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PRESS NOTE
Sahitya Akademi Bhasha Samman 2021

The Executive Board of the Sahitya Akademi which met at Statue of Unity, Kevadia, Gujarat on Saturday, 15 June 2024, under the Chairmanship of its President, Sri Madhav Kaushik, approved Bhasha Samman to Dr. Purushottam Agrawal in recognition of their valuable contribution in the field of **Classical and Medieval Literature from the Northern Region for the year 2021.**

Bhasha Samman carries a cash prize of Rs.1,00,000/-, an inscribed copper plaque and citation. The Samman will be presented to him by the President of the Sahitya Akademi at a special function to be held later. The brief bio-data of the Bhasha Samman Awardee and the names of the members of the Jury are given below:

Dr. Purushottam Agrawal is a prominent Hindi critic, poet, thinker and storyteller. He knows Hindi, Khadi boli, Braj, Awadhi, Bundeli, English and can read Urdu, Bengali and Sanskrit. He has made outstanding contribution to the field of Classical and Medieval Literature. He authored and edited several books including *Akath Kahani Prem Ki: Kabir Ki Kavita Aur Unka Samay*, *Padmavat: An Epic Love Story*, *Hindi Serai: Astrakhan via Yerevan*, *Nacohus* and *Teesra Rukh*, etc. Purushottam Agrawal's work on Kabir is seminal in the modern context. His modern considered highly important. The judgment he has given by testing Kabir and his philosophy of scientific parameters is excellent. He is decorated with honours that include Rajkamal Prakashan Kriti Samman, British Academy Fellow, Mukutdhar Pandey Samman, Devi Shankar Awasthy Samman.

JURY: Dr. Chandra Prakash Deval, Dr. Mahesh Chandra Sharma 'Gautam' and Dr. Udaya Pratap Singh.

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(K. Sreenivasarao)