



# भारतीय राष्ट्रीय अभियांत्रिकी अकादमी Indian National Academy of Engineering

Dear Colleagues,

The Indian National Academy of Engineering (INAE), founded in 1987, comprises India's most distinguished engineers and technologists covering the entire spectrum of engineering disciplines. INAE functions as the apex professional body in India to promote the profession of engineering and technology including framing and implementing national policies and initiatives in this domain. One of the objectives of the Academy is to encourage and promote research by young professionals leading to inventions and innovations that may eventually make a positive contribution to boosting the national economy and engineering competence.

With this aim, the Academy instituted the Innovative Student Projects award in 1998 to identify innovative and creative research projects undertaken by the students at any of the three stages of tertiary engineering education, namely undergraduate, post-graduate and doctoral levels in Engineering Institutions. The award particularly encourages joint projects among Industry, Research Laboratories and Academic Institutions.

The endeavour is meant to encourage young talent and accord recognition and incentives to them. Though the response to the award during the last twenty-three years has been quite encouraging, the Academy earnestly wishes to reach out to a wider cross-section of the community and profession. INAE firmly believes that an early recognition of merit and talent is important for promoting and retaining talented individuals in the profession and encouraging them to pursue excellence throughout the career.

I have pleasure in forwarding the Proforma Application and Guidelines giving the details of the award. The eligibility criteria of the award are as follows:

- Final Year (4<sup>th</sup> year) B.E./B.Tech/B.Sc.(Engg) projects completed from Aug 1, 2020 up to July 15, 2021 for the academic year 2020-2021.
- M.E./M.Tech, M.Sc. (Engg) theses examined from Aug 1, 2020 up to July 15, 2021 during the academic year 2020-2021.
- Ph.D. theses examined and accepted/recommended for Award from June 1, 2020 up to June 30, 2021.

To download the Guidelines, please [CLICK HERE](#)

To download the Nomination Form, please [CLICK HERE](#)

The Guidelines and Nomination Form are also available at INAE website at [www.inae.in](http://www.inae.in)

The nominations must be sent by Principal/Deans/Heads/Registrar/Director of Engineering College where the candidate has carried out his/her project/thesis for award of degree and not through the organization, where the candidate is presently working. We request you to kindly **nominate appropriate project/thesis (only one per Engineering Section of INAE listed in Serial 7 of the Nomination Form) pertaining to the Bachelors, Masters or Doctoral level from your engineering College/Institution.**

A scanned soft copy of the completed nomination form along with all supporting documents/appendices as per the prescribed format should be sent by email to [inaehq@inae.in](mailto:inaehq@inae.in). In case, the document is not signed (with scanned copy of the signature), an email should be sent by the sponsor, viz. Principal/Deans/Heads/Registrar/Director of Engineering College/Institution, where the candidate has carried out his/her project/thesis for award of degree, authenticating the nomination. Please note, there is no requirement to send a hard copy of the nomination form. Reprints are also not required in any form. **The last date for the receipt of nominations is July 31, 2021.**

The Award shall comprise of a certificate and Rs.25000/- in cash for the awardees selected at Doctoral Level; Rs.15000/- in cash for the awardees selected at Master's Level; and Rs 10,000/- in cash for the awardees selected at Bachelor level to each team member, subject to a maximum of four members per team.

All Innovative Student Projects Awardees will also be inducted as "Student-Members" during the Awards Ceremony in INAE Annual Convention. This Student-Membership is valid for a period of five years.

I urge you to kindly encourage submission of deserving nominations under the above-mentioned three levels.

With best wishes,

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