

Awards

Shesh Anand Madhukar awarded with Sahitya Akademi's Bhasha Samman 2018

- Magahi writer Shesh Anand Madhukar was on January 31, 2018 honoured with the Sahitya Akademi Bhasha Samman Award 2018. With this, he became the second writer of Magahi language to be given the award.
- Madhurkar was conferred the award by Sahitya Akademi President Vishwanath Prasad Tiwari.
- Some of his important works in Hindi are "Magahi Kavita Ke Bimb", "Eklavya", and "Bhagwan Birsa".

PM Modi presents National Bravery Awards to 18 children

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi in January, 2018 presented the National Bravery Awards to 18 children, seven of them being girls.
- Three of these awards were presented posthumously.
- Interacting with the awardees, Modi said their deeds of bravery inspire other children, and often engender a sense of self-confidence among other children.
- He remarked that most of the awardees are from rural and humble backgrounds. He said that perhaps their daily struggles had helped instill resilience in them to deal courageously in adverse situations, an official statement said.
- The awards are divided into five categories- Bharat Award, Geeta Chopra Award, Sanjay Chopra Award, Babu Gaidhani Award, and General National Bravery Awards.

Tamil Nadu CM Palanichamy receives UNESCO Award

- The Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Edappadi K Palanichamy on January 24, 2018 received the UNESCO Award of Merit awarded to the iconic Srirangam Ranganathaswamy temple in the city of Tiruchirapalli in Tamil Nadu.
- The award of merit is being awarded by UNESCO Asia Pacific region for the reconstruction activities undertaken in the temple without in the least affecting its traditional splendour and Vedic rituals.

'Sachin: A Billion Dreams' bags two awards at Tehran International FICTS Festival

- 'Sachin: A Billion Dreams,' a biopic on cricket icon Sachin Tendulkar has won two awards at the recently concluded 11th Tehran International FICTS Festival 2018.
- Helmer James Erskine won the trophy for the Best Director of a Long Documentary and an honorary diploma, while the Special Award for the Best Film in the Long documentary section went to producer Ravi Bhagchandka.

Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik Receives 'Ideal Chief Minister' Award

- Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik received the 'Ideal Chief Minister' award at Bharatiya Chhatra Sansad in January, 2018.
- Patnaik was conferred with the award by former President of India Pratibha Patil in a special event which was organised by Maharashtra Institute of Technology (MIT) School of Government. The award carries Rs 1 lakh, citation, shawl and memento.
- MP and Former Union Minister Dr. Murli Manohar Joshi was among the many distinguished guests who attended the event.
- The Odisha CM who was given the award for his commitment and conviction to provide clean governance and delivering on his promises, dedicated the award to the people of the state.

63rd Filmfare Awards

Members of the Hindi film industry came together to celebrate the best of Bollywood in the year 2017 at 63 rd Jio Filmfare Awards 2018, held on January 20 at the NSCI Dome in Worli, Mumbai. The starry night was hosted by Bollywood's Baadshah Shah Rukh Khan, and filmmaker Karan Johar.

List of awardees

- Best Film: 'Hindi Medium'
- Critics' Award for Best Film: 'Newton'
- Best Actor In A Leading Role (Female): Vidya Balan for 'Tumhari Sulu'
- Best Actor In A Leading Role (Male) : Irrfan Khan for 'Hindi Medium'
- Critics' Award for Best Actor (Male): Rajkummar Rao for 'Trapped'
- Critics' Award for Best Actor (Female): Zaira Wasim for 'Secret Superstar'
- Best Director: Ashwiny Iyer Tiwari for 'Bareilly Ki Barfi'
- Best Debut Director: Konkona Sensharma for 'A Death in the Gunj'
- Best Actor In A Supporting Role (Male): Rajkummar Rao for 'Bareilly Ki Barfi'
- Best Actor in a Supporting Role (Female): Meher Vij for 'Secret Superstar'
- Best Short Film (Fiction) : 'Juice'
- Best Short Film (Non Fiction): 'Invisible Wings'
- Lifetime Achievement Award: Mala Sinha and Bappi Lahiri

Girish Karnad selected for the Ammannur Madhava Chakyar Award

- Film director, actor, and playwright Girish Karnad has been selected for the Ammannur Madhava Chakyar award instituted by the Kerala Sangeeta Nataka Akademi.
- The award, which carries a purse of ₹3 lakh, was instituted by the akademi in 2010. However, it was stopped after a few years. The akademi resumed it last year.
- Cultural Affairs Minister A.K. Balan will present the award to Mr. Karnad at the International Theatre Festival of Kerala (ITFoK) on January 26.
- Palestine, Year – Zero will be the opening drama of the 10th edition of ITFoK, with the theme 'reclaiming the margins'.

American novelist Stephen King to receive PEN Literary Service Award

- Horror master Stephen King is set to receive the 2018 PEN America Literary Service Award.
- The annual honour is presented to a "critically acclaimed author whose work embodies PEN America's mission to oppose repression in any form and to champion the best of humanity." Past winners include J K Rowling, Salman Rushdie and Margaret Atwood
- King will be honoured on May 22 at the 2018 PEN America Literary Gala, the same day his latest novel, The Outsiders, will release.

