

### भारतीय कृषि अनुसंधान परिषद INDIAN COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH

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#### **CIRCULAR**

Indian Council of Agricultural Research, is an apex research organization in the country, coordinating research, higher education and extension education in all domains of agriculture, over the last ten decades. The ICAR has played a pivotal role in ensuring food & nutritional security and improving the national economy. It is the nucleus of the National Agricultural Research Education & Extension System (NAREES) with a network of Research Institutions and Agricultural Universities. Agricultural Scientists play a very important role in selflessly driving the systematic quest for truth and development of new knowledge in ensuring food security and sustainability. The exemplary and outstanding contributions of scientists need to be recognised so that they can serve as an inspiration to others. The Rashtriya Krishi Vigyan Puraskar (RKVP) has, therefore been instituted to be conferred on scientists and other technical personnel in the field of agriculture, agricultural education, Extension and allied sciences.

To honour such exemplary contributions, ICAR invites nominations/applications for the Rashtriya Krishi Vigyan Puraskar (RKVP) – 2026, the highest national recognition in the field of agriculture, agricultural education, extension, and allied sciences in the following five categories:

## I. Innovation & Technology in the field of Agriculture & Allied Sciences

To recognize agricultural scientists and researchers who have developed impactmaking innovations and technologies

## II. Research in the field of Agriculture & Allied Sciences

To recognize the outstanding impact-making contributions of agricultural scientists and researchers.

# III. Outstanding Inter-Disciplinary Team Research in Agriculture, Agricultural Education, Extension & Allied Sciences

To exclusively recognize and incentivize outstanding inter-disciplinary teams of agricultural scientists jointly planning and implementing integrated programmes/projects of research and promote the understanding that practical and useful research would normally have to be interdisciplinary in approach.

# IV. Outstanding Woman Scientist in Agriculture, Agricultural Education, Extension& Allied Sciences

To recognize outstanding research/extension/innovative work done by women scientists and to encourage women scientists to strive for excellence in agricultural research and allied sciences including education and extension.

### V. Outstanding Young Scientist in the field of Agriculture & Allied Sciences

To recognize and encourage young scientists who made an exceptional contribution in any field of agriculture and allied sciences.

The detailed guidelines for the above National level awards have been approved by the Ministry of Home Affairs and are available on the Puraskar Portal.

Eligible individuals/teams may submit their applications online at https://awards.gov.in between 1st January, 2026 and 15th March, 2026.

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