

Rules for Professor C M Pandey Award

This Award, instituted in the year 2024, will be started from the year 2025 with an endowment received from the family of Late Dr. C M Pandey, Former Professor & Head, Department of Biostatistics & Health Informatics, SGPGI, Lucknow (UP), a Senior Fellow & Past President of the Society, IEA President and an eminent biostatistician. Dr. C M Pandey who left us for his heavenly abode in the year 2023, had contributed tremendously in biostatistics (including epidemiology) and also to the ISMS and this Society, in his honor, decided to start this Award.

Purpose of the Award: This Award is given once a year to a young scientist (including an early career researcher) who is first author of the best published paper – out of those submitted for the Award in that year, in Biostatistics, Epidemiology & Health Informatics – focusing on statistical modelling, application of newer bio-statistical or epidemiological methods, digital health and advancement of bio-statistical specialty.

Eligibility for the Award: The applicant should fulfill following requirements.

1. He / she should be below 45 years of age (on 31 March of the Conference year).
2. He / She should be a Life Member of the Society.
3. He / She should be the first author of the published paper, submitted for the Award.
4. The submitted paper for the Award, should have been published in a peer-reviewed journal (PubMed or Scopus), within 3 years, excluding the year of the Conference.
5. The submitted published paper should not have received any other Award earlier.

Submission of Entries for the Award: Entries for the Award should be submitted online, through an e-mail, addressed to the Chair - Awards Committee of the ISMS with a copy to its General Secretary. Entries should reach the Society before the deadline, set by the General Secretary for the purpose in its Circular for that year. The application for the Award, must accompany following documents as scanned copies in form of attachments.

1. A copy of applicant's Brief Biodata (1 page).
2. Life Membership no. (LM no.) of ISMS or any other evidence towards Membership of the Society.
3. High School Certificate / Birth Certificate as proof of the age.
4. Published paper
5. A 'No Objection Certificate' from co-authors of the paper.

6. A Certificate, duly signed by the applicant, that the submitted paper has not received any other award earlier and that, it was not submitted to the Society for this Award earlier.

Criteria for Evaluation: All valid entries, received for the Award, shall be evaluated by the Awards Committee – using some objective criteria, for the purpose. Based on the recommendations of the Awards Committee, Governing Council of the Society will take a final decision on the paper for the Award, subject to the ratification by the General Body. If no suitable entry is received or no paper is found worthy for the Award by the Awards Committee, the Award shall not be given in that year. Further, a paper - found not suitable for this Award in a year by the Awards Committee, cannot be resubmitted ever for this Award.

Conferment of the Award: This Award carries a cash prize (in form of Demand Draft / Multi-City Cheque) for Rs. 25,000/= along with a Certificate of Honor and a token of Memento. Final decision on the winning entry for the Award is taken in the ISMS Business Meetings, to be held during the Annual Conference of the Society for that year, but the Award is presented to the candidate during the Inaugural Function of the next year's Annual Conference, where the candidate would come to attend the Conference and receive the Award at his/her own cost.
