

United Republic of Tanzania
Ministry of Education, Science and Technology



**Research Excellence Award to Researchers Publishing in High
Impact Factor Journals**

Application Form

Introduction

The Government, through the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology (MoEST), invites applications for the Research Excellence Award, meant to recognize researchers publishing their research findings in high-impact-factor journals.

The Research Excellence Award seeks to strengthen the capacity of local researchers and promote innovation and practical solutions that address national challenges and contribute to socio-economic development and competitive industrialization.

The award will be presented to Tanzanian researchers affiliated with higher learning institutions accredited in Tanzania who published scholarly work in reputable, high-impact journals during the period from June 2024 to May 2026. The award for each winning publication will comprise a certificate and a cash prize of **TZS 50,000,000** (Tanzanian Shillings Fifty Million only)

Eligible Fields

The awards will be contested across the following five scientific fields, as specified in the Guidelines for the Research Excellence Award for Researchers Publishing in High-Impact Factor Journals: **Engineering and Information and Communication Technology (ICT); Natural Sciences; Health and Allied Sciences; Animal and Agricultural Sciences; and Mathematics and Mathematical Sciences**

Eligibility

To be eligible for the award, applicants must apply and fulfil all the following criteria:

- i). Be a faculty member or honorary/adjunct faculty at an accredited higher learning institution (HLI) in Tanzania. Independent researchers are not eligible;
- ii). The research must have been published or accepted for publication between July of the previous year and June of the current financial year (data collection or analysis may have occurred earlier);
- iii). Only accepted manuscripts with evidence of a letter of acceptance from the journal or published manuscripts will be considered;
- iv). In the case of multi-authored papers, the application must be submitted by one of the potential (Tanzanian) awardees, but the award can be shared among Tanzanian authors who appear on the paper based on their percentage of contribution, as outlined in the Harmonized Scheme of Service for academic staff and who are affiliated with Tanzanian HLI/NACTVET institutions;
- v). More than one publication may be considered if submitted separately; in this case, each publication will be evaluated independently;

- vi). Multi-disciplinary applications are allowed within the priority disciplines, but condition (iv) applies;
- vii). Application forms and necessary attachments must be completed and submitted;
- viii). Research must address national research priority areas as regularly updated by COSTECH and field-specific research regulators;
- ix). The applicant must submit: (a) an updated curriculum vitae (CV) including a full publication record; and (b) an official endorsement letter from an authorised officer of the applicant's employing HLI confirming the applicant's active employment and institutional.

S/N	General Information		
1	Applicant Name		
2	Gender		Tick
		Male	
		Female	
3	Age (years)		
4	Highest academic degree (during application)		Tick
		PhD	
		Master	
		Bachelor	
		Advanced Diploma	
		Diploma	
5	Academic rank		Tick
		Professor (or equivalent)	
		Associate Professor (or equivalent)	
		Senior Lecturer (or equivalent)	
		Lecturer (or equivalent)	
		Assistant Lecturer (or equivalent)	
		Tutorial Assistant (or equivalent)	
6	Any other useful information about the applicant		
	Affiliation institution details		
7	Name of the HLI		
8	College Name		
9	School/Faculty Name		
10	Department Name		
11	HLI ownership		Tick
	Public		
	Private		
	Publication		
12	Publication title		
13	Authors in exact order as in the publication		
	Role/contribution of author(s) in the publication under consideration		
14	Journal's name		

15	Date of manuscript's submission	
16	Date of acceptance	
17	Date of publication	
18	Publisher's name	
19	Journal's Impact factor	
20	Publication type	Tick
	Original Primary Research	
	Secondary data	
	Systematic review	
21	Important contribution to science	
22	Potential to innovation	
23	How is the paper addressing national developmental challenges	100 words
24	How is the research work aligned to national research priorities	100 words

