



INDIAN AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITIES ASSOCIATION (IAUA)

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Pusa Campus, New Delhi-110012

IAUA Awards for Outstanding Ph.D. Thesis Research-2026

1. Name of the Awards

- I. IAUA Award for Outstanding Ph.D. Thesis Research in Crop Sciences.
- II. IAUA Award for Outstanding Ph.D. Thesis Research in Horticultural Sciences.
- III. IAUA Award for Outstanding Ph.D. Thesis Research in Animal Sciences.
- IV. IAUA Award for Outstanding Ph.D. Thesis Research in Fisheries Sciences.
- V. IAUA Award for Outstanding Ph.D. Thesis Research in Natural Resource Management Sciences.
- VI. IAUA Award for Outstanding Ph.D. Thesis Research in Agricultural Engineering.
- VII. IAUA Award for Outstanding Ph.D. Thesis Research in Social Sciences.

2. Sponsor

Indian Agricultural Universities Association (IAUA), New Delhi.

3. Objectives of the Awards

- I. To recognize outstanding original research done by Ph.D. students,
- II. To provide incentive for enhancing the quality of Ph.D. thesis research, and
- III. To promote high quality Ph.D. thesis research in emerging priority areas.

4. Periodicity of Awards

The awards shall be given every year.

5. Nature of the Awards

These awards are meant exclusively for Ph.D. thesis related to Crop Sciences, Horticultural Sciences, Animal Sciences, Fisheries Sciences, Natural Resource Management Sciences, Agricultural Engineering and Social Sciences from any of the IAUA member Agricultural Universities. Each individual award consists of Rs. 50,000/ (Rupees Fifty Thousand) only in cash, a certificate and a

plaque. The Seven awards will be given in following seven categories (one each) every year, if recommended by the expert judging committee and approved by the competent authority of IAUA.

- I. Crop Sciences,
- II. Horticultural Sciences,
- III. Animal Sciences,
- IV. Fisheries Sciences,
- V. Natural Resource Management Sciences.
- VI. Agricultural Engineering, and
- VII. Social Sciences

6. Eligibility

- I. Any Indian who has completed his Ph.D. degree in agricultural and allied sciences in the areas mentioned at Sl. No. 5 above and from IAUA member Agricultural Universities.
- II. The Certificate of the degree/provisional degree must have been obtained during the year preceding the year of the award. A thesis will be considered only once for the awards.
- III. The research work must be original and must have a direct bearing on some relevant aspects of the agricultural production/management systems.
- IV. The results obtained must have the potential of enhancing the productivity/production/sustainability of the relevant agricultural production /management system or substantially advance scientific knowledge.
- V. The applicant must have published/accepted at least two research papers arisen from Ph.D. thesis research work in a journal having NAAS rating of 7 (seven) or impact factor 1(one) and above.

7. Administration of the Award

The IAUA shall have the sole right of selection of recipients of the awards and of the formulation of Rules and Eligibility governing such selection from time to time.

8. Expert Judging Committee

There shall be an Expert Judging Committee (IAUA Ph.D. Award Committee) consisting of Eight (8) members, at least one for each subject area, including the Chairperson appointed by the Executive Committee of IAUA. The Expert Judging Committee shall evaluate the applications and make recommendations to the IAUA.

9. Presentation of Award

- I. The announcement of the awards shall be made through letters and personal emails to the awardees before the Awards Presentation Ceremony to be held as decided by the Executive Committee, IAUA / General Body, IAUA.
- II. The awardees shall give presentations on their achievements during Award Ceremony.
- III. The achievements of the awardees shall be publicized through IAUA Newsletter and Annual Report and will also be uploaded on IAUA website.

Candidates who obtained degrees in the year 2025 (01 January – 31 December 2025) are eligible for applying.

Last date for submission of application is 15 September 2026, 5.30 PM.

Application may be submitted at/to:

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