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2019 Awards & Recognitions – JANUARY

Name of Awards	Award Winner	Field	Points to be noted
Awards in the Field of Literature			
Kabi Samrat Upendra Bhanja National Award for Lifetime Achievement	Manoj Das	English and Odia Litterateur	
Lifetime achievement award	Dinu Randive	Journalist	For his lifelong contributions in journalism, who started his journalistic career in 1956. The award was given by the Mantralaya and Vidhimandal Vartahar Sangh.
Sushila Devi Literature Award in the 'Best Book of Fiction Written by a Woman Author' category	Namita Gokhale	Writer	For her novel "Things to Leave Behind".
Woman's Voice Award with Apeejay Kolkata Literary Festival (AKLF)	Ranjani Murali	Poet	Objective of this award function to recognize and encourage creative writing by women in India.
Saraswati Samman for the year 2017	Sitanshu Yashaschandra	Poet	He was awarded for his poetry collection, 'Vakhar.
Awards in the Field of Politics,Service,Science and Bravery			
Bharat Ratna	Former President Pranab Mukherjee, social activist Nanaji Deshmukh (posthumously) and musician Dr Bhupen Hazarika (posthumously)		President Ram Nath Kovind announced the conferment of the award.
4th annual Carnot Prize	Union Finance Minister Piyush Goyal		This award rewards the works done by Piyush Goyal to reform the electricity sector and extended access to electricity to 19,000 villages.
12th Shankar Vaidya Shree Award	Dr. Rajan Deshpande	Paediatrician	
National Geospatial Award for Excellence - 2017 (Life Time Achievement Award)	Jayanta Kumar Ghosh		For his contribution towards the development of geospatial science and applications.
National Bravery Award	Wahengbam Lamnganba Singh	Bravery	He will be honoured because he had saved his two and half year's old cousin from drowning in a

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Central Board of Irrigation and Power Award-2019	Devineni Umamaheswar Rao		For better planning and construction of Polavaram Irrigation Project o n the Godavari River.
Exhibitor of the Year Award	Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) pavilion		
ICSI's Lifetime Achievement Award	Adi Godrej	Industrialist and Godrej Group Chairman	For 'Translating Excellence in Corporate Governance into Reality' in Mumbai.
First-ever Philip Kotler Presidential award	Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi		The Award focuses on the triple P's of the Nation: People, Profit and Planet.
Franco-German human rights award	Mr Yu Wensheng		
Gandhi Peace Prize for 2018	Yohei Sasakawa	Goodwill Ambassador of WHO	The award will be given to Yohei Sasakawa in recognition of his work towards the eradication of the disease in India and across the world.
2019 Japan Prize	Dr. Rattan Lal		For his contributions in "Biological Production, Ecology". Dr. Yoshio Okamoto was announced to be the recipient of the 2019 Japan Prize on of "Materials and Production" field.
Rosa Park Trailblazer award	Gurinder Singh Khalsa	Indian-American philanthropist and entrepreneur	For his campaign that forced US authorities change their policy towards headgear of the Sikh community.
Sheikh Saud International Prize for Materials Research	CNR Rao		For Materials Research
Sansad Ratna Award	Anurag Thakur	Politician	The total of 11 Parliamentarians was awarded and it is presented by TamilNadu Governor Banwarilal Purohit
Awards in the Field of Sports			
2018 Confederation of African Football Player of the Year award	Mohamed Salah	Footballer	He also won the BBC African Footballer of the Year award for the second time in December 2018.
Awards in the Field of Art and Culture,Films			
National Nritya Shiromani award	Anindita Neogy Anaam	Dancer	This award of national repute has been given in the past to the outstanding Indian classical

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			dance performers and musicians of India and abroad.
Lifetime Achievement Award, in the name of late Satyajit Ray	Buddhadeb Dasgupta	FilmMaker	The award was given by the West Bengal Film Journalists Association (WBFJA) in Kolkata.
Awards for State,Country and Organization			
Social impact award by Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC)	Tetra Pak,India		It won in the category 'Sustainable Environment category'
Best Tableau in Republic Day Parade under central ministries and departments category	Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)		Tripura received the Best Tableau award under the State Category.
Excellence for 'Best in Show'	India		India received the award in New York Times Travel Show 2019.
Best State in Swasth Bharat Yatra	Tamil Nadu		It is organized by Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI).

Other Awards			
60 Superstars of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics) list	Indian-origin women scientists are Onisha Patel, Devika Kamath and Asha Rao		Awarded by Australian government
Legion of Honour - France's highest award	France's football team	Sports	
World Memory Championships	Indian-origin student Dhruv Manoj		He bagged 2gold medals
13th Ramnath Goenka Excellence in Journalism awards	29 winners in 18 categories	Journalism	Home Minister Shri Rajnath singh presented this awards in New Delhi
3rd edition of the National Entrepreneurship Awards (NEA)		Business	Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) hosted the function at the Dr. Ambedkar International Centre, Janpath, New Delhi
National Awards	97 Anganwadi Workers(AWWs)	Social Work	For Exceptional Achievements for the year 2017-18, under Integrated Child

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			Development Scheme (ICDS)
Infosys Prize 2018	1.Mathematical Sciences-Nalini Anantharaman 2.Life Sciences-Roop Mallik 3.Engineering and Computer Science-Navakanta Bhat 4.Humanities -Kavita Singh 5.Physical Sciences -S.K. Satheesh, 6.Social Sciences-Sendhil Mullainathan,	science and research	
Bimal Roy Memorial and Film Society honour	veteran actors Asha Parekh and Farooque Shaikh	Film	
Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar 2019	26 children were shortlisted and 3 institutions	Innovation, Social Service ,Scholastic, Sports, Art & Culture and Bravery carries	The Awards were given in two categories- Bal Shakti Puraskar and Bal Kalyan Puraskar
Numaligar Refinery Limited (NRL)	received best Miniratna PSU in strategic performance financial category award		
Jeevan Raksha Padak series of awards, 2018	48 persons		The award is given in three categories 1.Sarvottam Jeevan Raksha Padak 2.Uttam Jeevan Raksha Padak 3.Jeevan Raksha Padak

Hindu Literary Prize 2018

Category	Winner
Fiction Category	Neelum Saran Gour author of Requiem in Raga Janki
non-fiction category	Manoranjan Byapari author of Interrogating my Chandal Life: An Autobiography of a Dalit
The Hindu Young World-Good Books Award for best book Fiction	Venita Coelho for Boy No: 32
The Hindu Young World-class Good Books Award for best book non-fiction	A Brush with Indian Art of Mamta Nainy
The Hindu Young World-Good Books Award for	Best picture book Story:Vinayak Varma's Angry Akku, Best picture book illustration:Rajiv

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Padma Awards-2019

Padma Vibhushan 2019		
Name	**Field**	**State**
Ms. Teejan Bai	Art-Vocals-Folk	Chhattisgarh
Shri Ismail Omar Guelleh (Foreigner)	Public Affairs	Djibouti
Shri Anilkumar Manibhai Naik	Trade & Industry-Infrastructure	Maharashtra
Shri Balwant Moreshwar Purandare	Art-Acting-Theatre	Maharashtra
Padma Bhushan 2019		
Shri John Chambers (Foreigner)	Trade & Industry-Technology	USA
Shri Sukhdev Singh Dhindsa	Public Affairs	Punjab
Shri Pravin Gordhan (Foreigner)	Public Affairs	South Africa
Shri Mahashay Dharam Pal Gulati	Trade & Industry-Food Processing	Delhi
Shri Darshan Lal Jain	Social Work	Haryana
Shri Ashok Laxmanrao Kukade	Medicine-Affordable Healthcare	Maharashtra
Shri Kariya Munda	Public Affairs	Jharkhand
Shri Budhaditya Mukherjee	Art-Music-Sitar	West Bengal
Shri Mohanlal Viswanathan Nair	Art-Acting-Film	Kerala
Shri S Nambi Narayan	Science & Engineering-Space	Kerala
Shri Kuldip Nayar (Posthumous)	Literature & Education (Journalism)	Delhi
Ms. Bachendri Pal	Sports-Mountaineering	Uttarakhand
Shri V K Shunglu	Civil Service	Delhi
Shri Hukumdev Narayan Yadav	Public Affairs	Bihar

Padma Shri 2019		
Shri Rajeshwar Acharya	Art-Vocal-Hindustani	Uttar Pradesh
Shri Bangaru Adigalar	Others-Spiritualism	Tamil Nadu
Shri Illias Ali	Medicine-Surgery	Assam
Shri Manoj Bajpayee	Art-Acting-Films	Maharashtra
Shri Uddhab Kumar Bharali	Science & Engineering-Grassroots Innovation	Assam
Shri Omesh Kumar Bharti	Medicine-Rabies	Himachal Pradesh
Shri Pritam Bhartwan	Art-Vocals-Folk	Uttarakhand
Shri Jyoti Bhatt	Art-Painting	Gujarat
Shri Dilip Chakravarty	Others-Archaeology	Delhi
Shri Mammen Chandy	Medicine-Hematology	West Bengal
Shri Swapan Chaudhuri	Art-Music-Tabla	West Bengal
Shri Kanwal Singh Chauhan	Others-Agriculture	Haryana
Shri Sunil Chhetri	Sports-Football	Telangana
Shri Dinyar Contractor	Art-Acting-Theatre	Maharashtra
Ms. Muktaben Pankajkumar Dagli	Social Work-Divyang Welfare	Gujarat
Shri Babulal Dahiya	Others-Agriculture	Madhya Pradesh
Shri Thanga Darlong	Art-Music-Flute	Tripura

