

KERALA AYURVEDA RESEARCH AWARD FOR THE BEST PG THESIS OF THE YEAR

1. Name of the award

The award will be known as KERALA AYURVEDA RESEARCH AWARD.

2. Period of the Award

The award will be given every year.

3. Award year

(a) **The award year will be the year of declaring the award. For example, when the award is declared in January 2007, the award year is 2007 even if the award is really given out later.**

(b) **For selection of the awardees, only the PG thesis submitted to a recognized Indian university or Deemed university, in part completion of the course of M.D.(Ay) or M.S.(Ay) and accepted by the concerned university after valuation during the period spanning from April of the previous year to the March of the subsequent year (award year) will be considered. For example, theses submitted from April 2006 to March 2007 will be considered for the award of the year 2007.**

4. Prizes

(a) *Number of awards*

The awards will be given in two categories:-

- (i) Gaveshakratna Award for best thesis of the year
- (ii) Acharyaratna Award for the Research Guide of the best thesis of the year.

(b) *Cash award*

<p style="text-align: center;">Gaveshakratna prize – Rs. 2,00,000/- Acharyaratna prize - Rs. 50,000/-</p>

(c) *Certificate of merit and memento*

The scholar and guide of the best thesis of the year will also be presented with a certificate of merit and a memento.

(d) *Appreciation prizes*

All the finalists except the winner will be rewarded with Appreciation prize of **Rs.25,000 each and their guides with a prize money of Rs.10,000 each. There will be eight finalists and hence there will be seven Appreciation prizes each for scholars and guides. Finalists and their guides will also be presented with a certificate of merit and memento.**

<p style="text-align: center;">Appreciation Prize for the finalists – Rs. 25,000/- each Appreciation prize for the guides of the finalists – Rs. 10,000 each</p>
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5. Registration of title

(a) Registration

A candidate has to register the title of his/her thesis on or before 31st March of the award year.

(b) Registration form

There is a specific registration form (Appendix 1) for registering the title with KAPL. The candidate may download the application form from the website of KAPL. The candidates can register on line, but a copy of the filled up application form also should be sent by post.

(c) Acceptance of application for registration

Incomplete applications will not be entertained. Applications providing false information also will be rejected. The postal copy of the application is to be duly attested by the chief guide of the research work and also by the Head of the Department and the Head of the Institution where the scholar has done or doing the work for the thesis.

(d) Effective candidature

i) The candidature of any applicant becomes valid only on acceptance by KAPL after verification of the postal copies of applications.

ii) The applicant may register the title even before submitting the thesis to the university, but the candidature will be effective only on submission of the thesis to the concerned University and on approval of the thesis by the university, on or before the cut of date for submission of thesis to KAPL. The candidate will have to submit a certificate to the effect from the Head of the Institution.

(e) Fee for registration

There will be no registration fee or fee of any sort payable by the applicant at any phase of selection.

6. Submission of thesis to KAPL

(a) Cut of date

The last date for submission of the thesis approved by the university to KAPL is **31st May, 2007** of the award year.

<p style="text-align: center;">Last date of submission of thesis to KAPL:</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;">31st May, 2007 of the award year</p>

(b) Rejection of candidature

If a registered candidate fails to submit the approved thesis on or before the last date, his/her candidature will become invalid.

(c) Mode of submission

A print copy and CD of the original thesis are to be submitted to KAPL for evaluation. If the CD contains any fonts other than Times New Roman and Arial, such fonts also are to be supplied in the CD. The print copy and the CD should contain the original text of the thesis in complete along with all charts, graphs, diagrams and photographs of the original. The thesis and CD may be handed over to the Corporate Office of KAPL directly or may be mailed by registered post so as to reach the office on or before the last date.

(d) Certificate of approval

As mentioned in 5. (d) ii, the candidate should submit a certificate from the Head of the Institution that the thesis has been submitted to the University and that the University has approved it.

7. Mode of selection

(a) Committees of experts

There will be three committees of experts for selection viz. (1) Screening Committee (2) Secondary Committee and (3) Final Committee.

(b) Screening Committee

This is the Committee for primary evaluation. Experts of various disciplines such as Kayachikitsa and Salyatantra will be members in this Committee. Each member of this Committee shall evaluate the theses coming under the purview of his/her expertise and submit reports on the evaluated theses in the specific format supplied to them by KAPL (appendix 2). They will also rank the theses given to them for evaluation. If there are more theses in one discipline, as many expert evaluators as required for the discipline, may be included in the Committee. There should be at least one expert evaluator for each discipline.

