

Akademi award for English translation

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Sahitya Akademi's Translation Prize for 2019 in the category of translation into English has been awarded to Kannada novel *Kusumbale* by Devanur Mahadeva, rendered into English by Susan Daniel.

The akademi announced a total of 23 awards in various Indian languages on Tuesday. The prize for translation into Kannada is to be declared. The award carries a purse of ₹50,000 and a copper plaque. It will be presented later in the year.

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Ooty translator wins Sahitya Akademi prize

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Udhagamandalam: Susan Daniel, a resident of Ooty, has been conferred with the Sahitya Akademi's translation prize, 2019, for translating Padma Shri Devenoora Mahadeva's critically acclaimed Kannada novel 'Kusumabale' into English. The prize comprises Rs50,000 and a copper plaque.

Published in 1988, Kusumabale is a classic work in Kannada literature. The translated version of the novel was released by the Oxford University Publication in 2015 and it was received well. Susan said, "I am happy. With this recognition, I hope the novel would reach more people."

In 2015, the Karnataka government had bestowed on her award for the best translator of a full novel from Kannada to English.

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