



**EXIM BANK
INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RESEARCH ANNUAL (IERA) AWARD 2019**

THE AWARD

Export-Import Bank of India (Exim Bank) promotes India's international trade. Exim Bank has instituted an annual Award for research in international economics, trade, development and related financing. The objective of this Award is to promote research in international economics, trade, development and related financing by Indian nationals at universities and academic institutions in India and abroad. **The Award consists of prize money of Indian Rupees Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand (₹ 3.5 Lakh) and a Citation.** The Award was instituted in 1989.

THE ENTRY

Research work by Indian nationals in international economics, trade, development and related financing (either awarded a doctorate or accepted for award of doctorate) from an university or equivalent academic institution in India or abroad is a pre-requisite for eligibility of the Award. Issues of relevance to India / Exim Bank such as those pertaining to foreign trade, foreign direct investments, joint ventures, international competitiveness, policies impacting trade and investment, monetary and fiscal interventions, among others, would be of particular interest. The Award would be given to a person eligible to receive an award in Indian Rupees. Exim Bank will accept, as entry, those thesis for which doctorate has been obtained/ accepted for award of doctorate between **January 1, 2015 and September 30, 2019**. Thesis can be submitted either in English or Hindi, and in the latter case must be accompanied by a translated version in English.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Subject Matter

1. Research work in international economics, trade, development and related financing either awarded a doctorate or accepted for award of doctorate from a university or equivalent academic institution in India or abroad by Indian nationals. Credit would be given for originality, clarity of presentation and relevance to Indian context.
2. Exim Bank will accept, as entry, thesis for which doctorate has been obtained/ accepted for the Award, during the four calendar years prior to the year for which the prize is to be awarded and up to the final date for receipt of entries in the year of the Award.

Conditions of Entry:

1. Thesis can be submitted in English or Hindi and in latter case must be accompanied by a translated version in English.
2. All entries must be accompanied by a completed entry form signed by the author.
3. An abstract of the thesis in the form of a well-written and self-explanatory essay covering theme, methodology, findings and conclusion (up to **5000 words**) in English and/ or Hindi must be provided. Hindi abstracts must be accompanied by a translated version in English.
4. Abstracts of Entries must be preferably typed 1.5-spaced. Exim Bank does not undertake to return entries to authors and accepts no liability arising out of loss of entries in transit.
5. **Abstracts must be submitted without any specific mention of the name of the Author, Guide and the University anywhere in the Abstract. Title of the Thesis to be clearly mentioned on the top of the first page.**
6. **All entries must be received by Exim Bank on or before 20th October 2019.**
7. All entries must be accompanied by a certificate from relevant university/ institute regarding award/ acceptance of thesis for the award of Doctorate.
8. Wherever possible, participants will enclose evaluation reports in respect of their thesis from the evaluators and indicate the names of all referees/ evaluators/ supervisors of their thesis in the entry form.
9. If suitable/ sufficient entries are not received, in any year, no prize will be awarded in that year.

10. In the event of a tie, Exim Bank reserves the right to divide the prize into equal parts.
11. The name of the award winner will be announced in publications through a press release.
12. Decisions of the award committee regarding the Award each year will be binding on the participants and no correspondence will be entertained whatsoever by the Bank in this regard. In the event of any dispute, the decision of the Managing Director of the Bank will be final.
13. By submitting the entry form, the author of the Award-winning thesis and the abstract shall be deemed to have permitted Exim Bank to print or publish the thesis or the abstract or any part or portion thereof in any magazine, newspaper or periodical or in the form of a book or as an occasional paper, whether as a priced publication or otherwise, without Exim Bank being required to make any payment to the author in addition to the Award money or seek to disclose the name of the author or acknowledge his work in such publication, although it shall be under no obligation to do so.
14. An entry once found not acceptable (not meeting entry criteria) will be ineligible for competition in future years.
15. Entries for the same thesis (meeting the entry criteria) cannot be submitted more than twice for consideration for the Award.