(c) Secondary Committee

The Secondary Committee includes senior experts. They will individually revalue the theses suggested as having first and second rank by each selector and submit individual report on them in the format provided for the purpose (appendix 3). One member of the Committee may be identified as Chairman of the Committee. The Secondary Committee shall meet after the submission of reports to KAPL and select top ranking eight theses for final consideration after arriving at a consensus. It is not obligatory that all disciplines should be represented in the final list. More than one theses of the same discipline also may be selected to the final round.

(d) Final Committee

The Final Committee consists of very veteran experts in the field of Ayurveda and renowned scientists. This Committee will have a maximum of five members. One member of the Committee may be identified as Chairman of the Committee. The members of the Committee shall evaluate the theses recommended by the Secondary Committee individually and give scores to each of them in the format provided for the purpose (Appendix 4) along with their comments.

(e) Defending the theses

The finalists will be invited to defend their theses before a select audience in the presence of the Final Committee. The defending process will also carry marks and the members of the Final Committee shall evaluate the defending and grant scores for it.

(f) Interview

There will be an interview with the finalist. This also carries marks. The Interview Board may examine the bio-data and research aptitude of the finalist and award marks individually. The Interview Board includes the Final Committee, Executive Director (Technical) KAPL and the CEO of KAPL. CEO, KAPL will be the Chair man of the Board. The Board shall also note the knowledge, talents and personal attributes of the candidates.

(g) Final Selection of award winner

The final selection of the award winner will be by adding up the scores for the thesis, defending and interview. The first rank holder will be awarded with the Gaveeshakratna Award

(h) Maximum Scores

The maximum scores will be as follows: –

The thesis	100 marks
Defending	30 marks
Interview	20 marks
Total	150 marks

(i) Members of selection committees

- 1) No member of any of the selection committees shall be directly related to any of the candidates coming under his evaluation.
- 2) No member of any of the selection committees shall have guided or co-guided any candidate coming under his evaluation.
- 3) Evaluators have to keep the details of evaluation as very confidential. They should not disclose their membership in the committee. Members should personally enter the scores in score sheets and prepare reports themselves and should not avail any assistance from others in the process so as to keep the confidentiality of the work.
- 4) Members should not communicate with other members regarding the work other than when required in the committees. All communications regarding the work should be directed only to the Co-ordinator and such communications should be confidential.

(j) Remunerations and allowances to members of committees

The evaluation work will be remunerated reasonably. KAPL shall pay TA and DA to the members of the committees when they have to travel or stay out of station in connection with the work. Accommodation for the members, in connection with the work, also shall be provided by KAPL as and when necessary.

(k) TA & DA for finalists

KAPL will pay TA and DA for finalists to attend the defending of the thesis and interview at II Class AC Railway rates. They will be also provided accommodation for the purpose.

(l) TA & DA for guides

KAPL will pay TA and DA for guides of the finalists to attend the defending session and to be present at the award ceremony at I Class Railway / Flight (Economy Class) rates. They will be also provided accommodation for the purpose.

8. Presenting the award

The awards will be presented to the awardees in a special assembly of elites convened for the purpose or on the occasion of the subsequent Founder's day celebrations as preferred by KAPL. The award shall be presented to the winners by a dignitary of high order.

9. Conditions for the candidates

1) No candidate has the right to complain or sue against any of the procedure of evaluation, selection and awarding of the award.

2) When the candidature of any person has been rejected or cancelled by KAPL, the rejection or cancellation is final and under no circumstances the candidature can be reinstated.

3) Any attempt to influence the selectors at any stage of selection will be considered as a serious irregularity and in such instances the candidature of the person will be revoked without showing reason.

4) The copy of the thesis and CD submitted for evaluation will not be returned to the candidate. KAPL reserves the right to preserve them in its library.

5) Only those who possess a primary Ayurvedic degree (BAMS) are eligible to register as candidate for the award.

6) Only PG degree dissertations will be considered for award. Dissertations for Ph.D or post graduate diplomas will not be considered for the award.

9. Core committee

There will be a Core Committee appointed by KAPL to govern the functions in relation with the award. The core committee shall consist of: -

- 1) CEO, KAPL (Chairman)
- 2) Executive Director (Technical), KAPL
- 3) Co-ordinator
- 4) Two nominated members

10. Co-ordinator

A co-ordinator shall be appointed to co-ordinate the functions in connection with the award. The co-ordinator shall receive all communications regarding the award and reply them if necessary. He shall bring to the notice of the Core Committee matters of importance arising during the functioning and shall function in accordance with the directives of the Core Committee. He shall communicate with candidates and selectors as and when required.