Actor Soumitra Chatterjee will receive Legion of Honour award from French culture minister in Kolkata

- Having honoured acclaimed actor Soumitra Chatterjee with the "Legion of Honour" which is the highest order of merit in France, the French government will confer the award to the legendary actor at the 42nd Kolkata Book Fair on January 30.
- The award will be presented by French culture minister Françoise Nyssen, who would be accompanied by a delegation of 10 top writers and publishers from her country, as the theme country for the international book fair this year is France.

Chittagong University to honor Pranab Mukherjee with D.Litt

- Chittagong University or CU will confer a DLitt or Doctor of Letters on former Indian president Pranab Mukherjee, the university's acting registrar Kamrul Huda has said.

- During a syndicate meeting in January, 2018, the CU took the decision to recognise Mukherjee for his contributions to society and for being a genuine friend of Bangladesh, he told bdnews24.com.

West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee honoured with Doctor of Literature (D.Litt) by the Calcutta University

- West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee has been conferred with the honour of Doctor of Literature (D.Litt) by the Calcutta University.
- The degree was presented to the Chief Minister by West Bengal Governor Keshari Nath Tripathi. Mamata Banerjee, an alumnus of the university, was recognised for her work in social service.

Shah Rukh Khan wins 2018 Crystal Award by World Economic Forum

- The King of Bollywood Shah Rukh Khan has won the 2018 Crystal Award from India.
- The superstar was honored with this award for his leadership in championing children's and women's rights in India.
- Shah Rukh has been running his NGO— Meer Foundation— which works for providing justice to female victims of acid attack.
- The two others who received the award are Actor Cate Blanchett and musician Elton John. Blanchett, Australian actress and theatre director, has received the award for her leadership in raising awareness of the refugee crisis which John got it for his leadership in the fight against HIV/AIDS.

Actor Sudhir Dalvi gets Janakavi P Sawlaram award

- Actor Sudhir Dalvi was honoured with the Janakavi P Sawlaram award at a glittering function.
- Thane Mayor Meenakshi Shinde gave the 79-year-old artist a citation, shawl and 'shreefal' in the presence of thousands of admirers in January, 2018 night.
- The award is jointly given by the Thane Municipal Corporation and the Janakavi P Savlaram Kala Samiti.
- Well-known dancer Jaishree T was given the Ganga Jamuna award.

JNPT wins 'Samudra Manthan - Caring Organisation of the Year' award

- The Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust, India's Premier Container Port, has won the 'Samudra Manthan - Caring Organisation of the Year' award.
- The award was instituted by Bhandarkar Shipping, which is a leading publication in the maritime industry. It aims to fuel healthy competition in the maritime sector and impart an impetus to the industry to emerge stronger to work for the benefit of trade and the economy.

Indian-origin banker Ravi Menon named central bank governor of the year for Asia-Pacific

- An Indian-origin banker in Singapore has been named as the best central bank governor in Asia-Pacific for 2018, a media report said in January, 2018.
- Ravi Menon, managing director of Singapore's central bank Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS), was recognised by the leading UK-based magazine 'The Banker' for his contribution in the makeover of Singapore's financial system.

Nitish Kumar to receive 1st Mufti M Sayeed Award for Probity in Public Life

- Bihar CM Nitish Kumar has been selected for the 1st Mufti Mohammad Sayeed Award for Probity in Public Life. He will be conferred the award at an official function of Jammu & Kashmir government to be held at Jammu in January, 2018.
- The award was constituted recently by the Jammu and Kashmir government to commemorate the death anniversary of PDP founder and two-time J&K chief minister Sayeed who died on January 7, 2016 after nearly a week-long hospitalization in New Delhi. Sayeed was father of J&K CM Mehbooba Mufti.

75th Annual Golden Globe Awards announced

- The 75th Annual Golden Globe Awards were announced on 7 January 2018, honouring the best Motion Pictures and American Television of 2017. The award ceremony was organized at Beverly Hills, California, United States (US).
- This year, 'The Shape of Water' received the most nominations of show with seven, while 'Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri' and 'Big Little Lies' both won the most awards with four each.

List of winners of the 75th annual Golden Globe Awards: Motion Pictures

Category	Awardees
Best Motion Picture Drama	Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri
Best Motion Picture Musical/Comedy	Lady Bird
Best Director in Motion Picture-Drama	Guillermo del Toro (The Shape of Water)
Best Foreign Language Film	In the Fade (Germany/France)
Cecil B. DeMille Lifetime Achievement Award	Oprah Winfrey

List of winners of the 75th annual Golden Globe Awards: Television

Category	Awardees
Best television series, drama	'The Handmaid's Tale', Hulu
Actress in a television series, drama	Elisabeth Moss in 'The Handmaid's Tale'
Actor in a television series, drama	Sterling K. Brown in 'This Is Us'

