

(i) Download application/nomination format in MS Word Format by clicking here.

(ii) Fill the application/nomination form in MS Word Format.

(iii) Printout of the duly filled-in application form may be signed by applicant or by nominator.

(iv) The following documents should be sent through email at training-mospi@nic.in with the subject line “Prof. P. C. Mahalanobis National Award in Official Statistics – 2022”.

   (a) Scanned copy of the duly filled-in and signed application form

   (b) Duly filled-in MS Word file of the application form

   (c) Applicant/nominee’s resume/synopsis highlighting the statistical work done

   (d) Copies of five most significant publications/research papers

   (e) Other relevant document, if any, in support of candidature such as papers published/presented at conferences/seminars, technical reports and details of reviews and the books published etc.

   (f) Only signed copy of nomination/application form should be sent through post to Deputy Director, Training Unit, Room No. 520 (D), 5th Floor, Khurshid Lal Bhawan, Janpath, New Delhi - 110001.
Proforma for submission of nominations for
the Prof. P. C. Mahalanobis National Award in Official Statistics

(Category A or B or C)

1. Personal Details

(i) Name of applicant/nominee

(ii) Sex

(iii) Date of Birth and Age
     (as on 31st December 2021)

(iv) Official Address
     (with Telephone / FAX No. and E-mail)

(v) Residential Address
     (with Telephone / FAX No. and E-mail)

2. Academic Qualifications (Bachelor's degree onwards)

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4. Brief description of the nominee’s field of statistical expertise/subject of specialization.

5. Details of awards and fellowships received, if any.

6. Description of the nominee’s contributions to Official Statistics significantly benefiting the Indian official statistical system in the past and/or benefits that may accrue in near future:
   (i) Justification for nomination for the award (maximum 300 words)
   (ii) Detailed description of the contribution to theoretical/ applied/ official statistics which have benefitted or may benefit official statistical system significantly (to be attached in separate sheets)

7. Details of the Research work, if any (such as research papers, books, technical reports, projects etc.)
8. Other relevant information, if any.

9. Names, complete addresses and contact details of nominating authority/organization/institution.

10. This is certified that applicant/nominee is a bonafide citizen of India and information given in nomination/application form is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if any information is found to be incorrect, nomination would be cancelled.

Signature of the Applicant / Nominating authority

Designation with official seal

Place:
Date: