

## **Professor A Indrayan Travel Grant**

This travel grant was instituted by the Society in the Year 2011 with an endowment received from professor A Indrayan, Delhi. The candidate for this travel grant should be Society's senior life member of at least 60 years of age or retired from the regular employment and with no funding support from any agency for attending the Society's annual conference. A candidate below the age of 60 years but retired (took voluntary retirement from the regular services) shall not be eligible:

**Nature of the Grant:** The selected member will be given a travel grant equal to the actual expenses incurred or part thereof, in travel, registration fee and stay, not exceeding Rs.7000/- towards attending the annual conference of the Society. The travel grant will be given to a member in form of a cheque (on production of bills/receipts of actual expenses incurred) during the Society's annual conference itself where the awardee must be present. If there is no entry for this purpose with the Governing Council in any year, the grant may not be given to anybody in that year. In such a situation, the Governing Council may consider giving this Grant to one more eligible member (i.e., to 2 members in place of 1 member only) in the following year.

**Eligibility Criteria for the Travel Grant:** The nominee / applicant should be: a) aged 60 years or more on the 31<sup>st</sup> March of the conference year or retired from the regular employment, b) a senior life member of the Society and c) has no other source of funding (including full funding support from the Organising Secretary of the Conference under reference) for attending the forthcoming annual conference of ISMS. The consent of the nominee will be required.

**Identification of the Entries and Decision on the Travel Grant:** The Secretariat of the Society will not invite entries for this grant from its members, like other awards. However, a 5 – member search Committee – Consisting of Former Presidents and / or senior fellows, considering award's eligibility criteria, as given above, will identify, each year for the grant (a needy eligible member who wishes to apply for this grant, can approach the Chair, Search Committee online with cc to its members and the General Secretary, along with requisite eligibility documents, well in advance, requesting for the Purpose). The Committee shall give its recommendation on the Candidate's selection for the grant, to the Society, well in advance (at least 2 weeks before the Society's upcoming annual conference). The Society, after taking approval/consent of the Executive Committee, will inform the candidate about the travel grant, well before the annual conference (so that the candidate can plan his / her participation in the Conference). No prior approval of the Governing Council and General Body in this regard, shall be necessary. However, both these bodies – Governing Council and the General Body, shall be duly informed about the award of this grant to the candidates(s).