

MEDALS AWARDED BY THE SOCIETY

BIRBAL SAHNI MEDAL

The Birbal Sahni Medal was instituted in 1957 by Prof. T. S. Sadasivan to commemorate the memory of Prof. Birbal Sahni, his revered teacher and one of the founding members of the Indian Botanical Society. This medal is awarded every year to a distinguished Indian Botanist (A life member of IBS) for his/her contributions and devotion to the cause of Indian Botany on the recommendation of the Executive Council. A special function of the society is held annually during the Botanical Conference in connection with the presentation of this medal and a special lecture is delivered by the recipient of the medal. The following botanists have so far been honoured by this medal:-

Recipient	Year of award	Recipient	Year of award
Prof. M.O.P. Iyengar	1957	Prof. S.C. Pandeya	1989
Prof. P. Maheshwari	1958	Prof. C.P. Malik	1990
Prof. P. Parija	1959	Prof. R.N. Lakhanpal	1991
Dr. E. K. Janaki Ammal	1960	Dr. B.S. Venkatachala	1992
Dr. B.P. Pal	1961	Prof. Dalbir Singh	1993
Prof. T.S. Sadasivan	1962	Dr. P.V. Sane	1994
Dr. Fr. H. Santapau	1963	Prof. R.S. Ambashta	1995
Prof. V. Puri	1964	Prof. C.P. Sharma	1996
Dr. M.S. Swaminathan	1965	Prof. M.S. Chennaveeraiah	1997
Prof. R. Misra	1966	Prof. R.S. Mhrotra	1998
Prof. R.K. Saksena	1967	Prof. J.S. Singh	1999
Prof. P.N. Mehra	1968	Prof. C. Manoharachary	2000
Prof. S. M. Sircar	1969	Prof. S.K. Sopory	2001
Prof. B.M. Johri	1970	Prof. M.M. Johri	2002
Prof. J. Venkateshwarlu	1971	Prof. S.P. Singh	2003
Prof. C.V. Subramanian	1972	Prof. P.K. Gupta	2004
Prof. R.P. Roy	1973	Prof. S.V.S. Chauhan	2005
Prof. A.K. Sharma	1974	Prof. A.K. Tyagi	2006
Prof. B.G.L. Swamy	1975	Dr. H.C. Chaturvedi	2007
Prof. D.D. Pant	1976	Prof. Y.P. Abrol	2008
Prof. K.K. Nanda	1977	Dr. P.S. Ahuja	2009
Prof. T.S. Mahabale	1978	Prof. S.M. Reddy	2010
Prof. K.R. Surange	1979	Prof. J.P. Khurana	2011

Prof. S.C. Agarwala	1980	Prof. S. R. Yadav	2012
Prof. S.C. Maheshwari	1981	Dr. R. R. Rao	2013
Dr. T.N. Khoshoo	1982	Prof. R.S. Dwivedi	2014
Prof. B.N. Prasad	1983	Prof. P.C. Trivedi	2015
Prof.(Mrs.) Archana Sharma ²	1984	Dr. U.C. Lavania	2016
Prof. V.S. Rama Das	1985		
Prof. B.S. Mehrotra	1986		
Prof. S. N. Mathur	1987		
Prof. S.K. Sinha	1988		

PANCHANAN MAHESHWARI MEDAL

Panchanan Maheshwari Medal was instituted during 1977 by Dr. K. Subramanyam, Ex. Director, Botanical Survey of India to commemorate the memory of Prof. P. Maheshwari, his revered 'Guru', in recognition of his valuable contributions to Botanical Studies and in appreciation of his service to society. The medal is awarded each year to a distinguished Indian Botanist (A life member of IBS) for original, sustained, and significant contributions to the advancement of botanical knowledge on the recommendation of Executive Council. In alternate years the medal is to be awarded to a distinguished botanist whose area of study is Angiosperm embryology (including descriptive, phylogenetic, systematic and experimental embryology) or taxonomy and floristics. A special function during the Botanical Conference is held annually in connection with the presentation of this medal and a special lecture by the recipient of the medal.