11. Communications

All communications regarding the award are to be sent to:

The Co-ordinator,

KERALA AYURVEDA RESEARCH AWAR D

KAPL REGISTERED OFFICE,

ATHANI P.O., PIN. 683 585

Phones: 0484-2476301 (4 lines) FAX: 0484-2474376

e-mail: info@keralaayurveda.biz:

APPENDIX 1
KE RALA AYURVEDA RESEARCH AWARD 2007
Registration form
[Fill in only in English block letters]
(Attach a recent bio-data and photograph)

1	Name in full as per records (surname first)				
2.	Age and Date of birth				
3.	Postal Address				
			District		
			State		
			Pin code		
4.	Telephone numbers		College		
			Residence		
			Cell		
5.	Name & address of the Institution of P.G.Study				
			District		
			State		
			Pin code		
6.	BAMS from		College		
			University		
	Class	Distinction		Yes / No	University Rank
7.	Other qualifications (if any)				
8	Title of thesis				
9	Department				
10	University				
11	Submission of thesis to the university		Submitted on	To be submitted	
12	Approval by university		Approved by university	To be approved	
10	Name, Designation & Address of Guide Phones				
11	Name, Designation & Address of Co-guide 1,				

	Phones	
12	Name, Designation & Address of Co-guide 2, Phones	
13	Name, Designation & Address of HOD Phones	
14	Name, Designation and phone nos. Head of the Institution	
15.	e-mail addresses	1) candidate:
		2) Guide:
		3) Co-guide 1:
		4) Co-guide 2:
		5) Head of Institution:
16	<p align="center">Consent of the Guide</p> <p>I consent to submit the thesis for Kerala Ayurveda Research Award for the year 2007</p> <p>Place _____ Date _____</p> <p align="center">Seal _____ Signature _____</p>	
17.	<p align="center">Consent of the HOD (if different from guide)</p> <p>I consent that the above thesis may be submitted for Kerala Ayurveda Research Award for the year 2007</p> <p>Place _____ Date _____</p> <p align="center">Seal _____ Signature _____</p>	
18	<p align="center">Consent of the Head of Institution</p> <p>I consent that the above thesis may be submitted for Kerala Ayurveda Research Award for the year 2007.</p> <p>Place _____ Date _____</p> <p align="center">Seal _____ Signature _____</p>	
19	<p align="center">Declaration of the candidate</p> <p>I have gone through the rules and regulations of the Kerala Ayurveda Research Award and agree to abide by them. The data I have given in this application are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.</p> <p>Place _____ Date _____</p> <p align="center">Signature _____</p>	

APPENDIX 2
KE RALA AYURVEDA RESEARCH AWARD 2007
EVALUATION REPORT BY SCRE ENING COMMITTEE MEMBER

1. Code number of thesis	
2. Title	
3. Name of evaluator	
4 Rank awarded	
5 Total marks awarded	
6 Specific comments (if any)	
7 Signature with date	

SCORE SHEET

No.	Particulars	Maximum marks	Awarded marks
1.	Novelty of topic selected	10	
2.	Usefulness of the topic	10	
3.	Original contribution	10	
4	Language	10	
5	Scientific validity	10	
6	Literary collection	10	
7	Experimental work	10	
8	Clinical trial	10	
9	Presentation	10	
10	Graphs, pictures, diagrams etc	10	
11		TOTAL	
12	Total marks in words		
13	Name of evaluator		
14	Signature of evaluator		
15	Date of submission to the co-ordinator		

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1. Received on
2. Verified the total and rank
3. Entered in register
4. Selected for revaluation (second round) / Not selected

Signature of co-ordinator

APPENDIX 3
KE RALA AYURVEDA RESEARCH AWARD 2007
EVALUATION REPORT BY REVALUATION COMMITTEE MEMBER

1. Code	number of thesis			
2. Title				
3. Name	of evaluator			
4 Rank	awarded			
5 Total	marks awarded			
6	Specific comments			
	Merits		Demerits	
	1		1	
	2		2	
	3		3	
	4		4	
	5		5	
	6		6	
	7		7	
	8		8	
	9		9	
	10		10	
	11		11	
12		12		
7 Signature	with date			

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SCORE SHEET

Code no.

