

**RULES AND REGULATIONS RELATED TO
THE PRIZES AND AWARDS OF THE
MUMBAI OBSTETRICS &
GYNAECOLOGICAL SOCIETY**

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Preface

One of the objectives of the Mumbai Obstetrics and Gynaecological Societies (MOGS) is: “To promote and encourage the study of medicine and advancement of medical knowledge & research in relation to Obstetrics, Gynecology, Family Welfare, Human Reproduction, Maternal & Child Health Care & allied subjects and further to create public opinion in the matters related to Maternal and Child Health and Family Welfare.”

One of the ways of encouraging this is to recognize worthy members with awards and prizes from the Society. The Society has benefited from the generosity of donors in the past and appreciates the same.

These guidelines have been set forth to streamline the process of giving these awards and prizes. General rules have been laid down. The following information is provided for each prize:

- Purpose of the prize
- Donor’s profile
- Additional eligibility and exclusion criteria for candidates and submission procedures
- Deadline for submission
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We also examine the financial health of the present prizes/awards and suggest guidelines for the institution of new ones.

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General Rules

- The candidate should be a member of the MOGS.
- For all prizes at the MOGS Annual Conference, the candidate should be registered for the Annual Conference. Submission of the abstract and its acceptance for the Conference will be the jurisdiction of the Scientific Committee of the Annual Conference.
- A candidate may submit only one entry per prize category every year. A candidate may compete for more than one prize category provided the work submitted in each category is distinct.
- A candidate may submit the work that has not been awarded a prize in the same category or a different category for the subsequent two years. After this the same work will not be considered for a prize.
- A candidate will not submit an award-winning work in the subsequent year in the same or different category.
- If the candidate has submitted a thesis which wins a prize, he may present the work at subsequent scientific meetings with due eligibility for prizes/awards at the Annual Conference in the subsequent year.
- The deadline for submission will be extended by the next working day if the date of submission is an office holiday.
- For prizes where age or year of qualification is an eligibility criteria, the candidate should furnish age proof (copy of birth certificate/driver's license/ passport/etc.) or certificate of qualification stating the date.

- A jury member may not be a member of the MOGS. The choice of jury members should represent a broad swathe of members including those in medical colleges, institutions and individual practice. Jury members will have a minimum of five years of clinical experience after post graduation.
- The candidate shall be present in person to collect the award/prize and make presentations as called upon by the MOGS barring exceptional circumstances.
- All prizes are to be considered on an annual basis from 1st April to 31st March.
- In the event that there are only corresponding entries as number of prizes, it is not mandatory that the prize be awarded. The jury may recommend that the prize be withheld for the year if the work fails to achieve reasonable standards for that prize.
- The decision of the jury is final and binding. It may be overruled by the Managing Council only in circumstances where the award is to be retracted.
- A prize that has been announced or awarded may be retracted by the Managing Council from the candidate if his conduct is deemed as prejudicial to the interests of the society, or be considered as to bring the society or medical profession into disrepute.
- If there are no (or fewer) entries for a prize in a given year, the prize shall not be carried forward to the next year. The same applies if the prize is not awarded in a given year for any other reason. The amount of the award or expenses marked for it will be added to the corpus.

MOGS Dr H Desa Silver Jubilee Prize

Purpose of the prize: To recognize outstanding original work in the subject of the candidate's choice

Eligibility and exclusion criteria: Registration with Maharashtra Medical Council not more than 5 years on 1st January of the year in which the award is being given.

Deadline for submission: 31 October

Process deadlines:

Distribution to jury members: 15 November

Return of mark sheets by jury members: 31 December

Tabulation completion: 14 January

Award protocol: The award shall be declared and given during the Annual General Body Meeting of the MOGS

Award amount: Certificate and *Rs.500*

MOGS Johnson and Johnson Best Paper Award

Purpose of the prize: To recognize the best research work amongst members on "infections in obstetric & gynaecology".

Eligibility and exclusion criteria:

- MOGS Membership for at least two consecutive years.
- Post graduate qualification of five years standing.
- Age not more than 40 years on 1st January of the year in which the award is being given.

Deadline for submission: 31 October

Process deadlines:

Distribution to jury members: 15 November

Return of mark sheets by jury members: 31 December

Tabulation completion: 14 January

Award protocol: Mr P H Shroff (or an alternative judge from Johnson and Johnson) will be a member of the jury for this award. The award shall be declared and given during the (*Valedictory function*) Inauguration of the Annual Conference of the MOGS.