The following botanists have so far been honoured by this medal:-

Recipient	Year of award	Recipient	Year of award
Prof. Reayat Khan	1978	Prof. P.S. Bisen	1999
Prof. K.S. Thind	1979	Prof. M.R. Vijayaraghavan	2000
Prof. H.Y. Mohan Ram	1980	Prof. Uma Kant	2001
Prof. K.S. Bhargava	1981	Prof. T. Pulliah	2002
Dr. S.K. Jain	1982	Prof. P.M. Swamy	2003
Prof. K.S. Bilgrami	1983	Prof. P. Tandon	2004
Prof. R.S. Rao	1984	Dr. M. Sanjapa	2005
Prof. P. Kachroo	1985	Prof. S.K. Datta	2006
Prof. H. Maheshwari Devi	1986	Prof. O.P. Saxena	2007
Dr. M.A. Rau	1987	Dr. M.P. Nayar	2008

Dr. R.P. Singh	1988	Prof. G.D. Sharma	2009
Prof. Uma Kant Sinha	1989	prof. M. Sabu	2010
Prof. S.S. Bir	1990	Prof. H. B. Singh	2011
Prof. S.S. Raghuvanshi	1991	Prof. R. S. Tripathi	2012
Prof. M.M. Bhandari	1992	Prof. M. Anis	2013
Prof. Anupam Varma	1993	Prof. P.B. Kavi Kishore	2014
Dr. G. Panigrahi	1994	Prof. A.K. Pandey	2015
Prof. A.K. Koul	1995	Prof. S.K. Chaturvedi	2016
Prof. P.K.Deshpande	1996		
Prof. G.S. Rawla	1997		
Prof. K.R. Shivanna	1998		

VISHWAMBHAR PURI MEDAL

Vishwambhar Puri Medal was instituted during 1977, by Prof. V. Puri, for his well known services to the society and the subject of Botany. The medal is awarded each year to a distinguished Indian Botanist (Life member of IBS) for his/her significant contributions to the advancement of Botany on the recommendations of the Executive Council. In alternate year the medal is to be awarded to a distinguishd prson for contributions to Morphology of Angiosperms. A special function is organised during the Botanical Conference in connection with the presentation of this medal and a special lecture by the recipient of the medal. The following botanists have so far honoured by this medal:

Recipient	Year of award	Recipient	Year of award
Dr. K. Subramanyam	1978	Prof. R. N. Trivedi	1999
Prof. T.V. Dsikachary	1979	Prof. C.M. Govil	2000
Prof. V. R. Dnyansagar	1980	Prof.(Mrs.) Indira Kalyansundaram	2001
Prof. L.P.Mall	1981	Prof. Mohd.Iqbal	2002
Prof. B.Tiagi	1982	Prof.(Mrs.)V. Padmja	2003
Prof. Y.S.R.K. Sarma	1983	Prof. N.P. Vaikos	2004
Prof. J.J. Shah	1984	Prof. A.K. Bhtnagar	2005
Prof. Jafar Nizam	1985	Prof. K.V. Krishnamurthy	2006
Prof. Y.D. Tiagi	1986	Dr. J.L. Karihaloo	2007
Prof. G.P. Agarwal	1987	Prof. Ashwani Kumar	2008
Prof. R.M. Pai	1988	D.Sarvesh Kumar	2009
Prof. A.B. Prasad	1989	Prof. Ashok K. Jain	2010
Prof. K.S. Manilal	1990	Prof. H. S. Prakash	2011

Prof. Atul R. Mehta	1991	Dr. J. Jagmohan Reddy	2012
Prof. G.R. Rao	1992	Dr. S. D. Bonde	2013
Prof. K.K. Lakhamanan	1993	Prof. D.A. Patil	2014
Prof. G.S. Paliwal	1994	Dr. N.C. Gautam	2015
Prof. Naresh Chandra	1995	Prof. G.V.S. Murthy	2016
Prof. Bir Bahadur	1996		
Prof. L. Janmejy Singh	1997		
Prof. J.D. Patel	1998		

