

Indian Association for Social Sciences and Health (IASSH)

Best Publication Awards for Young Researchers - 2024

To encourage academic scholarship and quality scientific publications in social sciences and health studies, IASSH invited applications from young researchers to submit their recent journal publications for the consideration of Best Publication Awards. Based on our announcement in Aug. 2024 for the best publication awards, we received 30 applications. A screening committee first scrutinized the applications for the eligibility criteria like age (below 35 years), year of publication (2023), single / first author of the paper, etc. and shortlisted 22 applications/papers for the assessment of the Selection Committee.

The Selection Committee consisting of five experts reviewed the shortlisted papers and recommended two young researchers for the award, though it was a difficult choice to select two from many high quality publications in reputed journals. The winners will receive a Certificate and cash prize of Rs. 25,000 each at the next annual conference of IASSH.

The winners are:

- **Dr. Sucharita Maji**, *Indian Institute of Technology, Dhanbad, Jharkhand*, for the paper- “Mental health cost of internet”: A mixed-method study of cyberbullying among Indian sexual minorities”. *Telematics and Informatics Reports* (2023). <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.teler.2023.100064>
- **Dr. Mayank Singh**, *International Institute for Population Sciences, Mumbai*, for the paper- “Patterns in age at first marriage and its determinants in India: A historical perspective of last 30 years (1992–2021)”. *SSM - Population Health* (2023). <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ssmph.2023.101363>

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE AWARD WINNERS