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AWARD FOR BEST M.TECH. / M.E. / M.S. THESIS FOR THE YEAR 2025-26 IN CHEMICAL ENGINEERING AND RELATED FIELDS

RULES AND GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION

BRIEF INTRODUCTION

Indian Institute of Chemical Engineers (Northern Regional Centre) has instituted this Award with objective to recognize and motivate the students and faculty for doing exemplary research work in M.Tech./M.E./M.S. for betterment and advancement of society in general and Chemical Engineering in particular. The applications would be invited every year from AICTE/UGC recognized institutes/colleges in the North Zone Council of IChE. The proposal would be evaluated by experts committee constituted for this purpose. Evaluation would have weightage of industry-based research projects. This would encourage quality research work of the students. The details, eligibility and rules are explained below.

1. APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

- M.Tech./M.E./M.S. Thesis must be completed, defended and submitted in the respective institute / college anytime during the last academic year (Aug-July) at the time of application. M.Tech./M.E./M.S. Thesis prior to last academic year will not be considered. For the award for 2025-26, academic year 2025-2026 will be considered.
- Both the faculty and student preferably be the members of IChE at the time of application. If they are not members of IChE, it is desirable that the student/ faculty enroll for membership of IChE.
- If there is more than one faculty co-guiding the M.Tech./M.E./M.S. Thesis, then the guide or co-guide must be from Chemical Engineering Department.
- Students must have completed M.S., M.Tech., M.Tech. integrated or B.Tech. – M.Tech. dual degree in Department of Chemical Engineering from AICTE/UGC recognized institutes / colleges under North Zone of IChE.
- Publication related to M.Tech./M.E./M.S. work in terms of article or patent is not mandatory while applying for this award. But if there is any publication, the details of the same can be submitted along with the application.
- The final evaluation criteria will be decided by the Selection Committee of experts based on number of applications.
- More than one M.Tech./M.E./M.S. students with same guide can submit in separate applications.



2. TYPE OF AWARD

Number of Award	-	One (1)
For M.Tech./M.E./M.S.	-	One Certificate and Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand Only)
For Faculty	-	One Certificate and one Shawl

3. PROCEDURE

- i. The applications are sought from students (Not Guide) in August or December every year from AICTE/UGC approved institutes/colleges coming under the North Zone of IChE.
- ii. Along with the application, following documents needs to be submitted:
 - a) PDF of Complete Thesis work.
 - b) PDF of maximum 2- page summary of Thesis.
 - c) Copy of M.Tech./M.E./ M.S. completion certificate – provisional will also be accepted.
 - d) If applicable - Copy of submitted/ published article and/or submitted/awarded patent with proof of submission.
 - e) Consent by Guide for submission (as per format in application).
- iii. Incomplete applications would be summarily rejected.
- iv. There will be a committee of experts to evaluate the applications and their decision would be final and binding. Any Guide/co-Guide of the applicant will not be part of this Committee to avoid conflict of interest.
- v. Fulfilling minimum criteria alone is not enough to grant award. The work would be evaluated based on relevance, current need, innovation, breakthrough in the research work.
- vi. The shortlisted students selected for the award, may be called for discussion.
- vii. The award and certificate would be given on Foundation Day of IChE-NRC.