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BAL SAHITYA PURASKAR 2011

Thrissur, 16 August 2011. Seven books of poetry, six of novels, five of short stories, one of folk tales & plays and five writers for their Total Contribution to Children Literature have won the Bal Sahitya Puraskar this year.

The Awards were recommended by distinguished Jury members representing 24 Indian languages and approved by the Executive Board of the Sahitya Akademi which met today under the Chairmanship of Sri Sunil Gangopadhyay, President of the Sahitya Akademi.

Those who have won the Awards for their collection of poetry include Gh. Nabi Aatash (Kashmiri), Snehalata Rai (Nepali), Darshan Singh Asht (Punjabi), Abhiraja Rajendra Mishra (Sanskrit), Nuhum Hembram (Santali), M.L. Thangappa (Tamil) and Aadil Aseer Dehlavi (Urdu).

Those who have won the Awards for their collection of short stories include Maheswar Narzary (Bodo), Mayanath Jha (Maithili), Dileep Prabhavalkar (Marathi), Harish B. Sharma (Rajasthani) and M. Bhoopal Reddy (Telugu).

Those who have won the award for their novels are Bandita Phukan (Assamese), Siddhartha Sarma (English) and Hundraj Balwani (Sindhi), N. D'souza (Kannada) and Gajanan Jog (Konkani), and K. Pappooty (Malayalam). K. Shantibala Devi (Manipuri) for her book of folk tales & plays has been honoured.

Sailen Ghosh (Bengali), Shyam Dutt Parag (Dogri), (late) Ramesh Parekh (Gujarati), Hari Krishan Devsare (Hindi) and Maheswar Mohanty (Odia) are among those honoured with the Bal Sahitya Puraskar 2011 for their Total Contribution to Children Literature.

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The books and writers for total contribution 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 2005 and 31 December 2009). However, during the initial five years i.e. from 2010 to 2014, the award may be given to an author based on his/her total contribution to Children Literature if no book is considered suitable for 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 in November 2011.

(Agrahara Krishna Murthy)

Encls: List of Award-winners
List of Jury members

Bal Sahitya Puraskar 2011

<u>Language</u>	<u>Title and Genre</u>	<u>Author</u>
Assamese	Seujia Dharani (Novel)	Bandita Phukan
Bengali	TOTAL CONTRIBUTION TO CHILDREN LITERATURE	Sailen Ghosh
Bodo	Puranni Solo Phithikha (in 2 vols.) (Short Stories)	Maheswar Narzary
Dogri	TOTAL CONTRIBUTION TO CHILDREN LITERATURE	Shyam Dutt Parag
English	The Grasshopper's Run (Novel)	Siddhartha Sarma
Gujarati	TOTAL CONTRIBUTION TO CHILDREN LITERATURE	(late) Ramesh Parekh
Hindi	TOTAL CONTRIBUTION TO CHILDREN LITERATURE	Harikrishan Devsare
Kannada	Mulugade Oorige Bandavaru (Novelette)	N.D'souza
Kashmiri	Nov Kentsha Mentsha (Poetry & Short Stories)	Gh. Nabi Aatash
Konkani	Vors Fukat Vochunk Na (Novelette)	Gajanan Jog
Maithili	Jakar Nari Chatur Hoi (Short Stories)	Mayanath Jha
Malayalam	Chiruthakkuttiyum Mashum (Science-Novel)	K. Pappooty
Manipuri	Tal Taret (Folk Tales & Plays)	K. Shantibala Devi
Marathi	Bokya Satbande (Part 4 and 5) (Short Stories)	Dileep Prabhavalkar
Nepali	Bal Suman (Poetry)	Snehalata Rai
Odia	TOTAL CONTRIBUTION TO CHILDREN LITERATURE	Maheswar Mohanty
Punjabi	Bujo Bachio Mai Han Kaun? (1-3 vols.) (Poetry)	Darshan Singh Asht
Rajasthani	Satoliyo (Short Stories)	Harish B. Sharma
Sanskrit	Kaumarm (Poetry)	Abhiraja Rajendra Mishra
Santali	Singar Akhra (Poetry)	Nuhum Hembram
Sindhi	Naon Niralo Jungle (Novel)	Hundraj Balwani
Tamil	Cholak Kollai Bommai (Poetry)	M. L. Thangappa
Telugu	Uggupaalu (Short Stories)	M. Bhoopal Reddy
Urdu	Kulliyat-e-Aadil (Vol. 1) (Poetry)	Aadil Aseer Dehlavi

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