

KSCARDB Best Farmer Award – 2024

GUIDELINES

I. Awards

1. There will be an award each, for the best two farmers for 1st and 2nd position at State level
2. There will be an award for the best farmer in each District.
3. PCARDBs can consider offering awards to the best farmer selected at their level, in case such farmers are not selected for district and state level awards.

II. Eligibility

1. Only **individuals** will be considered for award.
2. He/she should be an **existing borrower of Agricultural Term Loan**.
3. Those who have **already been selected for award will not be** considered again.
4. He/ she should **not be a regular employee** of any establishment and farming should be his/her main occupation.
5. Size of land holding shall be between **25 cents and 12.5 Acres** or the ceiling limits as per land ceiling act. Estate owners will not be considered for award.
6. He/she should **not be a defaulter** to the bank during the loan period.

III. Selection Committee

1. At PCARDB level
 - a) President - Chairman
 - b) Secretary - Member Secretary
 - c) Agricultural Officer - Member
 - d) One PCARDB Board Member - Member
2. At Regional level
 - a) KSCARDB Director Board Member of that District - Chairman
 - b) Regional Manager - Member Secretary
 - c) Agricultural Development Officer - Member
 - d) DDM, NABARD(With permission from NABARD) - Member

3. At State level

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| a) President, KSCARDB | - | Chairman |
| b) General Manager | - | Member Secretary |
| c) Chief Inspecting Officer (SZ) | - | Member |
| d) ADM(F&I) | - | Member |
| e) Two Board Members of KSCARD Bank | - | Members |
| f) Subject Expert from Kerala Agricultural University- | | Member |

IV. Selection Procedure

1. PCARDB Level

- a) Inform existing borrowing members of Agricultural Term Loans with good repayment track record by advertising in the website, notice board, social media platforms or by making phone calls etc., so that no eligible borrower is left out.
- b) Identification of eligible farmers may be made by Secretary of the PCARDB, Field Supervisors of the area, PCARDB directors & Agricultural Officer of the PCARD Bank and submit select list to the selection committee.
- c) The selection committee shall award marks taking into consideration, all the indicative aspects and select best farmer and second best in the area. If the committee feels that there is no deserving application, they can reject all the applications.
- d) The PCARDB wise selection procedure should be completed on or before **10/09/2024**. The selection list and the details to be forwarded to the Regional Office on the same day itself.

2. At Regional Level

The Regional Manager along with the ADO/AOs shall arrange for the visit of the farms of the nominated farmers and select the best farmer and second best farmer in the district in consultation with the Chairman of the committee and prepare video graph detailing all farming activities undertaken by the selected farmer borrowers. The selection should be completed on or before

13/09/2024 and the selection list and details to be submitted to the Head Office on or before **13/09/2024**.

3. At State Level

The state level selection committee should scrutinize all the nominations received from the districts and shall select the best farmer and second best farmer of the state from the nominated farmers in the district in consultation with the Chairman of the committee and the selection procedure should be completed before **20.09.2024**

V. Awards

1. State Level

- a) Best Farmer – Cash Award of Rs. 100000/- with citation and certificate
- b) Second Best Farmer- Cash Award of Rs.50000/- with citation and certificate

2. District Level

Best Farmer will be awarded Rs. 25000/- with citation and certificate.

3. PCARDB Level

Each PCARDB can decide on the prize amount.

The best farmer and second best farmer at State level will not be eligible for the District level award even if he/she is selected as the best farmer in the district. Each award winner will be eligible for only one award.

General Manager i/c

KSCARDB BEST FARMER AWARD- 2024				
A. SCRUTINY NOTES FOR SELECTION AT PCARDB LEVEL:PCARDB				
A. PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATION (Secretary/Agricultural Officer/ Field Supervisor)				
1	Name, Member number and address of the applicant			
2	Extent of Agricultural land as per application			
3	Details of Loans outstanding			
	Sl. No:	Loan No:	Type of Loan	Amount outstanding
4	Observations regarding promptness in repayment			
5	Remarks as to whether the application can be considered for further scrutiny by the Award Committee			

Secretary
(Signature and Seal)

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B. VERIFICATION BY THE AWARD SELECTION COMMITTEE- PCARDB level

1	Name of the applicant:.....		Acre	Cent
	Member number:.....			
	Extent of land owned :			
	a	Applicant		
	b	Other Family Members		
2	Extent of land under cultivation by the applicant			
	a	Own land		
	b	Family land		
	c	Lease land		
			Total	
3	Details of allied activities undertaken by the applicant			
	I	<i>Dairy farming</i>		
		a)	Number of Milch animals	
		b)	Number of female calves reared	
		c)	Area under fodder cultivation	
		d)	Modern facilities in the farm	
		c)	Details of biogas plant installed	
	II	<i>Inland fishery</i>		
		a)	Extent of water area under cultivation	
		b)	Details of fish items reared	
		c)	Other observations	

