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PRESS NOTE

Sahitya Akademi Bhasha Samman

Sahitya Akademi has announced three Bhasha Sammans to three writers/ scholars for contribution to Classical and Medieval Literature, from the Northern and Southern regions for 2011 and Western region for 2012 as also two Bhasha Sammans to three scholars/writers in languages not recognized by the Akademi i.e Warli and Banjara/ Lambadi in recognition of their contribution to their respective languages.

Sri Mahadeo Savji Andher (Guruji) has been selected for Bhasha Samman for his valuable contribution to the enrichment of **Warli** language and literature.

Prof. Motiraj Bhajnu Rathod and **Dr. Ramchandra Ramesh Arya** have jointly received Bhasha Samman for their valuable contribution to the enrichment of **Banjara/ Lambadi** language and literature.

Sahitya Akademi has selected the following three writers/scholars for the Bhasha Samman in the field of **Classical and Medieval Literature**:

1. **Dr. Vishwanath Tripathi** in recognition of his significant contribution to Classical and Medieval Literature (Northern).
2. **Dr. Puthussery Ramachandran** in recognition of his significant contribution to Classical and Medieval Literature (Southern).
3. **Prof. Sumerchand Kesarichand Jain** in recognition of his significant contribution to Classical and Medieval Literature (Western).

Each of the Bhasha Samman carries a cash prize of Rs. 1,00,000/-, an inscribed copper plaque and citation. In case of joint winner the Samman money will be equally shared by both the winners. The Samman will be presented to them by the President of the Sahitya Akademi at a special function to be held later.

The Bio-datas of the Bhasha Samman Awardees are at Annexure 'A'. The names of the members of the Selection Committees on whose recommendations the Bhasha Samman's were declared are given at Annexure 'B' attached.

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