Indian Society for Medical Statistics

Rules for Professor P P Talwar Travel Fellowship

Background

This travel fellowship was instituted by the Society in the year 2020 with an endowment, received from Professor P P Talwar, New Delhi – a senior Fellow & Former President of ISMS. This fellowship is given¹ to member(s) of the Society for attending Society's Annual Conference. Members, who have contributed significantly to biostatistics, epidemiology & public health and fulfil the eligibility criteria, will be considered for this purpose.

Nature of the Travel Fellowship: The travel fellowship covers reimbursement of travel and local hospitality for participating in the annual conference of ISMS at actuals (but payable amount will not exceed³ the funds, available with ISMS for this purpose in that year). The recipient will also be given a Certificate of Honour.

Eligibility Criteria: The candidate should:

- a) Be a Life Member of the Society for at least 10 years;
- b) Not have received this travel fellowship in last 3 years;
- c) Not be getting funding support for this purpose from any other source and
- d) Must have been identified by the Search Committee for delivering a Plenary Lecture during the Conference on a topic of mutual interest.

Invitation of Entries: Entries for this travel fellowship shall not be invited by the Society but the name(s) for this purpose shall be identified by the Search Committee. Nevertheless, any member of the Society, interested in receiving this travel fellowship – in the light of its eligibility criteria, for attending the current year's annual conference, may contact the Chair – Search Committee, well in

time (before the last date, set by the General Secretary for this purpose) for consideration of his / her name.

Processing of Entries & Selection: The Search Committee will identify and review entries for this travel fellowship. Chair— Search Committee, in consultation with its other members, will finalize name (s) for this purpose. Each year, Treasurer will update the Chair—Search Committee, the funds available with the Society for this travel fellowship (as accrued bank interest) and accordingly, the latter will recommend name(s) to the ISMS Secretariat for its award. General Secretary will send intimation, as early as possible, to the awardee(s), with a copy to the Organizing Secretary of the Conference. The recommendation of the Search Committee shall be final and the same shall be placed before the Governing Council for information and record.

Conferment of the Travel Fellowship: This travel fellowship shall be presented to the awardee(s) at the time of Opening Ceremony (Inaugural Function) of the Conference by the President of the Society.

<u>Note</u>:

- 1. This travel fellowship shall be given by the Society each year subject to the availability of suitable candidate(s).
- 2. Funds available for this travel fellowship (based on the accrued bank interest on the endowment) may vary on year to year basis, in view of changing bank-interest rates.

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