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# Poet receives Sahitya Akademi Award

**Bhubaneswar:** Eminent Odia poet Gayatribala Panda on Saturday received the Sahitya Academy Award for 2022 for her poetry collection, *Daya Nadi*, during the 39th Festival of Letters, in New Delhi. President of Kendra Sahitya Akademi Madhav Kaushik conferred the prestigious literary award on Panda. She received Rs 1 lakh cash reward and a copper shield as her prize. Before this, Panda won the Kendra Sahitya Akademi Youth Award. She has published 28 books of poetry, stories, novels, essays and columns. TNN