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Shri Prabhu Deva	Art-Dance	Karnataka
Ms. Rajkumari Devi	Others-Agriculture	Bihar
Ms. Bhagirathi Devi	Public Affairs	Bihar
Shri Baldev Singh Dhillon	Science & Engineering-Agriculture	Punjab
Ms. Harika Dronavalli	Sports-Chess	Andhra Pradesh
Ms. Godawari Dutta	Art-Painting	Bihar
Shri Gautam Gambhir	Sports-Cricket	Delhi
Ms. Draupadi Ghimiray	Social Work-Divyang Welfare	Sikkim
Ms. Rohini Godbole	Science & Engineering-Nuclear	Karnataka
Shri Sandeep Guleria	Medicine-Surgery	Delhi
Shri Pratap Singh Hardia	Medicine- Ophthmology	Madhya Pradesh
Shri Bulu Imam	Social Work-Culture	Jharkhand
Ms. Friederike Irina (Foreigner)	Social Work-Animal Welfare	Germany
Shri Joravarsinh Jadav	Art-Dance Folk	Gujarat
Shri S Jaishankar	Civil Service	Delhi
Shri Narsingh Dev Jamwal	Literature & Education	Jammu & Kashmir
Shri Fayaz Ahmad Jan	Art-Craft-Papier Mache	Jammu & Kashmir
Shri K G Jayan	Art-Music-Bhakti	Kerala
Shri Subhash Kak (Foreigner)	Science & Engineering-Technology	USA
Shri Sharath Kamal	Sports-Table Tennis	Tamil Nadu
Shri Rajani Kant	Social Work	Uttar Pradesh
Shri Sudam Kate	Medicine-Sickle Cell	Maharashtra
Shri Waman Kendre	Art-Acting-Theatre	Maharashtra
Shri Kader Khan (Posthumous-Foreigner)	Art-Acting-Films	Canada
Shri Abdul Gafur Khatri	Art-Painting	Gujarat
Shri Ravindra Kolhe (Duo)*	Medicine-Affordable Healthcare	Maharashtra
Ms. Smita Kolhe (Duo)*	Medicine-Affordable Healthcare	Maharashtra
Ms. Bombayla Devi Laishram	Sports-Archery	Manipur
Shri Kailash Madbaiya	Literature & Education	Madhya Pradesh
Shri Ramesh Babaji Maharaj	Social Work-Animal Welfare	Uttar Pradesh
Shri Vallabhbhai Vasrambhai Marvaniya	Others-Agriculture	Gujarat
Ms. Gita Mehta (Foreigner)	Literature & Education	USA
Shri Shadab Mohammad	Medicine-Dentistry	Uttar Pradesh
Shri K K Muhammed	Others-Archaeology	Kerala
Shri Shyama Prasad Mukherjee	Medicine-Affordable Healthcare	Jharkhand
Shri Daitari Naik	Social Work	Odisha
Shri Shankar Mahadevan Narayan	Art-Vocals-Films	Maharashtra
Shri Shantanu Narayen (Foreigner)	Trade & Industry-Technology	USA
Nartaki Natraj	Art-Dance-Bharatnatyam	Tamil Nadu
Shri Tsering Norboo	Medicine-Surgery	Jammu & Kashmir
Shri Anup Ranjan Pandey	Art-Music	Chhattisgarh
Shri Jagdish Prasad Parikh	Others-Agriculture	Rajasthan

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Shri Ganpatbhai Patel (Foreigner)	Literature & Education	USA
Shri Bimal Patel	Others-Architecture	Gujarat
Shri Hukumchand Patidar	Others-Agriculture	Rajasthan
Shri Harvinder Singh Phoolka	Public Affairs	Punjab
Ms. Madurai Chinna Pillai	Social Work-Microfinance	Tamil Nadu
Ms. Tao Porchon-Lynch (Foreigner)	Others-Yoga	USA
Ms. Kamala Pujhari	Others-Agriculture	Odisha
Shri Bajrang Punia	Sports-Wrestling	Haryana
Shri Jagat Ram	Medicine-Ophthalmology	Chandigarh
Shri R V Ramani	Medicine-Ophthalmology	Tamil Nadu
Shri Devarapalli Prakash Rao	Social Work-Affordable Education	Odisha
Shri Anup Sah	Art-Photography	Uttarakhand
Ms. Milena Salvini (Foreigner)	Art-Dance-Kathakali	France
Shri Nagindas Sanghavi	Literature & Education-Journalism	Maharashtra
Shri Sirivennela Seetharama Sastry	Art-Lyrics	Telangana
Shri Shabbir Sayyad	Social Work-Animal Welfare	Maharashtra
Shri Mahesh Sharma	Social Work-Tribal Welfare	Madhya Pradesh
Shri Mohammad Hanif Khan Shastri	Literature & Education	Delhi
Shri Brijesh Kumar Shukla	Literature & Education	Uttar Pradesh
Shri Narendra Singh	Others-Animal Husbandry	Haryana
Ms. Prashanti Singh	Sports-Basketball	Uttar Pradesh
Shri Sultan Singh	Others-Animal Husbandry	Haryana
Shri Jyoti Kumar Sinha	Social Work-Affordable Education	Bihar
Shri Anandan Sivamani	Art-Music	Tamil Nadu
Ms. Sharada Srinivasan	Others-Archaeology	Karnataka
Shri Devendra Swarup (Posthumous)	Literature & Education-Journalism	Uttar Pradesh
Shri Ajay Thakur	Sports-Kabaddi	Himachal Pradesh
Shri Rajeev Tharanath	Art-Music-Sarod	Karnataka
Ms. Saalumarada Thimmakka	Social Work-Environment	Karnataka
Ms. Jamuna Tudu	Social Work-Environment	Jharkhand
Shri Bharat Bhushan Tyagi	Others-Agriculture	Uttar Pradesh
Shri Ramaswami Venkataswami	Medicine-Surgery	Tamil Nadu
Shri Ram Saran Verma	Others-Agriculture	Uttar Pradesh
Shri Swami Vishudhananda	Others-Spiritualism	Kerala
Shri Hiralal Yadav	Art-Vocals-Folk	Uttar Pradesh
Shri Venkateswara Rao Yadlapalli	Others-Agriculture	Andhra Pradesh

ICC Men's Awards 2018

Player (team)	Category of award
Virat Kohli (India)	Sir Garfield Sobers Trophy for ICC Cricketer of the Year ICC Men's Test Player of the Year ICC Men's ODI Player of the year

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Rishabh Pant	Emerging Player of the year
Kane Williamson(New Zealand)	Spirit of Cricket Award.
Aaron Finch(Australia)	Men's T20I Performance of the Year
Calum Macleod(Scotland)	Associate Cricketer of the Year

ICC Women's Awards 2018

Player (team)	Category of award
Alyssa Healy (Australia)	ICC Women's T20I Player of the Year
Sophie Ecclestone (England)	ICC Women's Emerging Player of the Year
Suzie Bates (New Zealand)	Captain ICC Women's ODI Team of the Year
Smriti Mandhana	'Rachael Heyhoe Flint Award for the Women's Cricketer of the Year' 'Women's ODI Player of the Year
Harmanpreet Kaur	ICC Women's T20I Team of the Year
ICC Women's ODI Team of the Year	Smriti Mandhana (India), Tammy Beaumont (England), Suzie Bates (New Zealand) (captain), Dane van Niekerk (South Africa), Sophie Devine (New Zealand), Alyssa Healy (Australia) (wicketkeeper), Marizanne Kapp (South Africa), Deandra Dottin (Windies), Sana Mir (Pakistan), Sophie Ecclestone (England), Poonam Yadav (India).
ICC Women's T20I Team of the Year	Smriti Mandhana (India), Alyssa Healy (Australia) (wicketkeeper), Suzie Bates (New Zealand), Harmanpreet Kaur (India) (captain), Natalie Sciver (England), Ellyse Perry (Australia), Ashleigh Gardner (Australia), Leigh Kasperek (New Zealand), Megan Schutt (Australia), Rumana Ahmed (Bangladesh), Poonam Yadav (India)

76th Golden Globe Awards held at Beverly Hills, California in USA.

Category	Winner
Best Motion Picture – Drama	Bohemian Rhapsody
Best Motion Picture – Musical or Comedy	Green Book
Best Actor – Drama	Rami Malek for "Bohemian Rhapsody"
Best Actress – Drama	Glenn Close for "The Wife"
Best Actor – Musical or Comedy	Christian Bale for "Vice"
Best Actress – Musical or Comedy	Olivia Colman for "The Favourite"
Best Supporting Actor	Mahershala Ali for "Green Book"
Best Supporting Actress	Regina King for "If Beale Street Could Talk"
Best Director	Alfonso Cuaron for "Roma"
Best Screenplay	Brian Hayes Currie, Peter Farrelly and Nick Vallelonga for "Green Book"
Best Original Score	Justin Hurwitz for "First Man"
Best Original Song	Shallow (A star is Born)
Best Animated Feature Film	Spider-Man: Into the Spider –Verse
Best Foreign Language Film	Roma (Mexico)

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Recognitions

Recognitions	Name of Persons
World's first female amputee to climb Mount Vinson, the highest peak of Antarctica	Arunima Sinha
First Indian and youngest man to climb the seven highest peaks and volcanic summits across all continents	Satyarup Siddhanta
World Economic Forum recognized as 'Manufacturing Lighthouses'	Tata Steel plant at IJmuiden in Netherlands
Honorary membership of the Sydney Cricket Ground (SCG)	Virat Kohli and coach Ravi Shastri
Enters Guinness Book of World Record	Andhra Pradesh's Polavaram project for concrete pouring
Honorary Rank of General of the Indian Army	Sukirtimaya Rashtradeep General Purna Chandra Thapa, Chief of the Army Staff, Nepal Army
Global Thinkers 2019 released by the prestigious Foreign Policy publishing	Topped by Mukesh Ambani Alibaba's founder Jack Ma, Amazon's CEO Jeff Bezos and IMF Head Christine Lagarde also featured in the list
The first Indian athlete to receive a nomination in the prestigious Laureus World Comeback of the Year Award in Monaco, France	Vinesh Phogat
UNESCO named the World Capital of Architecture for 2020	Rio de Janeiro, a city in Brazil
The first serving officer to finish this daunting challenge	Aparna kumar
India's container port got listed in the top 30 container ports	Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (JNPT)
IRCTC's Trains Cleanliness Survey	Southern Railway bagged number one position for cleanliness in the country

