

## **Smt. Surajkali Jain Award**

This award was instituted by the Society in 1986, out of a donation received from Dr Y K Jainy, Former Additional Director of Medical, Health & Family Welfare, Uttar Pradesh, in the name of his mother Smt. Surajkali Jain. It is given once a year to the best paper, out of those submitted, on any subject related to medical biostatistics, published by a young scientist in any indexed journal of repute during last three calendar years preceding the year of the annual conference of the Society. Papers published in proceedings or accepted in any journal but not yet published, shall not be eligible for the award.

**Nature of the Award:** The awardee is given a medal and a scroll of honour. The award is presented by the President of the Society or his/her nominee during the annual conference of the following year.

**Submission of Entries for the Award:** The applicant should be a life member of the society, be below the age of 45 years (as on 31<sup>st</sup> of March of that year) and, should be the principal / first author of the submitted paper. Application for the award should reach online to the Chair, Awards committee, with a copy to the General Secretary, before the last date set by the Society in its circular, attaching scanned copies of the following documents in pdf format:

1. A copy of applicant's brief bio-data (1 page)
2. Evidence on status of applicant's membership of the Society,
3. A 'No Objection Certificate' from the co-authors for the applicant being considered for the award.
4. Valid proof of age,
5. A copy of the published paper (to be considered for the award) and
6. A certificate, duly signed by the applicant, that the paper (under reference) has not received any other award earlier and that it was not submitted for this award of the Society earlier.

**Criteria for Evaluation of papers for the Award:** All papers received for the award, shall be evaluated by the Awards Committee of the Society. On the recommendations of the Awards Committee, the Governing Council of the Society will take a final decision on the award, subject to ratification by the General body. The Society reserves the right to reject all the entries, received for the Award. Thus, it is not necessary to give this award every year, if a suitable entry is not found. The award is given to the first author of the paper only. A paper found not suitable once for this award, cannot be resubmitted for the award in the subsequent years.