



1<sup>st</sup> May 2026

## Call for KACH AWARDS

The Association to recognise, nurture and encourage talent and scientific work in community health has instituted awards and is hereby calling for nominations / application.

Along with bio data, the nomination / application should be forwarded by a KACH Life Member and seconded by two other KACH Life Members. Quoting the Life membership number is mandatory. Nominations / applications are due by **10:00 AM Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026**

### 1. Best Community Health Professional Award

Instituted in 1997 by Dr. N Shantharam, the nominee should have achieved distinction in academic or service in Public Health/PSM/Community Medicine and practising the profession for at least ten years. By nomination only; individual applications will not be accepted. The nominee should be a member of KACH.

### 2. KACH Silver jubilee award for a Community Health Practitioner

This award has been initiated wef 2013, is instituted by Drs C Shivaram, D Gopinath, S Pruthvish, N Girish and Hemanth T. The nominee shall be an individual / organisation who has actively contributed to advancing the discipline of Public Health / Community Health including those from NGO/ CBO background. The nominee need not be a member of KACH. The KACH Con organising committee will identify the nominee.

### 3. KACH Prolific Community Health Literature Award

This award has been initiated wef 2013, by Drs B G Parasuramalu, S Pruthvish, H R Raveendra Reddy and Renuka P. The nominee shall be an individual who has contributed to and / or popularised public health literature and actively involved in health promotion initiatives / activities. Nomination and / or individual applications accepted. The nominee need not be a member of KACH.

### 4. Sri. B. M. Patil Memorial Oration Award in Community Health

Instituted in 1998 by Sri B M Patil Medical College, the nominee shall be an eminent person usually a resident of Karnataka who has made significant contribution to the progress of community health. The person should have achieved distinction in his/her field of activity and having a standing of at least 10 year in the profession. Nomination and / or individual applications accepted. The nominee should be a member of KACH.

### 5. Young Scientist Award in Community Health

The award was instituted in 1998 jointly by Drs. Y Chandrashekar, K Suresh and Vijay Ganjoo. The nominee shall be a health professional aged less than 45 years, who is actively pursuing the profession / teaching in Public Health/PSM/Community Medicine. The nominee should be life member of KACH. Nomination and / or individual applications accepted. The nominee should be a member of KACH.

### 6. KACH Community Champions

7. KACH Millennium Awards for the best paper / poster presentations in UG / Intern and PG categories would be announced during the valedictory of the conference.

### 8. Sachin P Menon award

### 9) Best Thesis in COMMUNITY MEDICINE

The decision of the Awards Committee and Executive Committee – KACH is final and binding.

**NOMINATIONS TO REACH**

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