2019 Awards & Recognitions – FEBRUARY

Name of Awards	Award Winner	Field	Points to be noted
Awards in the Field of Literature			
Australian literary prize	Behrouz Boochani	Non-fiction Literature	For his book "No Friends But the Mountains"
Awards in the Field of Politics,Service,Science and Bravery			
K.Veeramani Award for Social Justice 2018	P.S. Krishnan	For Social Justice 2018	
Freedom of the City of London	Shri Sanjiv Chadha		For enhancing bilateral relations.
Lifetime Achievement Award	Azim Premji		

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France's Highest Legion d'Honneur	Father Francois Laborde		To recognize his work for specially-abled children in Howrah.
Sena Medals	92 army men including Late Lance Naik Wani		General Ranbir Singh, GOC-in-C (General Officer Commanding) presented the award.
Awards in the Field of Sports			
International Hockey Federation's Players of the Year Awards for 2018.	Eva de Goede from Netherlands won Female Player of the Year		Arthur van Doren of Belgium were titled the and Male Player of the Year
Shiv Chhatrapati life-time achievement award	Uday Deshpande(Mallak hamb coach)		Smriti Mandhana, was awarded with "Shiv Chhatrapati award for players
Football Ratna by Football Delhi	Sunil Chhetri		
2018 Player of the Year award	Harmanpreet Singh		The award is presented by Asian Hockey Federation
Rising Player of The Year	Lalremsiami		The award is presented by Asian Hockey Federation
Lifetime Achievement award at the FMSCI(Federation of Motor Sports Clubs of India)	G.R. Karthikeyan		He is the father of Narain Karthikeyan– India's first Formula One racer.
Awards in the Field of Art and Culture,Films			
Lifetime Achievement Award by Academy of Canadian Cinema and Television	Deepa Mehta		
People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA)'s Oscat award	Bradley Cooper		For casting his own dog, rather than one supplied by animal exhibitors, in his movie A Star is Born
Rabindranath Tagore Award for Cultural Harmony for the year 2014, 2015 and 2016	Shri Rajkumar Singhajit Singh(2014), Chhayanaut(2015), Shri Ram Sutar Vanji(2016)		
2019's META Lifetime Achievement Award	Mahesh Elkunchwar		The award will be presented during 14th Mahindra Excellence in Theatre Awards (META) festival to be held in New Delhi
Awards for State,Country,Banks and Organization			
Aegis Graham Bell Award	Uniphore Software Systems	Innovation in Data Science	For its flagship product auMina.
Miniratna Category by Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME)	National Film Development Corporation of India (NFDC)		In recognition for their work in promoting SC/ST entrepreneurs.

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Aegis Graham Bell Award 2018	Yes Bank	Innovation in Data Science	For their industry-first project 'Yes EEE (Engage Enrich Excel)'
Swachhata Excellence Awards 2019	Raigarh (1st prize)		Ambikapur (2nd prize) and Kumbakonam (3rd prize)
FICCI CSR Award	Jindal Steel and Power Ltd (JSPL)		For Women Empowerment for its innovative and high impact women empowerment programmes, implemented by the company's CSR Arm – JSPL Foundation, across its operational areas in India.
Energy and Environment Foundation Global Clean Awards-2019	Oil and Natural Gas Corporation(ONGC)		For sustained efforts in pursuit of Swachh Bharat Mission
Saubhagya Award under Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana	Central Zone Power Distribution Company (CZPDC), Bhopal and West Zone Power Distribution Company (WZPDC), Indore		
Other important Awards			
Best marching contingent award	Gorkha Brigade	Republic Day Parade	CRPF won the best marching contingent prize for the para-military forces
Award of Appreciation	Rajiv Nath		For his contribution to the Global Public Healthcare sector in New Delhi.
Dan David Prize	Sanjay Subrahmanyam	Past time dimension	For his work in macro history.
EY Entrepreneur of the year 2018	Siddhartha Lal		Recognizing his efforts to resurrect the Royal Enfield motorcycle brand in India.
International human rights prize	Abdul Aziz Muhamat	For exposing "the very cruel asylum seeker policy of the Australian Government"	
Gandhi Peace Prize	2015 – Vivekanand Kendra, Kanyakumari 2016 – Akshaya Patra Foundation and Sulabh International (jointly) 2017 – Ekal Abhiyan Trust 2018 – Yohei Sasakawa.		
National Youth Parliament Festival	1st position- Shweta Umre from		2nd position- Anjanakshi M.S from Karnataka 3rd position-Mamta

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2019 Awards	Maharashtra		Kumari from Bihar.Award is given during the festival National Youth Parliament Festival 2019 with the theme: "Be the Voice of New India" and "Find solutions and contribute to policy"

Sangeet Natak Akademi Awards for 2017:

MUSIC	
Category	**Winner**
Hindustani Vocal Music	Lalith J. Rao
Hindustani Vocal Music	Umakant & Ramakant Gundecha (Gundecha Brothers — Joint Award)
Hindustani Instrumental Music — Tabla	Yogesh Samsi
Hindustani Instrumental — Shehnai/Flute	Rajendra Prasanna
Carnatic Vocal Music	M.S. Sheela
Carnatic Instrumental Music — Veena	Suma Sudhindra
Carnatic Instrumental Music — Mridangam	Tiruvarur Vaidyanathan
Carnatic Instrumental Music — Flute	Shashank Subramanyam
Other Major Traditions Of Music — Sugam Sangeet	Madhurani
Other Major Traditions Of Music — Sugam Sangeet	Haimanti Sukla
Other Major Traditions Of Music — Gurbani	Gurnam Singh
DANCE	
Category	**Winner**
Bharatanatyam	Rama Vaidyanathan
Kathak	Shobha Koser
Kathakali	Madambi Subramanian Namboothiri
Manipuri	L.N. Oinam Ongbi Dhoni Devi
Kuchipudi	Deepika Reddy
Odissi	Sujata Mohapatra
Sattriya	Ramkrishna Talukdar
Chhau	Janmejoy Sai Babu
Music For Dance	Ashit Desai
THEATRE	
Category	**Winner**
Playwriting	Abhiram Damodar Bhadkamkar
Direction	Sunil Ganesh Shanbag
Direction	Bapi Bose
Acting	Hema Singh
Acting	Deepak Virat Tiwari
Acting	Anil Tickoo
Allied Theatre Arts — Stagecraft	Nuruddin Ahmed
Allied Theatre Arts — Lighting	Avtar Sahni
Other Major Traditions Of Theatre — Shumang Leela	Shougrakpam Hemanta Singh
TRADITIONAL / FOLK / TRIBAL MUSIC / DANCE / THEATRE AND PUPPETRY	
Category	**Winner**
Folk Music, Rajasthan	Anwar Khan Manganiyar
Folk Arts, Maharashtra	Prakash Sahadeo Khandge
Traditional Music — Khol, Assam	Jagannath Bayan
Folk Music, Bihar	Ramchandra Manjhi

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Folk Theatre, Chhattisgarh	Rakesh Kumar Tiwari
Folk Music (Baul), West Bengal	Parvathy Baul
Folk Music, Punjab	Sarvjeet Kaur
Folk Music, Mizoram	K.C. Runremsangi
Folk Music, Jharkhand	Mukund Nayak
Puppetry, West Bengal	Sudip Gupta
OVERALL CONTRIBUTION / SCHOLARSHIP IN THE PERFORMING ARTS	
Category	**Winner**
Scholarship	Vijay Verma
Overall Contribution — Dance	Sandhya Purecha

61st Annual Grammy Awards:

The Award Ceremony held in Royal Albert Hall,London, United Kingdom.

Category	Winner
Album of the Year	Golden Hour by Kacey Musgraves
Record of the Year	"This is America", Childish Gambino
Best New Artist	Dua Lipa
Best Rap Album	Invasion of Privacy by Cardi B
Best R&B Album Winner	H.E.R.
Best Rap Song	"God's Plan" by Drake
Best Country Album	Golden Hour by Kacey Musgarves
Song of the Year	"This is America", Childish Gambino
Best Rock Album	From the Fires by Greta Van Fleet
Best Rock Song	"Masseducation" by St. Vincent
Dance/Electronic Album	Woman Worldwide, Justice
Producer of the Year	Blanton Alspaugh
Best Music Video	"This is America", Childish Gambino
Best Country Song	"Space Cowboy" by Kacey Musgraves
Best Folk Song	All Ashore by Punch Brothers
Best Comedy Album	Equanimity & the Bird Revelation by Dave Chappelle

72nd British Academy of Film and Television Arts Awards:

The award ceremony held in Royal Albert Hall,London, United Kingdom.

Category	Winner
Best Film	Roma
Best Director	Alfonso Cuaron (Roma)
Best Actress	Olivia Colman (The Favourite)
Best Actor	Rami Malek (Bohemian Rhapsody)
Best Supporting Actress	Rachel Weisz (The Favourite)
Best Supporting Actor	Mahershala Ali (Green Book)
Outstanding British Film	The Favourite
Best Animated Film	Spiderman : into the Spider-verse
Best British Short Animation	Roughhouse
Best British Short Film	73 Cows
Best Documentary	Free Solo
Outstanding Debut By a British Writer, Director or Producer	Beast-Michael Pearce (Writer/Director Category), Lauren Dark (Producer)
Best Film Not in the English Language	Roma
Best Costume Design	The Favourite

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Best Makeup and Hair	The Favourite
Best Production Design	The Favourite
Best Editing	Vice
Best Cinematography	Roma
Best Special Visual Effects	Black Panther
Best Original Screen Play	The Favourite – Deborah Davis, Tony McNamara
Best Adapted Screenplay	BlacKkKlansman – Spike Lee, David Rabinowitz, Charlie Dachtel, Kevin Willmott
Best Sound	Bohemian Rhapsody
Best Original Music	A Star is Born
Outstanding British Contribution to Cinema	Number 9 Films (Elizabeth Karlsen and Stephen Woolley)
EE Rising Star Award	Letitia Wright
BAFTA Fellowship	Thelma Schoonmaker

Laureus Sports Awards 2019:

- Laureus World Sports Awards 2019 were announced at the Laureus Awards Ceremony in Monaco.

