IASTAM - INDIA
INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE STUDY OF TRADITIONAL ASIAN MEDICINE
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IASTAM ORATION AND AWARDS

GUIDELINES

1. ELIGIBILITY

1.1 Any Indian citizen having minimum of 15 years of experience and having exhibited excellence in the field for which the oration or the award is instituted by IASTAM (India) shall be considered for the oration / award.

1.2 Any 'IASTAM – India Awardee' who has received an oration or an award should not be considered again to receive any other IASTAM – oration or award.*

1.3 It is mandatory to take the consent of the nominee for consideration of the oration or award.

1.4 The IASTAM – India Award are to be received in person only. No award-in-absentia should be given. In an unprecedented situation arising after the declaration and only if considered and accepted with unanimous consensus by all of members of the selection committee the award may be conferred in absence.

2. NOMINATION PROCEDURE

2.1 An announcement will be made to inform all members.

2.2 The nomination/s will be invited on a prescribed format from all members of IASTAM, including members of the managing committee and members of the national advisory council. This format will be available from the office/s of the association and from its website.

2.3 Each nomination/s shall be proposed by a member of IASTAM – India in the prescribed format only.

2.4 Only one name shall be proposed for each category of award by the proposer.

2.5 The nomination form must include –

a. Name of the Oration or Award for which the nomination is proposed
b. Name, membership details, contact details and signature of the proposer
c. Name of the Nominee
d. Confirmation of acceptance by the nominee
e. Contact details of the nominee
*f. The nomination form must include***
(1) Justification by the proposer for the nomination(not more than 10 lines)
(2) Complete profile / bio-data of the nominee
(3) In addition to the above any information that will help the selection committee to consider the nomination could be added

2.6 Any office bearer or member of the managing committee or member of the selection committee is not eligible to be nominated for the oration or any of the awards.*

2.7 No follow-up or advocacy by the proposer or nominee with the IASTAM – Office that will contravene the interest.

* ***List of the previous Awardees & Members of the Managing Committee & National Advisory Council is available on website of IASTAM.***

** ***Any nomination received without the above will not be considered for nomination***

3. SCREENING OF NOMINATIONS

The nominations received shall be scrutinized by the office for completeness of information. The screening is essentially to avoid exclusion of poorly qualified nominations and to reduce the burden on the selection committee. However, all the members of the selection committee will be provided with a list of all nominations received and of primary rejection/s if any. the selection committee may unanimously consider any nominee even if not included in primary screening

4. SELECTION COMMITTEE

4.1 The managing committee shall form 'IASTAM ORATION AWARDS SELECTION COMMITTEE' comprising of 11 members as follows –

Representatives from the managing committee	-	4
Previous Awardees	-	4
Senior Experts from Outside*	-	3

**Outside experts shall be preferred for areas not represented*

4.2 The 'President (or in absence one of the Vice presidents) of IASTAM' shall act as chairman of this committee having right to vote.

4.3 Secretary General or Joint Secretary shall act as 'Member Secretary' of the 'IASTAM AWARDS SELECTION COMMITTEE'. S/he will not be eligible to vote for the selection.

5. SELECTION PROCESS

5.1 Criteria for selection:

I. Qualifications and Experience of the candidate
II. Contribution to the respective field of Award
III. Contribution to the IASTAM objectives

5.2 Preference Of Nominee

Each selection committee member would prioritize their preference (first/second/third) of nominee for the respective Award/Oration as per their judgements.

5.3 Final assessment of selection:

Final selection of candidate for respective Awards/Oration would be done based on collective assessment of each selection committee member. The one who receives the maximum preferences would be the final candidate for receiving the respective Award/Oration.

6. ANNOUNCEMENT AND FUNCTION

6.1 The "Member Secretary' shall coordinate, collect and compile all data related to the oration and awards.

6.2 After scrutiny and initial assessment the names of the awardees shall be submitted with all details and data to the president.

6.3 President and other members of the selection committee shall be informed of the final list with all details about the nominees.

6.4 All members of the selection committee will be asked to give their selection within specified time.

6.5 President shall act as chairperson to coordinate the whole process either in person or through suitable medium like conference call or such. After receiving the preferences from all the members the member secretary will provide the list to the president. The name/s of the awardee shall be based on highest preferences . In case of any need the president may go back to the members of the selection committee for their review.

6.6 All members of the selection committee will be informed of the final list.

6.7 Acceptance & declaration: The coordinator shall obtain the consent in writing of the shortlisted nominee before the declaration. The announcement shall be made thereafter.

6.8 Awardees shall be informed with tentative date of the function to be held. In case of non-availability of any of the awardees the oration or award shall be given to the next preferred nominee.

6.9 Selection committee may reject all nominees for an oration or an award in case a suitable candidate is not nominated.

6.10 Highest level of integrity and standards shall be followed by all the members of the selection committee and by all officials of IASTAM – India.

6.11 All members of the selection committee shall maintain confidentiality and shall destroy or return all papers related to the oration or award selection.

