



**DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (DST)
AWARDS FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE
74th MEETING OF NOBEL LAUREATES & STUDENTS
Lindau, Germany during June 29 – July 4, 2025**

LAST DATE : 30th September 2024

Each year since 1951, Nobel Prize winners in Chemistry, Physics, Physiology or Medicine have been meeting in Lindau, Germany, to discuss major issues of importance to their fields with students from around the world. The meetings include lectures, panel/ round-table discussions on interdisciplinary topics and informal small- group meetings with the Nobel Prize winners. The DST has been sending a group of students / young researchers to these meetings, since 2001.

It intended to send a group of Indian Students /young researchers to the 74th Meeting of Nobel Laureates & Students during **29th June to 4th July 2025**, which is dedicated to **Chemistry**.

Applications are invited from bright and young students and researchers in the above disciplines for availing this award. The lectures and discussions are at a level appropriate for students/researchers in their early research careers. More details of the meeting can be seen at www.lindau-nobel.org

Terms of Award:

The selected participants will be provided with International travel related expenses, local transportation, lodging (twin-sharing basis) and boarding for attending the Meeting. It is mandatory for the selected students to attend the complete full week programme in Germany as well as briefing meeting prior to departure to Germany. The Indian team of selected students shall leave for Lindau from Delhi and shall return back to Delhi after the completion of the Nobel laureates meeting. Personal or other visits by candidates to institutes other than the scheduled programme during the above period will not be entertained.

It is mandatory that the selected candidates should submit the reports on the Lindau meeting after completion of the programmes and any information document as and when required by DST within the time frame.

No escorts/ accompanying persons will be allowed with the participants and no request for personalized programme during this period would be considered in any case. The applicants would also not be allowed to withdraw the nomination after selection.

Eligibility

- i. Only Indian science students (by citizenship) studying / working / affiliated to research Institutes / universities in India are eligible.
- ii. Engineering / Tech. students are not eligible.
- iii. Indian students studying and doing post-doc / internship / or staying in Germany / abroad are also not eligible for this award.

There are three categories of participants to be nominated:

- A. Master Students
- B. Doctoral Students and
- C. Young Post-doctoral researcher below the age of 35 years

All selected participants shall-

- show a genuine interest in science and research,
- demonstrate excellence in their principal field of studies and to the interdisciplinary work,
- receive very strong support of their application by academic advisors and/or internationally renowned scientists, who know the applicant well **(two detailed recommendation letters are required)**,
- be fluent in English, capable of active participant in discussions,
- be prepared to actively participate in discussions with Laureates and Young Scientists
- not older than **35 years of age as on closing date of the call i.e. 30th September 2024.**
- not have participated in the previous Lindau Meetings,
- deliver fully completed applications to DST and after short listing by DST, the online application to Lindau website (incomplete applications shall be out right rejected),
- Commit themselves to being present for the full duration of the meeting.
- have engaged in extracurricular activities

Additional eligibility requirements in each category are:

Category-A: Master Students, who

- exhibit a solid general knowledge in Chemistry and related disciplines,
- demonstrate independent research experience
- have performed excellent research, documented, for example, by publications, conference presentations, grants or other academic awards
- Should be among top three in the order of merit in the class for 1st year of MSc or in 4th year of 5-year integrated master's programme. Rank certificate from the Head of the Department is to be provided with application.

Category-B: Doctoral Students, who:

- Show excellent academic accomplishments
- have produced some very good research work
- have performed excellent research, documented, for example, by publications, conference presentations, grants or other academic awards
- Must have completed two years from the date of registration for Phd
- Should be among top three in the order of merit in M.Sc

Category-C: Postdoctoral scientists, who:

- are at an early career stage (i.e. up to 5 years of postdoctoral experience; optimum about 2-3 years after doctoral degree)
- have presented their work at international scientific meetings, preferably as (invited) speakers
- have published results of own scientific research in refereed journals, preferentially as 1st author,
- Should be among top three in the order of merit in M.Sc

Application process:

A complete application consists of:

- a) One complete set of original application duly forwarded by Head of the Institute, in prescribed format (**Annexure-I**) along with one set of photo copies of the awards/certificates substantiating the information provided in the application duly attested.
- b) At least two letter of reference from an academician and/or internationally renowned scientists, who know the applicant well
- c) Soft copy of the application form in single PDF format only as email attached to rajivarc@nic.in The softcopy will be used only for the evaluation purpose.
- d) **However, applications received by post on or before the last date will only be considered.**
- e) **Applications by hand at DST will not be entertained.**