Category	Winner	Sport	Country
Sportsman of the Year	Novak Djokovic	Tennis	Serbia
Sportswoman of the Year	Simone Biles	Gymnastics	USA
Team of the Year	France's Football Team	Football	France
Comeback of the Year	Tiger Woods	Golf	USA
Breakthrough of the Year	Naomi Osaka	Tennis	Japan
Action Sportsperson of the Year	Chloe Kim	Snowboarding	USA
Lifetime Achievement Award	Arsene Wenger	Football (Manager)	France
Spirit of Sport Award	Lindsey Vonn	Skiing	USA
Exceptional Achievement Award	Eliud Kipchoge	Running	Kenya
Sporting Moment of the Year	Xia Boyu	Mountain Climbing	China
Sport for Good Award	Jharkhand based NGO – Yuwa	Football	India

Overview Of The 91st Academy Awards (Oscars 2019)

- The award is presented in Dolby Theatre in Hollywood, Los Angeles, California.

Category	Winner
Best picture	Green Book
Best actress	Olivia Colman – The Favourite
Best actor	Rami Malek – Bohemian Rhapsody
Best supporting actress	Regina King – If Beale Street Could Talk
Best supporting actor	Mahershala Ali – Green Book
Best director	Alfonso Cuaron – Roma
Best original screenplay	Nick Vallelonga, Brian Currie and Peter Farrelly – Green Book
Best adapted screenplay	Charlie Wachtel, David Rabinowitz, Kevin Willmott and Spike Lee – BlacKkKlansman
Best animated feature	Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse
Best foreign language film	Roma – Mexico
Best documentary feature	Free Solo
Best original song	Shallow (A Star Is Born) – Lady Gaga, Mark Ronson, Anthony Rossomando and Andrew Wyatt
Best original score	Ludwig Goransson – Black Panther
Best production design	Hannah Beachler and Jay Hart – Black Panther

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Best costume design	Ruth E Carter – Black Panther
Best cinematography	Alfonso Cuaron – Roma
Best visual effects	Paul Lambert, Ian Hunter, Tristan Myles and JD Schwalm – First Man
Best make-up and hairstyling	Greg Cannom, Kate Biscoe and Patricia DeHaney – Vice
Best sound editing	John Warhurst and Nina Hartstone – Bohemian Rhapsody
Best sound mixing	Paul Massey, Tim Cavagin and John Casali – Bohemian Rhapsody
Best film editing	John Ottman – Bohemian Rhapsody
Best animated short	Bao
Best documentary short	Period. End of Sentence.
Best live action short	Skin

Overview of "Digital India Awards 2018"

- The Digital India Awards are aimed at encouraging Government entities, which have made significant contributions towards the implementation of e-Governance and shown an exemplary & innovative approach to achieve administrative efficiency and transparency. Union Minister of Electronics & IT, Law & Justice,Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad, conferred 35 "Digital India Awards 2018" under different categories. **Read full details of awards here**

Bharat Ratna and Padma Awards cannot be used as Titles

- On replying to a written question in Lok Sabha, Minister of State for Home Shri Hansrah Gangaram Ahir said that National Awards, such as Bharat Ratna, Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan and Padma Shri do not amount to titles within the meaning of Article 18(1) of the Constitution and hence, cannot be used as prefixes or suffixes to the name of the recipient.

National e-Governance Awards 2019 was presented by Shri Jitendra Singh

- Minister of state in Prime Minister's office, Dr. Jitendra Singh presented National e-Governance Awards 2019 in New Delhi with a view to recognize and promote excellence in implementation of e-Governance initiatives.

Recognitions

Recognitions	Name of Persons
Hurun India Philanthropy list	Mukesh Ambani ranked 1st with donation amount of 437 crores.He is followed by the chairman of the Piramal Group, Ajay Piramal who donated 200 crores.
First woman to climb Agasthyarkoodam peak in Kerala	Dhanya Sanal K.
Global Top Employer	Tata Consultancy Services (TCS)
50 Most Innovative Companies	Jio Saavn, 1st rank among Indian companies and 28th rank globally in the 2019
First Indian Woman to be honoured with the "Global Future of Nature Award" for her work on marine conservation	Divya Karnad

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2019 Awards & Recognitions – MARCH

Name of Awards	Award Winner	Field	Points to be noted
Awards in the Field of Literature & Academics			
Windham-Autgor RaghuCampbell	Raghu Karnad	Author	For his debut book, 'Farthest Field: An Indian story of Second World War', published in the year 2015 in non-fiction category.
Vyas Samman 2018	Leeladhar Jagudi	Writer	For his collection of poems "Jitne Log Utne Prem" published in 2013. He also authored several poetry anthologies. The award carries an amount of Rs. 4 lakhs and it was started by K K Birla foundation in 1991.
Abel Prize(Nobel prize of mathematics)	Karen Uhlenbeck	Mathematician	She was recognized for her work in the field of gauge theory and geometric analysis.
Global Teacher Prize for 2019	Peter Tabichi	Kenyan math and physics teacher	At a ceremony in Dubai hosted by Hollywood actor, Hugh Jackman.
Awards in the Field of Politics,Social Service,Science and Bravery			
2019 Missile Systems Award	Satheesh Reddy		The other co-winner is Rondell J. Wilson who is a former Principal Engineering Fellow of Raytheon Missile Systems.
Yashwantrao Chavan National Award 2018	Raghuram Rajan	For his contribution towards economic development	
Harry Hatry Award	Prajapati Trivedi	For Performance Management	He was the Commonwealth's Director of Economic, Youth and Sustainable Development, by the American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) and the Center for Accountability and Performance (CAP).
Social Enterprise Network (SEN) sustainability award	Sona Yukti	For helping youth to develop skills	It is the only Indian organisation to be selected as part of the SEN awards for 2018.
Commonwealth Youth Award	Padmanaban Gopalan	For his work towards Zero Hunger	He was the founder of No Food Waste, was named the winner of the Commonwealth Youth Award for the Asian region worth 3,000 Pounds.
Nari Shakti Puraskar	Seema Mehta	Women empowerment	
DD Mahila Kisan Award 2018-19	Swati Shingade		The Kisan Channel has provided a platform to the women farmers and the main purpose of the channel is to make aware the people about the

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			various schemes of the government.
BusinessLine Changemaker Of The Year award	Arun Jaitley	For successfully introducing the Goods and Services Tax (GST)	The 2nd edition of BusinessLine Changemaker Awards ceremony held at the Leela Palace, New Delhi.
Uttam Yudh Seva Medal	Anil Kumar Bhatt		For successfully organizing the counter-terrorist operations in Jammu & Kashmir. The Gallantry Awards and Distinguished Service Decorations were conferred by President Ram Nath Kovind at the Defence Investiture Ceremony,which was held at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi.
Martha Farrell award for Excellence in Women's Empowerment 2019	Manu Gulati	Teacher	For promoting gender quality and women's empowerment.
Awards in the Field of Sports			
l–League Champion by All India Football Federation (AIFF)	Chennai City FC	Football	The I-League aka Hero I-League is the men's top most professional football league in India. The owner of Chennai City FC is Rohit Ramesh. Chennai City FC player Pedro Manzi and Churchill Brothers FC player Willis Plaza won the I-League special awards as the top goal scorer.
Telangana Sports Journalist Association (TSJA)	Saina Nehwal as sportsperson of the year, Pullella Gopichand as Coach of the Year and PV Sindhu as Outstanding Performer in women's section.		Badminton Association of Telangana received Association of the Year award, at the Annual Telangana Sports Journalist Association Awards held in Hyderabad.
Awards in the Field of Art and Culture,Films			
Pritzker Architecture Prize 2019	Arata Isozaki		He is the 8th Japanese and 46th Pritzker laureate to be honoured with this award. He integrated the East and West in his creative designs.
Kusumagraj Rashtriya Sahitya Puruskar	Ved Rahi		The award carries a cash prize of Rs. 1 Lakh, A memento and a citation.
22nd Gollapudi Srinivas National Award	C Prem Kumar	Director	The award is presented to debutant filmmaker by Gollapudi Srinivas Memorial Foundation in the memory of Gollapudi Srinivas who passed away while making his first project.

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2019 Peabody Career Achievement honour	Rita Moreno	Actress	The award recognized her commitment to electronic media that has left an indelible mark on the field.
Awards for State,Country,Banks and Organization			
National Water Awards	Department of geology at Kakatiya University, Warangal Telangana	Best campus in India in terms of water usage.	Nithin Gadkari presented 82 National Water Awards in 14 categories for the year 2018 at a ceremony held in New Delhi.
Sarvashreshtha Suraksha Puraskar(Bronze trophy)	Parijat Industries		The award is given by by National Safety Council of India (NSCI) for the year 2018.
25th Prime Minister's Trophy	Tata Steel Limited, Jamshedpur Works for the year 2016-17.	Steel Industry	The Steel Minister's Trophy was conferred upon JSW Steel Limited – Vijayanagar Works.
Non-Life Insurer of the Year Award 2019 by ASSOCHAM	Bharti AXA General Insurance		
2018 SKOCH Award	Odisha State Disaster Management Authority (OSDMA)		For its remarkable achievements in the field of disaster management
Best Bank Award from Tamil Nadu State Government	Indian Bank		For successfully meeting the needs of women's self-help groups (SHGs).
Green Era Award for Sustainability	TVS Motor		The company also won the 'Quality and Business Excellence Award' for its unmatched product quality.
Swachh Survekhshan 2019 Awards	Indore	Cleanest City	Indore bagged award for cleanest city for third straight year in Swachh Survekshan.
Golden Peacock Innovative Product Award – 2019	ACKO General Insurance	For their "Ola Ride Insurance"	Ola Ride Insurance is a first of its kind insurance in the Indian market where Acko partnered with the leading ride-sharing company, Ola.
Best Domestic Water Purifier Award 2018-19	Kent RO Systems Pvt. Ltd.	For its RO+UV+UF technology	The Water Digest Water Awards are given jointly by the Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation and UNESCO.
Gold Rating by Indian Green Building Council	Vijayawada railway station	Cleanliness	This Railway Station was ranked fourth in the Indian Railways for cleanliness among A-1 category stations and also it has 100 percent LED lighting, five star rated fans, pumps, and motors and solar water heating systems.
Other important Awards			
2019 National STEM Education Award	Kavya Kopparapu		She has been awarded for her significant invention in enhancing

