

Association of Punjab Geographers

Guidelines for Dr. Saminderjit Singh Young Geographer Award

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Detail of Rules and Regulations

Original research papers along with bio-data of the authors who are Masters in Geography and have not attained the age of 32 years are invited from all over India and SAARC countries for the Young Geographer Award competition. A soft copy of the paper prepared according to the format of 'Punjab Geographer' should be submitted in English to Dr. B.R. Thakur, who has been authorized by the APG Secretariat to coordinate this competition. The name of the author and department should not be mentioned on the paper to keep the secrecy. Evaluation will take place only if there are at least six participants. The paper must accompany a proof for the age and a certificate about the originality of the paper (Annexure-1).

The three best papers will be short-listed through the approved procedure for presentation in a special session of the conference and one among them would be finally selected for **Dr. Saminderjit Singh Young Geographer Award**. The awardee will be honoured with a cash prize of Rs. 5000/- and a certificate of merit. The paper can be published in the Journal if considered fit for publication by the editorial team.

Procedure for Evaluation

Stage-1 Evaluation by the Coordinator

Stage-2 Evaluation by the Experts

Stage-3 Evaluation of Presentation by the Judges

Stage-1

Evaluation by the Coordinator and preliminary short-listing

Coordinator will evaluate the papers on the basis of format of the Tables, Figures and References as per the format of 'Punjab Geographer' available on the APG website apgorg.org.

Guidelines for the Coordinator

Particular	Marks Allotted	Marks Obtained
Format of the Tables	4	

Format of the Figures	6	
Format of the References	4	
Presentation of Text and Setting of the paper	6	
Total	20	

**Stage-2
Evaluation by the Experts**

An expert committee of three geographers (Professor or Associate Professor in a University) will be constituted by the coordinator to evaluate the papers.

Guidelines for the Experts for evaluation of Research Paper

Particulars of Paper	Marks Allotted	Marks Obtained
Suitability of Title	1	
Quality of Abstract	2	
Conceptualization of Research Problem and Contextualization of Related Literature	6	
Formulation of Objectives, Hypotheses /Research Questions	4	
Research Methodology and its appropriateness to the Research objectives	4	
Results and Discussion	10	
Major Findings and Conclusions	2	
Applicability of Research	1	
Total	30	

Stage-2 Result Sheet

Participant	Marks Allotted by Experts			Total Marks	Average Marks
	Expert-1	Expert-2	Expert-3		
A					
B					
C					
D					
E					
F					
G					

- *Participants obtaining 50 per cent marks jointly in Stage-1 and Stage-2 will be short-listed for paper presentation. There should be at least 3 eligible papers for presentation at Stage III. If more are eligible, the top three will be selected for presentation.*

Stage-3

Presentations will take place in a special session meant for Young Geographer Award. *After the presentation, each Judge will put at least one question for interaction to the participant for evaluation before the paper is opened to the audience for discussion. Open discussion will not be considered for judgment/evaluation.*

Result Sheet for Judges

Participant	Marks Allotted by Judges Total Marks 30(20 for presentation and 10 for Interaction)			Total Marks	Average Marks
	Judge-1	Judge-2	Judge-3		
A					
B					
C					

Signature of the Judges:

Judge- 1-----

Judge- 2-----

Judge- 3-----

Final Result Sheet

Participant	Marks Obtained			Total
	Stage-1	Stage-2	Stage-3	
A				
B				
C				

Signatures:

Coordinator:-----

Co-coordinator:-----

Date:-----

Coordinator shall keep all the records

Annexure- 1

It is mandatory on the part of the participant to furnish the following **certificate** at the time of submission of the manuscript for Young Geographer award.

Certificate

This is to certify that the reported work entitled, “.....” submitted for **Dr. Saminderjit Singh Young Geographer Award** is an original work of mine and has not been partly or fully submitted/published elsewhere. I, further certify that proper citations to the previous works consulted have been given and no data/tables/figures have been quoted verbatim from other publications without giving due acknowledgement and without the permission of the original author(s). *My paper presentation may be rejected at any stage if it is found that it does not meet the required parameters of plagiarism.*

Signature of the Participant
(Name and address with E-mail and Contact Number)