

Central University of Rajasthan

Award for Teaching Excellence in Higher Education Institutions

(To be given on the occasion of the Teacher's Day, 5th September 2025)

The Central University of Rajasthan has introduced this award to recognize teachers who have demonstrated excellence and innovativeness in teaching in HEIs in India and have significantly contributed to the growth of their Institute and the society at large. The award is given away on 5th September every year.

1. Eligibility

(a) Indian Nationals working as regular faculty members, in duly approved higher education institutions in India other than CURAJ. The teacher must have completed three years in the institution as on 30th June 2025. Teachers on contract or tenure positions will not be considered.

(b) Age limit is 45 years as on 5th September 2025.

(c) Faculty who do not have any record of punishment/censure after due enquiry as per the rules and procedures of the Institute. Also, the faculty member should not have any complaints or pending inquiries about gender bias or sexual harassment.

2. Period of consideration

For the award to be given on 5th September 2025, the contribution made by the faculty member in the preceding academic year will be considered, i.e. **1**st **July 2024 to 30**th **June 2025**.

3. The Award and Number

3.1 This prestigious National Award will be given away by a dignitary of National Eminence in a grand ceremony organized at CURAJ campus on the Teacher's Day – 5th September 2025. The awards for the year 2023 and 2024 were conferred by His Excellency The Governor of Rajasthan.

3.2 The award includes a cash prize of Rs 51000/-, Shawl, Citation, and a Memento.

- 3.3 It is essential for the recipient to be present in person to receive the award. **No candidate will be given the award in absentia**.
- 3.4 A **maximum of three teachers** in each of the following categories may be recognised:

(a) **Teachers from Humanities and Social Sciences** (languages, linguistics, performing and visual arts, commerce, economics, geography, social work, political science, home science, anthropology, history, archaeology, sociology etc.)

(b) **Teachers from Science Discipline** (Physics, Chemistry, Statistics, Mathematics, Earth Sciences, and Life Sciences)

(c) **Teachers of Professional Programmes** (Engineering, Architecture, Design, Law, Pharmacy, Management, Education, Hospitality, Yoga, Ayurveda, and Medicine)

3.5 The competent authority of CURAJ may change the number of awards and the categories. Page **1** of **4**

4. Nomination

- 4.1 Eligible teachers may file their nomination online giving all the facts and supporting documents including a text of about 300 words highlighting their achievements that justify being considered for the award.
- 4.2 Each activity considered for nomination must be supported by documentary evidence. Nominations without supporting evidence are liable to be rejected.
- 4.3 The nomination must be accompanied by an endorsement by the Head of the Institution/Registrar/Dean of the School/ Head of the Department/Principal as per the format given and recommendation letters by at least two Professors of the Institution.
- 4.4 Nominations must be made using the online form from the official mail id of the faculty member. The link to the form is:

Link: https://forms.gle/iBHv87L1VkDHpHwA9

4.5 A hard copy of the form with supportive documents, endorsements, and recommendation letters must be compiled as a single merged pdf file and uploaded on Link below.

Link: https://forms.gle/Jz9BsMZpNu1q3pJp9

5. Criterion for Nomination

The candidates need to objectively assess themselves on the following criteria, which will be used for evaluation:

5.1 Teaching: (Maximum 50 Marks, Ten marks each for the points 5.1.1 to 5.1.5 listed below)

5.1.1 Outcome in terms of students getting more than 70% marks in the courses taught by the teacher. (Maximum 10 marks)

Marks: Award 1 mark for each lot of 5% (or part thereof) of the students taught in all the courses scoring more than 70% marks. i.e. if 15% of the total number of students taught by the teacher get more than 70% marks in the final result of all the subject(s) taught, then award three marks. If a teacher is teaching more than one course then total number of students in all the courses and their results will be taken into account.

5.1.2 Organizing state level, national or international level seminars/conferences/workshops of at least one full day. (Maximum 10 marks)

Marks: Award 2 marks for each International / National level event and one mark for each State/University level event organised by the teacher **as organising secretary/primary coordinator**. The head of the Institute will verify the teacher's role and attach the event's printed brochure.