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			treatments of glioblastoma– which is the deadliest form of brain cancer. The prize money for STEM amounts to $10,000.
Kalam Innovation in Governance Award 2019 in the third edition of Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Summit on Innovation and Governance			He also started 75 new Kalam Digital Libraries spread across the country, which will be serving as centers for no-cost digital based learning in schools.
Airport Service Quality (ASQ) award	Biju Patnaik International Airport (BPIA)	Best airport in size and region (2-5 million passengers in Asia-Pacific) for the year 2018	Indira Gandhi International (IGI) airport declared as the best airport in the category of over "40 million passengers per annum (MPPA)". It has been chosen for the award by the Airports Council International.
TV Cinema Spot award in the International Golden City Gate Tourism Awards 2019	Ministry of Tourism, Government of India		The awards were received by Shri Yogendra Tripathi, Secretary, Tourism.
Chameli Devi Jain Award 2018	Priyanka Dubey	Outstanding women journalist	She was chosen for her multi-faceted, interrogative and investigative reports. She helped to uncover the reality underlying in the social and political issues.
The World's Best'	Lydian Nadhaswaram	Pianist	He won the prize of $1 million (6.9 crore) for his performance on the American reality show 'The World's Best'.
Hans-Kilian Award 2019	Ashis Nandy	Political psychoanalyst	
2019 Templeton Prize	Marcelo Gleiser	Brazilian physicist and astronomer	For combining science and spirituality in his work. He is the first Latin American to win the award, which is given for exceptional contribution for directing life's spiritual dimension.
Turing Award 2018(Nobel Prize of computing)	Yoshua Bengio, Geoffrey Hinton, and Yann LeCun		They recognized their work for developing the AI (Artificial intelligence) subfield of deep learning. The troika has developed a base for the recent growth of AI technologies, through their work in the 1990s and 2000.
University of Oxford's world-famous Bodleian Libraries	Amartya Sen	Economist	For his contribution in literature, culture, science, and communication.
Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Award	Rajendra Kumar Joshi	Founder and chairman of the RUJ Group	He was mainly credited with developing path-breaking medicine Tecfidera (BG12) for multiple

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			sclerosis.

Prayagraj Kumbha Mela 2019 makes it to the Guinness World Records

- Prayagraj Kumbh Mela 2019 organised from 15th January 2019- 4th March 2019 in Prayagraj (formerly Allahabad), Uttar Pradesh has made it to the Guinness World Records in three sectors. These sectors are:
  - The largest traffic and crowd management plan.
  - The biggest painting exercise of public sites under "Paint My City" scheme.
  - The biggest sanitation and waste disposal mechanism.

Maneka Gandhi felicitated the 30 winners of the 'Web Wonder Women' contest

- The Union Minister for Women and Child Development, Maneka Gandhi, felicitated the 30 winners of the 'Web Wonder Women' contest organized by the Ministry of Women and Child Development in New Delhi. Maneka Gandhi, along with a panel of 10 judges, finalized the names of 30 women who have impacted and influenced society through social media.

3 Kirti Chakras and 15 Shaurya Chakras awarded by the President to Army Personnel

- President Ram Nath Kovind conferred 3 Kirti Chakras and 15 Shaurya Chakras to Armed Forces Personnel at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi. 15 Param Vishisht Seva Medals, 1 Uttam Yudh Seva Medal and 25 Ati Vishisht Seva Medals were also conferred.

An Overview of 64th Film fare Awards 2019

- The 64th Filmfare Awards 2019 was held at Jio Garden, BKC, Mumbai. Best Actor in a Leading Role (Male) presented to Ranbir Kapoor (Sanju) while Best Actor in a Leading Role (Female) conferred upon Alia Bhatt (Raazi).**Click here to read the whole winners**

Lalit Kala Academy announces 60th National Academy Awards winners

- Lalit Kala Akademi (LKA) announced 15 winners of the 60th Annual Academy Awards. All the awardees will be honoured with a plaque, a shawl and prize money of Rs 1 lakh at the 60th National Exhibition of Art, at the National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA) and Sir JJ School of Art, Mumbai.**Click here to read the entire winner list.**

Recognitions

Recognitions	Name of Persons
First Indian-origin woman to be honoured with a Blue Plaque	Noor Inayat Khan- British Indian World War II spy
First Indian to join top 10 richest list of Hurun Research	Mukesh Ambani
2019 World's Most Ethical Companies	Tata Steel
Knighthood for his services to cricket from Queen	Alastair Cook
Historic Guinness World Record in yoga- over 1,000 people performed the Virabathrasan or the Warrior II Pose for 3 minutes	Hong Kong
Youngest ever self-made billionaire	Kylie Jenner
Forbes World's Billionaires list	Amazon's Jeff Bezos-1st Mukesh Ambani-13th
Third-richest person of the world, on the Bloomberg Billionaires Index	Bernard Arnault
Geographical Indication (GI) tag	• Marayoor jaggery from Idukki, Kerala • 'Sirsi Supari' from Uttar Kannada, Karnataka. • Coorg Arabica Coffee, Wayanad Robusta Coffee, Chikmagalur Arabica Coffee, Araku Valley Arabica

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	Coffee and Bababudangiris Arabica Coffee. • Erode turmeric
World's oldest living person by Guinness World Records	Kane Tanaka
Guinness Book of World Records	Lakshyaraj Singh Mewar
List of Young Global Leaders, World Economic Forum (WEF)	Nara Lokesh, BJP MP Poonam Mahajan,Manu Kumar Jain, Phanindra Sama, Piyush Tewari and Sucharita Mukherjee
Barbie doll modelled after her	Ace gymnast Dipa Karmakar
2019's ESPN World Fame 100 list	Virat Kohli and former captain Mahendra Singh Dhoni are among the 8 Indian cricketers. Portuguese footballer Cristiano Ronaldo is at the top spot, followed by basketball player LeBron James and FC Barcelona captain Lionel Messi.
Forbes World's Richest Sports Team Owners 2019	Mukesh Ambani topped the list. He bought the IPL team Mumbai Indians for over $100 million in 2008 through RIL's 100 percent subsidiary IndiaWin Sports.
100 Most Influential People in Climate Policy	Seven Indian names including Union Ministers Piyush Goyal and Dr Harsh Vardhan
Forest certification scheme 'Certification Standard for Sustainable Forest Management (SFM)	Global recognition by a Geneva based non-profit firm, Programme for Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC)
World's highest polling station	Tashigang

2019 Awards & Recognitions – APRIL

Name of Awards	Award Winner	Field	Points to be noted
Awards in the Field of Literature & Academics			
Maharshi Badrayan Vyas Samman 2019	Dr. Gyanaditya Shakya	literature	He was conferred the award for his outstanding contribution in the field of Pali language and literature.
Saraswati Samman 2018	K Siva Reddy	Poetry	For his collection of poetry titled 'Pakkaki Ottigilite'
2019 Citi Journalistic Excellence Awards	Mint's Teena Thacker		She has been conferred with this award for her long story titled 'How Johnson & Johnson is scooting from the hip' in Mint.
Cano Press Freedom Prize 2019	Kyaw Soe Oo and Wa Lone	Journalist	For recognizing their commitment, courage and resistance to freedom of expression.
Pulitzer Prize 2019	"The Overstory" by Richard Powers		The Pulitzer Prize for Journalism was awarded to Staff of the South Florida Sun Sentinel under Public service Category.List of Awards.
Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant Award	Sunil Kumar Gautam		For writing 'Samvidhan Kavya', a poetic verse of the Indian Constitution

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Second edition of Rabindranath Tagore Literary Prize 2019	Rana Dasgupta		For his 2010 novel "Solo".
Awards in the Field of Politics,Social Service,Science and Bravery			
Zayed Medal	PM Narendra Modi	For boosting the bilateral ties between India & UAE	This is United Arab Emirates's highest civilian honour.
Awards in the Field of Sports			
Asian Tour's Special Achievement Award	Dr. Pawan Munjal		For his contributions to Asian Golf
ESPN India Awards 2018's Sportsperson of the Year (Male)	Neeraj Chopra (Javelin throw)		Sportsperson of the Year (Female)-PV Sindhu (Badminton), Emerging Sportsperson of the Year-Saurabh Chaudhary (Pistol Shooting),Coach of the Year-Jaspal Rana (Pistol Shooting), Comeback of the Year-Saina Nehwal (Badminton),Match of the Year-Amit Panghal (Boxing),Team of the Year-Women Table Tennis team,Differently-abled Athlete of the year-Ekta Bhyan (Para-athletics),Lifetime Achievement award Pradip Kumar 'PK' Banerjee (Football),Moment of the Year-Women's 4*400m relay team
Wisden Cricketers' Almanack 2019(Male)	Virat Kohli	Cricketer	Smriti Mandhana bagged the women's Leading Cricketer of the year for the first time while Indian men's team captain was named for the third straight year.
Outstanding achievement as a player award	Gaganjeet Bhullar	Golfer	31 year old Bhullar was awarded Arjuna Award in 2013.
Football Writers' Association (FWA) Footballer of the Year 2019	Raheem Sterling	Footballer	Nikita Parris won the FWA's Women's footballer of the year 2019 award.
Awards in the Field of Art and Culture,Films			
Deenanath Mangeshkar Award 2019	Madhur Bhandarkar		Salim Khan and dancing diva Helen was also felicitated.To encourage legends from the fields of music, drama, art and social work.
Awards for State,Country,Banks and Organization			
Global Slag Company of the Year	Tata Steel	Business	For its innovative practices in the development of new applications for Steel by-products (Slag)
Lifetime Contribution to Media category by All India Management Association (AIMA)	Mahendra Mohan Gupta	Business	He is the Chairman & Managing Director of Jagran Prakashan Ltd and Editorial Director of Dainik Jagran. The Lifetime Contribution Award was also

