



DR. S. S. JAYARAM AWARD FOR BEST PAPER

Sponsors : Family of Dr. S. S. Jayaram, Bengaluru sponsored the Award with a corpus fund. From this year onwards, IPS SZB has allocated a financial support to make a reasonable Corpus to enable an appropriate cash award.

Details of the Award : The Awardee is presented with a Cash Award of Rs. 10000/- and a Certificate.

Participants : All members of IPS SZB who satisfy the following qualifications can participate in the **Competition**:

- First Author should be below 40 years.
- Previous winners of the Award cannot participate.
- First (Principal) author must present the paper.
- First author and at least 50% of Co-authors should be subscribing members of IPS SZ at the time of submission of the paper.

Procedure : The paper should be prepared in accordance with the following guidelines:

- The paper should be prepared in accordance with the 'Manuscript submission guidelines' Indian Journal of Psychological Medicine. Link:<https://journals.sagepub.com/author-instructions/SZJ>.
- The paper must be based on research carried out by the authors and must not have been published in any scientific journal or presented in other scientific conferences.
- Authors should accept that the paper will become the property of the IPS-SZB for consideration for publication in the IJPM.

The paper should be submitted to the Chairman of the Awards Committee as detailed:

- The author should submit pdf of the full paper and abstract not exceeding 200 words to the Chairperson, IPS SZB Awards Committee, on or before the date fixed by the Executive Council of IPS SZB.
- First Author should:
 - i. Declare that the paper is based on their original work and that it has not been published or presented elsewhere.
 - ii. Enclose a declaration of his age.
 - iii. Furnish a written consent for the presentation from all Co-authors.

Selection Process: The process starts with the notification by the General Secretary of IPS SZ to all members of the South Zone, at least three months in advance and mentioning the contact details of the Chairman of the Awards Committee and the last date for reception of the Papers by the Chairman.

Chairman would constitute a panel of three judges and furnish them with the papers (minus the first page) and guidelines for assessing the manuscript. Based on the evaluation of the judges, a maximum of four of the best papers would be chosen for Podium Presentation during IPSOCON. The paper should have gained a minimum of 50% for being allowed for Podium Presentation. Even when only one paper had been received, it should undergo the process of evaluation.

During presentation at IPSOCON, three-judge panel would be evaluating the performance. Scores in manuscript evaluation and of oral presentation would be added and the highest scorer would be the deserving winner of the Award.

Chairman, Awards committee will declare the results during the AGB and the Cash Award and Certificate will be presented by the President, IPS SZB during the Valedictory function.