Award amount: Certificate, Rs. 5000 and a plaque/rotating trophy (original to be kept with the engraved names in the office and a replica to be given to the winner) provided by Johnson and Johnson.

MOGS Dr Kamal S Jain Prize

Purpose of the prize: To recognize outstanding work in the subject of High Risk Pregnancy

Additional Eligibility and exclusion criteria: All medical persons registered by the Maharashtra Medical Council who shall **not be more than ten years** after completion of their post graduate qualification as on the deadline for submission.

Deadline for submission: 31 October

Process deadlines:

Distribution to jury members: 15 November

Return of mark sheets by jury members: 31 December

Tabulation completion: 14 January

Award protocol: The award shall be declared and given during the Annual General Body Meeting of the MOGS

Award amount: Certificate and Rs 1500

MOGS Dr N K Allahabadia Research Award

Purpose of the prize: To recognize outstanding research work on any imaging modality in obstetrics and gynaecology

Additional Eligibility and exclusion criteria:

- Registered medical graduates
- Age not more than 35 years on 1st January of the year in which the award is being given.

Deadline for submission: 31 October

Process deadlines:

Distribution to jury members: 15 November

Return of mark sheets by jury members: 31 December

Tabulation completion: 14 January

Award protocol: The award shall be declared and given during the Annual General Body Meeting of the MOGS

Award amount: Certificate and Rs 1500

MOGS Dr Pramila Bhatia Young Scientist Award

Purpose of the prize: To encourage our members to carry out original and outstanding work *and judge scientific work over the recent past.*

Additional Eligibility and exclusion criteria:

- Presented work has not received any other award
- Age not more than 40 years on 1st January of the year in which the award is being given.

Additional instructions and material to be submitted by the candidate:

- Certificate from Head of Institution/Department/Unit or senior author stating that the work is original
- Detailed biodata and copies or original papers published during the last 3 years
- All the material (including the manuscript) will be submitted in five copies with Biodata instead of the four that are routinely required.

Deadline for submission: 31 October

Additional information for judging process: 15 Marks will be reserved under the heads as per the other prizes. 25 marks will be reserved for the strength of the biodata and original papers submitted in the last three years.

Process deadlines:

Distribution to jury members: 15 November

Return of mark sheets by jury members: 31 December

Tabulation completion: 14 January

Award protocol: The award shall be declared and given during the Inauguration of the Annual Conference of the MOGS.

Award amount: Two awards of Certificates and Rs 2000 each.

Guidelines on thesis/paper preparation, submission and judging process

- A manuscript (thesis/paper) is considered for a prize/award on the understanding that it has been submitted exclusively for that prize/award. It should not be under simultaneous consideration elsewhere for prizes/awards or publication.
- It is also considered on the understanding that the data presented have not already been published elsewhere, although a paper presented at a scientific meeting may be considered if it has not been published in full in a proceedings or similar publication.
- Manuscripts may be based on the candidate's postgraduate thesis provided it does not replicate the same.
- If the manuscript involves the work of more than one individual signature of co-authors is required on the covering letter.
- Five copies of the manuscript with Biodata should be sent, addressed to The Librarian, Model Residency Co-op. Housing Society Ltd., Bhagwa Mahal Complex, 605, Bapurao Jagtap Marg, Ground Floor, Jacob Circle, Mahalaxmi (East), Mumbai - 400 011.
- Along with the hard (printed copies), the candidate will provide an electronic disk with the manuscript formatted in Word for Windows, version 6.0.
- The envelope in which the manuscript and copies are submitted should be marked as "For Consideration of (name of prize/award)."
- All manuscripts should be typed double-spaced on plain white A4 (8" X 11") paper with a 25 mm margin at the top, bottom and sides.
- Manuscripts must be numbered consecutively in the following sequence beginning and ending on separate pages: Title Page, Duplicate title page, Abstract, Main Body

of Text and Reference List. Tables with their headings and the Figure Caption List should appear on separate pages from the text.