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Managing India Awards 2019			awarded to Azim H Premji, Chairman, Wipro Limited. **Read full detail of awards here:**
Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Nobel Award by International Human Rights Council	Sudhanshu Kumar	Business	While his agency Digital Sukoon, named as the Best Digital Agency of the Year 2019.
Celent Model Bank 2019	Fincare Small Finance Bank (SFB)	Organization	The award recognizes LAP (Loans against Property) D.Lite, which is a tab-based solution designed and developed in-house by Fincare SFB for instant underwriting of loans against property targeted at micro and small enterprises.
National Intellectual Property Award 2019	Kerala Agricultural University (KAU)	Organization	For its contributions in best facilitation for registration of Geographical Indications and promotion of registered GI in the country.
Swacchta Pakhwada Award 2019	All India Radio, Publication Division and Children's Film Society of India	Organization	The award was given by Amit Khare, Secretary Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.
Intellectual Property Award 2019	Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology (SCTIMST)		The award was given under the category of "Top Indian R&D Institution and Organisation for Patents & Commercialisation".
Other important Awards			
John drinks Canada Gairdner Global Health award	Vikram patel	Health	For his research career raising the global profile of mental health problems
The Next Billion Edtech Prize 2019	Dost Education'	Education Technology Startup	The other winners for this prize were Ubongo from Tanzania and PraxiLabs from Egypt.
Lifetime Achievement Award 2019 during 4th APJ Abdul Kalam Innovation Conclave	A K Singh	Scientist	The conclave was organised by the university to note World Creativity and Innovation Day.
World Press Photo of the Year	John Moore	"For theImage of Crying Girl on the Border"	The little girl in this picture name Yanela and her mother Sandra Sanchez illegally crossed the US-Mexican border last year.
AIAA Neil Armstrong Best Design Award	KIET Group of Institutions in Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh		Team from Lovely Professional University in Phagwara, Punjab, received "STEM Engagement Award". The Mukesh Patel School of Technology Management and Engineering, Mumbai, Maharashtra, received the "Frank Joe Sexton

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			Memorial Pit Crew Award"
UN Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS)'s Medals of Honour	150 Indian peacekeepers	For serving the mission with extreme dedication and sacrifice.	
UK's Royal Society	Yusuf Hamied (82)		For his effort to produce low-cost drugs to treat diabetes, cancer and other diseases.
Cleveland Hall of Fame	Sree N Sreenath		Other are Paul Burick, Ingrida Bublys, Dr. Akram Boutros, Richard Fleischman and Marilyn Madigan.
World Press Freedom Hero award in 2019	Cyril Almeida	Journalist	For his "critical" and "tenacious coverage" of the civil-military relations in Pakistan. And also MadaMasr, an Egyptian news site
National (IP) Intellectual Property Award, 2019	Benny Antony		He is the inventor of BCM-95, the world's leading patented turmeric extract formulation.
'Compassionate Kid' award 2019 by People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals(PETA) India	Derek C Lalchhanhima		Saved the life of a chicken
Prasanna Kumar Rao	Corporate Excellence award	Enterpreneur	The prestigious Asia Pacific Entrepreneurship Award (APEA) from Enterprise Asia is a regional award recognition programme that recognizes entrepreneurial excellence.

Recognitions

Recognitions	Name of Persons
First Inductee of Comic-Con Museum's Character Hall of Fame	Batman
Geographical Indications (GI) tag	Odisha's Kandhamal Haldi (turmeric)
World's oldest person to play in a professional soccer	Isaak Hayik
First railway station to get an ISO (International Organisation for Standardisation) certification	Guwahati Railway Station
New Zealand Prime Minister's Sir Edmund Hillary Fellowship for 2019	Deepa Malik
Freedom of the City of London	Alice G. Vaidyan
Recognised in theWorld Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) awards of the United Nations (UN)	"Utkarsh Bangla" (Skill training of the youth) and "Sabooj Sathi" (cycles for students)
"Order of Saint Andrew the Apostle", by Russia	Prime Minister Narendra Modi
TIME Magazine's 100's most influential people list	Reliance Industries Chairman Mukesh Ambani, public interest litigators Arundhati Katju and Menaka Guruswamy who fought the legal battle for LGBTQ rights
Best cinematography award in Beijing International Film Festival	Bhayanakam (Fear)
India's first retail company	Reliance Industries

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First Indian Women In 359 Years To Join Royal Society	Gagandeep Kang
Fortune magazine's 2019 list of world's 100 greatest leaders	Arunachalam Muruganantham (He ranked in 45th rank).The list was topped by Bill and Melinda Gates.
South Africa's Order of Ikhamanga in the Silver Division for his contribution to cricket	Jacques Kallis
First Indian wrestler invited by the American governing body to take part in the "Grapple at the Garden — Beat the Streets" fight night	Bajrang Punia
Forbes' inaugural Blockchain 50 List	MetLife

2019 Awards & Recognitions – MAY

Name of Awards	Award Winner	Field	Points to be noted
Awards in the Field of Literature & Academics			
Man Booker International Prize 2019	Jokha Alharthi	Novel	She is the first Arabic author to win the award.The award was presented for her novel "Celestial Bodies". The novel contains the story of three sisters in an Omani village.It is translated by Marilyn Booth in English.
2019's Swansea University International Dylan Thomas Prize	Guy Gunaratne	Novel	He won for his debut novel 'Mad and Furious City' in Wales, United Kingdom. He received the cash prize of £30,000.
Nine Dots Prize 2019	Annie Zaidi	Essay	For her essay "Bread, Cement, Cactus." She won the cash prize of USD 100,000 (Rs 69.83 lakh).
Awards in the Field of Politics,Social Service,Science and Bravery			
Goldman Environmental Prize 2019	➢ Bayarjargal Agvaantseren from Mongolia ➢ Alfred Brownell from Liberia ➢ Ana Colovic Lesoska from North Macedonia ➢ Alberto Curamil from Chile ➢ Jacqueline Evans from Cook Islands ➢ Linda Garciafrom United States	Environmental activists	The Goldman Environmental Prize is also known as Green Nobel Prize and awards a cash prize of $200,000.

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Knight of the Legion of Honour	Former ISRO chief A.S. Kiran Kumar(Karnataka,India)		This award is for his invaluable contribution to the development of the India-France space cooperation.
Sasakawa Award 2019 by United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR)	Dr. Pramod Kumar Mishra		For his constant dedication in improving the strength of the communities which were most exposed to disasters.
'Award for Honour' by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment	Antano and Harini		For their work to help people change the trajectory of their lives and create a personal legacy in compressed time. They were invited to work with some Government officers across various levels.
Global Asian of the Year 2018-19' Award	Hema Divakar		For her yeomen services and contribution towards Women's Healthcare Ecosystem.She was awarded under the 'In Service of the Society and the Nation' category.
UN (United Nations) Dag Hammarskjold Medal	Jitender Kumar	Late Jitender Kumar sacrificed his life while serving the UN Organisation Stabilisation Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUSCO).	
Awards in the Field of Sports			
Professional Footballers' Association (PFA) Players' Player of the Year Award for 2018-19	Virgil Van Dijk	Football	Van Dijk had joined Liverpool from Southampton in January 2018 for a fee of £75million (Euro 75 million).
CEAT Cricket Rating (CCR) Awards 2019	Virat Kohli and Smriti Mandhana	Cricket	Virat Kohli has bagged the International Cricketer of the Year Award and Smriti Mandhana has won International Woman Cricketer of Year Award.
Awards in the Field of Art and Culture,Films			
19th New York Indian Film Festival	Sunny Pawar	Acting	For his performance in 'Chippa'
Awards for State,Country,Banks and Organization			
Claims Excellence Award	Bharti AXA Life Insurance	Customer service	The award was presented for its customer-friendly claims services,

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			including dedicated claims handler and one of the best claim settlement ratios, in the life insurance sector.
Other important Awards			
27th P.C. Chandra Puraskaar	Dr Devi Prasad Shetty(Karnataka,India)	Cardiac surgeon and humanitarian	He is also known as 'The Man with Divine Hands'. In 2003, he has won Padma Shri and Padma Bhushan for medicine in 2013.
Asian College of Journalism's Award for Investigative Journalism, 2018	Nileena MS(TamilNadu, India)	Writer	She received the award for her article 'Coalgate 2.0'. The article was published in "The Caravan Magazine".
V K Krishna Menon Award 2019	G D 'Robert' Govender(Indian origin in South Africa)	Decolonised journalist	Govender is the first person who has been awarded the V K Krishna Menon posthumously. He had died in the UK in 2016.
2019 McCain Institute Award for Courage and Leadership	Chhaya Sharma	IPS officer	In 2017, Chhaya has performed a crucial role in drafting Standard Operating Procedures and Guidelines to Combat Trafficking of Persons in India.
'Order Of The Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star Award'	Shyam Saran		It is Japan's second highest national award established by the Japanese Emperor Meiji in 1875.
John F Kennedy (JFK) Profile in Courage Award 2019	Nancy Pelosi		She is honoured for her efforts to pass 2010 health care law of former President Barack Obama's governance and for helping Democrats reclaim control of the U.S. House during 2018 elections. She has served USA's House of Representatives since 1987.
'German Chemistry Prize'	Dr. Ankur Patwardhan	Scientist	Dr. Ankur Patwardhan received the second prize with €25,000 for his project 'Butterfly attractant for pollination and ecosystem health'
7th Joan Miro Prize 2019	Nalini Malani	Artist	First Indian to be awarded with 7th Joan Miro Prize 2019.
2019 Dr. Lee Jong-wook Memorial Prize for Public Health	Balram Bhargava		The event was organized by the World Health Organization (WHO). He was awarded for his contributions as a clinician, innovator, researcher, and trainer.
'Lifetime Recognition Award' by the Confederation of Horticulture Association of India	N Kumar	Professor	He was awarded for his contributions to the field of horticulture and academic leadership focused on human resource development in agriculture.
92nd Scripps National Spelling Bee Contest in US	Erin Howard aged 14 of Alabama, Rishik Gandhasri		For the first time in 92 years, 6 Indian-origin kids were among the 8 who won the 92nd Scripps National

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	aged 13 of California, Saketh Sundar aged 13 of Maryland, Shruthika Padhy aged 13 of New Jersey, Sohum Sukhatankar aged 13 of Texas, Abhijay Kodali aged 12 of Texas, Christopher Serrao aged 13 of New Jersey and Rohan Raja aged 13 of Texas		Spelling Bee Contest in US.

