

GUIDELINES FOR AWARDING SENATE HONOURS AND CASH PRIZES FOR RESEARCH LEADING TO PATENT OUTCOME

In order to recognize and felicitate the staff members of the University of Kelaniya who completed their research leading to patents and obtained national or international patent, the Research Council of the University have decided to implement a Senate honours and ‘**Cash Prize**’ award scheme. The aim of this scheme is to encourage academic staff in the University to carry out high quality innovative research leading to patent outcome and to develop an innovative research culture in the university. These guidelines will be made effective from the 01st January 2019.

Terms and conditions

1. The applicant should be a member of the permanent staff of the University of Kelaniya.
2. A cash prize not exceeding LKR 100,000.00 will be awarded for every patent based on the quality of innovation.

Quality of Innovation	Points
National patent	10
International patent	40
Licensing	20
Market ready product developed	20
Potential for National Contribution	10
Total	100

Points (up to)	Cash award (LKR)
10	10 000.00
20	20 000.00
30	30 000.00
40	40 000.00
50	50 000.00
60	60 000.00
70	70 000.00
80	80 000.00
90	90 000.00
100	100 000.00

3. One patent outcome is entitled for only one prize.
4. When there are several co-inventors, the prize will be distributed equally among them. Research Assistants, graduate students, and members of the temporary academic staff of the University of Kelaniya are eligible to receive the cash prize if they are co-inventors and were affiliated to the University of Kelaniya at the time that the work was carried out. However, the co-inventors outside the University are not eligible to receive the cash prize. A letter of acknowledgment to the co-inventors /s affiliated to other institutes is sent for the contribution to the patent that received a cash prize.
5. In order to qualify for the award, the University of Kelaniya address should appear below the names of the inventor(s). The patent without the words “University of Kelaniya” in the address shall not be considered for awards.
6. The applicants should have ORCID, ResearchGate and Google Scholar which have been made public. **Google scholar account should have the University of Kelaniya address and kln.ac.lk email verification.**
7. Links to ResearchGate and Google Scholar accounts of the academic staff members should be available on their departmental web pages.
8. Applications prepared as per the format approved by the Research Council should be sent to the Chairman of the Research Council with the recommendation of the Director/ RSC, Director/ Technology and Innovation Support Center (TISC), the Head of the Department and Dean of the Faculty.
9. A certified copy of the patent document should be submitted with the application.