

Ocean Society of India

OSI - NIOT ENDOWMENT OCEAN ENGINEERING AWARD

Announcement

The Ocean Society of India (OSI) is pleased to announce the OSI - NIOT Endowment Award in Ocean Engineering, created by National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT) in the OSI.

The National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT), an autonomous society under the Ministry of Earth Sciences, Government of India, develops reliable indigenous technologies to solve the various engineering problems associated with harvesting resources of the oceans. NIOT strives to design, develop, demonstrate and deliver technologies for exploration and harvesting of deep ocean and coastal resources to meet the future food, energy, water, ocean health and climate change requirements through sustainable solutions. NIOT plays a critical role in strengthening India's ocean engineering capabilities and supporting national priorities in ocean exploration and climate resilience.

The OSI - NIOT Endowment Award will be conferred annually to an academician, engineer or researcher to recognise his/her exceptional contributions, creativity and potential in Ocean Engineering and Technology. The Award carries a cash prize of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh), a medal and a citation. The 2026 Award will be presented during OSICON-27, the biennial Conference of OSI which will be held at IITM, Pune in January 2027.

The award recognises outstanding contributions to Ocean Engineering (excluding Port & Harbour Engineering and Naval Architecture) by an Indian national holding a ME/MTech/MSc/PhD in Engineering/Technology relevant to Ocean Engineering from India or abroad. Broad Themes for consideration for the award are:

- Design and development of ocean engineering systems
- Deep-sea mining technologies and subsea systems
- Mooring systems and offshore structures
- Underwater vehicles and robotic systems
- Ocean observation platforms and marine instrumentation
- Ocean renewable energy systems (wind, wave, tidal, OTEC, etc.,)
- Desalination and marine water systems
- Engineering solutions for extreme events and climate resilience.

To be eligible for the Award, the nominee's research/teaching/development after M.E/M.Tech/M.Sc/MS/Ph.D (and PDF, if any) for the last ten years must have been conducted in a reputed Indian institution/company, public or private.

The nominations for this award are invited from the Heads / Chairpersons / Presidents / Directors of Institutes / Centres / Companies / Scientific Societies / University Engineering Departments / Institute Engineering Divisions or by Rashtriya Vigyan Shri Puraskar / Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize winners or by Fellows of OSI / National Engineering Academies in the prescribed format. No self-nomination shall be entertained. The nomination will remain active for four years. Nominations in the prescribed format, as given below, should be sent as PDF file to the General Secretary of the OSI by email at osi.secretary@gmail.com.

**PROFORMA FOR NOMINATION FOR
OSI-NIOT OCEAN ENGINEERING AWARD 2026**

(The nominations should be proposed by the Heads / Chairpersons / Presidents / Directors of Institutes / Centres / Companies / Scientific Societies / University Engineering Departments / Institute Engineering Divisions or by Rashtriya Vigyan Shri Puraskar / Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize winners or by Fellows of OSI / National Engineering Academies in the prescribed format. No self-nomination shall be entertained)

1. Name of the Nominee:

2. Date of Birth:

3. Present position:

E-mail and mobile no.:

4. Employment Record (in chronological order)

S. No.	Period	Place of Employment	Designation

5. Academic Qualifications (Bachelor's degree onwards):

No.	Degree	Subjects	Class/CGPA	Institution	Country	Remarks, if any

6. Achievements

(a) Significant contributions by the nominee (in about 1000 words) during his/her research / teaching career till date:

(b) Significant contributions in the area of the Award by the nominee based on the work primarily done in India during the last ten years (in about 500 words). Specific reference to be made to research papers published from this work:

(c) Summary of the most significant work of the nominee on which the recommendation is based (in 100 words):

(d) Journals or publications where the work has been reviewed/referred/cited:

7. Whether the achievements of the Nominee have already been recognised by Awards by any learned body? If so, the name of the body, Award and the year of Award may be given. A copy each of the citations may be enclosed.

8. Significant Scientific International Conferences/Symposia lectures delivered in India/abroad:

9. The following may be enclosed with the nomination:

(a) Complete list of Publications in peer-reviewed journals (reprints of not more than 2 best latest papers to be enclosed)

(b) List of most significant Technical Reports/Review Articles, if any

(c) List of most significant Publications of general interest, if any

(d) List of most significant full papers published in proceedings of Symposia and Seminars, if any

10. Details of books published, if any:

11. Any additional information of relevance:

12. Nomination letter:

(The proposer should specifically highlight the novelty and originality of research / development carried out by the candidate and its global/national impact. It should highlight how the work done by the candidate has advanced the scientific understanding in their chosen field of research under the theme of Ocean Engineering. It should indicate field validation, deployment, and societal relevance of the work. Also, evidence of leadership, mentoring and professional integrity as applicable may be provided)

Name & Signature of proposer

Designation and Address of proposer:

Phone number:

E-mail:

Place:

Date: