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## PRESS RELEASE Sahitya Akademi Award 2023

Sahitya Akademi, announced its annual Sahitya Akademi Awards in 24 languages today. 9 books of poetry, 6 of novel, 5 of short stories, 3 Essays and 1 Literary Study have won the Sahitya Akademi Awards 2023.

The Awards, recommended by distinguished Jury members in 24 Indian languages, were approved by the Executive Board of the Sahitya Akademi which met today under the Chairmanship of Sri Madhav Kaushik, President, Sahitya Akademi.

The following have won the Awards in the below mentioned category:

Category	Awardees		
Poetry	Vijay Verma (Dogri), Vinod Joshi (Gujarati), Manshoor Banihali (Kashmiri), Sorokkhaibam Gambhini (Manipuri), Ashutosh Parida (Odia), Swarnjit Savi (Punjabi), Gaje Singh Rajpurohit (Rajasthani), Arun Ranjan Mishra (Sanskrit) and Vinod Asudani (Sindhi)		
Novel	Swapnamay Chakrabarti (Bengali), Neelum Saran Gour (English) Sanjeev (Hindi), Krushnat Khot (Marathi), Rajasekaran (Devibharathi (Tamil) and Sadiqua Nawab Saher (Urdu)		
Short Stories	Pranavjyoti Deka (Assamese), Nandeswar Daimari (Bodo), Prakash S. Parienkar (Konkani), Taraceen Baskey (Turia Chand Baskey) (Santali) and T. Patanjali Sastry (Telugu)		
Essays	Lakshmisha Tolpadi (Kannada), Basukinath Jha (Maithili) and Judhabir Rana (Nepali)		
Literary Study	E.V. Ramakrishnan (Malayalam)		

The books were selected on the basis of recommendations made by a Jury of three members in the concerned languages in accordance with the procedure laid down for the purpose. According to the procedure, the Executive Board declared the Awards on the basis of unanimous selections made by the Jurors or selection made on the basis of majority vote. The Awards relate to books first published during the five years immediately preceding the year of Award (i.e. between 1 January 2017 and 31 December 2021).

The Award in the form of a casket containing an engraved copper-plaque, a shawl and an amount of Rs. 1,00,000/- towards cash content each will be presented to the awardees at the award presentation function which will be held on 12 March 2024 at Kamani Auditorium, Copernicus Marg, New Delhi- 110 001.

(K. Sreenivasarao)

Encl: List of Award-winners (Annexure 'A') & Jury members (Annexure 'B')

## **SAHITYA AKADEMI AWARD 2023**

Language	Title and Genre	Name of the Author
Assamese	Dr. Pranavjyoti Dekar Srestha Galpa (Short Stories)	Pranavjyoti Deka
Bengali	Jaler Upar Pani (Novel)	Swapnamay Chakrabarti
Bodo	Jiu-Safarni Dakhwn (Short Stories)	Nandeswar Daimari
Dogri	Daun Sadiyan Ek Seer (Poetry-Ghazal)	Vijay Verma
English	Requiem in Raga Janki (Novel)	Neelum Saran Gour
Gujarati	Sairandhree (Epic Poetry)	Vinod Joshi
Hindi	Mujhe Pahachaano (Novel)	Sanjeev
Kannada	Mahabharatha Anusandhanada Bharathayatre (Essays)	Lakshmisha Tolpadi
Kashmiri	Yeth Waweh Halay Tsong Kous Zalay (Poetry)	Manshoor Banihali
Konkani	Varsal (Short Stories)	Prakash S. Parienkar
Maithili	Bodha Sanketan (Essays)	Basukinath Jha
Malayalam	Malayala Novelinte Deshakalangal (Literary Study)	E.V. Ramakrishnan
Manipuri	Yachangba Nang Hallo (Poetry)	Sorokkhaibam Gambhini
Marathi	Ringan (Novel)	Krushnat Khot
Nepali	Nepali Loksahitya Ra Loksanskritiko Parichaya (Essays)	Judhabir Rana
Odia	Aprastuta Mrutyu (Poetry)	Ashutosh Parida
Punjabi	Mann Di Chip (Poetry)	Swarnjit Savi
Rajasthani	Palakati Preet (Poetry)	Gaje Singh Rajpurohit
Sanskrit	Shunye Meghganam (Poetry)	Arun Ranjan Mishra
Santali	Jaba Baha (Short Stories)	Taraceen Baskey (Turia Chand Baskey)
Sindhi	Hathu Pakidijain (Poetry-Ghazal)	Vinod Asudani
Tamil	Neervazhi Paduvum (Novel)	Rajasekaran (Devibharathi)
Telugu	Rameshwaram Kaakulu Marikonni Kathalu (Short Stories)	T. Patanjali Sastry
Urdu	Rajdev Ki Amrai (Novel)	Sadiqua Nawab Saher

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