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BAL SAHITYA PURASKAR 2017

The Executive Board of the Sahitya Akademi which met today at Guwahati, under the Chairmanship of its President, Prof. Vishwanath Prasad Tiwari approved selection of 24 writers (as given at Annexure 'A' attached) for the Sahitya Akademi Bal Sahitya Puraskar 2017. The books were selected on the basis of recommendations made by the Jury comprising of three members each in the concerned language in accordance with the rules and procedure laid down for the purpose. According to the procedure, the Executive Board declared the Awards on the basis of unanimous/majority vote by the Jury. The Awards relate to books first published during the five years immediately preceding the year of Award (i.e. between 1 January 2011 and 31 December 2015). However, during the initial ten years i.e. from 2010 to 2019, the award may also be given to an author based on his/her total contribution to Children Literature.

The name of the Jury members on whose recommendations the Bal Sahitya Puraskar were declared are given language wise at Annexure 'B' attached.

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 on 14 November 2017.

(K. Sreenivasarao)

Encls: Annexure 'A'
Annexure 'B'

Bal Sahitya Puraskar 2017

<u>Language</u>	<u>Title and Genre</u>	<u>Author</u>
Assamese	Total Contribution to Children's Literature	Horendra Nath Borthakur
Bengali	Total Contribution to Children's Literature	Shashthipada Chattopadhyay
Bodo	Total Contribution to Children's Literature	Renu Boro
Dogri	Jangal Di Sair (short stories)	Sudesh Raj
English	Wild Child and other Stories (short stories)	Paro Anand
Gujarati	Total Contribution to Children's Literature	Harish Nayak
Hindi	Pyare Bahi Ramsahay(short stories)	Sri Swayamprakash
Kannada	Total Contribution to Children's Literature	N.S. Lakshminarayana Bhatta
Kashmiri	Jiggar Khaunt (poetry)	Showkat Ansari
Konkani	Jaduchem Petul (novel)	Vincy Quadros
Maithili	Lalgachhi (novel)	Amlendu Sekhar Pathak
Malayalam	Kunhunniyude Yathrapusthakam (novel)	S.R. Lal
Manipuri	Angangi Wari Macha Niphu (short stories)	Wareppam Jugindra Singh
Marathi	Kharicha Vata (novel)	L.M. Kadu
Nepali	Total Contribution to Children's Literature	Shanti Chettri
Odia	Total Contribution to Children's Literature	Subhendra Mohan Srichandan Singh
Punjabi	Total Contribution to Children's Literature	Satpal Bhikhi
Rajasthani	Number One Aoola (poetry)	Pawan Pahadia
Sanskrit	Dayate Kathamakashe (poetry)	RajKumar Mishra
Santali	Olon Baha (short stories)	Joba Murmu
Sindhi	Roshn Barana Bol (poetry)	Roshan Golani
Tamil	Total Contribution to Children's Literature	Velu Saravanan
Telugu	Total Contribution to Children's Literature	Vasala Narasaiah
Urdu	Mera Desh Mahan(short stories)	Nazeer Fatehpuri

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