From Left:
Dr. Geetha Subramaniam, Universiti Teknologi MARA, Malaysia
Dr. Arnab Kumar Maiti, Senior Faculty, MSME Development Institute, Government of India, Kolkata (Recipient of SMART Journal Young Management Scientist Award)
Dr. M. Selvam, Seminar Director and Founder-Publisher cum Chief-Editor, SMART Journal of Business Management Studies
Dr. Jebamalai Vinanchiarachi, Former Principal Advisor to the Director General of UNIDO, Vienna, Austria (Recipient of SMART Journal Distinguished Life Time Achievement Award)
Dr. A. Vijayakumar, Associate Professor, Erode Arts and Science College, Erode (Recipient of SMART Journal Best Paper Award).
Dr. P. Manisankar, Vice-Chancellor, Bharathidasan University
Dr. V. Nithya, Syndicate Member, Bharathidasan University
Dr. J. Kirubakaran, Associate Professor, Maldives Business School, Male, Maldives (Recipient of SMART Journal BDU COM Distinguished Alumni Award)
Dr. H.N. Shivaprasad, Director, DVHIMSR, Dharwad (Recipient of SMART Journal Best Paper Award)
Dr. Sankaran Venkateswar, Saint Mary’s College of California, USA
Dr. Balasundaram Maniam, Sam Houston State University, USA

Tenth Annual Function of SMART Journal Awards, for the year 2018, was held at 10.00 a.m., at A/C Auditorium, Bharathidasan University Main Campus, Trichy on 12th January 2019, along with the inaugural function of the International Seminar on Financial Markets: Issues and Challenges.
Dr. M. Selvam, Seminar Director and Founder-Publisher cum Chief-Editor, SMART Journal of Business Management Studies welcomed the gathering. He congratulated the award winners for 2018 and invited nominations for the SMART Journal Awards for the year 2019.

Dr. P. Manisankar, Vice-Chancellor, Bharathidasan University conferred SMART Journal Awards and offered felicitation to the awardees. Dr. V. Nithya, Syndicate Member, Bharathidasan University, offered felicitation. The awardees were given standing ovation while receiving the awards.

SMART Journal Distinguished Life Time Achievement Award was conferred (in absentia) on Dr. Hamid Saremi, Vice-Chancellor, Islamic Azad University, Quchan Branch, Quchan, Iran, to honor the outstanding achievements in the field of Commerce and Management. He has published 76 research articles in refereed journals, written 10 books and presented more than 50 research papers in various national and international conferences. He has more than 30 years of rich research, teaching and administrative experience. He is the Editorial Board Member of SMART Journal of Management Studies and for many other journals also.

Dr. Jebamalai Vinanchiarachi, former Principal Advisor to the Director General of UNIDO, Vienna, Austria, was conferred with SMART Journal Distinguished Life Time Achievement Award for his excellent contribution in the field of business and economics. He is the popular economist and expert in sustainable development. He has published more than 30 research articles in refereed journals, authored eight books, which include “The Poverty of Economic Thinking”. He has prepared many policy study reports for UNIDO and FAO. He received UNIDO Director General’s Award for outstanding performance and many awards for his outstanding contribution. He is the Editorial Board Member of SMART Journal of Management Studies and for many other journals also.

Dr. Arnab Kumar Maiti, Senior Faculty, MSME Development Institute, Government of India, Kolkata, has distinguished himself in the field of management and commerce. SMART Journal Young Management Scientist Award was conferred on him. He has more than 30 years of teaching and research experience. He also served in several Government organisations and training institutes. He is the Editorial Board Member of SMART Journal of Management Studies and for many other journals also. He visited Russia and Ukraine for industrial development programme.

Dr. J. Kirubakaran, Associate Professor, Maldives Business School, Male, Maldives, was conferred with SMART Journal BDU COM Distinguished Alumni Award for his outstanding achievements in the field of academics and contribution towards the welfare of the
department. He has published more than 10 articles in refereed journals, presented 20 papers in conferences and attended more than 10 workshops.

The research paper of H.N. Shylaja, Research Scholar, Reva ITM, Reva University, Bengaluru and Dr. H.N. Shivaprasad, Director, DVHIMSR, Dharwad and the another paper by Dr. A. Vijayakumar, Associate Professor, Erode Arts and Science College, Erode, published in the SMART Journal in the year 2018, has been selected for the SMART Journal Best Paper Award.

The awardees delivered the acceptance speech.