- f) Applications received after the last date of receipt of applications due to any reason including postal delay or delay in forwarding by the concerned forwarding authority etc. shall not be considered. **No relaxation shall be given in this regard.**

The hardcopy of the complete applications must be submitted latest by 1700 Hrs on 1st October 2024 to:

**Dr. Rajiv Kumar
Scientist-F
International Cooperation Division
R.No-19A, Old S&T Block-1
Department of Science and Technology
Technology Bhawan, New Mehrauli Road,
New Delhi-110016
E-mail: rajivarc@nic.in**

Annexure-I

Application Format

1. Incomplete application in any respect and received after due date will be summarily rejected.
2. The candidates must be in possession of valid passport at the time of application.
3. Documents/information submitted subsequent to submission of application will not be considered / accepted
4. Hand written/ advance copy of application will not be accepted in any case.
5. The application must be neatly stamped / tagged in a single set and in proper order and there should not be any loose paper/ document.
6. The reference letter need not be sealed or packed separately but must be attached only along with the set of application. The reference letter through mails and separate post shall not be considered. See guidelines from Lindau Foundation at **Annexure-II**

Fields Applied for: Chemistry		Recent Passport Size Photograph
Category Applied for: A B C		
(Please tick appropriate category)		
1.	Name of the applicant	Dr/ Mr / Ms
2.	i) Date of birth: ii) Age as on 30-09-2024	
3.	Present designation / Position	
4.	Institution address:	
5.	Residential address :	

6.	Contact telephone Nos.	(Institute)	
		(Residence)	
		(Mobile)	
7.	Email addresses (for acknowledgement & general correspondence)		
8.	Passport details (Number, Date of Issue, Place of issue, Validity, Issued by)		

9.	Academic qualification completed/expected				
	Exam Passed/ studying	Year of completion	Subjects / Main specialization	School / College/ University	% of marks / Grade & Rank
	10 Class				
	12 Class				
	B.Sc				
	M.Sc				
	Ph.D				
	Post-Doc and/or present research work				
10.	Academic Awards at School/ College/ University/ National/ International Levels received (please indicate only top 3 academic awards only)				
11.	Specific area of interest (in one line only)				

12.	<p>Motivation: (please give a half page write on why do you want to attend this meeting; expected benefit and future plan post Lindau meeting)</p> <p>Note: Please provide the desired information within this space and should not be more than half-a page. No annexure should be attached for providing this information.</p>
13.	<p>Write-up on research interests / ideas / achievements (not more than one page) and list of publications, if any</p> <p>Note: Kindly provide desired information within the space provided for the purpose. No annexure should be attached for providing this information.</p>

Declaration by the candidate:

I hereby declare that all the information given above is true to the best of knowledge. Further, in the event of being selected, I undertake to-

- (1) Accept the offer to participate in the meeting of Nobel Laureates & Students and will attend the full programme and will not seek any personalized programme during the trip.
- (2) I will abide by all rules, regulations, directives of DST and Lindau Council while attending the meeting.
- (3) I will attend the briefing meeting, to be organized by DST in Delhi before the departure to Germany, if any.
- (4) I will join the team in Delhi for onward journey and return back to Delhi as planned by DST and shall not seek any extension for any individualized travel programme.
- (5) I will not withdraw nomination at any later stage.
- (6) I will submit the completion report/ or any other document as and when required by DST within the deadlines.
- (7) Failure to abide by the above clauses, I shall refund all the expenses incurred by DST.

Place:

Date :

Signature of the applicant

Recommendation of the Head of the institution

Signature of the Head of the Institution
with seal & contact details (ie telephone and email ID)

Place :

Date:

Annexure-II

Guidelines from Lindau Foundation on recommendation letters:

Dear Nominating Partners,

Over the past years, we have observed that numerous letters of recommendation have been issued as a standard version. For this reason, we would like to introduce some guidelines on how we envision a recommendation letter:

1. Length: roughly one DIN A4 page/one standard letter size submitted as a pdf file.
2. Language: English.
3. A description of the candidate's achievements that could also cover details not found in the candidate's CV. A description of the nominating institution is not necessary.
4. An individual letters for each candidate and not a standard letter that is the same (or very similar) for all the candidates.
5. The letter should be written by a person who knows the candidate well, e.g. supervisor of the Master or PhD thesis.

Please keep in mind that the letter of recommendation is an important factor in the evaluation process and that it does influence the results.

We appreciate your collaboration and look forward to receiving your nominations.
Sincerely yours,

*Vice President of the Council for the Lindau Nobel Laureate Meetings
Scientific Chairman of the 74th Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting 2025*