MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR RESEARCH EXCELLENCE AWARD 2023 TO RESEARCHERS PUBLISHING IN HIGH-IMPACT FACTOR JOURNALS

The Government through the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology (MoEST) is announcing applications for the MoEST Research Excellence Award meant for researchers publishing their research results in high impact factor journals.

The Research Excellence Award strives to enhance research capacity of local researchers, encouraging local innovation and solutions that aim to address national challenges and thus enhance national socioeconomic development for competitiveness and industrialisation. This award will be given to Tanzanian researchers, affiliated with Higher Learning Institutions accredited in Tanzania, who have published their scholarly works in reputable high impact journals within the current financial year 2022/2023. The award will be in the form of a certificate and a cash prize of TZS 50,000,000 (Tanzanian Shillings Fifty Million only).

Awards

For the financial year 2022/2023, the following awards will be contested: (a) Award for research excellence in Natural Sciences and Mathematics and (b) Award for research excellence in Health and Allied sciences: Both awards are meant to recognize researchers from TCU or NACTVET-accredited higher learning institutions (HLIs) who have excelled and published their research work in reputable high impact journals.

Eligibility

To be awarded, one must have fulfilled the following criteria:

- i) Be a faculty member or honorary/adjunct faculty in an accredited HLI in Tanzania;
- ii) Research must have been published within the financial year of application for this award (data collection or analyses may have been conducted earlier on);
- iii) Only published manuscripts or accepted manuscripts with evidence of a letter of acceptance from the journal will be considered;
- iv) In case of multi-authored papers, the application must be submitted by one of the potential awardees, but the award can be shared by Tanzanian authors who appear on the paper using the Harmonized Scheme of Service;
- v) More than one publication may be considered if submitted separately; each publication shall be evaluated differently;
- vi) Multi-disciplinary applications are allowed within the priority disciplines, but condition (iv) is applicable;
- vii) Application form and necessary attachments must be duly filled and submitted;

viii) Research must address national research priority areas stipulated by COSTECH or other research regulatory authorities.

The window for receiving applications shall be open from 27th March, 2023 to 31st May 2023. All applications must be submitted through the following email address: award.publication@moe.go.tz

For any inquiry, please contact the secretariat through the following mobile phone numbers: +255754759987 or +255764876530

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