



SOIL CONSERVATION SOCIETY OF INDIA

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President

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CIRCULAR FOR SCSI AWARDS-2025

The Soil Conservation Society of India is organizing its 34th National Conference on "*Beyond Land Degradation Neutrality: Building Resilient Agro-Ecosystems for Viksit Bharat*" in collaboration with Sri Karan Narendra Agriculture University, Jobner (Jaipur), Rajasthan during 02-04 December, 2026 at College of Agriculture, Fatehpur-Shekhawati, Sikar-332301 (Rajasthan). In this conference the society will honour its members for their outstanding contributions to the field of soil and water conservation through the presentation of the SCSI Awards-2025.

The Society invites applications in the prescribed format (Please see Performa I, II & III) from the SCSI Life Members on or before **October 30, 2026**. Awards proforma may also be downloaded from the Society's website i.e. www.scsi.org.in

- a) **Life Time Achievement Award** (2 nos.): The Life Time Achievement Award recognizes SCSI Life Members with a minimum of 10 years of membership and aged 50 years or above, who have garnered proven National and International recognition for their remarkable contributions to natural resources conservation. This award acknowledges their lifetime dedication, sustained service, and significant impact in the field of natural resources. (Please use Proforma I).
- b) **National Fellowship Award** (3nos.): The National Fellowship Award will be granted to SCSI Life Members with a minimum of 7 years of membership and aged 45 years or above, who have demonstrated outstanding research work at the national level in the field of natural resources. The recipients are honored for their significant contributions toward advancing knowledge and best practices in natural resources. (Please use Proforma I).
- c) **Gold Medal Award** (4nos.): The Gold Medal Award acknowledges SCSI Life Members with a minimum of 7 years of membership and aged 45 years or above, who have excelled in all aspects of research, teaching, and extension work in the field of natural resources. The recipients are recognized, encouraged, and motivated to continue their valuable contributions toward the advancement of natural resources. (Please use Proforma I).

- d) **Leadership Award (4nos.):** The Leadership Award given to individuals aged 30 or above who have demonstrated exceptional leadership in society's activities or research within the realm of natural resources. Recipients will be honored for their visionary initiatives and impactful outputs.(Please use Proforma I).
- e) **Special Research Award:** The Special Research Award will be presented to the author of the best research paper published in the Journal of Soil and Water Conservation, India during the year 2025.
- f) **Student Incentive Award (For Ph.D.)(1no):** The Student Incentive Award for Ph.D. candidates recognizes the best thesis in the area of natural resources particularly in soil and water conservation during the year. This award aims to encourage and reward outstanding research conducted by Ph.D. scholars in the field of soil and water conservation.(Please use Proforma II).
- g) **Student Incentive Award (For M.Sc.)(2 nos):**The Student Incentive Award for M.Sc./M.Tech. candidates acknowledge the best thesis in the area of natural resources particularly in soil and water conservation during the year. This award aims to recognize and incentivize excellence among M.Sc./M.Tech. students conducting research in the field of soil and water conservation.(Please use Proforma II)
- h) **Best State Chapter Award:** The Best State Chapter Award will be given to one of the SCSI state chapters to recognize the chapter's outstanding achievements and contributions to the activities of the society during the year.(Please use Proforma III).
- i) **Best Book Award:** The SCSI may recognize the best book on the theme of natural resource management authored during the previous year by the Life Member (s) of SCSI. The book should have 200 or more number of pages and should bear an ISBN number. The interested members may apply by submitting a copy of published book.
- j) **Sponsored Awards:** Sponsored awards by an individual, or organization or an industry/corporate may be initiated awarded after one-time payment of Rs. 1.00 lakh, 2.00 lakh and Rs. 5.00 lakh respectively. The sponsored award will be included for a fixed duration of 10 years only after getting approval of the E.C. and the consent by the General Body of SCSI.
- i. **Sumer Memorial Extension Award:** The Sumer Memorial Award initiated in 2006 to acknowledge individuals for their efforts in popularizing and adapting Soil and Water Conservation practices at the field level. This award aims to recognize and incentivize grassroots initiatives in conservation.(Award Committee will finalize).
- ii. **Prof. J.S. Bali Award:** The Prof. J.S. Bali Award initiated in 2013 to honor individuals for their notable innovative research and development work at the field level in soil and

water conservation. Recipients are recognized for their pioneering efforts in advancing conservation practices.(Please use Performa I).

- iii. **VANEE Award:** The VANEE Award initiated in 2017 for progressive farmers is presented to individuals who demonstrate innovative skills and adaptation at the farmers' level in soil and water conservation.
- iv. **Mrs. Mohini Kumari Gupta Memorial Merit Scholarship:** The Mrs. Mohini Kumari Gupta Memorial Merit Scholarship is instituted to recognize and encourage academic excellence among M.Sc. students.

Award Components

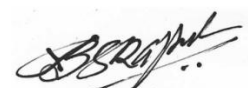
Certificate of Merit

Annual Scholarship of ₹2,500/-

Eligibility and Selection Criteria

- The award is open to Second-Year students of M.Sc. Agriculture (Soil Science).
 - Selection will be based on the highest GPA/percentage obtained in the First Year of the M.Sc. Agriculture (Soil Science).
 - The annual family income of the student should be less than ₹8.00 lakh.
 - The student should not be receiving any other scholarship/fellowship.
 - The applicant must submit an undertaking/certificate from the Head of the Department confirming that the student is not receiving any other scholarship or fellowship.
- v. **Dr. Suraj Bhan Harsh Kumari Bhan Award:** This Award was initiated in 2025 to a Life Member for special contribution in the field of watershed development/ management, water conservation and water management. (Please use Performa I).