Y.S.MURTY MEDAL

Y.S. Murty Medal was instituted during 1985, by Prof. Y.S. Murty Commemoration Committee. The medal is awarded each year to a distinguished young Botanist (Life member/Fellow) member of the society not more than 40 years of age for outstanding contributions in any branch of Botany. A special function is organised during the Botanical Conference in connection with the presentation of this medal and a special lecture by the recipient of the medal. The following botanists have been honoured by this medal:

Recipient	Year of award
Dr. D. Mukherjee	1986
Dr. Sharda Khandelwal	1987
Dr. A.K. Roy	1988
Dr. Tribhuwan Singh	1989
Dr. U.C. Lavania	1990
Dr. A.K. Pandey	1991
Dr. D.K. Maheshwari	1992
Dr. A.P. Garg	1993
Dr. S.K. Chaturvedi	1994
Dr. S.N. Bagchi	1995
Dr. Pushpa Koul	1996
Dr. Kailash Agrawal	1997
Dr. Vimla Y.	1998
Dr. Sonali Chaturvedi	1999
Dr. S.S. Sandhu	2000
Dr. Vidya Patni nee Ramani	2001
Dr. Manoj Dhar	2002

Dr. (Mrs.) Sangeta Srivastava	2003
Dr. (Miss) Sandhu Sareen	2004
Dr. B.M. Singh	2005
Dr. Tarun Kan	2006
Dr. P. Giridhar	2007
Dr. Rajesh Tandon	2008
Dr. P. Drivedi	2009
Dr. Rupam Kapoor	2010
Dr. Rakhi Chaturvedi	2011
Dr. Shashi pandey	2012
Dr. D. Nagaraju	2013
Dr. S. Karuppusamy	2014
Dr. Pankaj Kumar Arora	2015
Dr. G. S. Shekhawat	2016

The Secretary invites nominations for each medal from the members of the Executive Council, office bearers for the last 5 Years and medal awardees (Birbal Sahni/Panchanan Mheswari and Vishwambhar Puri medals) for the last 5 years. The valid nominations are sent for balloting to the members of the Executive Council along with the biodata proforma duly filled in. A majority shall elect but in case more than one persons secure equal votes, only such names shall be considered for second balloting. In case of a tie, decision will be taken by the draw of lots. All nominations should be made in an approved proforma accompanied by a detailed biodata.

**YOUNG BOTANIST AWARD (DR. M.S. SWAMINATHAN MERIT CERTIFICATE &
DR. BAHADUR SINGH GOLD MEDAL)**

This award was started in 2001 on the advice of Prof. A.K. Koul, Jammu, President of the society in 2000. The merit certificate is given in the name of country's notable Agricultural Scientist Dr. M.S. Swaminathan, FRS and Dr. Bahadur Singh, Founder Head, Department of Botany, B.R. College, Agra (now R.B.S. College) by his students Dr. S.N. Chaturvedi, B. R. College, Paliwal and Prof. S.V.S. Chauhan. The medal is awarded each year to a young botanist below the age of 35 years. The rules are as follows:

Life members up to the age of 35 years can participate. They will present their research work for 18 minutes followed by 5 minutes discussion. For best presentation Young Botanist Award (Dr. M.S. Swaminathan Merit Certificate and Dr. Bahadur Sing Medal) is given every year. The selection will be based on a Committee of Judges appointed for the purpose. The minimum number of participants should be three. If more papers are received a committee will select best three for presentation at the conference.

The following young botanists have received this award:

1. Dr. Venu Kaul (Jammu) 2001
2. Dr. Susheel Verma (Jammu) 2002
3. Dr. Vandana Singh (Agra) 2003
4. Dr. Sangeeta Srivastava (Lucknow) 2004
5. Ms. Sampat Nehra (Jaipur) 2005
6. Mr. Karuppusamy (Anantpur) 2006
7. Ms. Geeta (Jammu) 2007
8. Ms. Poonam Meena (Jaipur) 2008
9. Dr. Priyanka Verma (Lucknow) 2011
10. Dr. Pankaj K. Arora (Hyderabad) 2012
11. Dr. Neha Pandey 2013
12. Siddharth K. Mihra (Sagar) 2014
13. Dr. Swati Tripathi 2015

K.S. BILGRAMI MEDAL (FOR BEST POSTER PRESENTATION)

