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# 1. Oscar 2022: Suriya's Tamil socio-drama 'Jai Bhim' nominated for Best Featured Film ( Jan. 22, 2022 )

Suriya's Tamil socio-drama **Jai Bhim** is India's entry into The Academy.

- The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences revealed the list of 276 films that are eligible for consideration at the 94th Oscars, on 20th January 2022.
- 'Jai Bhim', which has gained a nomination for best feature film, is in competition with other acclaimed flicks like 'Jockey,' 'Cruella,' 'Dune, 'Eternals,' 'Godzilla VS Kong,' 'King Richard,' among other movies.
- Jai Bhim is the fourth Indian film to get nominated for Oscars after Mother India, Salaam Bombay, and Lagaan.
- Malayalam superstar Mohanlal's latest period drama Marakkar Arabikadalinte Simham has also officially made it to the Oscars 2021 list. The film has been nominated for the Global Community Oscar Awards 2021.

# 2. FIFA AWARD 2021 ( Jan. 19, 2022 )

The governing body of World Football FIFA held its 6th annual award function at, Its Headquarters Zurich, Switzerland. The annual award was started by FIFA in 2017 and it is always held on 17 January at Zurich.

#### **This Year Awardee**

#### FIFA Player of the Year:

- Male: Robert Lewandowski of Poland. He plays for German club Bayern Munich.
- Female: Alexia Putellas of Spain. She plays for Spanish club Barcelona.

#### Special Best Men's award

Cristiano Ronaldo, for being the top men's international goal scorer of all time. He is from Portugal and plays for English football club Manchester United.

#### **Best Goalkeeper of the Year**

- Men: Edouard Mendy of Senegal. He plays for English football club Chelsea.
- Female: Christiane Endler of Chile. She also plays for French club Olympique Lyonnais.

#### FIFA Coach of the Year

- Men: Thomas Tuchel. He is the coach of English club Chelsea.
- Female: Emma Hayes. She is the coach of English Football club Chelsea.

#### **Puskas Award**

It is given to the best goal scored by a player in a football match. This year it was given to:

**Erik Lamela** of Argentina for the goal he scored against Arsenal playing for English club Tottenham Hotspur.

#### FIFA Fan Award

Denmark and Finland fans

#### FIFA Fair Play Award

Denmark national team (players and staff)

# 3. 79th Golden Globe Awards: Get to know who won! ( Jan. 11, 2022 )

Hollywood opened its awards season account with a pale version of the 79th Golden Globes held behind closed doors on 9th January 2022 at the Beverly Hilton, Beverly Hills, California, U.S.A.

79th Golden Globe Awards: Get to know who won!

- The Golden Globe Award is held to honor the vast industry The American TV Series and Films as per the Hollywood Foreign Press Association's (HFPA) choice.
- The nominations were announced on December 13, 2021 by rapper Snoop Dogg and HFPA president Helen Hoehne.

#### For the Films:

The complete list of winners who took the trophy **for the films** at the Golden Globe Awards 2022 are given below:

Category of Awards	Winners	
Best Film - Drama	The Power Of The Dog	
Best Film - Musical/ Comedy	West Side Story	
Best Director	Jane Campion (The Power Of The Dog	
Best Actress - Drama	Nicole Kidman (Being The Ricardos)	
Best Actor - Drama	Will Smith (King Richard)	
Best Actress - Musical/ Comedy	Rachel Zegler (West Side Story)	
Best Actor - Musical/ Comedy	Andrew Garfield (tick, tickBOOM!)	
Best Supporting Actress	Ariana DeBose (West Side Story)	

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Best Supporting Actor	Kodi Smit-McPhee (The Power Of The Dog)	
Best Screenplay	Kenneth Branagh (Belfast)	
Best Foreign Language Film	Drive My Car (Japan)	
Best Animated Feature	Encanto	
Best Original Score	Hans Zimmer	
Best Original Song	No Time To Die from No Time To Die by Billie Eilish, Finneas O'Connell	

