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POETRY DOMINATES SAHITYA AKADEMI YUVA PURASKAR 2020

Sahitya Akademi announced its annual Yuva Puraskar for the year 2020 in 18 languages today. Ten books of poetry, three of short stories, two of Essays, one of Memoir, One of Criticism and one travelogue have won the Sahitya Akademi Yuva Puraskar 2020.

The Awards were recommended by distinguished Jury members representing 18 Indian languages and approved by the Executive Board of the Sahitya Akademi which met today under the Chairmanship of Dr. Chandrashekhar Kambar, President, Sahitya Akademi.

Those who have won the Awards for their collection of poetry include Dwijen Das (Assamese), Newton K. Basumatary (Bodo), Ganga Sharma (Dogri), Muzaffar Ahmad Parray (Kashmiri), Ramehswar Sharongbam (Manipuri), Deepak Kumar Dhalewan (Punjabi), Anjali Kisku (Santali), Rishiraj Pathak (Sanskrit), Shakti (Tamil) and Saquib Faridi (Urdu).

Those who have won the Awards for their collection of short stories include K. S. Mahadevaswamy (Kannada), Sonu Kumar Jha (Maithili) and Manasa Yendluri (Telugu).

Those who have won the Awards for their collection of Essays include Chandrasekhar Hota (Odia) and Anjan Baskota (Nepali).

The one who has won the Award for Memoir is Yashica Dutt (English)

The one who has won the Award for Criticism is Ankit Narwal (Hindi).

The one who has won the Award for Travelogue is Sampada Shenvi Kunkoliekar (Konkani).

The Award for Bengali, Gujarati, Malayalam, Marathi, Rajasthani and Sindhi language will be declared at a later date shortly.

According to the procedure, the Executive Board declared the Awards on the basis of unanimous or selection on the basis of majority vote made by the Jury. The Award relates to books published by an author of the age of 35 and below as on 1st January of the year of the award.

The Award in the form of a casket containing an engraved copper-plaque and a cheque of Rs.50,000/- will be presented to the awardees at a special function to be held at a later date.


(K. Sreenivasarao)

Encls: List of Award-winners
List of Jury members

Annexure 'A'
Sahitya Akademi Yuva Puraskar 2020

<u>Language</u>	<u>Title and Genre</u>	<u>Author</u>
Assamese	Megh-Ghora (Poetry)	Dwijen Das
Bodo	Abwi-Abou Arw Ang (Poetry)	Newton K. Basumatary
Dogri	Manne Da Buaal (Poetry)	Ganga Sharma
English	Coming Out As Dalit (Memoir)	Yashica Dutt
Hindi	U.R. Ananthamurti Pratirodh ka Vikalp (Criticism)	Ankit Narwal
Kannada	Dhoopada Makkalu (Short Stories)	K. S. Mahadevaswamy
Kashmiri	Wavech Baavath (Poetry)	Muzaffar Ahmad Parray
Konkani	Char Panvala Ashiyent (Travelogue)	Sampada Shenvi Kunkoliekar
Maithili	Gassa (Short Stories)	Sonu Kuma Jha
Manipuri	Kairaba Chaphu Machet (Poetry)	Rameshwar Sharongbam
Nepali	Dristi- Nibandha Sangrah (Essays)	Anjan Baskota
Odia	Chetanara Anwesana (Essays)	Chandrasekhar Hota
Punjabi	Malaha'n Ton Bina (Poetry)	Deepak Kumar Dhalewan
Sanskrit	Aadhyonmeshah (Poetry)	Rishiraj Pathak
Santali	Anjle (Poetry)	Anjali Kisku
Tamil	Mara Naai (Poetry)	Shakti
Telugu	Milinda (Short Stories)	Manasa Yendluri
Urdu	Main Apni Baat Ka Mafhoom Dusra Chahun : Bani Ki Shairi ka Motalea (Criticism)	Saqib Faridi

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