

Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Young Research Fellowship

2019-20

TERRE has declared a national level '**Young Research Fellowship**' in the reverential memory of **Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam**. Dr. Kalam had high expectations from the youth of India and keeping this in context, TERRE has announced this noble award on the occasion of Late Dr. Kalam's birth anniversary - 15 October 2019.

Through this fellowship program, TERRE wanted to boost the creativity of young fellows. Age criteria for applicants were 18 years to 25 years. After declaring the fellowship program more than 150 participants actively participated and submitted their innovative projects with us. Topics for fellowship applications were Plastic, Clean Air, Agriculture, Smart Environment-friendly technology, and innovation.

Each submitted project has some creative and innovative idea so it was very difficult to shortlist application. After reading and studying all fellowship application TERRE team shortlisted 25 projects which have creative and innovative ideas. For further assessment and shortlisting these 25 shortlisted projects were given to juries. Juries shortlisted 9 best projects from it and decided to conduct a video interview of applicants.

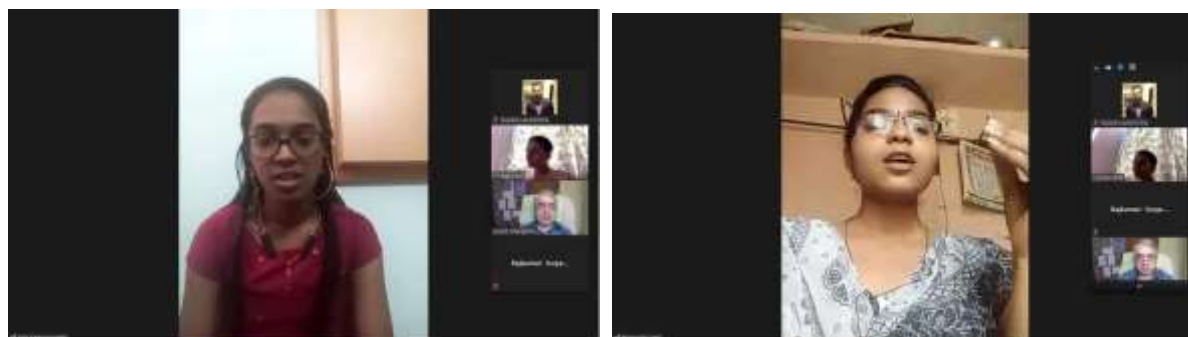
Our juries conducted a video interview with 9 fellowship applicants on 14th, 15th, and 16th of May 2020. Each day juries interviewed 3 applicants in which they shared and explain their project idea. After their presentation juries asked questions related to their projects and guided them to improvise their project efficiency and help them to make their projects more practical.

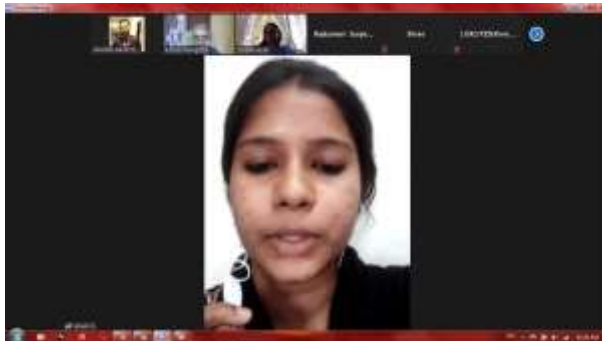
Mr. Ashok Mangotra (Former secretary to Government of India, and former president Dr. Abdul Kalam) and **Dr. Vinita Apte** (Founder director of TERRE policy centre) were the juries for final interviews.

After conducting all interviews and discussion juries shared the final result. For winners, TERRE is offering a fellowship of Rs. 10,000/-. TERRE is giving a Certificate to all fellowship winners and consolation prize winners also.

Glimpses of Interviews –

Online Interview of Fellowship candidates





Mr. Ashok Mangotra and Dr. Vinita Apte conducting online interview of candidate



The award ceremony for Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Young Research Fellowship was conducted on 27th July 2020 on Remembrance Day of Late Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic situation, TERRE conducted an award ceremony on an online platform.

Chief guests for the ceremony were **Mr. Ashok Mangotra** (Former secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs and former joint secretary to the President Late Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam), **Dr. Vinita Apte** (Founder Director, TERRE Policy Centre) and **Dr. Rajendra Shende** (Chairman, TERRE Policy Centre)

The award ceremony was started with Vasundhara Geet then Dr. Vinita Apte gave an introductory speech to all winners and other present people. After introductory speech official announcement of winners is done. There are 8 fellowship winners and 1 consolation prize winner. After the declaration of winners, Mr. Ashok Mangotra addressed the winners and shared his experience with Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam. Mr. Ashok Mangotra guided winners to make their projects more practical and applicable in day to day life. After Ashok Mangotra Dr. Rajendra Shende addressed and guide to winners and other participants and shared his experience with Dr. Abdul Kalam and Mr. Mangotra.

TERRE is offering fellowship to 8 participants and consolation to 1 participant.

Fellowship winners are –

1. Naveen Kumar V (M. Pharm. - Pharmacology First Year, SRM College of Pharmacy, Tamil Nadu) (21 years).
1. Janani G (M. Tech Biotechnology, PSG college of technology, Coimbatore) (23 years).
1. Karthikka M (PG Scholar, PSG College of Technology, Coimbatore) (22 years).
- 4) Swapnil Pawar & Sunil Pawar (Student, Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Pune) (19 years).

5) Shruti Belose & Arti Desai (Student, SIES Graduate School of Technology, Nerul, Navi Mumbai) (19 years).

1. Raja Balasaraswathi S (Student, PSG College of Technology, Coimbatore) (20 years).
1. Venkatalakshmi R (M. Tech Biotechnology, PSG College of Technology, Peelamedu, Coimbatore) (23 years).
1. Bhagyashri Patil (Student, D.B.F. Dayanand College of Arts & Science, Solapur) (21 years).

And Consolation winner is –

1. Vedant Mishra (B.Tech mechanical, PSIT College of Engineering, Kanpur) (19 years).
- The Award ceremony was Live-streamed on YouTube and Facebook page of TERRE Policy Centre.

Glimpses of Award ceremony –

Mr. Ashok Mangotra addressing winners



Dr. Rajendra Shende addressing winners



Dr. Vinita Apte addressing winners



Live streaming of Award Ceremony on YouTube and Facebook



Click on given link for watching award ceremony:

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