An Award Committee was constituted by the President for developing criteria for scrutinizing the application invited for different awards for the year 2025. The committee will submit its decision to the president for approval. The HQ will arrange for printing of the certificate and communicate to the selected awardees. The Awards/honours will be presented in the forthcoming National Conference of the society to be held at College of Agriculture, Fatehpur-Shekhawati, Sikar-332301 (Rajasthan), during 02-04 December, 2026. The details and criteria of initiating/sponsoring any new award are given in para(n) above.



(T.B.S. Rajput)
President, SCSI

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Note:

1. *The application from the awardees of previous two years will not be considered. Fresh applications are must for SCSi awards 2025. All the awardees of SCSi award during 2023and 2024 will not be considered.*
2. *The supporting documents in respect to all the claims made should be attached in chronological order.*

**SOIL CONSERVATION SOCIETY OF INDIA (SCSI)
PROFORMA FOR INDIVIDUAL AWARDS**

SCSI AWARDS:Life Time Achievement, National Fellowship, Gold Medal, Leadership and Prof. J.S. Bali, Dr. Suraj Bhan Harsh Kumari Bhan.

*(One life member can apply for only one award in a year. If one applied for two or more awards the application will be considered only for lower category of award. Tick the relevant one).
The application from the awardees of previous two years will not be considered. The applications are must for SCSI awards 2025. All the awardees of SCSI award during 2023 and 2024 will not be considered.*

1. Name (block letters) :

2. SCSI Life membership No. :

3. Age :

4. Address with pin code :

5.Mobile No. & Email :

6. Qualifications: Bachelordegree and above

Sl. No.	Degree	Year	University
1.			
2.			
3.			

7. Have you ever applied for SCSI Award? If so, please give details and the result thereof.

S. No.	Detail of Application	Year of Application	Result

8. Service rendered to the SCSI

S. No.	Particulars	Details	
i	Total no & their details of SCSI Members enrolled		
ii	Amount collected for advertisements (Rs.)		

iii	Any other monitory contribution to the SCSI (Rs.)		
iv	Professional Contribution to SCSI 1. Number of research articles published in SCSI Journal of Soil & Water Conservation in last 5 years 2. Numbers of papers presented in the SCSI conferences in last 5 Year.		
v	Any other contribution to the SCSI		
vi	Experience of working in Executive Council of SCSI		

9. Details of Services rendered to the Profession:

S. No.	Particulars	Details with achievements	
i)	Project Planning/ Developmental activity /Maintenance /Monitoring/ Evaluation/ Institutional Infrastructure Development		
ii)	No. of Papers Published		
	a) International Journals		
	b) National Journals with NAAS rating above 5.0		
	c) Local Journals		
	d) Extension Booklets		
	e) Books/ Book chapters		
	f) Innovative /Technology developed/Implemented		
iii)	National/ International awards received		
iv)	Students guided/ trained		
	a) U.G. student		
	b) P.G. student		
	c) State Govt. Official/Farmers etc.		
v)	Chairman/Co-Chairman/ rapporteur in SCSI technical sessions		
vi)	Demonstration of proven technologies in farm field/Case studies performed		

Note: *i. Attach a detailed list in chronological order in support of your claims for each attribute.*
ii. Attach the citation not exceeding 100 words along with passport size photograph in JPG format.

10. Any other significant achievements and contributions, **NOT** included above.

CERTIFICATE

Certified that the information furnished above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Date:

Signature of the Applicant

SOIL CONSERVATION SOCIETY OF INDIA, NEW DELHI

SCSI AWARDS: Student Incentive, Mrs. Mohini Kumari Gupta Memorial Merit Scholarship

The award is open to Second-Year students of M.Sc. Agriculture (Soil Science). Selection will be based on the highest GPA/percentage obtained in the First Year of the M.Sc. Agriculture (Soil Science). The annual family income of the student should be less than ₹8.00 lakh. The student should not be receiving any other scholarship/fellowship. The applicant must submit an undertaking/certificate from the Head of the Department confirming that the student is not receiving any other scholarship or fellowship.

APPLICATION FORM

1. Name : _____
2. SCSI Life membership No. : _____
3. Date of birth and age : _____
4. Address : i) Address of correspondence
: ii) Email..... iii) Mobile number

5. Academics:

Class	Board/University	% Marks /(CGPA)	Year of passing
X			
XII			
Graduation			
Post Graduation			
Doctorate Degree*			

6. Details of thesis submitted for the award

Title of Thesis/Dissertation	
Thesis objectives	
Important recommendations	
Details of Papers Published/accepted out of the thesis work	

7. Achievements and Contributions

List the details of relevant academic awards, scholarships, publications, presentations and contribution to SCSi, if any.	
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It is certified that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge and nothing is untrue or concealed.

(Signature of applicant)

Note:

- The supporting documents in respect to all the claims made should be attached in chronological order.
- The award will be conferred on the eligible student securing the highest First-Year GPA/percentage, subject to fulfilment of all the above conditions.

SOIL CONSERVATION SOCIETY OF INDIA, NEW DELHI

SCSI AWARDS: BEST CHAPTER AWARDS

APPLICATION FORM

1. Name of the chapter :
2. The names of Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer and E.C. Members:
3. Details of bank account and status of audit:

a) Details of bank account along with PAN	
b) Status of account audited for last three year	

4. Activities

a) No. of Events organized: National/International Days/Foundation Day during last year	
b) Any Workshop/Conference/Symposia/Organized training during last year	
c) Members enrolled during the last year	
d) Date of last election held for selecting office bearer of state chapter	
e) Any publicity through media	

5. It is certified that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge and nothing is untrue or concealed.

(Signature of Chapter Chairman)

Note:

The supporting documents in respect to all the claims made should be attached in chronological order.