**GADVASU-ISVIB Best Thesis Research Award**

**(One each for Ph.D. and Master’s Thesis Research)**

*The purpose of the award is to recognize outstanding research in animal health through immunology / biotechnology.*

**1. Objectives**

* To recognize and honour meritorious scholars/researchers for original, innovative, and impactful research in animal sciences involving the applications of immunology / biotechnology.
* To promote high-quality research work in biotechnology applications, particularly in immunology, microbiology, and infectious diseases.
* To encourage translational research with deliverables for societal benefits.

**2. Scope of Research**

A. Eligible research areas may include:

* Animal Health & Disease Management: Immunological and microbiological innovations, diagnostics, vaccines, etc.
* Infectious Disease Control: Zoonoses, antimicrobial resistance, and One Health approaches.

B. Eligibility Criteria

* Must be a master's or doctoral student who has successfully defended (his/her) thesis within one year from the date of annual convention of the society, for the award nomination.
* Research must be conducted in India, and the applicant must be affiliated with a recognized institution.
* Age limit: Below 35 years at the time of nomination.
* Must have at least two research publications out of the work of a Ph.D. thesis as the first author in peer-reviewed journals with NAAS rating ≥7.
* Must have at least one research publication out of the work of a master’s student as the first author in a peer-reviewed with NAAS ≥7.
* Preference for candidates with granted patents, copyrights, and technology transfers.

**3. Nomination Process**

* Nominations to be submitted/forwarded by:
  + Thesis supervisor
  + Head of Department/Institution
* Self-nominations are not accepted.
* Submission must include:

1. Thesis summary (max 5 pages)
2. List of publications (first page only) and IPRs (proofs)
3. Statement of societal impact
4. Endorsement letter from supervisor/ Head of Department/Institution

**4. Evaluation Criteria\***

| **Criteria** | **Weightage** |
| --- | --- |
| Novelty and innovation | 20% |
| New methodology adoption, product and process development | 20% |
| Societal relevance | 15 % |
| Quality of publications based on IF  NAAS rating ≥ 7-8- 5 marks  NAAS rating > 8-9- 7 marks  NAAS rating > 9-10- 8 marks  NAAS rating > 10- 10 marks | 20% |
| Patents/IPRs | 05% |
| Commercialization potential/ Field applicability | 10% |
| Collaboration  Any significant collaborations or mentorship that contributed to the research, Co-guides, or collaborators from other institutions | 10% |

**\*Minimum marks for eligibility is 50**

**5. Award Components**

* Citation and plaque
* Cash prize (Rs.25,000/- for Ph.D. thesis research awardee and Rs.15,000/- for Master’s thesis research awardee)
* Candidate will be supported by a travel /lodging-boarding allowance subject to a maximum of Rs. 5000/-.
* The awardee has to present the work at the Annual Conference of the Society.
* The award presentation will be done during the Annual Conference of the Society.
* The awardee must be present for receiving the award.

**Nomination Form**

Attach a high-resolution photograph and a short bio (300 words max).

**Section A: Candidate Information**

| **Field** | **Details** |
| --- | --- |
| Full Name of Candidate (Capital Letters) |  |
| Date of Birth |  |
| Gender |  |
| Nationality |  |
| Contact Address |  |
| Email ID |  |
| Mobile Number |  |
| Institutional Affiliation |  |
| Registration/Admission No. |  |
| Degree Awarded (Ph.D./ Master’s) |  |
| Date of Thesis Defence |  |

**Section B: Thesis Details**

| **Field** | **Details** |
| --- | --- |
| Title of Thesis |  |
| Department & Institution |  |
| Supervisor’s Name & Contact |  |
| Summary of Thesis (Max 5 pages attached) | ☐ Attached |
| Key Research Areas | ☐ Immunology ☐ Microbiology ☐ Infectious Diseases  ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_ |

**Section C: Research Outputs**

| **Output Type** | **Details** |
| --- | --- |
| Peer-reviewed research publications out of thesis work (with NAAS rating ≥7) | ☐ List attached with NAAS ratings/proof |
| Patents/IPRs Filed or Granted | ☐ Details attached |
| Technology Transfers/Commercialization/ Field applicability | ☐ Description attached |
| Awards/Recognitions for Thesis Work | ☐ List attached |
| Societal Impact Statement (Max 150 words) | ☐ Attached |
| Impact Metrics  Please provide any measurable indicators of research impact (Citation count or h-index / downloads/views of thesis/articles, Adoption by industry or government bodies, commercialization, etc.) | ☐Proofs attached |
| Thesis plagiarism report | ☐ Attached |

**Section D: Declaration of Originality**

**1. Declaration of Originalityby the Applicant**

I, Dr/Mr/Ms……………………………………student of Ph.D. / Master’s degree programme from………………………………………. (Name of the college/university) hereby declare that the research submitted for **GADVASU-ISVIB Best Thesis Research Award** is original, ethically conducted, and free from plagiarism.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**2. Endorsement by the Supervisor / Head of Institution**

I, …………………from………………………………………. (Name of the college/university) hereby nominate Dr./Mr./Ms. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for the **GADVASU-ISVIB Best Thesis Research Award**. I affirm that the thesis work is original, impactful, and meets the eligibility criteria. I endorse this nomination with full confidence in the candidate’s merit. Further, the candidate has never been barred for misconduct.

| **Field** | **Details** |
| --- | --- |
| Name |  |
| Designation |  |
| Institution |  |
| Email ID |  |
| Mobile Number |  |
| Signature & Date with stamp/seal |  |

**Submission Instructions**

* Subject line: *Nomination –* **GADVASU-ISVIB Best Thesis Research Award** *– [Candidate Name]*
* Submit the completed nomination form and attachments via email to: **[*manoulagai@gmail.com*]**

**Selection process**

Through a committee constituted by the Society (ISVIB) where the committee member should not have any conflict of interest with the candidate for the award.

**Checklist of Attachments**

[ ] Thesis Summary (Max 5 pages)

[ ] List of Research Publications out of thesis research with NAAS Ratings

[ ] Patent/IPR Documentation

[ ] Societal Impact Statement

[ ] Endorsement Letterfrom supervisor/ Head of Department/Institution

[ ] Declaration of Originality by the Applicant

[ ] Proof of Thesis Defended Date

[ ] Report of Thesis Plagiarism

[ ] Candidate’s CV (Max 2-3 pages)