Instituted in 2004 by his student Prof. S. M. Reddy, Warangal. The medal is awarded to a member (upto the age of 35 years) for best poster presentation (single author)

Following member has received the award:

1. Dr. (Ms.) Vandana Singh (Agra) 2004
2. Ms. Meenakshi Singh, (Lucknow) 2005
3. Ms. Surochita Basu, (Lucknow) 2006
4. Ms. Chitra Wadhawani (Jaipur) 2007
5. Ms. Parul Sharma, (Jaipur) 2008
6. Rohan Gavankar (Mumbai) 2012
7. Dr. Renuka Kohli (Jammu) 2013
8. Dr. Akansha Srivastava 2014

MEDAL FOR WOMEN SCIENTIST

A medal for women scientist upto the age of 50 years is instituted by the society for a distinguished lady botanist from year 2006. Nominations will be invited by the secretary from life member of the society every year . Applicant are required to submit detailed biodata, list of publications and reprints of ten best papers published for evaluation by committee constituted for the purpose. The selection will be based on a Committee of three Judges appointed for the purpose.

Following members has received the award:

Ms.Namrata Sharma (jammu) 2006

Ms. Seshu Lavania (Lucknow) 2007

Ms. Sindhu Sareen (Karnal) 2008

Dr. Alka Srivastava (Lucknow) 2011

Dr. Veenu Kaul (Jammu) 2012

Dr. Priyanka Agnihotri (Lucknow) 2013

Dr. Seema Chauhan (Agra) 2014

Darshana Patel 2015

Life Time Achievement Award

Executive council and general body of I.B.S. (2008) decided to start "The Life Time Achievement Award " to be given to a distinguished Botanist who have rendered exceptional service to any branch of plant sciences and services to the society on the recommendation of the Executive Council.

Prof. C.V. Subramaniam 2009

Prof. A.K. Sharma 2010

Prof. S. N. Chaturvedi (AGRA) 2011

Prof. H.Y. Mohan Ram (New Delhi) 2012

Prof. A.K. Koul (JAMMU) 2013

Prof. R.M. Pai, (Aurangabad) 2014

Prof. Dalbir singh,(Canada) 2015

Prof. C. Manoharachari, (Hyderabad) 2016

WOMAN BOTANIST AWARD

Instituted by Prof. Muniamma in 2011 for the best paper presented by a lady botanist during the conference (age limit 50 yrs).

2011 Dr. Sangeeta Srivastava

2012 Dr. Padmini Remeteke

2013 Dr. Geeta

2014 N.F.S.

PROF. Y.S. MURTY MEMORIAL GOLD MEDAL

Instituted by the Late Prof. C.M. Govil and Prof. Y. Vimla and her family members in 2012 will be awarded to an outstanding Plant Morphologist/ Taxonomist upto the age of 50 years for his/her research contributions in any group of plant kingdom.

2012 Dr. K.S. Rajput

2013 Dr. V.M. Raole

2014 N.F.S.

2015 Dr. Yogesh Joshi

PROF. S.N. DIXIT GOLD MEDAL

Instituted by students of Prof. S.N. Dixit in 2012. The medal is awarded to a Life Member (below the age of 50 yrs) for the best poster presentation during the conference.

2013 Dr. S.K. Mishra

2014 N.F.S.

2016 Gitanjali Singh

PROF. S.V.S. CHAUHAN GOLD MEDAL

Institute by students of Prof. S.V.S. Chauhan in 2013. The medal is awarded to a life member (below the age of 25 yrs) for oral presentation of Research Paper during the conference.