No.	Particulars	Maximum marks	Awarded marks
1.	Novelty of topic selected 10		
2.	Usefulness of the topic 10		
3.	Original contribution 10		
4.	Language 10	10	
5.	Scientific validity 10		
6.	Literary collection 10		
7.	Experimental work 10		
8.	Clinical trial 10	10	
9.	Presentation 10	10	
10.	Graphs, pictures, diagrams etc 10		
11.	TOTAL	100	
12.	Total marks in words		
13.	Name of evaluator		
14.	Date of submission to the co-ordinator		
15.	Signature of evaluator		

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1. Report and Score sheet received on
2. Verified the total and rank
3. Entered in register

Signature of co-ordinator

Selection	Selected as finalist	Not selected
Copy presented to final evaluators Yes No		
Remarks (if any)		

Date

Signature of co-ordinator

APPENDIX 4
KE RALA AYURVEDA RESEARCH AWARD 2007
EVALUATION REPORT BY FINAL COMMITTEE MEMBER

1.	Code number of thesis	
2.	Title	
3.	Name of evaluator	
4.	Rank awarded	
5.	Total marks awarded	

SCORE SHEET

No.	Particulars	Maximum marks	Awarded marks
1.	Novelty of topic selected 10		
2.	Usefulness of the topic 10		
3.	Original contribution 10		
4.	Language	10	
5.	Scientific validity 10		
6.	Literary collection 10		
7.	Experimental work 10		
8.	Clinical trial	10	
9.	Presentation	10	
10.	Graphs, pictures, diagrams etc 10		
11.	TOTAL	100	
12.	Total marks in words		
13.	Name of final evaluator		

I have also considered the report of the secondary committee member in arriving at my conclusions.

Date **Signature of the Final evaluator**

APPENDIX 5
KE RALA AYURVEDA RESEARCH AWARD 2007
TABULATION SHEET FOR MARKS OF THESES OF FINALISTS

Sl.No.	CODE NO	MARKS AWARDED					Average
		Judge A	Judge B	Judge C	Judge D	Judge E	
1							
2							
3							
4							
5							
6							
7							
8							

Names &Signatures of Judges

- A)
- B)
- C)
- D)
- E)

Signature of Co-Ordinator

APPENDIX 6
KE RALA AYURVEDA RESEARCH AWARD 2007
TABULATION SHEET FOR MARKS FOR DEFENDING THESIS

Sl.No.	CODE NO	MARKS AWARDED	Average				
Judge		A	Judge B	Judge C	Judge D	Judge E	
1							
2							
3							
4							
5							
6							
7							
8							

Names &Signatures of Judges

- A)
- B)
- C)
- D)
- E)

Signature of Co-Ordinator

APPENDIX 7
KE RALA AYURVEDA RESEARCH AWARD 2007
TAB ULATION SHEET FOR MARKS FOR INTERVIEW

Sl.No.	CODE NO	MARKS AWARDED								Average
		Average								
			Member	Member	Member	Member	Member	Member	Member	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1										
2										
3										
4										
5										
6										
7										
8										

Names & Signatures of Interview Board members

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)
- 5)
- 6)
- 7)
- 8)

Signature Of Co-Ordinator

APPENDIX 8
KE RALA AYURVEDA RESEARCH AWARD 2007
SCORE SHEET FOR MARKS FOR INTERVIEW OF FINALISTS

Sl.No.	Particulars	Maximum marks	Score
1	General appearance	10	
2	Smartness	10	
3	General Knowledge	10	
4	Scientific knowledge	10	
5	Scientific temperament & Research aptitude	10	
6	Talents	10	
7	Language and communication skill	10	
8	Visions	10	
9	Behavior and manners	10	
10	Grasping power and intelligence	10	
	Total	100	

Calculation (Score divided by 5) Final score (in 20)

Name & signature of the member

Date Signature of co-ordinator

APPENDIX 9
KE RALA AYURVEDA RESEARCH AWARD 2007
FINAL SCORE SHEET FOR FINAL ISTS

Sl.No.	CODE NO	MARKS AWARDED			Total Rank
		Thesis (average)	Defending (average)	Interview (average)	
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					

Kerala Ayurveda Research Award - Gaveshakratna to :

Name in full (scholar)

Title of thesis

Code No.

Best Guide award - Acharyaratna to:

Name in full (Guide)

Names & Signatures of Final judges

1)

2)

3)

4)

5)

Date

Signature of Co-ordinator