5.1.3 Developing learning material like course readers, question banks, writing course modules, developing value-added courses, MOOCs, etc. (Maximum 10 marks) Marks: Award 5 marks for each online course prepared by the teacher. Award 2 marks for each course reader/course module written by the teacher and circulated as print media or e-learning material. Award 1 mark for each new course curriculum or a question bank prepared singularly by the teacher and which is published offline or online.

5.1.4 Pedagogical approaches, documented evidence of engaging with diverse groups of learners, details of innovative teaching techniques, assessment mechanisms, use of technologies, etc. (Maximum 10 marks)

Marks: Award 2 marks for each certificate/appreciation letter the Institution gives recognizing the teacher's contribution. Award 3 marks for any state-level award/merit certificate recognizing the teacher. Award 5 marks for each National level award/merit certificate awarded to the teacher.

5.1.5 Gender sensitivity and positive approach towards 'weaker sections' of the society and willingness to help them. Specific activities, if any, are undertaken beyond the routine teaching to support the weaker sections of the society. (Maximum 10 marks) *Marks: Award 2 marks for each certificate/appreciation letter the Institution gives recognizing the teacher's contribution. Award 3 marks for any state-level award/certificate recognizing the teacher. Award 5 marks for each National level award/merit certificate awarded to the teacher.*

5.2. Publications: (Maximum 20 Marks)

Consider the research papers, books, and articles, published during the period under consideration.

Marks: Award 1 mark for each paper published in a Scopus / Web of Science/UGC Care listed journal/Peer Reviewed Journal or a book chapter in ISBN volume contributed by the teacher. Award 10 marks for a book published as sole author and five marks as co-author. Award 3 marks for each of the edited books.

5.3 Projects and Consultancy: (Maximum 10 Marks)

For this section, please consider the consultancy or other research projects sanctioned during the period under consideration. Consider only those projects where the teacher is PI or Co-PI.

Marks: Award marks based on the total value of projects sanctioned during the period specified in clause 2 above:

0 – 9.99 Lacs – 2 marks 10 – 19.99 Lacs – 4 marks 20 – 29.99 lacs – 6 marks 30 – 39.99 lacs – 8 marks More than 40 Lacs – 10 marks

5.4. Patent (s) Granted: (Maximum 10 marks)

For this section, please consider national or international patents granted as sole or one of the inventors.

Marks: 5 marks for each patent granted at the National level and 10 marks for the international level.

5.5. Ethical Conduct, Commitment to Academics, and Community Service: (Maximum 10 Marks)

Demonstratable ethical conduct in terms of adherence to academic integrity, following rules and regulations, availability to support students' learning and institutional work beyond routine work hours, and treating students equitably and impartially. Consider the evidence of activities like supportive teaching, yoga, health, and fitness camps, developing awareness on social and environmental issues, and organising training camps activities related to NSS/NCC/ community service etc.

Marks: Award 2 marks for each certificate/appreciation letter the Institution gives recognising the teacher's contribution. Award 3 marks for any state-level award/certificate recognising the teacher. Award 5 marks for each National level award/merit certificate awarded to the teacher.

6. Last Date for Nomination

The last date for receipt of the nomination with all supportive material is 5th July 2025.

7. Final Evaluation for Identifying Teacher(s) for Award

- 7.1 Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of the Central University of Rajasthan will constitute a selection committee of at least three members to evaluate the nominations received from various institutions.
- 7.2 The selection committee will assess the nominations and may interact with the shortlisted candidates in online mode.
- 7.3 The shortlisted awardees shall need to confirm their physical presence to receive the award. Award will not be given in absentia.
- 7.4 The committee will then recommend a panel of a maximum of five names alphabetically for each category of awards, as mentioned in clause 3 above.
- 7.5 The HVC will consider the committee's recommendations and may, at his discretion, identify the final awardees.
- 7.6 The decision of the HVC shall be final and binding on all.
- 7.7 The Vice Chancellor reserves the right to modify the eligibility requirements, the criteria for selection, and the number of awards during the process.