# **For the TV Shows**

The complete list of winners who took the trophy **for the TV Series** at the Golden Globe Awards 2022 are given below:

Category of Awards	Winners
Best TV Series - Drama	Succession
Best TV Series - Musical/Comedy	Hacks
Best Miniseries or TV Film	The Underground Railroad
Best Actress - Drama	Michaela Jae (Mj) Rodriguez (Pose)
Best Actor - Drama	Jeremy Strong (Succession)
Best Actress - Musical/Comedy	Jean Smart (Hacks)
Best Actor - Musical/Comedy	Jason Sudeikis (Ted Lasso)
Best Supporting Actress	Sarah Snook (Succession)
Best Supporting Actor	O Yeong-su (Squid Game)
Best Actress in a Miniseries or TV Film	Kate Winslet (Mare Of Easttown)
Best Actor in a Miniseries or TV Film	Michael Keaton (Dopesick)

For the first time since 2008, there was no traditional, televised ceremony. In support of boycotts of the HFPA by various media companies, actors, and other creatives over its lack of action to increase the membership diversity of the organization, the Golden Globes' regular

broadcaster National Broadcasting Company (NBC) declined to televise the 79th Golden Globe Awards.

## 4. 3rd National Water Awards 2020 (Jan. 7, 2022)

Union Minister of Jal Shakti Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat announced 3rd National Water Awards-2020, on 7 January 2022.

- The Award is given by the Union Jal Shakti Ministry every year .
- The first award was announced in 2018.

#### Water Awards 2020

#### **Best State Categories**

First prize Uttar Pradesh , followed by Rajasthan and Tami Nadu.

#### **Best District**

**North Zone :-**Muzaffarnagar, Uttar Pradesh

**South Zone :-**Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala

West Zone:-Indore, Madhya Pradesh

**Eastern Zon**e :-East Champaran, Bihar

North East Zone :-Goalpara, Assam

#### 5. Sahitya Akademi Award 2021 ( Dec. 31, 2021 )

- India's National Academy of Letters popularly known as "Sahitya Akademi" announced its awards for 2021.
- The awards declared are Sahitya Akademi Main Award, Sahitya Academi Yuva Puraskar, and Bal Sahitya Puraskar.
- It is a literary honor that is awarded annually since 1954 to writers of the most outstanding books of literary merit published in any of the 22 languages enumerated in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution of India as well as English and Rajasthani.
- The award comprises a plaque and a cash prize of ₹ 1,00,000.
- The plaque awarded by the Sahitya Akademi was designed by the Indian film-maker Satyajit Ray.

Highlights from Sahitya Akademi Award 2021 -

- Namita Gokhale won the award for the English novel "Things to Leave Behind"
- In 2021 seven books of poetry, five short stories, one each of biography, autobiography, criticism, and epic poetry, and two plays had won the awards
- Some of the other winners include:
  - Daya Prakash Sinha (Hindi) for his play "Samrat Ashok"
  - Anuradha Sarma Pujari (Assamese) Iyat Ekhan Aaronya Asil (Novel) ,
  - Bratya Basu (Bengali)- For his play "Mirjafar O Ananya Natak" (Bratya Basu is the Education Minister of West Bengal),
  - o DS Nagabhushana (Kannada) Gandhi Kathana (Biography),

- Wali Mohd Aseer Kashtawari (Kashmiri) Tawazun (Criticism),
- George Onakkoor (Malayalam) Hrudayaragangal (Autobiography)
- Vindeshwariprasad Mishr "Vinay" (Sanskrit) Srijati Shankhnadam Kil, Kavita (Poetry),
- Niranjan Hansda (Santali) Mane Rena Arhang (Short Stories),
- Ambai (Tamil) Civappuk Kazuttu Tan Oru Paccaip Paravai (Short Ambai Stories)

