

OFFICE OF THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

4th KOKRAJHAR LITERARY FESTIVAL (4थि क'क्राझार थुनलायारि फोबॉ)

BRIDGING PEOPLE, CULTURES, AND LITERATURES WITH A MESSAGE OF PEACE

गोजोननि रादाब बिलायनानै सुबं, हारिम् आरो थुनलाइखौ फोनांजाबनाय

DATE: 1st, 2nd,& 3nd February, 2025 VENUE: BODOFA CULTURAL COMPLEX, KOKRAJHAR, BTR

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- 1. GAURANG RIVER LITERARY PRIZE (for fiction)
- 2. GAURANG RIVER LITERARY PRIZE (for narrative non-fiction)

Categories:

- 1. Fiction
- 2. Narrative Non-fiction

Prizes:

- 1. Fiction:
- Gaurang River Literary Prize trophy
- Cash award 50,000/-
- 2. Narrative Non-fiction:
- Gaurang River Literary Prize trophy
- Cash award 50,000/-

To celebrate the magic of the written word, the Government of the Bodoland Territorial Region (BTR) and the organisers of the 4th Kokrajhar Literary Festival (2025) are pleased to announce the Gaurang River Literary Prize for the second year.

A full-length work of fiction and another of narrative non-fiction, will be bestowed with this honour. The names of this year's winners will be announced during the 4th Kokrajhar Literary Festival to be held between 1st to 3rd February, 2025. The prize includes a cash award of Rs. 50,000/- and a trophy.

True to the rich traditions of creativity and acknowledging the long and chequered history of Bodoland, the Gaurang River Literary Prize celebrates works that are a medley of brilliant craft, rich analysis and socially-concerned storytelling which responds to our times.

Publishers are requested to send their nominations with a Kindle-readable e-book (epub or pdf) and three physical copies of a book published in India on or after 1st December, 2023. Novels and narrative non-fiction works originally published in English or translated into English will be considered for the prize.

The winning books will be announced during the Kokrajhar Literary Festival at Kokrajhar, Bodoland Territorial Region.

For more information please contact Dr Pranab Jyoti Narzary, Convenor, 4th Kokrajhar Literary Festival, Email: 4thkokrajharliteraryfestival2025@gmail.com



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Rules and procedure for nominating books for this award:

- 1. Publishers should send one nomination for fiction and one for non-fiction.
- 2. Books submitted for the prize should be in English or translated to English.
- 3. We will only consider books published in India.
- 4. Fiction nominations will only include novels published on or after 1st December 2022. We are not considering short story collections for the prize this year.
- 5. Non-fiction books can be of any sub-genre but it should have been published on or after 1st December 2023.
- 6. We are unable to consider self-published books in any category (ebook or print).
- 7. We will prefer books that are available both from traditional brick-and-mortar bookstores and at least one major online e-commerce platform.
- 8. Books appearing only in print or only in ebook format will not be considered.
- 9. Publishers should send nominations with the following information by email to
- 4thkokrajharliteraryfestival@gmail.com
 - a. Title of the book
 - b. Author's name as it appears on the cover
 - c. Both author and translator's names (for translated works)
 - d. Date of publication including year and month
 - e. Brief description of the book (Max 400 words, from back cover or from online bookstore description page)
 - f. A Kindle readable e-book version (epub or pdf) of the nominated work by 22nd of January, 2025.
- 10. Three physical copies of the nominated book(s) should also be sent to this address:

Dr. Jhanin Muchahary,

Bodoland University, Post Office Kokrajhar, Pin- 783370, Dist- Kokrajhar, Assam India to arrive latest by 25th of January, 2025.

- 11. The jury's decision will be final on all matters related to the prize.
- 12. All electronic communication with and from the jury will be conducted through this email address: 4thkokrajharliteraryfestival@gmail.com
- 13. The organisers will announce the shortlist and the winners during the Kokrajhar Literary Festival, 2025.