- Title Page should contain the following information 1. Full title of the paper; 2. the name, address, phone numbers, email address of the candidate
- Editorial instructions for the abstract, main body of the text, reference list, tables, figures, page numbering is available in the FOGSI journal or its website (<http://www.journal-obgyn-india.com/itc.asp>). Please follow these with the exception of text length on which there is no restriction.
- The candidate should not identify himself or the institution where the work has been carried out to avoid bias in the judging process.
- The candidate shall submit a covering letter in the following format:
 - The manuscript (thesis/paper) is considered for the (name of award)
 - The manuscript has been submitted exclusively for this prize/award. It is not under simultaneous consideration elsewhere for prizes/awards or publication.
 - Please mention if the data has been presented elsewhere (and if so at which scientific meeting), whether the work is based on your postgraduate thesis and that it has not been published elsewhere.
 - Signature of all co-authors (if any) is required on the covering letter.
- Upon submission of a valid manuscript the candidate will receive a receipt from the Librarian.
- The Librarian will maintain a list for each prize containing the name of the candidate, title of the manuscript and a matrix for completion of the judging process.

- The title page will be removed from the manuscript before it is sent to jury members and remain in the custody of the Librarian. On the duplicate title page, the particulars of the candidate will be blotted out before the manuscript is sent to jury members.
- The jury members for the MOGS Dr Pramila Bhatia Young Scientist Award will also be sent copies of the biodata and scientific papers separately.
- The jury shall be appointed by the Librarian. The jury shall comprise of four members for each prize. A member may serve on more than one jury.
- The manuscripts should reach jury members within two weeks of the candidates' last date of submission.
- Each jury member should judge the thesis under the following heads assigning marks out of 20 for each:
 - Originality of the subject
 - Academic quality of the work
 - Relevance to clinical practice and feasibility
 - Use of relevant statistical methods
 - Presentation and editorial style
- For the MOGS Dr Pramila Bhatia Young Scientist Award the jury members will judge the thesis as per the above heads out of 15. They will separately judge the biodata and previous scientific work out of 25.
- From the date of receipt, jury members should submit their mark sheets within six weeks.
- The Librarian will tabulate and rank the candidates for each prize within two weeks of receipt of the mark sheets.

Sample Marksheet for all the above Awards except MOGS Dr Pramila Bhatia

Young Scientist Award

Sr no	Title	Originality	Academic quality	Relevance and feasibility	Statistical analysis	Presentation and editorial style	Total
		(20)	(20)	(20)	(20)	(20)	(100)

Sample Marksheet for MOGS Dr Pramila Bhatia Young Scientist Award

Sr no	Title	Originality	Academic quality	Relevance and feasibility	Statistical analysis	Presentation and editorial style	Total
		(15)	(15)	(15)	(15)	(15)	(75)

Additionally, the jury members will submit a list of marks stating name of the candidate and marks out of 25 for the biodata and previous scientific work.

MOGS Dr Bhanuben M Nanavati Scholarship for Overseas Studies

Purpose of the prize: To enable training abroad in specialized areas of obstetrics and gynecology

Eligibility and exclusion criteria for candidates:

- MOGS Membership for at least three years.
- Age not more than 40 years on 1st January of the year in which the award is being given.
- A candidate can apply a maximum of three times for this award. Previous awardees can not apply for the award again. The candidate should not be a recipient of any other traveling scholarship at the same time.
- Members of the managing committee, jury and their immediate relations are not eligible to apply
- Well acquainted with the subject to be studied
- General knowledge about the country to be visited

Deadline for submission: 31 October

Process deadlines:

Distribution to jury members: 15 November

Return of mark sheets by jury members: 31 December

Tabulation completion: 14 January

Award protocol: The award shall be declared and given during the Inauguration of the Annual Conference of the MOGS.

Award amount: Certificate and Rs 75000

MOGS Dr C G Saraiya Traveling Fellowship

Purpose of the prize: To enable observation and study of specialized areas of obstetrics and gynecology in India.

Eligibility and exclusion criteria for candidates:

- Age not more than 40 years on 1st January of the year in which the award is being given.
- Postgraduate qualification in obstetrics and gynecology

Deadline for submission: 31 October

Additional instructions and material to be submitted by the candidate:

- Recommendation letter from Head of Institution/Department/Unit or postgraduate teacher.
- Duration of the traveling fellowship will be two to four weeks.

Process deadlines:

Distribution to jury members: 15 November

Return of mark sheets by jury members: 31 December

Tabulation completion: 14 January

Award protocol: The award shall be declared and given during the Inauguration of the Annual Conference of the MOGS.

