

KERALA STATE COUNCIL FOR SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT

Kerala State Young Scientist Award Scheme - Guidelines for financial assistance for attending international conference abroad

The Kerala State Young Scientist Awards by the KSCSTE are intended to honour talented young Scientists in recognition of their outstanding contributions in any branch of science and technology coming within the purview of the Council.

In addition to the cash prize of Rs. 50,000/-, in exceptionally meritorious and needy cases, the recipient may be considered by the Council for start-up research with a research grant after due consideration of the research project with the help of an expert committee. The Awardee within 3 years of the receipt of the award, will be considered for a visit abroad for presenting the research work at international conferences.

Guidelines

1. The conference should be of an international character.
2. Travel support for presenting the research work (oral presentation) at the international conferences is applicable only to Kerala State Young Scientist Awardees
3. The assistance for presenting the research work at international conferences in any of the foreign country will cover air fare (economy class by the shortest route) registration fee, visa fee, and a maintenance allowance upto Rs.3000/day subject to a maximum of 3 days.
4. The applicant has an acceptance of his/her paper to be presented in the conference.
5. The application completes in all respect, forwarded through proper channel and received 6-8 weeks prior to the date of the conference.
6. If approved, the Council will initially issue a commitment letter agreeing to support. The amount will be reimbursed to the candidate only on his return to India after participation in the conference and fulfilling the terms and conditions.
7. The applicant has to submit detailed report after attending the international conference.
8. The grant amount will be released to the Head of the Institution where the awardee is attached.

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:

- (a) Two copies of the complete application form and bio-data.
- (b) Details of announcement of the conference (Please attach Photocopy of the announcement.)
- (c) Abstract of the paper to be presented in the conference.
- (d) Evidence in support of acceptance of the paper for presentation.
- (e) Evidence to show that the conference is of international Character.
- (f) Technical programme of the conference.

Documents required for the reimbursement of travel grant :

1. Original bill/voucher/certificates/declarations if any relating to travel, registration, visa and maintenance allowance.
2. Certificates stating that the awardee has attended the international conference and presented the paper at the conference.

The application for the financial assistance under the above scheme should be addressed to the **Executive Vice President, KSCSTE, Sasthra Bhavan, Pattom, Thiruvananthapuram -4. Envelop may be superscribed "Application for International Travel support".**