

6th Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay Mukta Vidya National Award 2018 for Best Study Centres and Coordinators.

The schedule of activities of awards is as follows:

S.No.	Activity	Schedule
1.	Publication of Notice 6th Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay Mukta Vidy National Awards 2018	10 th June, 2018
2.	Last date of submission of online application.	31 st July,2018
3.	Last date of receipt of application by post.	16 th August,2018

The Detail of the Awards and eligibility criteria are as under:

Best Coordinator Award

S	Best Coordinator Award	Detail of Award	Category of Award					Total Awards	Remarks
			AI	A VI	AA	SAIED			
1	Award (Total amount Rs.204,000/-)	Rs. 51,000/- + Certificate and 1 Memento for each category	1	1	1	1	4	This award is for those Coordinators In each category who had completed 5 years and fulfil the other eligibility criteria	
		Total Awards					4		

(i) Eligibility for Best Coordinator Award.

1. Only those Coordinators having 5 years regular experience in running an accredited Institution of NIOS before from 1st January of the concerned year of granting award.
2. Only those coordinators who have been actively involved in the advocacy of NIOS, conduct of Personal Contact Programme, Evaluation of Tutor Marked Assignment, Conduct of practical, conduct of practical and theory exams, .
3. General reputation of the Coordinator should be impeccable. This should be duly self attested.
4. Commitment for Open Schooling beyond the duty hours.
5. Professional achievement and up gradation through participation in the programmes organized by NIOS.

6. High degree of social commitment with special reference to the needs of learners as involved in the success of the learner.
7. Creative and innovative for functioning of the running the accredited institutions.
8. Outstanding work done in the field of education.
9. Extra / outstanding work done in collaboration with NIOS.

Best Study Centre Award

S	Best Study Centre Award	Detail of Award	Category of Award					Total Award	Remarks
			AI	AVI	AA	SAIED			
1	First Award for each category (Total Rs. 400,000/-)	Rs. 1,00,000/- + Certificate and 1 Memento for each category	1	1	1	1	4	This first award is for those AIs in each category who have completed 5 years and fulfill the other eligibility criteria	
2	Second Award for each Category (Total Rs. 204,000/-)	Rs. 51,000/- + Certificate and 1 Memento for each category	1	1	1	1	4	This second award is for those AIs in each category who have completed 5 years and fulfill the eligibility criteria	
3	Debutant Award (Total amount Rs. 51,000/-)	Rs. 51,000/- + Certificate and 1 Memento award for AI category only	1	-	-	-	1	This Award is for those AIs only who have completed only one year with NIOS as Study Centre and has done remarkable work for open schooling in general and NIOS in specific. This will be a great motivation for good schools to join the open schooling movement.	
		Total Awards					9		

(ii) Eligibility criteria for Best Study Centre Award:

1. Institutions should have completed at least 5 years from the date of grant of accreditation by NIOS. The cutoff date being 1st January of the concerned year of granting award.
2. Infrastructure of the Study Centre should be in consonance with the NIOS norms.

3. Institution should make available facilities as per NIOS norms such as laboratory, audio video room, library, MOOCs – Swayam, DTH, Swayamprabha, etc to the NIOS learners. The applicant Institution will have to submit certificate along with photographs of NIOS learners using the infrastructure.
4. The applicant Institution will have to submit self certificate regarding Involvement of Coordinator and other staff in the implementation of NIOS policies in all fields.
5. The applicant institution will have to provide the proof regarding the conduct of Personal Contact Programs (PCP), advocacy of NIOS programs, Evaluation of Tutor Marked Assessment (TMA), Conduct of Practical and Theory exams for judging the quality of education.
6. High degree of social commitment with special reference to the needs of learners will be given special importance.
7. Study Centre should have unique feature of creative and innovative functioning.
8. Outstanding work for integrated inclusive education.
9. Study Centre should not have been involved in any unfair activities.
10. Achievement of the learners passing out from the study centre should be indicated.
11. In case of Academic and Vocational programmes, details of October Examination of the preceding year (from the award year) should be considered for assessment.
12. In case of Open Basic Education (OBE) programme, details of April Examination of the preceding year from the Award year should be considered for assessment.

**(iii) Eligibility for Best Study Centre AI (Academic) Debutant Award
(Total 1 Award)**

1. Institution should have been granted accreditation one year before and completed one academic year from 1st January of the year of granting award but not more than two years.
2. Institution should make available facilities as per NIOS norms such as laboratory, audio video room, library, MOOCs – Swayam, DTH, Swayamprabha etc to the NIOS learners. The applicant / Institution will have to submit certificate along with photographs of NIOS learners using the infrastructure.
3. The applicant / Institution will have to submit self certificate regarding Involvement of Coordinator and other staff in the implementation of NIOS policies in all fields .
4. The applicant institution will have to provide the proof regarding the conduct of Personal Contact Program (PCP) , advocacy of NIOS programs, Evaluation of TMA, Conduct of Practical and Theory exams for judging the quality of education.