2014 Dr. Kutian Atul

2015 Akshi Shani

MEMORIAL LECTURES

1. Kajale Memorial Lecture (Alternate Years)

Prof. H. Y. Mohan Ram	1989
Dr. K.S. Bilgrami	1991
Prof. S. C. Pandeya	1993
Prof. H. C. Arya	1995
Prof. M.R. Vijayaraghavan	1997
Prof. Dalbir Sing	1999
Prof. R. P. Singh	2001
Prof. K.R. Shivanna	2003
Prof. A.K. Kaul	2005
Prof. S.V.S. Chauhan	2007
Prof. S.S. sharma	2015

2. Uma Kant Sinha Memorial Lecture (Alternate Years)

Prof. A.K. Koul	1992
Prof. C. M. Govil	1994
Prof. S. C. Verma	1996
Prof. P.K. Gupta	1998
Prof. H. K. Goswami	2000
Prof. Akhilesh K. Tyagi	2002
Prof. K.V.B.R. Tilak	2004
Prof. jagadish Saran	2006
Dr. U.C.Lavania	2008

Prof. R.N. Gohil	
Prof. Sumita Jha	2009
Dr.	2012
Sangeeta Srivastava	2014
Prof. Y. K. Bansal	2016

G.PANIGRAHI MEMORIAL LECTURE

Dr. Panigrahi commemoration lectures in two fields (Taxonomy, Floristic, Nomenclature & Biogeography of the Indian flora, alternately on Angiosperms & Pteridophytes), to be delivered each year has been instituted.

Prof. S.S. Bir	1997
Prof. S. N. Patnaik	1998
Prof. R.M. Pai	1999
Prof. S.P. Khullar	2000
Dr. R.R. Rao	2001
Prof. G.K. Srivastava	2002
Dr. M. Sanjappa	2003
Dr. Subhash Chandra	2004
Dr. N.P. Singh	2005
Dr. P.B. Khare	2006
Prof. R.D. Gaur	2007
Prof. P.K. Khare	2008
Prof. T.N. Bhardwaj	2010
Prof. T. Pulliah	2011
Prof. C.B. Gena	2012
Prof. A.K. Jain	
Prof. B.L. Choudhary	

2011

Prof. N. Punetha 2012

2014

Prof. A.K. Jain 2015

Prof. B.L. Choudhary 2016

Y.S. MURTY MEMORIAL LECTURE

Students and well wishers of late Prof. Y. S. Murty instituted a memorial lecture in his honour. Every year a distinguished botanist is invited by host University to deliver a lecture.

Society provide Rs. 3000/- as an honorarium to all the speakers of Memorial Lecture.

Dr. K.S. Rajput (Vadodara) 2012

Prof.V. N. Raole (Baroda) 2013

CASH PRIZES WITH THE SOCIETY FOR THE PUBLICATIONS

The Iyenger-Sahni Award- An Endowment of Rs.15,000/- was made by Prof. T.S. Sadasivan to Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeobotany (BSIP), LUCKNOW, for a cash award to be given out of the annual interest from Rs. 15,000/- accrued. The award is given in alternate years to the best paper which has appeared in two volumes of Palaeobotanist and the Journal of Indian Botanical Society. The upper age limit of the awardee i.e. none of the authors shall be more than 40 years on the date of publications of the paper. If there is more than one author for the paper selected the money will be equally shared. The expert committee is to be appointed by the Governing Body of BSIP. The first award in 1984 will be for the papers published in Palaeobotanist.

Prof. Thomas Maxwell Harris Prize- This prize is instituted with the amount of Rs. 18,00/- donated by Prof. T. M. Harris and Rs. 3,200/- collected by Dr. M. N. Bose from friends and well wishers and given to the Birbal Sahni Institute has decided that the interest from this endowment may be utilized for a prize to be given to a young scientist of age not exceeding 30 years for the best paper published in the palaeobotanist and the Journal of Indian Botanical Society in alternate years. this prize will be known as "Prof. Thomas Maxwell Harris Prize". The other rules of this prize will be similar to the "Iyengar-Sahni Award". The first prize will be awarded in November, 1985 for the best paper published in the Palaeobotanist.

Prof. S.C. Dixit Cash Prize- This prize is instituted by Prof. S. C. Dixit to be given to women candidate up to the age of 45 years only, for the best papers published in Journal of Indian Botanical Society. The prize is of Rs. 500/- value (in 1985 only Rs. 250/-) is given out of interest accrued on the endowment of Rs. 5,000/- Papers should be single authorship.

