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**PRESS RELEASE**  
**POETRY DOMINATES SAHITYA AKADEMI YUVA PURASKAR 2013**

Sahitya Akademi announced its annual Yuva Puraskar in 23 languages today; there is no award in Sindhi for 2013. Sixteen books of poetry, one of novel, five of short stories and one of literary criticism have won the Sahitya Akademi Yuva Puraskar 2013.

The Awards were recommended by distinguished Jury members representing 23 Indian languages and approved by the Executive Board of the Sahitya Akademi which met today under the Chairmanship of Sri Vishwanath Prasad Tiwari, President, Sahitya Akademi.

Those who have won the Awards for their collection of poetry include Sri Bijoy Sankar Barman (Assamese), Sri Subhro Bandopadhyay (Bengali), Sri Dheeraj Kesar "Nikka" (Dogri), Sri Ashok Chavda 'Bedil' (Gujarati), Ms. Archana Bhensare (Hindi), Sri Lakkur Ananda (Kannada), Ms. Saba Shaheen (Kashmiri), Ms. Yogini Borkar (Konkani), Sri Dilip Kumar Jha 'Lootan' (Maithili), Ms. Akhom Yandibala Devi (Manipuri), Sri Ravi Korde (Marathi), Ms. Harpreet Kaur (Punjabi), Sri Kumar Ajay (Rajasthani), Sri Raj Kumar Mishra (Sanskrit), Sri Kathir Bharathi (Tamil) and Sri Manthri Krishna Mohan (Telugu). Sri Moid Rasheedi (Urdu) is awarded for his literary criticism.

Those who have won the Awards for their collection of short stories include Ms. Janice Pariat (English), Sri P.V. Shajikumar (Malayalam), Sri Suraj Dhadkan (Nepali), Sri. Kshetrabasi Naik (Odia) and Sri Lalchand Saren (Santali). Ms Sansumwi Khungri Basumatary (Bodo) is awarded for her novel.

According to the procedure, the Executive Board declared the Awards on the basis of unanimous or selection made 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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

## Sahitya Akademi Yuva Puraskar 2013

<u>Language</u>	<u>Title and Genre</u>	<u>Author</u>
<b>Assamese</b>	Ashokastami (Poetry)	Bijoy Sankar Barman
<b>Bengali</b>	Bouddho Lekhomala O Onyanyo Shraman (Poetry)	Subhro Bandopadhyay
<b>Bodo</b>	Felengni Saogari (Novel)	Sansumwi Khungri Basumatary
<b>Dogri</b>	Rough Copy (Poetry)	Dheeraj Kesar "Nikka"
<b>English</b>	Boats On Land (Short Stories)	Janice Pariat
<b>Gujarati</b>	Dalkhithi Saav Chhutan (Poetry)	Ashok Chavda 'Bedil'
<b>Hindi</b>	Kucch Boodhi Udaas Auratein (Poetry)	Archana Bhensare
<b>Kannada</b>	Batavadeyagada Raseethi (Poetry)	Lakkur Ananda
<b>Kashmiri</b>	Vola Kael Ravay (Poetry)	Saba Shaheen
<b>Konkani</b>	Matyentle Gandh (Poetry)	Yogini Borkar
<b>Maithili</b>	Ankura Rahal Sangharsh (Poetry)	Dilip Kumar Jha 'Lootan'
<b>Malayalam</b>	Vellarippadam (Short Stories)	P.V. Shajikumar
<b>Manipuri</b>	Lai Matha Shaari (Poetry)	Akhom Yandibala Devi
<b>Marathi</b>	Dhoosar Zale Nasate Gav (Poetry)	Ravi Korde
<b>Nepali</b>	Ghar (Short Stories)	Suraj Dhadkan
<b>Odia</b>	Dadan (Short Stories)	Kshetrabasi Naik
<b>Punjabi</b>	Toon Mainu Sirlekh De (Poetry)	Harpreet Kaur
<b>Rajasthani</b>	Sanjeevanee (Poetry)	Kumar Ajay
<b>Sanskrit</b>	Bharatabusanam (Poetry)	Raj Kumar Mishra
<b>Santali</b>	Terang (Short Stories)	Lalchand Saren
<b>Tamil</b>	Messiyavukku Moondru Machangal (Poetry)	Kathir Bharathi
<b>Telugu</b>	Pravahinche Padalu and Other Poems (Poetry)	Manthri Krishna Mohan
<b>Urdu</b>	Takhleeq Takheel Aur Isteara (Literary Criticism)	Moid Rasheedi

NOTE: NO AWARD IN SINDHI THIS YEAR.

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