

a) General Rules Governing for the Award:

1) Name of the Award: Jagjivan Ram Abhinav Kisan Puruskar/Jagjivan Ram Innovative Farmer Award.

1) Sponsorship of the Award: Indian Council of Agricultural Research

2) Objective: To recognize contribution of innovative farmer for initiatives in development adoption, modification and dissemination of improved technology and practices for increased income with sustainability.

3) Number of Awards and Frequency: Three annual awards of Rs.1,00,000 in any of the areas of agriculture and allied sciences

4) Area of Award

The award will be for the creative approach–Innovative farming, technological acceptance, contribution in enhanced productivity, farming attributes shown by a farmer. This may involve activities like farmers' innovation in resource conservation and enhancement, germplasm collection and conservation of plant, animals and fish species or Management Practices, Soil and Water Management/Conservation, Development of Appropriate Tools and Equipment, Innovations in Dry Farming Technique/Practices, New Improved Food and Feed Products and Control of Diseases among Plant/Animals, processing of agricultural produce & marketing.

5) Administration of the Award

A 5-member Judging Committee including one representative farmer will be nominated by the DG, ICAR to make suitable recommendations. In case no suitable application is received, the award shall not be given.

6) Eligibility Criteria

Any farmer who has been involved himself/herself for at least 10 years in agriculture and livestock operations and other allied activities.

7) Criteria of Selection

Criteria of Award and the relative weightage.		
Sr. No.	Criteria	Relative Weightage
1	New knowledge/package of practices/management strategies/ additional information to the existing one	20
2	Additional income to the individual farmer/farming community	20
3	Saving of resources/inputs	15

4	Breaking technology transfer barriers	10
5	Prevention of outbreak of diseases and pests	10
6	Bringing out radical changes in management packages in resulting in productivity enhancement from land or animals and processing, value addition, and marketing	15
7	Acknowledgement in the form of awards & recognitions received by the farmer	10
	Total	100

8) Procedure for Nomination: Applications/Nominations for the award will be invited during Dec/Jan/Feb once every year. Nominations in the prescribed format will be made online. Agricultural Production Commissioners /Secretaries/Directors of Agri./Hort./A.H./Fisheries/Sericulture, Vice-Chancellors of agricultural universities/ Directors of ICAR Institutes will identify and nominate the farmers in their area of jurisdiction and forward the authentic information to the Council. Self-nominations shall also be permitted. The Judging Committee will scrutinize the claims and decide the award on merit. If no outstanding entries have been received, no award will be awarded.

9) Presentation of the Award:

- The announcement of the awards shall be made through letters & personal mails to the awardees before the Awards Presentation Ceremony to be held on the Foundation Day of ICAR i.e. 16th July following the year of award or on any other important occasion as decided by the competent authority.
- The awardee shall give presentation on the achievements before an audience consisting of eminent agricultural and nonagricultural scientists among other invitees.
- The achievements of the awardee shall be publicized widely through press and electronic media and other communication channels.

b)Application/Nomination Form for ICAR- Jagjivan Ram Abhinav Kisan Puruskar

1. Name of the Award
2. Year of Award
3. Name of the Farmer
4. Father's / Husband's Name
5. Marital Status
6. Date and place of birth
7. Postal address, Mobile No./e-mail
8. Formal/informal education
9. Resources owned by Farmer
 - (i) Land (ha)
 - (ii) Water bodies with irrigation capacity
 - (iii) Animal Resources including fish and Poultry
 - (iv) Farm Machinery
10. Area Under
 - (i) Field Crops
 - (ii) Horticultural Crops
 - (iii) AgroforestryApiculture/Sericulture
 - (iv) Dairy/Poultry/Fisheries/Duckaries/Piggaries (specify unit)
11. New Technologies developed
12. New Technologies adopted in Farming (List only)
13. Technologies modified if any
14. Activity wise income, cost-benefit ratio, gross and net income year-wise for previous five years
 - (i) Field crops
 - (ii) Horticulture crops
 - (iii) Livestock
 - (iv) Fisheries
 - (v) Any other
15. Productivity Levels achieved in major income generating activity during the last five years.
16. What improvement have been affected for productivity, profitability and sustainability - enhancement.
17. Any spread effect on Fellow Farmers (Give brief account in one page).
18. Innovative interventions inducted in the system of production and management and effects
19. The contribution of the farmers in terms of
 - i. New package of practices / management strategies
 - ii. Saving or resources / inputs
 - iii. Breaking technology transfer barriers
 - iv. Prevention of outbreak of diseases and pests
 - v. Bringing about radical change in management packages / in contributing record production from land, water or animals
 - Recognition received at the Block / District /State level and
 - Other sources



20. Extent of publicity of his / her innovations / contributions / success story
21. Any other relevant information (documentary proofs through photos, publications, CDS, certificates, medals and awards, etc.)

(Signature of the farmer)

Recommendation of Agricultural Production Commissioners /Secretaries/Directors of Agril./Hort./A.H./Fisheries/sericulture, Vice-Chancellors of agricultural universities/ Directors of ICAR Institute will identify and nominate the farmers in their area of jurisdiction and make nominations with authentic information under intimation to the Council.

Signature of Nominating Officer /Designation)

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