Award amount: Certificate and Rs 10000

Guidelines on application for prizes for continued professional development

- Six copies of the application should be sent, addressed to The Librarian, Model Residency Co-op. Housing Society Ltd., Bhagwa Mahal Complex, 605, Bapurao Jagtap Marg, Ground Floor, Jacob Circle, Mahalaxmi (East), Mumbai - 400 011.
- The envelope in which the application and copies are submitted should be marked as “For Consideration of (name of prize/award).”
- All applications should be typed double-spaced on plain white A4 (8" X 11") paper with a 25 mm margin at the top, bottom and sides.
- The application should contain information on the following heads on separate sheets:
 - Personal details: Name, Address, Age, Date of Birth
 - Academic career: Examinations passed (1st MBBS onwards) with year of passing, attempts, university and prizes or distinction
 - Present appointment and nature of work
 - Previously held appointments
 - Articles published in indexed journals
 - Articles/chapters published in non-indexed journals, textbooks, etc.
 - Papers presented at MOGS Annual Conference
 - Research work
 - Referees (At least two; one of them should be the Head of Institution/Department/Unit or postgraduate teacher where currently appointed)
 - Additional information which may be of relevance in respect to professional development

- The center/s that the candidate intends to visit and study plan
- Strengths and weaknesses of previous training with relevance to the center/s that the candidate intends to visit
- The candidate's goal in visiting the said center/s and the relevance to clinical practice for himself and the institution at which he is currently appointed.
- Upon submission of a valid application the candidate will receive a receipt from the Librarian.
- The Librarian will maintain a list for each prize containing the name of the candidate and a matrix for completion of the judging process.
- The jury shall be appointed by the Librarian. The jury shall comprise of six members for each prize. A member may serve on more than one jury.
- The applications should reach jury members within two weeks of the candidates' last date of submission.
- Each jury member should judge the application under the heads outlined in the sample mark sheet.
- From the date of receipt, jury members should submit their mark sheets within six weeks.
- The Librarian will tabulate and rank the candidates for each prize within two weeks of receipt of the mark sheets.

Marking suggestions for awards for continued professional development

- Total marks to be awarded out of 100

Sr no.	Name	Academic qualifications (20)	Appointments (10)	Indexed articles (20)	Non indexed articles (10)	Mogs presentations (10)	Research (10)	Subjective assessment (20)	Total (100)

- Academic career: **Maximum 20 marks.** Diploma holders 5 marks, Degree holders 10 marks. Awards/prizes/medals in postgraduate examinations 5 extra marks each.
- Present and past appointments and nature of work: **Maximum 10 marks.**
Appointment as Lecturer grade 5 marks. Candidates appointed at higher grade will be awarded 5 extra marks. Candidates in service at government/municipal/trust hospitals will be awarded 5 extra marks
- Articles published in indexed journals: **Maximum of 20 marks.** 10 marks per published article. 5 extra marks if published in the FOGSI journal.
- Articles/chapters published in non-indexed journals, textbooks, etc.: **Maximum of 10 marks.** 5 marks per published article.
- Papers presented at MOGS Annual Conference: **Maximum of 10 marks.** 5 marks per presentation or poster. 5 extra marks if the paper was awarded a prize.
- Research work: **Maximum of 10 marks** based on quality and practicality of research subject.
- **20 marks** for a subjective assessment of the intended study program, its relevance to clinical practice and potential for benefit to the institution where the candidate works.

**MOGS Dr Ganatra Charitable Medical Center Awards for promotion of social
issues on women's health**

Purpose of the prize: To encourage original work on the promotion of social issues in women's health.

Deadline for submission of nomination: 31 October

Process deadlines:

Distribution to jury members: 15 November

Return of mark sheets by jury members: 31 December

Tabulation completion: 14 January

Award protocol: The award shall be declared and given during the Annual General Body Meeting of the MOGS.

Award amount: Two prizes of Rs 3000 each

MOGS Dr Saroj Desai Excellence Award

Purpose of the prize: To recognize significant contributions to MOGS and FOGSI during the year.

Eligibility and exclusion criteria for candidates:

- Age not less than 55 years and not more than 65 years on 1st January of the year in which the award is being given.

Deadline for submission of nomination: 31 October

Process deadlines:

Distribution to jury members: 15 November

Return of mark sheets by jury members: 31 December

Tabulation completion: 14 January

Award protocol: The award shall be declared and given during the Inauguration of the Annual Conference of the MOGS.

Award amount: Plaque

Guidelines on prizes for achievements and services

- Candidates for the prizes for achievements and services will be identified on the basis of nominations submitted on their behalf.
- The nomination should be made by a member of the MOGS.
- The nomination should be in the form of a letter addressed to the President highlighting the work carried out by the candidate.
- The President may nominate a candidate irrespective of whether nominations have been received or not.
- The decision on the award will be made in the managing council meeting prior to the annual general body meeting.
- The prerogative of awarding the prize rests with the President.

