



SRI LANKA ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE (SLAAS)

Annual Awards – 2025

Lifetime Award for Excellence in Research– Awarded by General Research Committee of SLAAS:

Awarded by the General Research Committee, SLAAS in recognition for the most outstanding Sri Lankan scientist who has carried out exceptionally high quality/pioneering research in Sri Lanka over a significant period of time and who has produced a considerable number of original publications in peer-reviewed journals with high impact factors and contributed to the field by way of training young scientists. Applicants must be members of SLAAS. This award is given for the overall contribution of a scientist towards the scientific advancement of the field and training of young scientists in that field. This award is NOT meant for his/her contribution to a single research project. Eligibility criteria for the award and relevant forms are available on the SLAAS website or at the SLAAS office. Applications will be accepted until **15th August 2025**.

Postgraduate Research Awards – Awarded by General Research Committee of SLAAS:

This award is open to recent postgraduate degree holders who have carried out a major part of the research in an institution within Sri Lanka. The award will be based on the applicant's publications on his/her postgraduate research work. Applicants must be members of SLAAS who have completed a postgraduate research degree (M.Phil., Ph.D., etc.) in a Sri Lankan university/institution in the 2 years preceding 31st July 2025. Eligibility criteria for the award and relevant forms are available on the SLAAS website or at the SLAAS office. Applications will be accepted until **15th August 2025**.

Innovation and Commercialization Award– Awarded by the General Research Committee of SLAAS:

This is an award made in recognition of a Sri Lankan who has succeeded in Innovation and Commercialization, which can be a patent or a commercialized product. In the case of a patent, priority date must be within the last five years from the application closing date and the applicant must provide proof that the patent is active. In the case of a commercial product or technology, the applicant must provide a letter, containing the details such as date of commercialization, currently commercialized or not, the information regarding the market and information about the royalty payments etc., from the commercial partner with the front and back images (labels) of the product as applicable. Applicants must be members of SLAAS. Eligibility criteria for the award and relevant forms are available on the SLAAS website or at the SLAAS office. Applications will be accepted until **15th August 2025**.

Physical Science Awards:

Three awards are open for the best undergraduate research projects in the fields of Physics, Mathematics, and Statistics, conducted as a partial requirement for a B.Sc. degree from a Sri Lankan University during the period of 1st July 2024 to 30th June 2025.

In addition to the three Physical Science Awards, this year, another three awards will be given for the best **commercializable** research project in each field.

Applications will be accepted until **31st August 2025**.

Manamperi Award (Engineering):

This award will be awarded to outstanding undergraduate Engineering Research Projects carried out at a Faculty of Engineering in a Sri Lankan University. The Award is open to Engineering graduates or undergraduate students who have fulfilled all the requirements for the degree award from a recognized university (by the Ministry of Education) of Sri Lanka during the period of **01.10.2024 to 30.09.2025**. Applications will be accepted until **05th October 2025**.

Science Popularization & Promotion Award:

This award is for individuals who have best penetrated the society and contributed to popularizing and promoting science within Sri Lanka from 1st May 2024 to 30th April 2025. Science communicators, including journalists, scientists, and others who have excelled in print and electronic media, are invited to apply for these awards. Awards may be presented for contributions in Sinhala, Tamil, and English media under following two categories:

- Professional category (individuals who are professionally employed as journalists) and
- Non-Professional category (individuals who are not employed as journalists).

Individuals holding membership of the SLAAS Council or SLAAS-CPS during the period in which the application is made or any of his/her immediate family members are not eligible to apply for this award. The applicant is eligible to provide evidence obtained only during the last three calendar years, including the year in which the award is applied for. Any applicant who has received the same award on a previous occasion is not eligible for the same again for ten (10) years. Applications will be accepted until **31st August 2025**.

Environment Awards:

These awards are open to individuals/organizations, which have made a significant contribution to the sustainable management of the environment. Applications are accepted under the categories;

- (a) School students (Individual or group projects conducted by students from grades 8 to 13),
- (b) Individuals,
- (c) Institutions (public and private sector institutions including Non-Governmental Organizations).

The award will be bestowed on the institution. Deadline for submitting applications:

15th August 2025.

Professor Valentine Basnayake Environmental Studies Awards (2025) for Excellence in General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level Science) Group Project Work

The Sri Lanka Association for the Advancement of Science (SLAAS) is pleased to announce and call applications for the Professor Valentine Basnayake Environmental Studies Awards (2025) for Excellence in General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level Science) Group Project Work. "Professor Valentine Basnayake Environmental Studies Awards-2025" are open for students who sat for the General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level) Examination in the science stream. Deadline for submitting applications: **15th August 2025**

Life and Earth Sciences Award - 2025

The Life and Earth Sciences award is now open for any undergraduate/graduate who submitted his/her thesis during the year 2024 in any field of Life or Earth Sciences as a partial requirement for completion of a degree program from a Ministry of Education recognized university or degree awarding institute. Please submit the application form along with the extended abstract and the copies of publications (if any).

Deadline for submitting applications: **15th September 2025.**

All the Applications should be submitted to:

Sri Lanka Association for the Advancement of Science,
“Vidya Mandiraya,”
120/10, Wijerama Mawatha,
Colombo 07.

For more information: +94-11-268-8740, + 94-11-2691681 or email hqslaas@gmail.com

Application forms and further details regarding these awards can be obtained from the above address
OR

from the SLAAS website <https://www.slaas.lk/> **OR** by sending a request to the email:
hqslaas@gmail.com.

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