

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. AWARD OF INSA BURSARY SCHEME

The Indian National Science Academy invites applications from individual scientists for the award of INSA Bursary Scheme (one time grant and not periodic or recurring) under which crucial grant can be sanctioned by the Academy for the purchase of equipment, components, and accessories, chemicals and such other items or to organize small group discussion of professional colleagues on important aspects of research and development or any other significant activity related to research.

Application forms of the Bursary grant may be obtained from the Project Officer (B.S.), Indian National Science Academy, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi-110 002.

Request received for the Bursary grant will be considered by the Academy from time to time.

2. THIRD WORLD ACADEMY OF SCIENCES PRIZE

The Third World Academy of Sciences has decided to institute a Prize of US \$ 10,000 to be awarded to the best research essay which brings to light the scientific achievements of a Third World scientist prior to the 20th century, whose work has not been hitherto clearly recognised.

Further information may be obtained from the Executive Secretary of the TWAS at the following address :

TWAS HISTORY OF SCIENCE PRIZE
International Centre for Theoretical Physics,
P.O. Box 586, 34130, Trieste,
ITALY.

3. INSA PARTIAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES ABROAD DURING 1987-88.

The Indian National Science Academy invites applications from scientists for partial financial assistance to participate in some important International Conferences abroad during the year 1987-88. Scientists interested to avail of financial support from the Academy for participation in International Conferences to be held during the year 1987-88 are requested to apply in the prescribed proforma. The proforma is available from the Office of the Executive-Secretary, Indian National Science Academy, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi-110 002.

The scheme is operated under three different categories *viz.*: (1) For International Conferences sponsored by the International Council of Scientific Unions (ICSU) and its affiliated bodies, (ICSU Conferences) (2) ;For International Conferences sponsored by other agencies, hence categorised as Non-ICSU Conferences ; (3) For applicants who are interested in partial travel assistance only, for participation in any International Conference abroad. The applicants must be below 35 years of age. This is categorised as INSA-COSTED Travel Grant.

Category 1 : Scientist who has been invited to deliver a plenary lecture/preside over a session of a scientific conference or whose paper has been accepted for presentation, and who will also be provided maintenance allowance during his/her stay abroad and partial travel expenses by some agency, will be given preference over others. INSA's financial support, in case of selection is limited to a maximum of half the international travel, 50% of the maintenance allowance for the duration of the conference and registration fee, wherever necessary.

The prescribed application form duly completed should be despatched latest by 31st January each year for consideration by a committee of the Academy during the year.

Category 2 : Scientist who has been invited to deliver a plenary lecture/preside over a session or whose paper has been accepted for presentation and who will also be provided partial maintenance allowance during his/her stay abroad and partial travel expenses by some agency, will be given preference over others. INSA's financial support in case of selection is limited to a maximum of Rs. 5,000/- only.

Applications for category 2 should be received in the Academy for consideration three months prior to the date of commencement of the Conference.

Category 3 : Under this category the scientist who is interested to avail partial travel assistance only for participation in any International Conference and is also below 35 years of age may send his/her formal request on a prescribed application form atleast three months prior to the date of commencement of the conference. The applicant should fulfil the following eligibility criteria before sending his/her application :

- (a) His/her age should be below 35 years on the date of commencement of the conference and he/she should hold Doctorate Degree.
- (b) His/her paper should have been accepted for presentation.
- (c) His/her local hospitality and partial travel expenses has to be borne by the organisers or some other agency.

Candidates selected will be supported partially for their travel cost, jointly by INSA and COSTED (Committee on Science & Technology in Developing Countries). The applications will be screened once a quarter during the year.