MOGS Dr L M Shah Prize

Purpose of the prize: To award the best papers presented on the official subjects amongst the papers presented at the MOGS Annual Conference.

Eligibility and exclusion criteria for candidates:

- Less than five years have passed since the completion of internship on 1st January of the year in which the award is being given.

Award protocol: The award shall be declared and given during the Valedictory Function of the Annual Conference of the MOGS

Award amount: Three prizes of a Certificate and Rs 500 each

MOGS Dr Shraddha D Upasani Prize

Purpose of the prize: To award the best papers presented on the official subjects and in the miscellaneous category amongst the papers presented at the MOGS Annual Conference.

Eligibility and exclusion criteria for candidates:

- More than five years have passed since the completion of internship on 1st January of the year in which the award is being given.

Award protocol: The award shall be declared and given during the Valedictory Function of the Annual Conference of the MOGS

Award amount: Four prizes of a Certificate and Rs 500 each

MOGS Dr N A Purandare Prizes

Purpose of the prize: To award the best papers presented on the official subjects and in the miscellaneous category amongst the papers presented at the MOGS Annual Conference. The award will be given to the candidates who are runners up.

Eligibility and exclusion criteria for candidates:

- For the junior category, less than five years have passed since the completion of internship on 1st January of the year in which the award is being given.
- For the senior category, more than five years have passed since the completion of internship on 1st January of the year in which the award is being given.

Award protocol: The award shall be declared and given during the Valedictory Function of the Annual Conference of the MOGS

Award amount: Eight prizes of a Certificate and Rs 500 each.

MOGS Dr Ashok S Mehra Prize

Purpose of the prize: To recognize outstanding work in the subject of endoscopy amongst the papers presented at the MOGS Annual Conference.

Eligibility and exclusion criteria for candidates:

- For the junior category, less than five years have passed since the completion of internship on 1st January of the year in which the award is being given.
- For the senior category, more than five years have passed since the completion of internship on 1st January of the year in which the award is being given.

Award protocol: The award shall be declared and given during the Valedictory Function of the Annual Conference of the MOGS

Award amount:

- Certificate and Rs 3000 for the senior category
- Certificate and Rs 2000 for the junior category

MOGS Dr D K Tank Prize

Purpose of the prize: To award candidates who present interesting cases in the form of a podium presentation at the MOGS Annual Conference.

Award protocol: The award shall be declared and given during the Valedictory Function of the Annual Conference of the MOGS

Award amount: Certificates and Rs 5000 to be distributed equally amongst the winners in each hall where a session on interesting cases is held.

MOGS Dr Duru Shah Award for Best Poster

Purpose of the prize: To award the best poster presented at the MOGS Annual Conference.

Award protocol: The award shall be declared and given during the Valedictory Function of the Annual Conference of the MOGS

Award amount: Certificate and silver plaque

Guidelines on prizes at the MOGS Annual Conference

- The candidate presenting the paper or poster will register for the Annual Conference.
- The candidate will follow the instructions detailed by the Scientific Committee for the Annual Conference in submitting the paper.
- A presentation is considered for a prize/award irrespective of the status of its publication. However if the data has been published or presented elsewhere, a mention to the same effect is mandatory at the time of the presentation.
- Papers may be based on the candidate's postgraduate thesis provided it does not replicate the same.
- If the manuscript involves the work of more than one individual signature of co-authors is required on the submission form.
- The candidate will present the work in the stipulated format and in the allowed time frame for the presentation.
- The judges for the awards will be the chairpersons of the session.
- The marksheets will be collected by the hall in charge for the session and submitted to one of the Chairpersons of the Scientific Committee.
- The Scientific Committee will tabulate the results and list the prize winners before the beginning of the Valedictory Function.

Sample Marksheet for paper prizes at the MOGS Annual Conference

Sr no	Title	Originality	Academic quality	Relevance and feasibility	Statistical analysis	Presentation quality, punctuality and style	Total
		(20)	(20)	(20)	(20)	(20)	(100)

Sample Marksheet for poster prize at the MOGS Annual Conference

Sr no	Title	Originality	Academic quality	Relevance and feasibility	Presentation quality and style	Spot Discussion	Total
		(20)	(20)	(20)	(20)	(20)	(100)