72nd annual Cannes Film Festival held in Cannes, France:

i. Filmmaker of Mexico, Alejandro González Iñárritu served as jury president of Cannes Film Festival 2019.
ii. The Festival honoured the French filmmaker Agnès Varda, by featuring her on the official poster of the festival. She died in March 2019.
iii. South Korean film 'Parasite' wins Palme d'Or which is directed by Bong Joon-ho at Cannes Film Festival. He became the first Korean director to win the award.
iv. The opening film of the festival is "The Dead Don't Die" and the closing film of the festival is "The Specials"
v.The film festival was hosted by Édouard Baer.
vi. The number of films participated were 21 (In Competition), 18 (Un Certain Regard), 11 (Short films).

About Indian Participation:

I&B Secretary Amit Khare leads Indian Delegation to Cannes Film Festival.
Indian filmmaker, Achyutanand Dwivedi's "Seed Mother", won the third prize in the international section of Nespresso Talents 2019.
Indian and Israeli delegation hold the meeting in the Cannes festival during which, Israel proposes "India to be the focus country in Jerusalem Film Festival, 2020".

Awards and their Categories:

i.In Competition:

Name of Award	Winner	Film
Palme d'Or	Bong Joon-ho	Parasite(Korean)
Grand Prix	Mati Diop(Diop made history by becoming the first black woman to direct a film featured In Competition at the festival)	Atlantics(Senegal)
Jury Prize	Kleber Mendonça Filho and Juliano Dornelles	Bacurau(Brazil)
	Ladj Ly	Les Misérables(France)
Best Director	Jean-Pierre and Luc Dardenne	Young Ahmed (Belgium)
Best Actress	Emily Beecham	Little Joe(UK-Austria)
Best Actor	Antonio Banderas	Pain and Glory(Spain)
Best Screenplay	Céline Sciamma	Portrait of a Lady on Fire(France)
Special Mention	Elia Suleiman	It Must Be Heaven(France –

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		Canada)

ii.Un Certain Regard:

Name of Award	Winner	Film
Un Certain Regard Award	Karim Aïnouz	The Invisible Life of Eurídice Gusmão(Brazil)
Un Certain Regard Jury Prize	Oliver Laxe	Fire Will Come(Spain)
Un Certain Regard Award for Best Director	Kantemir Balagov	Beanpole(Russia)
Un Certain Regard Jury Award for Best Performance	Chiara Mastroianni	On a Magical Night(France)
Un Certain Regard Special Jury Prize	Albert Serra	Liberté(Spain)
	Bruno Dumont	Joan of Arc(France)
Coup de Cœur Award	Monia Chokri	A Brother's Love(Canada)
	Michael Angelo Covino	The Climb(America)

iii.Golden Camera:

Caméra d'Or: Our Mothers by César Díaz

iv.Short Films

Name of Award	Winner	Film
Short Film Palme d'Or	Vasilis Kekatos	The Distance Between Us and the Sky
Special Mention	Agustina San Martín	Monster God

v.Cinéfondation:

Name of Award	Winner	Film
First Prize	Louise Courvoisier	Mano a mano
Second Prize	Richard Van	Hiêu
Third Prize	Wisam Al Jafari	Ambience
	Barbara Rupik	The Little Soul

vi.Honorary Palme d'Or:

Honorary Palme d'Or: Alain Delon.

Independent awards

i.FIPRESCI Prizes

Name of Award	Winner	Film
In Competition	Elia Suleiman	It Must Be Heaven(France)
Un Certain Regard	Kantemir Balagov	Beanpole(Russia)
Parallel section	Robert Eggers	The Lighthouse(America)

ii.Ecumenical Prize

Prize of the Ecumenical Jury: A Hidden Life by Terrence Malick

iii.International Critics' Week

Name of Award	Winner	Film
Nespresso Grand Prize	Jérémy Clapin	I Lost My Body(France)
Leitz Cine Discovery Prize for Short Film	Qiu Yang	She Runs
Louis Roederer Foundation Rising Star Award	Ingvar E. Sigurðsson	A White, White Day
Gan Foundation Award for Distribution	Lorcan Finnegan	Vivarium

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SACD Award	César Díaz	Our Mothers
Canal+ Award for Short Film	Andrias Høgenni	Ikki Illa Meint

iv.Directors' Fortnight:

Name of Award	Winner	Film
Europa Cinemas Label Award for Best European Film	Nicolas Pariser	Alice and the Mayor(France)
SACD Award for Best French-language Film	Rebecca Zlotowski	An Easy Girl(France)
Illy Short Film Award	Pham Thien An	Stay Awake, Be Ready
Carrosse d'Or	John Carpenter	

v.L'Œil d'or :

Name of Award	Winner	Film
L'Œil d'or	Waad al-Kateab and Edward Watts	Sama
	Patricio Guzmán	The Cordillera of Dreams

vi.Prix François Chalais

François Chalais Prize: A Hidden Life by Terrence Malick

vii.Queer Palm:

Name of Award	Winner	Film
Queer Palm Award	Céline Sciamma	Portrait of a Lady on Fire(France)
Short Film Queer Palm	Vasilis Kekatos	The Distance Between Us and the Sky

viii.Cannes Soundtrack Award

Cannes Soundtrack Award: Alberto Iglesias for Pain and Glory

ix.Trophée Chopard:

Chopard Trophy: François Civil and Florence Pugh

x.Pierre Angénieux ExcelLens in Cinematography:

Pierre Angénieux Excellens in Cinematography: Bruno Delbonnel

xi.Vulcan Award of the Technical Artist:

Name of Award	Winner	Film
Vulcan Award	Flora Volpelière (editing) and Julien Poupard (cinematography)	Les Misérables
Special Mention	Claire Mathon	Atlantics and Portrait of a Lady on Fire (cinematography)
Artistic Direction Mention	Lee Ha-jun	Parasite

xii.Palm Dog:

Name of Award	Winner	Film/Awarded for
Palm Dog Award	Brandy	Once Upon a Time in Hollywood
Grand Jury Prize	Canine cast in Little Joe	
	Canine cast in Aasha and the Street Dogs (Marché du Film)	
Palm DogManitarian Award	Google	For their support of dogs in the workplace
Underdog Award	The Unadoptable	

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Recognitions

Name of Persons	Recognitions
Bandana(Nepali teenager)	Guinness World Records on "Longest Dancing Marathon by an Individual" surpassed Kalamandalam Hemalatha(India)
Jack Farj Rafael (JFR) Jacob(Kolkata, India)	Israel honoured with a plaque on the Wall of Honour at the Ammunition Hill
Jitender Kumar and Shikha Garg	Honoured for laying down their lives in UN peace-service
Captain Aarohi Pandit(Mumbai)	First woman in the world to cross the Atlantic Ocean solo in a Light Sports Aircraft (LSA). She has set another world record as the 1st woman pilot to fly solo above the dangerous Greenland ice-cap in a LSA.
Kami Rita(Nepal)	Climbed Mt. Everest for the 24th time and broke his own record.
Narendra Modi(India)	Second most followed politician globally on social media, overtakes Trump. Barack Obama was ranked first
Anil Kapoor(India)	Council of European Chambers of Commerce(CEUCC) in India and European Union(EU) honoured him for promoting Children's Rights.
Ariel India	Guinness World Records of 'largest laundry lesson'
National Security Guards (NSG) commandos	Created history by scaling the Mount Everest in the first attempt.
Indian YouTuber, Ajey Nagar	Top 10 'Next Generation Leaders 2019' by Time Magazine
'Mueles' (Grainstacks) of Claude Monet	Sold for a record breaking price of $110.7 million (Rs.778 crore) at Sotheby's Impressionist & Modern Art Evening Sale
National Cadet Corps girls mountaineering expedition team of 20 from Sikkim	First girls expedition team ever since 1970.
Kapil Sharma(India)	World Book of Records-Most viewed stand-up comedian in India and Abroad
Saray Khumalo(Zambia)	First black African woman to conquer Mt. Everest in her fourth attempt.
Kailash Mansarovar popularly known as Mount Kailash	UNESCO incorporated in tentative list of World Heritage Sites
Pehal Charitable Trust (PCT), a Charity run by Indian Joginder Singh Salaria in the United Arab Emirates(UAE)	Guinness World Records for holding longest Iftar.
Sculptor Anish Kapoor	Ranked first on Hurun India Art List 2019
Bhawana Kanth	First female fighter pilot of Indian Air Force
Indra Nooyi	Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from Yale University, USA for her achievements in business.
Priyanka Mohite(Mumbai)	First Indian woman to scale world's fifth highest mountain Mount Makalu
Highest-ever voter turnout in the 2019 Lok Sabha Election	67.47% vote turnout in the election, which is 1.03% more than the 2014 Lok Sabha Election.
Virat Kohli(Sachin Tendulkar is placed at second number in the list)	"Most Trusted Personalities in 2019".
Acharya Balkrishna	United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UNSDG) 10 Most Influential People in Healthcare Award
Architectural heritage of Orchha town in Madhya Pradesh	Added to the Tentative List of UNESCO's World Heritage Sites
Flight Lieutenant Parul Bhardwaj (Captain), Flying Officer Aman Nidhi (co-pilot) and Flight Lieutenant Hina Jaiswal (Flight Engineer)	India's first all-woman crew flies Mi-17 V5 medium-lift helicopter

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Devi Ahilya Bai Holkar Airport of Indore, Madhya Pradesh	Gets 'International' Status
Chandrani Murmu(Odisha)of Biju Janata Dal (BJD)	Youngest MP in the country

