



## IAA YOUNG RESEARCHER AWARD 2026

Applications are invited from **Life Members** of the Indian Accounting Association for the **IAA Young Researcher Award 2026**.

### *Eligibility Criteria:*

- The applicant must have published **five research papers** as **Single Author or First Author** in **peer-reviewed journals** in the field of accounting and related areas.
- **Papers published in edited volumes, books, conference proceedings, or magazines will not be considered.**
- **All five papers must have been published within the last five years, i.e., between June 1, 2021 and May 31, 2026 (both dates inclusive).**
- The applicant's age must not exceed **35 years** as on **May 31, 2026**. (Born on or after 1<sup>st</sup> June, 1990)

### *Submission Requirements:*

Applicants are required to submit **two sets** of scanned research papers in **PDF format**:

1. **Identified Set:**
  - Five individual scanned PDF copies of the research papers, **with the author's name clearly visible** on each.
2. **Anonymous Set:**
  - The same five research papers, each as a **separate PDF**, but with **no indication of the author's identity** anywhere in the paper (i.e., anonymized versions).

### *Evaluation Criteria:*

Each journal-published paper will be evaluated on the following parameters, with a total of **20 marks per paper**:

Evaluation Parameter	Marks
1. Contemporary Relevance of Topic	05
2. Methodology of the Study	05
3. Literary and Cohesive Presentation	05
4. Findings of the Study	05

- **Total Score:** 100 marks (5 papers × 20 marks each)
- The applicant with the **highest total score out of 100** will be conferred the award.
- **The decision of IAA will be final** in case of any dispute.

### *How to Apply:*

Applications must be submitted **online only** via the following link on or before **20<sup>th</sup> July 2026**:

☞ <https://indianaccounting.org/proposalsforYRA.php>

**Note:** Applications submitted via email or in hard copy **will not be considered**.

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