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**PRESS RELEASE**

New Delhi, 21 December 2017. Sahitya Akademi announced its annual Sahitya Akademi Awards in 24 languages today. Seven books of novel, five of poetry, five of short stories, five of literary criticism and one of play and essays have won the Sahitya Akademi Awards 2017.

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 Prof. Vishwanath Prasad Tiwari, President, Sahitya Akademi.

Those who have won the Awards for their collection of poetry include Sri Udaya Narayana Singh 'Nachiketa' (Maithili), Sri Shrikant Deshmukh (Marathi), Sri Bhujanga Tudu (Santali), (Late) Sri Inqulab (Tamil) and Sri Devipriya (Telugu). Sri Jayanta Madhab Bora (Assamese), Sri Afsar Ahmed (Bengali), Ms. Rita Boro (Bodo), Ms. Mamang Dai (English), Sri K.P. Ramanunni (Malayalam), Sri Niranjan Mishra (Sanskrit) and Sri Nachhattar (Punjabi) are awarded for their novel.

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