Sir/Madam:

Subject: Nominations for Govt of India, Ministry of HRD's Teaching Innovator - 2016 Award

As you would know Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching has been laying emphasis on teaching component of the higher education, among other things. Teaching Innovator - 2016 is a part of the award component of this mission.

On behalf of Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt, New Delhi, we are soliciting nominations from faculty of your esteemed university/institution who have adopted innovative teaching practices in the education process.

Please find attached a formal notification and procedures approved by the Ministry of HRD for the purpose.

Nominations are to be submitted through online form present in the website: http://teachinginnovations.in

We would be much thankful if you encourage your teaching faculty to participate in this PMMMNMTT's effort to recognize innovative teaching practices and reward best among them.

Yours sincerely,

G Mohan

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Guidelines for 'Teaching Innovator-2016' Award under PMMMNMTT

PURPOSE
Recognition for teaching innovation — Teaching Innovator-2016 - under Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching (PMMMNMTT) aims to identify, recognize and reward teaching innovations practiced in our higher education institutions such as colleges and universities. Teaching innovations could be in the areas of teaching methods, student assessment, curriculum design, technology adoption in teaching, or other aspects of teaching in higher education. The Award recognizes the teacher initiatives only, and not that of the institution.

ELIGIBILITY
1. College or university teachers working in Institutions of following categories are eligible for the award:
   a. State and Central Universities, institutions of national eminence such as IITs, IIMs, IISc, IISER, NITTR, and other Government and Government aided colleges;
   b. Universities which deal with unitary discipline like medicine, law, engineering, agriculture, etc., are excluded from the Scheme;
   c. Teachers employed in private universities and colleges are not eligible to participate.

2. Teachers at various levels on the payrolls of the above mentioned institutions are eligible for nomination to the Award. This would include temporary and contract teachers employed by these institutions.

RECOGNITION
Teaching Innovator-2016 will recognize up to 20 teaching innovations. The winners will receive a citation and cash award. In addition, the Scheme will also recognize an appropriate number of teaching innovations for commendation as decided by the Selection Committee.

SELECTION PROCEDURE
The award will adopt the following selection procedure:

1. Teaching Innovator-2016 follows multistage selection criteria. Incremental information about the nominees and the teaching innovation will be elicited from the selected nominees at different stages.

2. Eligible candidates may self-nominate or be nominated by the institution/colleagues/students at Stage I of the nomination.

3. Award Selection Committee consisting of three expert academics, assisted by the select project staff will shortlist nominated teaching innovations based on criteria such as novelty, relevance, scalability, social impact, sustainability, and other relevant aspects at Stage I.

4. The shortlisted nominees are expected to provide more details about the teaching innovation, institutional endorsement and other support information at Stage II.

5. At Stage II, Award Selection Committee will scrutinize the nominations and shortlist the candidates based on a set of criteria the Committee evolves, including giving weightages to Teaching innovation, Teaching philosophy statement by the nominee, Institutional endorsement, Peer group and student (alumni) support, and other relevant contributions of the nominee.

6. At Stage III, nominees shortlisted at Stage II are invited to make presentation of their innovation before a Panel of Experts.

7. The Award winners are selected by the Panel of Experts for recognition from those who are invited for presentation.
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- Only duly completed nominations received through [http://teachinginnovations.in](http://teachinginnovations.in) are considered for the Award.
- The Selection committee may cross check the information provided through personal visit or other means of communication.
- The shortlisted teaching innovations are expected to be compiled for further dissemination. The nominees and institutions where the innovations are practiced are expected to cooperate in the process by providing necessary information.

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