# 6. RedInk Award for excellence in Journalism ( Dec. 30, 2021 )

- RedInk Awards for Lifetime Achievement has been bestowed on senior journalist and author Prem Shankar Jha, 83, for his long and distinguished career of incisive and analytical writing.
- Danish Siddiqui, who was Reuters' Chief Photographer based in India, has been posthumously awarded the 'Journalist of the Year 2020' for his spectrum of investigative and impactful news photography.
- The RedInk Awards for Excellence in Journalism, instituted by the Mumbai Press Club, have special significance this year as they mark their 10<sup>th</sup> edition of peer recognition for excellent writing and good journalism.
- Chief Justice of India N.V. Ramana was the Chief Guest at the virtual event.

# 7. Zverev named Germany's Sportsman of the Year ( Dec. 22, 2021 )

World's No. 3, Alexander Zverev (24 years old tennis player) of Germany was awarded with the German's Sportsman of the year at the 2021 German Athlete Awards.

- He became the first tennis player, since 1991, to win the award.
- The **75th edition of the awards was organized by the Internationale Sport-Korrespondenz (ISK),** a sports journalist agency in Germany.
- It was held on 19th December 2021 at the prestigious Kurhaus Baden-Boden.

#### 8. Awards ( Dec. 19, 2021 )

## 1. Columbia Journalism School's alumni award

The Columbia Journalism School Alumni Awards are presented every year to distinguished graduates who exemplify the best of the Journalism School's high standards of journalism.

- Recipients of the award:
  - Malini Parthasarathy, the chairperson of The Hindu Group Publishing.
  - **Eric Marcus,** the founder and host of 'Making Gay History' podcast.
  - **Stuart Schear,** the vice-president for communications and marketing at American lewish World Service.
  - **Thomas Maier,** an investigative journalist with Newsday and author.

## 2. Bhutan Confers its highest civilian award on PM Modi

- 1. King of Bhutan, Jigme Khesar Namgyel Wangchuck has conferred its highest civilian award "Order of the Druk Gyalpo" on Prime Minister Narendra Modi on 17th December 2021.
- 2. This was announced on the occasion of Bhutan's 114th National Day.
- 3. In 2020, PM Modi was awarded with the Legion of Merit Award by the President of the United States along with the Prime Minister of Australia Scott Morrison and the former Prime Minister of Japan Shinzo Abe.

## 9. Jnanpith Award for 2020 and 2021 announced ( Dec. 10, 2021 )

- It is the highest literary award in India and is given annually by the Bharatiya Jnanpith to an Indian author for their "outstanding contribution towards literature".
- It is given to Indian writers writing in any of the 22 Indian languages mentioned in the Eighth Schedule of the Indian Constitution.
- The 56th Jnanpith award 2020 was conferred to Assamese poet Nilmani Phookan. He has written Surya Henu Nami Ahe Ei Nodiyedi, Gulapi Jamur Lagna, and Kobita.
- The 57th Jnanpith award 2021 was conferred on Konkani novelist Damodar Mauzo. His famous works are *Karmelin, and Tsunami Simon, and short stories, such as Teresa's Man and Other Stories from Goa, Ganthon.*
- The Jnanpith Award was instituted in 1961 and the first person to get the award was G. Shankar Kurup for his Malayalam poetry collection Odakkuzhal in 1965.

## 10. 33rd Moortidevi Award 2019 to Vishwanath prasad Tiwari (Dec. 19, 2021)

- Eminent Hindi author Vishwanath Prasad Tiwari got the 33rd Moorti Devi award 2019 for his work **"Asti Aur Bhavati**".
- The Moortidevi award is given by Bharatiya Jnanpith to Indian writers writing in any of the 22 Indian languages mentioned in the Eight schedule of the Indian Constitution .
- The first awardee was C.K.Nagaraja Rao for his work Pattamahadevi Shantala Devi written in Kannada 1983.
- First women awardee was Odia writer Pratibha Ray in 1985 for her work Yajnasani
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- No award was given in 2018.