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**Press Release**

**NATIONAL AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN JOURNALISM, 2023**

**Press Council of India Announces Winners**

The Press Council of India hereby declares the winners of National Awards for Excellence in Journalism, 2023.

**Shri Vishwanath Sachdev**, veteran journalist has been selected in the prestigious category of "**Raja Ram Mohan Roy Award**" for his outstanding contribution towards Journalism and will be venerated with citation.

**Mr. Jitu Kalita**, Correspondent, Niyamiya Barta, for his article titled "जोरहाट मे बहिरागत कंपनी द्वारा विशुद्ध पेयजल आपूर्ति के नाम पर करोड़ों रुपए के घोटाले का आरोप" and **Mr. A.K. Sreejith**, Staff Reporter, Mathrubhumi for his news series titled "**The Climate Change has devastated a migrant farming village economically and socially (translated)**" have been jointly selected in the category of "**Rural Journalism**".

Under the category of "**Developmental Reporting**", **Mr. Reji Joseph**, Special Correspondent, Rashtra Deepika for his news series titled "**The Success stories of the Tribal Women**" and **Ms. Navamy Sudhish**, Principal Correspondent, The Hindu for her article titled "**POCSO Survivors Left to fend for themselves**" have been jointly awarded.

**Mr. Gibi Sam. V.P.**, Photographer, Malayala Manorama Daily and **Mr. Viswajith K**, Photojournalist, Madhyamam Daily for their photos published with captions "**Strength and Care...**" and "**A woman inmate of Kozhikode Kuthiravattom Mental Health Center reaches out her arms to the light outside from the dark inside and shouts out her grief. Symbolises her sorrow and urge to live in a better environment (translated)**" respectively, have been jointly selected in the category of "**Photo Journalism - Single News Picture**".

**Mr. Vivek Nigam**, Senior Photographer, Amar Ujala and **Mr. Subhamoy Bhattacharjee**, Freelance Photojournalist, have been chosen in the category of "**Photo Journalism – Photo Feature**" for their photographic illustrations under the caption "कैंसर मरिजो के लिये बालदान" and "**When a clinic comes sailing**".



Under the category **“Best Newspaper Art : Covering cartoons, caricatures and illustrations”**, **Mr. Shaik Subhani**, Cartoon Editor, Deccan Chronicle and **Mr. Ashok Adepal**, Senior Infographics Designer, The Times of India have been jointly selected for their illustrations published in Deccan Chronicle and The Times of India.

**Mr. Praveen Mishra**, Senior Correspondent, Hindustan, Ranchi and **Mr. Anthony Marcus Mergulhao**, Sports Editor, The Times of India have been jointly awarded in the category of **“Sports Reporting/Sports Photo Feature”** for their publications titled “जेएसएसपीएस :लक्ष्य ओलम्पिक गोल्ड, कोचिंग सहायक कोच व हेल्पर के भरोसे” and **“6 games in 10 days: For third year in a row, Goa’s football matches fixed”** respectively.

**Ms. Jasheena. M**, Senior Reporter, Deshabhimani for her news series titled **“She places, work places”** and **Ms. Remya. K.H.**, Assistant Content Manager, Mathrubhumi for her news series titled **“Oh Themis, open thy eyes”** have been jointly chosen in the category of **“Gender Issue Reporting”**.

This year, **no entry could qualify** under the categories of award **“Finance Reporting”** and **“Reporting in conflict areas”**.

The awards shall be conferred on August 5, 2024, by the Press Council of India. The selection of the awardees was carried out by the Jury comprising of eminent members of the Press Council of India i.e. Shri G. Sudhakar Nair, Convenor; Shri Gurinder Singh, Shri Prakash Dubey, Dr. Baldev Raj Gupta and Ms. Arti Tripathi.

