Annexure

11th NATIONAL PETROCHEMICLS AWARDS CATEGORY DETAILS

Innovation in Polymeric Materials.

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- New Polymers, Blends & Alloys, filled materials, fibers, Polymer Composites and Nano-Composites, Smart Materials etc.
- o New Additives, Compounds for newer & special applications in defence & space.
- Non-coventional application/replacement of conventional materials (e.g. Metal & Ceramics etc.).
- o Materials for Additive Manufacturing Technologies

Innovation in Polymeric Products.

- New / creative product design.
- Non-conventional application / Replacement of conventional materials (eg. Metals, Ceramics etc).
- Modification of product design for performance improvements.
- Application in defence & space.
- Enhancement in the working environment, life cycle, energy efficiency, recyclability etc.

• Innovation of Polymer Processing Machinery, Equipment, Robotics & Automation.

- o Development of innovative/eco-friendly processing techniques.
- o Modification of machinery for higher Efficiency / Productivity / Automation.
- o Energy conservation, product quality improvement.
- o Improvement & design of moulds, dies and auxiliary equipments.
- Development and Application of Robotics & Automation in different polymer processing techniques. Development in material movement system
- o Improvement in moulding & post-moulding operations.
- Development of low cost, energy efficient, polymer testing equipments.
- Modification of Single Use Plastics (SUP) Machinery for alternative use.

• Innovation in Polymer Waste Management

- Newer technology in plastic waste utilization into products/energy recovery.
- o Recycling Technology.
- Plastic waste collection, segregation techniques.
- o Product design for improved recyclability.

• Innovation in Green Polymeric Materials & Products

Biopolymers.

- Biodegradable / compostable Polymers.
- o Time controlled degradation.
- o Green material filled polymers.
- Biodegradability evaluation techniques.

• Innovation in Packaging Techniques including Creative Design

- Emerging Packing Technologies
- Smart Packaging.
- o New compound for replacement of multi-layered packages.
- Packaging for defence.
- Creative design for improved recyclability.

- Packaging for improved shelf life.
- o Consumer convenience.
- Stability on shelves for easy storage

• Polymers in Agriculture and Water Conservation

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- Water transportation, mulching, canal lining, drip irrigation, sprinkler system, low tunnels, poly house etc.
- o Controlled release system for fertilizer, pesticides, micronutrients, etc.
- o Innovative packaging for agriculture, floriculture and horticultural produce.
- Controlled permeability films & packaging for improved shelf life
- Novel Usage of plastics for food security.
- o Drinking water storage & transportation.
- o Polymer membrane for water purification / Desalination.
- O Devices for waste water, drainage, sewage treatment system.

Polymers in Medical and Pharmaceutical Applications

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- o Affordable / cost effective implants, implements and devices.
- o New innovative products for medical application.
- o Polymer based new drugs delivery system
- o Polymer body implants.
- Innovation in PPE Products
- o Innovation in ventilator, sanitizer etc.

Innovation in Petrochemicals and Newer Polymer Applications

- Sustainable substitutes for chemical intermediates of fossil origin
- o Innovation in Crackers, Catalyst Complexes for better yield, Biodiesel.
- o Clean products targeting circular economy.
- o Energy Efficient Technologies for Upstream Petrochemical Industries.
- Materials for Energy Storage & Conversion.
- Innovation in Coatings for Oil & Gas pipelines.

Research in the field of Polymer Science & Technology

- o (for Research Students of Academic Institute / Research Lab)
- o Individual / Team of researchers in R & D Institutions & laboratories.
- Original research work in polymeric material processing etc. leading to prototype development & future industrial applications.

• Innovative "Start-up" venture in Polymer field.

- New start-up polymer industry for market needs, export oriented units, units related to waste management and recycling producing innovative product, import substitute in additives etc.
- "Start-up" with indigenous technologies.
- Eco-friendly, cost effective product solution to improve life standards.

Best Employer in Petrochemical Sector.

(for R&D units / Manufacturing Industries with 3 consecutive years in operation & 20+ employees in role)

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- o Employs qualified person from main stream / core subject.
- o Maintains low / no attrition rate
- o Treat employees fairly, responsive/respected and pays attention to employees well being, personal growth & develop professionally.
- o Encourage creativity and provide opportunities to try & learn new things.
- o Great work/life balance, benefits, compensation, autonomy, positive attitude and supportive & collaborative working atmosphere.
- Strong leadership and transparent / direct / effective / timely communication.
- Special Award for the Life Time Achievement in Petrochemicals.
 - The Lifetime Achievement Award in Petrochemicals to recognize
 - The Lifetime Achievement Award in Petrochemicals to recognize members who have contributed significantly and demonstrated outstanding achievements and longevity, within the field of Petrochemicals

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