	III	Goat Rearing	
	a)	Number of animals	
	b)	Other observations	
	IV	Poultry Farming	
	a)	Type of bird	Number of birds
		i	
		ii	
		iii	
	b)	Other observations	
	V	Piggery	
	a)	Nature of the unit (breeder/fattening or both)	
	VI	Details of Agro processing unit if any run by the applicant	
	VII	Any other allied activity undertaken by the applicant.	
4	Details of family members		Number
	a)	Adult members	
	b)	Children	
	c)	Educational level of farmer and spouse	
5	Irrigation		
	a)	Source	
	b)	Type	
6	Details of innovative ideas/farming techniques adopted		

**Member secretary
Selection Committee**

**Chairman
Selection Committee**

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SCRUTINY AT REGIONAL OFFICE LEVEL.....REGION

Name of applicant.....Member No.....

Name of PCARDB.....

MARKS AWARDED

Sl No:	Item/Indicative Factor	Maximum marks	Marks awarded	Remarks
1	Loans availed and utilised			
i	Farm Sector Loans	3		
ii	Housing Loans	1		
iii	NFS-including Education loan	1		
	Maximum marks	5		
2	Cropping Pattern Adopted multiple cropping for optimum utilisation of soil water and sunlight. OR Adopted monocropping with short duration crops(give weightage to crop intensity)			
	Maximum marks	5		
3	Allied activities			
i	Dairy Farming (Marks to be awarded considering number of animals, area under fodder cultivation , calf rearing , modern facilities being used, cleanliness of the farm etc)	2		
ii	Goat rearing (Marks to be awarded considering number of animals, cleanliness of the farm, health of the animals etc)	2		
iii	Piggery (Marks to be awarded considering number of animals, cleanliness of the farm, health of the animals etc)	2		

iv	Inland fish culture (<i>Marks to be awarded on the basis of area under cultivation, crop intensity, modern practices, marketing techniques etc</i>)	2		
v	Poultry Farming (<i>Marks to be awarded considering number of birds, cleanliness of the farm, types of birds grown etc</i>)	2		
vi	Beekeeping , Rabbit rearing or any other allied activity undertaken	2		
vii	Techniques adopted for waste disposal in the farm	3		
	Maximum marks	15		
4	Yield and Productivity (per unit area or number)			
i	4 times more than State Average	10		
ii	3 times more than State Average	8		
iii	2 times more than State Average	5		
iv	1.5 times more than State Average	2		
	Maximum marks	10		
5	Acquisition of agricultural land			
i	By succession and then developed	3		
ii	Self acquired and developed to the present farm after acquisition	5		
	Maximum marks	5		
6	Plant protection measures			
	Marks to be awarded for lesser usage of chemical pesticides/fungicides, usage of bio-control agents, usage of organic pesticides and fungicides etc	5		
	Maximum marks	5		
7	Application of Manures and Fertilizers			
i	Application of Manures and Fertilizers after conducting soil testing and as per recommendations of KAU	5		
ii	Production of manures at own farm	3		

iii	Minimal or no usage of artificial fertilizers and more use of bio fertilisers	2		
iv	Vermicompost making and its usage as bio fertiliser	5		
	Maximum marks	15		
8	Irrigation			
i	Rain water harvesting and storage devices	3		
ii	Sprinkler/drip irrigation	5		
iii	Maximum usage of available water for different purposes	2		
	Maximum marks	10		
9	Farm Mechanisation			
	Ownership and Usage of Tractor/Tiller, Thresher, Harvester, Power sprayer in the farm	5		
	Maximum marks	5		
10	Involvement of family labour			
i	All adult family members involve in farming operations	5		
ii	Half of the family members involve	3		
	Maximum marks	5		
11	Innovative farming techniques used			
i	Evolved new selections which were widely accepted	2		
ii	Farm with high demonstrative value	1		
iii	Early adoption of new technologies	1		
iv	Membership in farmers'club	1		
	Maximum marks	5		
12	Agro processing activities undertaken (grading, processing, value addition and marketing			
		5		
	Maximum marks	5		
13	Marks reserved for the Award Committee(other points worth valuable)			
		10		

	Maximum marks	10		
	GRAND TOTAL- MAXIMUM MARKS	100		

**Member secretary
Selection Committee**

**Chairman
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