S.N. Dixit Medal

Dr. S.K. Mishra (Sagar) 2013

CERTIFICATES OF MERIT, CASH PRIZES

AND MEDALS

(For Presentation of best paper in Botanical Conference)

With a view to improve the standard of presentation of research papers at the Botanical Conference and to attract and encourage the young scientists below the age of 30 years for contributing their best paper, it was decided in the Annual General Meeting on Dec. 29, 1982 to award each year Certificate of Merit for the best paper presented in each section during the Botanical Conference. Further a cash prize is also to be given from the annual interest accrued if donations of Rs. 1000/- or more are received for this purpose. The rules for the awards are :

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT— The authors of the papers must be members of the society, not above 30 years of age, as on 1st December of that year and the member presenting the paper adjudged as best will get the Certificate of Merit. In case no paper is found up to the mark in a particular section no certificate of merit will be awarded in that section.

CASH PRIZE— A cash prize of Rs. 500/- Shall be allowed to the person who has earned Certificate of Merit, when at least three papers are presented for contest in that particular section.

MEDAL- In the Honor of senior Botanist students and well wishers of senior botanist donated Rs 25,000 each for the medal in eight different sections these medals will be awarded only on the recommendation of the experts at least six papers should be presented for these medals in each section.

The following persons have made donations of Rs. 1000/- each for the section

mentioned for cash prize :

1. Mycology, Microbiology Plant Pathology, including seed Pathology
1. Prof. K. S. Bilgrami and Prof. G. P. Agarwal (In the name of Prof. R.N. Tandon)
2. Prof. K. S. Bhargava
3. Prof. A. Mahadevan
4. Dr. G. Thottapilly
5. Prof. Dalbir Singh
6. Prof. T. Prasad

Medal in honor of Prof. O.P. Mall

II. Cryptogamic Botany (Cryptogams) including fossils

1. Prof. Y.S.R.K. Sarma (In the name of Prof. Y. Bharadwaja)
2. Dr. U.D. Bongale
3. Dr. S.G. Bharati (Rs. 5000/-)
4. Prof. E. R. S. Talpasayi
(In the name of Prof. T.U. Chackoo)
5. Dr. (Mrs.) Pushpa Srivastava
(In the name of Prof. Jafar Nizam)
6. Dr. Jagdish Lal
7. Prof. B.S. Trivedi

Medal in honor of Prof. Jafar Nizam

III. Seed Plants, including fossils (Phanerogamous) Structure, Anatomy Reproductive Biology

1. Prof. Reayat Khan
2. Mrs. B. Venkata Ratnamma (In the name of Late Prof. B.S. Siva Rao)

Embryology including Seed & Fruit

3. Mrs. B. Venkata Ratnamma (In the name of Prof. B. S. Siva Rao)

4. Dr. R.P.Singh and his Students

5. Prof. B.Tiagi

6. Prof. H. Maheswari Devi

7. Students of Prof. H. Maheswari Devi

8. Dr. R.H.Shete (Rs. 25,000)

Medal in honor of Prof. Y.S Murthy

IV. Taxonomy of Seed Plants Floristis, including Biodiversity,Economic Botany including Ethnobotany & Pharmacognoxy

1. Prof. K.S. Manilal

2. Prof. R.S. Rao

Medal in honor of Prot Y.D Tiagi

V. Cell (Cytology) and Molecular Biology, Genetics and Plant Breeding

1. Prof. K.R.S. Ayyangar

2. Prof. S.N. Chaturvedi

3. Dr. R.S. Himanshu

Medal in honor of Prof. S.N. Chaturvedi

VI. Ecology; Plant Geography & Environmental studies

1. Prof. R. Misra

Medal in honor of Prof. L.P. Mall

VII Plant Physiology, Biochemistry & Pharmacology

1. Prof K. K. Nanda

2. Prof S. C. Agarwala

3. Dr. G. V. Joshi Memorial Committee

Medal in honor of Prof. C.P Malik

VIII. Morphogenesis, Plant Tissue Culture & Biotechnology

1. Prof. B. M. Johri (Rs. 2000/-)

Medal in honor of Prof. H.C. Arya

IX. Poster Section

Participants should send their full papers along with the illustrations on or before the date given by the Secretary. Posters will be displayed as per instructions given by the local organizing secretary of the annual conference.