2019 Awards & Recognitions – JUNE

Name of Awards	Award Winner	Field	Points to be noted
Awards in the Field of Literature & Academics			
Women's Prize for Fiction	Tayari Jones	For her novel An American Marriage	The novel was praised by Barack Obama and Oprah Winfrey.She also received Aspen Words Literary Prize for the same novel.
54th Jnanpith Award	Amitav Ghosh		The decision taken by the Jnanpith Selection Board chaired by Jnanpith laureate Pratibha Ray.
44th Matri Shree Media Awards for the year 2019	Twenty-nine journalists	For their contribution towards journalism	The award ceremony was held in New Delhi. The winners received the Matri Shree Bharat Mata shield and a pen. Badhai Ho' got the prize for best film.
RedInk Award for 'Journalist of the Year 2019'	Rachna Khaira	For her expose on the functioning of the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI)	The article was published in The Tribune edition dated January 4, 2018, and the leads provided in the article became a part of Public Interest Litigation (PIL).
Awards in the Field of Politics,Social Service,Science and Bravery			
Orden Mexicana del Aguila Azteca(Order of the Aztec Eagle) (Highest civilian award of Mexico)	Pratibha Patil		She becomes the second Indian after the late President S. Radhakrishnan granted this honour. The award was presented by Ambassador of Mexico to India, Melba Pria.
J C Daniel award	Sheela	Contribution to Malayalam cinema	The award consists of 5 lakh cash prize, a citation, and a plaque.
Amnesty International's, "Ambassador of Conscience award"	Greta Thunberg	For fighting against the peril of global warming	She is known for initiating a movement, "Fridays for Future", a climate movement that formed in November 2018.
Danny Kaye Humanitarian Award" by United Nations International Children's Fund's (UNICEF)	Priyanka Chopra	Social causes and for being a voice for children's education	She will be presented with this award at UNICEF American chapter's Snowflake Ball which is to be held in December 2019 in New York.
22nd edition of the Emirates Recycling Awards in Dubai, United Arab Emirates	Nia Tony	Cleaning Environment by collecting paper wastes	The campaign was organized by the Emirates Environmental Group (EEG), a non-governmental professional working group based in UAE. She won

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(UAE)			the paper section in the individual category for collecting a total of 14,914 kg of paper waste.
Save Water Hero Award	Makarand Tilloo	Social activist	He received this award for his efforts to raise awareness about water conservation in the city. The award ceremony was held in Pune, Maharashtra. He was honoured by the HridayMitra Foundation
Awards in the Field of Art and Culture,Films			
Outstanding Artistic Achievement Award for the film in 22nd Shanghai International Film Festival	Veyil Marangal (Trees Under the Sun)		This is for the first Indian film to win a major award at the festival.
Awards for State,Country,Banks and Organization			
World Health Organization's (WHO) Tobacco Control Award for 2019	Medical and Health Department of Rajasthan	Tobacco control	It was the only government body in country to receive the award for its tobacco-free initiatives.**Click here to read more.**
10th Equator Prize 2019	Telangana-based NGO, the women sangams (groups) of the Deccan Development Society (DDS)		Aprat from this there is 21 more winners.
Best-performing Production Unit in the field of the environment	Rail Wheel Factory, Yelahanka, Karnataka		The report on achievements of environment management of Indian Railways, "Environmental Sustainability Annual Report 2018-19".
Gold Award in South Africa	Mahindra Group		It clinches the top spot among 29 vehicle brands for the award.
BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation) 's World Service Global Champion Award	Akshaya Patra Foundation (TAPF)	School lunch programme	The award was presented at the BBC Food and Farming Awards in Bristol in London, UK.
Other important Awards			
Global Leadership Awards 2019	Sundar Pichai (46) and NASDAQ 's (National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations) President Adena Friedman (50)		They were chosen by business advocacy group US-India Business Council (USIBC) for "catalyzing growth in the US-India commercial corridor".

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H. W. Bush Award	Jimmy Carter		He was awarded in recognition of his contributions to relations between the U.S. and China.
Facebook 'Hall of Fame'2019	Zonel Sougaijam		For discovering and reporting a WhatsApp bug that violated the privacy of a user.
Manas Order of the First Degree(Kyrgyzstan's Highest National Award)	Xi Jinping		For developing the Kyrgyzstan-China comprehensive strategic partnership
Miss India 2019	Suman Rao		She was crowned by Miss India 2018 Anukreethy Vas from Tamil Nadu.
Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU)'s Distinguished Alumni Award	Nirmala Sitharaman and Dr S Jaishankar		This was decided by the Executive Council of JNU. They will be awarded on the third convocation ceremony of the university, which will be held in August 2019. They will be the first recipient of this award.
Innovative Research Excellence Award 2019	Dr Gaurav Nigam		The event was organized by Global Leaders Foundation. He is the founder of iCare.
'World's best coder' in 6th Edition of TechGig Code Gladiators 2019	Sameer Gulati		The event was held at Reliance Corporate Park, Navi Mumbai.
'100 most Influential in UK-India Relations: Celebrating Women	Nirmala Sitharaman		She was one among the 100 most influential women driving the UK-India relationship forward
Commonwealth Secretary-General's Innovation for Sustainable Development Award 2019 in the "People" category	Nitesh Kumar Jangir	For the creation low-cost neonatal breathing device named "Saans"	For saving the lives of newborn babies.

Seven Indian-origin Australians honoured

- Seven Indian-origin Australians have been honoured for their outstanding contributions in the field of medicine, music, education and finance in Australia. The winners included three women and four men.In the field of Medicine, Jayashri Kulkarni , The Director of the Monash Alfred Psychiatry Research Centre and Winita Hardikar received Member of the Order of Australia (OAM).

Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, Jal Shakti Minister, presented awards to the winners of Ganga Quest 2019

- In an event organized by National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) to celebrate World Environment Day 2019, Union Minister for Jal Shakti, Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, presented the awards to the winners of Ganga Quest 2019, a month-long online quiz organized for awareness and knowledge dissemination about river Ganga.**Click here to read more.**

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Swachh Bharat Abhiyan initiative Reduced Groundwater Contamination

- According to the study on "Environmental impact of the Swachh Bharat Mission on Water, Soil, and Food" by United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation shows Swachh Bharat has reduced groundwater contamination.

Bal Sahitya Puraskar & Yuva Puraskar 2019 announced by Sahitya Akademi

- Sahitya Akademi, which is announced annually, has selected 22 writers for the Sahitya Akademi Bal Sahitya Puraskar 2019 and 23 writers for Yuva Puraskar 2019. The approval for the selection of awardees was given by the Executive Board of the Akademi under the Chairmanship of its President, Dr. Chandrashekhar Kambar in Agartala, Tripura. The Award in the form of a casket will contain an engraved copper-plaque and a cheque of Rs.50,000.

DD India channel will be broadcasted in Bangladesh & South Korea

- On June 19, 2019, Prakash Javadekar, Information & Broadcasting (I&B) Ministry, Government of India signed the agreement with Bangladesh and South Korea for DD (Doordarshan) India, an Indian English News and Current Affairs Channel which is to be telecasted in those countries.This exchange is in line with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Act East policy.

Overview of Tony Awards 2019

- 2019 Tony Awards was the 73rd edition of Tony Awards held on June 9, 2019, to recognize achievement in Broadway productions during the 2018–19 season. It was held in Radio City Music Hall, New York City.It was hosted by James Corden.

Highlights:

- Hadestown, a musical about a young couple's dark trip to the Underworld, was the most winning production of the season by winning eight awards, including Best Musical.
- The Ferryman won four awards, including Best Play. Original musicals The Cher Show and Tootsie, the revival of Rodgers and Hammerstein's Oklahoma!, and the new play Ink each won two awards.
- 31-year-old actress Ali Stroker, won best featured actress for her outstanding role as Ado Annie in Rogers and Hammerstein's 'Oklahoma!' and made history by becoming the first actor in a wheelchair to win a Tony Award.

List of winners:

Categories	Winner
Best play	"The Ferryman" by Jez Butterworth
Best revival of a musical	Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Oklahoma!
Best musical	"Hadestown"
Best revival of a play	"The Boys in the Band" by Mart Crowley
Best performance by an actor in a leading role in a musical	Santino Fontana, "Tootsie"
Best performance by an actress in a leading role in a musical	Stephanie J. Block, "The Cher Show"
Best performance by an actor in a leading role in a play	Bryan Cranston, "Network"
Best performance by an actress in a leading role in a play	Elaine May, "The Waverly Gallery"
Best book of a musical	"Tootsie," Robert Horn
Best original score (music and/or lyrics) written for the theatre	"Hadestown," Anaïs Mitchell
Best direction of a musical	Rachel Chavkin, "Hadestown"
Best Direction of a Play	Sam Mendes, "The Ferryman"
Best performance by an actor in a featured role in a musical	André De Shields, "Hadestown"
Best performance by an actress in a featured	Ali Stroker, "Oklahoma!"

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role in a musical	
Best performance by an actor in a featured role in a play	Bertie Carvel, "Ink"
Best performance by an actress in a featured role in a play	Celia Keenan-Bolger, "To Kill a Mockingbird"
Best choreography	Sergio Trujillo, "Ain't Too Proud"
Best orchestrations	Michael Chorney and Todd Sickafoose, "Hadestown"
Best scenic design of a musical	Rachel Hauck, "Hadestown"
Best scenic design of a play	Rob Howell, "The Ferryman"
Best costume design of a musical	Bob Mackie, "The Cher Show"
Best costume design of a play	Rob Howell, "The Ferryman"
Best sound design of a musical	Nevin Steinberg and Jessica Paz, "Hadestown"
Best sound design of a play	Fitz Patton, "Choir Boy"
Best lighting design of a musical	Bradley King, "Hadestown"
Best lighting design of a play	Neil Austin, "Ink"

Recognitions

Name of Persons	Recognitions
Flight Lieutenant Mohana Singh	First IAF woman pilot to become completely operational by day on Hawk advanced jet aircraft
Jay-Z, whose real name is Sean Carter	World's 1st Billionaire($1bn (£800m)) Rapper by Forbes
Rihanna	World's richest female($600 million) by Forbes magazine
Virat Kholi	Forbes list of World's highest-paid athletes 2019.The list has been topped by the Barcelona and Argentina professional Footballer Lionel Messi with the annual earnings of $127mn.
Reliance Industries leads the list of 57 Indian companies (71st rank globally)	Forbes World's 2,000 largest public companies
Mount Everest	World's Highest Operating Weather Stations by National Geographic Society
Kolhapuri chappal	Geographic Indication (GI) tag from The Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Mark

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