

## **Smt. Ramrati Lalima Sahai Award**

Award was instituted by the Society in 2007 from the endowment received from Professor Ajit Sahai, Jipmer, Pondicherry, in memory of his late mother – Smt. Ramrati Lalima Sahai. The nominee should have contributed significantly to the Society as an office-bearer for strengthening organizational set up and / or level of academic component of the Society. In case of no suitable entry is found for the award in a particular year, the award may not be given in that year.

**Eligibility Criteria for the Award:** A Nominee for the award should fulfil following requirements: S/he

1. Should be a life member of ISMS for at least 10 years,
2. Should have completed – as an office bearer of ISMS ( for full term) in a specific capacity, namely – President, General Secretary, Treasure, Editor – either of Society's journal or its Bulletin, Organizing Secretary of the annual conference and Chair of any if its regular Committees (those who have served only as Governing Council Member or member of its any committee, will not be eligible for the award),
3. Should have already attained 45 years of age,
4. Should have ph D or equivalent degree (medical candidates with MD/MS degree will also be eligible),
5. Should have successfully discharged his / her duties as office bearer on any position mentioned above, for full term (documented evidence required),
6. Should have contributed significantly to the Society as an office – bearer (documented evidence required) and
7. Has never received this award earlier (a signed certificate from the nominee, required).

**Nature of the Award:** The award consists of a medal and a scroll of honour. This shall be given to the awardee during the annual conference of the following year in recognition to his / her services, rendered to the Society.

**Identification of the Entry and Decision on the Award:** The Secretariat of the Society shall not invite entries for this award from its members. Like other awards. However, a 5 – member Search Committee – Consisting of Former Presidents and / or Senior fellows, will identify a suitable entry out of life members-fulfilling the above eligibility criteria, for the award each year (if however, an eligible life member wishes to be considered for this award, then s/he will approach online, attaching requisite eligibility papers, to the Chair – Search Committee with cc to its members and General Secretary, for consideration of his/her name for the award). Thus, nominations for this award shall be made to the Committee – Chair, normally by members of the Search Committee only, with a copy to the General Secretary. This Committee for this purpose will need a concise document on the prospective nominee, showing that s/he has contributed significantly to the Society as an office – bearer by strengthening organizational set up and/or academic component of the Society, along with any additional evidence or reasoning towards candidate's suitability for the award. The committee shall give its recommendation on the candidate's selection for the award, to the Governing Council before the deadline or at least two weeks before the upcoming annual conference of the Society. Further, the candidate selected for the award in a particular year, shall be given this award during the annual conference of the following year. The award shall be given by the

President of the Society or his/ her nominee. If there is no entry for this purpose With the Governing Council in any year, the award shall not be given in that year.