CSIR INNOVATION AWARD FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN (CIASC-2011)



Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR) is the premier Industrial R&D Organization in India. On the occasion of its Diamond Jubilee in 2002, CSIR initiated Invention Award for school children to create awareness, interest and motivation for Intellectual Property amongst children.

AWARD

The award has been renamed as 'CSIR Innovation Award for School Children (CIASC-2011)'. On the occasion of the World Intellectual Property Day which is celebrated through out the world on 26th April, CSIR invites applications for the award.

APPLICATION

Applicant must provide the details of the innovation submitted for the award in not more than 5000 words in English/Hindi including an abstract (in not more than 100 words), authenticated (by giving seal and date) and sent through the **Principal / Head** of the School where the student is enrolled and personal details on a separate page as follows:

<u>Title of the Innovation</u>, Name, date of birth, school and residential address, class, telephone no. (residence / school), e-mail address.

In case of proposals already selected for state, national, international or equivalent awards, only the subject matter covering the improvements need to be submitted for consideration of CIASC-2011. Innovations Published/Exhibited during the period January 1 to October 31,2011 may be considered for the award.

The applications for the award not exceeding 5000 words in **English/Hindi** with requisite drawings/photographs will be considered. The write-up must describe the subject matter in a problem-solution mode and highlighting **the novel features of the innovation** and its advantages.

APPLICANT'S ELLIGIBILITY

Any Indian student enrolled in an Indian school below the age of 18 years as on 31st July 2011 can apply. <u>A Student</u> can make only one entry. Proposals can be submitted by a student or a group of students.

INNOVATION

The innovation submitted should be one that is novel and utilitarian. It could be a new concept or idea or a solution to an existing problem or completely a new method/ process/ device/ utility. The concept of the innovation should have been proved through a model, a prototype or experimental data. It would be preferred if the focus of students on their innovation is on 'Intelligent Toys'. However, innovations related to other topics would equally be eligible.

<u>Essays/mere compilation of information from published literature/downloaded from internet will not be considered for award</u>. Details of any assistance/ guidance provided by teachers/parents/friends or others must be appropriately acknowledged.

WHOM TO SEND

Typed applications to be sent by Registered Post/Courier to: Head, Innovation Protection Unit-CSIR, NISCAIR Building, 14 Satsang Vihar Marg, Special Institutional Area, New Delhi - 110 067 with the envelope marked on top left hand corner 'CIASC-2011'. You may also send application through email addressed to head.ipu@niscair.res.in. However, a hard copy should also follow through post with Principal's authentication.

DEADLINE

Applications received on or before 31st October 2011 will be considered for the Award.

NO OF PRIZES AND CASH AWARD

Prizes: There are in all 30 prizes. Besides a certificate, the cash awards are:

First Prize (1 No.)	Rs. 1,00,000/-
Second Prize (2 Nos.)	Rs. 50,000/- each
Third Prize (3 Nos.)	Rs. 30,000/- each
Fourth Prize (4 Nos.)	Rs. 20,000/- each
Fifth Prize (20 nos.)	Rs. 10,000/- each

It is not mandatory that all the above 30 prizes for the award would be given.

SELECTION

The awardees will be selected by a high level Awards Selection Committee. If required, the short listed candidates may be called for Interview at Delhi or at any other appropriate place. The decision of the Award Selection Committee / CSIR will be final and binding on the applicants and no enquiries / correspondence in this regard will be entertained.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARD

The Award will be announced on January 1, 2012, at New Delhi and would be communicated to the Awardees only.