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### ALUMNI CELL, IIEST, SHIBPUR

No.:IIESTS/DeanIRAA/MOD/YFRA-2023

### MODIFIED ANNOUNCEMENT OF

### YOUNG FACULTY RESEARCH AWARD 2023 (YFRA-2023)

### A. Announcement

Alumni Cell, IIEST, Shibpur is announcing the annual Young FacultyResearch Award (YFRA) for the year 2023 patronized by the IIEST Alumni Association Washington Metro Area (IIESTAA-WMA) and GAABESU Shibpur Foundation, USA. All faculty members, serving in regular posts at IIEST, Shibpur and meeting the following criteria are eligible to apply.

# B. Application Eligibility Criteria

## **Essential**

- The applicant is not older than 40 years as on 31/12/2023.
- The applicant has not received this award earlier in any form.
- The applicant has been a faculty member in a regular post a tIIEST, Shibpur in full time service for at least two years as on 31/12/2023.
- Minimum qualification of the applicant: Ph.D.
- The applicant has to submit his/her <u>FIVE</u> best peer reviewed publications in academic journals of international repute (SCOPUS / WOS / SCI / SCIE / A&HCI / SSCI), according to his/her choice, out of which he/she must be the First/Second/Corresponding Author of at least <u>THREE</u> such publications. The FIVE publications must have taken place during the period starting from January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2023.

### **C.** Number and Value of theAward:

There will be **one award of US \$3000.00 only** (approximately, INR 250,000 only). In case of very close performances by more than one applicant as recommended by the selection committee and duly approved by the competent authority of the Institute, the award of US \$3000.00 will be equally divided between them.

## D. Selection for the Award

The two-stage selection will be based on the FIVE best research publications as chosen by

the applicant in internationally reputed peer-reviewed journals as mentioned above in the applicant's area of specialization during the calendar years 2019 through 2023 (both years inclusive). If the selection committee decides that none of the eligible applicant meets the high standard expected of YFRA winners, it may recommend that the award be skipped for the year 2023.

<u>Selection Committee</u>: The two-stage selection will be done by distinguished academicians/researchers of various Indian Academic/Research Institutions of repute, duly approved by the competent authority of this Institute.

<u>Selection Criteria</u>: Quality of the peer reviewed journal in which the applicant's research publications have been published, and the originality/contribution of the published papers will be the selection criteria.

### **Other Details**

Application Form: Application form can be downloaded from the website of the Institute. An applicant must electronically submit the pdf files of (i) completed application form, (ii) digital copies of attachments as suggested there and (iii) digital copies of his/her research publications (pdf files of FIVE journal publications) that the applicant wishes to be considered for the award, in a single zip file, to the Dean, International Relations and Alumni Affairs of IIEST, Shibpur via e-mail dean.iraa@iiests.ac.in with subject as "Submission\_YFRA2023\_name of the applicant" and the zipfile name as "YFRA2023\_name of the applicant" latest by the midnight of December 02, 2024.

Additionally, (i) a hard copy of the completed Application Form duly signed by the applicant on each page, (ii) hardcopies of the attachments as suggested there and duly signed by the applicant on each page, and (iii) hard copies of the first page of ALL the research publications (FIVE journal publications) must be submitted in a sealed envelope and marked YFRA-2023 followed by the name of the applicant and his/her Department name on an A4- size envelope to the Office of Dean, International Relations and Alumni Affairs, IIEST, Shibpur, latest by December 02, 2024, 5 p.m. Submission of hard copy may be made on all working days between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the Office of the Dean, IRAA. Please contact at 98303 49590 or 94334 28079 for any help.

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