

## **INTERNATIONAL AWARD IN MEMORY OF PROFESSOR P.C. MAHALANOBIS.**

Recognising the contributions of Professor P.C. Mahalanobis in the field of statistics, it was decided by the Indian Government to institute an International Award in the memory of Prof. Mahalanobis for the life time contribution of **selected statistician from the developing country** (as defined by UN) who has earned their reputation in a developing country. This will have the potential to attract, inspire and motivate statisticians across the developing world to increase the quantity and improve the quality of their contributions to the cause of promotion and development of statistical theory and its applications in real life situations. Accordingly, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MOS&PI) and International Statistical Institute (ISI), Voorburg, Netherlands have signed a memorandum of understanding(MOU) for institution, management and administration of International Award in memory of Prof. P.C. Mahalanobis for development of Statistics and promotion of best statistical practices.

The award carries a cash prize of about US\$5,000. Expenditure on travel to the venue of the Award presentation ceremony, registration, boarding and lodging would also be provided to the awardee for participating in the award presentation ceremony.

### **PERIOD OF THE AWARD**

Biennial. The First Award was given in the ISI Session of 2003.

### **IMPLEMENTING AUTHORITIES**

The nodal authorities are in Netherlands, the International Statistical Institute (ISI), Voorburg, Netherlands and in India, the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation(MOS&PI), Government of India. Reconstituted Mahalanobis Committee on International Award in Statistics (MCIAS) will supervise all aspects of the Award and will function as a Jury for the Mahalanobis International Award. The Selection of the Awardee from the developing countries will be decided by the Jury and the decision of the jury shall be final.

### **PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATION**

Candidates can nominate themselves for the award, accompanied by a support of two referees. Their names can also be proposed by their institution or National Statistical Office, or the Jury can identify candidates.

Nominations are invited by International Statistical Institute, Netherlands through announcement in their website <http://isi-web.org>

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Please send proposals, with supporting documents, to Ms. Shabani Mehta at the [ISI Permanent Office](#) before **10<sup>th</sup> January 2011**.

**The previous winners of the Award are Professor C.R. Rao (India) in 2003, Professor Benjamin Kiregyera (Uganda) in 2005, Dr. Isidoro P. David (Philippines) in 2007, and Professor Pedro Morettin (Brazil) in 2009.**