7. PROCEDURE AND RECORDS

7.1 The designated 'Member Secretary' shall initiate the process of nomination, selection and finalization of the oration and awards.

7.2 All papers and records related to nomination and final selection shall be maintained by the member secretary. After announcement of the awards all related papers shall be sealed and archived.

8. FINAL DECISION

The president of IASTAM and members of the selection committee are the final authority for acceptance or rejection of any nomination.

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AWARD - CRITERIA

IASTAM HAS INSTITUTED THE FOLLOWING ORATIONS & AWARDS IN THE FORM OF 'CITATION' and 'AWARD MEMENTO'

1. PANDIT SHIV SHARMA ORATION FOR CONTRIBUTION TO PROMOTION OF AYURVED

IASTAM, in memory of its founder president and eminent Vaidya Padmabhushan Pandit Shiv Sharma has instituted this **'Oration' for excellence in propagation of Ayurveda or outstanding services rendered to further the cause of Ayurved.**

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2. Prof. K. N. UDUPA AWARD FOR CONTRIBUTION TO RESEARCH IN AYURVEDA / INDIGENOUS SYSTEMS OF MEDICINE

IASTAM in memory of eminent educationist, scientist and former president of our Association Prof.K.N.Udupa has instituted this '**Award for Excellence' in Research in Ayurved / Indigenous Systems of Medicine. (Preferably given to a scientist / scholar from modern biomedical sciences for contribution to Ayurvedic research)**

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3. Dr. C. DWARAKANATH MEMORIAL AWARD FOR CONTRIBUTION TO CONTEMPORARY INTERPRETATION OR APPLICATION OF AYURVEDIC PRINCIPLES

IASTAM in the memory of the great Ayurvedic research scholar Dr.C.Dwarakanath, respected both by the Ayurvedic and modern fraternity has instituted this '**Award for Excellence' in newer interpretation or contribution based on fundamental principles of Ayurved leading to its novel application/s.(Preferably given to an Ayurvedic scholar / scientist who has contributed to novel interpretation of Ayurvedic knowledge for its contemporary application)**

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4. Dr. K. M. PARIKH MEMORIAL AWARD FOR CONTRIBUTION TO DEVELOPMENT OF AYURVEDIC / HERBAL PHARMACEUTICS

IASTAM in memory of Dr.Krishnakant Parikh, its founder member and a visionary in the field of Ayurvedic pharmaceutical research & development, has instituted this'**Award for Excellence' for contribution to development of Ayurvedic / herbal pharmaceutics.(Preferably given to a scientist from the field of pharmaceutical sciences who has contributed through academic and /or research work to development of Ayurvedic medicine.)**

5. VINABEN PATEL IASTAM AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

IASTAM in memory of Hon. Vinaben Patel, has instituted this **'Award for Excellence' in Ayurvedic Teaching & Training.** (Preferably given to a required scholar and popular teacher of Ayurved for service to education and training of Ayurved

6. SHRI MATHURADAS PARIKH AWARD
FOR
EXCELLENCE IN AYURVEDIC PROFESSION

IASTAM in memory of Shri Mathuradas Parikh instituted this **'Award for Excellence' in Ayurvedic Profession.(Preferably given to a renowned Ayurvedic practitioner for service to society through the profession of Ayurved)**

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7. YOGA FORUM MUNCHEN PATANJALI AWARD
FOR
EXCELLENCE IN INTERDISCIPLINARY DEVELOPMENT OF YOGA

'Yoga Forum Munchen Patanjali Award' will be given for **'Outstanding Contribution For Interdisciplinary Work In The Field Of Yoga'** Through-

(a) **Novel interpretation of basic concepts or understanding of literature**
(b) **Clinical or experimental work including neurosciences or life sciences and such others**
(c) **Long term activities or published work of significance**

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8. SHRI GOPALDAS PARIKH AWARD
FOR
CONTRIBUTIONS TO DRUG DEVELOPMENT

IASTAM in memory of Shri Gopaldas Parikh has instituted this' **Award for Contributions to Drug Development' in the field of Phytochemistry, Medicinal Chemistry, Pharmaceutical Chemistry or Biochemistry.**

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9. VAIDYA CHANDRAPRAKASH AWARD
FOR
CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE SUBJECT OF RASASHASTRA

IASTAM in memory of Hon. Vaidya Chandraprakash has instituted the 'Award for Contributions to the subject of Rasashastra'.(Preferably given to the expert in the field of Rasashastra)

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10. SHRI JUGATRAM VAIDYA AWARD
FOR
EXCELLENCE IN SHALYA TANTRA

IASTAM in memory of, Shri Jugatram Vaidya has instituted this **'Award for Excellence' in Shalya Tantra (Preferably given to teacher / practitioner from the field of Shalya Tantra who has contributed to development of principles and practices of Ayurvedic surgery)**

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APPEAL

IASTAM appeals for contributions and donations from individuals or groups or such bodies to institute similar awards to encourage its interdisciplinary mission. IASTAM desires to have an independent Annual Oration Award Function so as to invite the inventive minds together to listen to their views and share experiences.