

## **TNOA Dr N.S. VENUGOPAL CENTENARY GOLD MEDAL FOR BEST POSTGRADUATE THESIS GUIDELINES**

- The thesis abstract should be submitted through the conference website portal.
- A selection committee will review and shortlist the submissions according to their content, originality, methods and scientific value.
- The shortlisted submissions will be eligible for a podium presentation, and the best thesis will be selected by a panel of judges for the award.
- The thesis should be submitted only after the member has appeared for their final postgraduate examination as of January 1st of each conference year (All candidates who appeared for their examination in the years 2024 and 2025 will be eligible).
- Once the thesis is shortlisted, it should be presented during the conference, and the duration of the presentation is 5 minutes only (**5 min presentation +2 min discussion**).
- The presenter must be a Life member of the TNOA on or before May 31st, 2026, to be eligible for the award
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