MISCELLANEOUS TOPICS

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Awards and Honours

NATIONAL AWARDS

NATIONAL COMMUNAL HARMONY AWARDS 2009 (announced in January 2010)

MOORTI DEVI AWARD

KOYA NATIONAL JOURNALISM AWARD 2009

LAL BAHADUR SHASTRI AWARD 2009

KALINGA PRIZE (UNESCO'S)

RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL QUALITY AWARD

OLOF PLAME PRIZE 2009 NAYUDAMMA AWARD 2009

MALCOLM ADISESHIAH

AWARD 2009

INDU SHARMA KATHA SAMMAN AWARD 2009

PHALKE RATAN AWARD 2009

Mohd. Hanif Khan Shastri and the Center for Human Rights and Social Welfare, Rajasthan

Union law Minister Verrappa Moily

A G Noorani and NDTV Group

Editor Barkha Dutt.

Sunil Mittal

Renowned scientist Yash Pal jointly with Prof Trinh Xuan Thuan of

Vietnam

GAIL (India) for the large scale manufacturing industries category

Carsten Jensen

V. K. Saraswat

Dr C.P. Chandrasekhar of Centre for Economic Studies and Planning, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal

Nehru University, New Delhi.

Mr Mohan Rana and Mr Bhagwan

Dass Morwal

Actor Manoj Kumar

SHANTI SWARUP BHATNAGAR AWARDS 2008-2009

Charusita Chakravarti – IIT Delhi, Santosh G. Honavar – L.V. Prasad Eye Institute; S.K. Satheesh –Indian Institute of Science; Amitabh Joshi and Bhaskar Shah – Biological Science; Giridhar Madras and Jayant Ramaswamy Harsita – Eengineering Science; R. Gopakumar and A. Dhar-Physical Science; Narayanswamy Jayraman – Chemical Science, and Verapally Suresh – Mathematical Science.

NATIONAL MINORITY RIGHTS AWARD 2009

MM Tirmizi, advocate – Gujarat High Court

55th Filmfare Awards

Best Actor (Male) Amitabh Bachchan-Paa; (Female) Vidya Balan-Paa

Best Film 3 Idiots; Best Director Rajkumar Hirani–3 Idiots; Best Story Abhijat Joshi, Rajkumar Hirani–3 Idiots

Best Actor in a Supporting Role (Male) Boman Irani–3 Idiots; (Female) Kalki Koechlin–Dev D

Best Screenplay Rajkumar Hirani, Vidhu Vinod Chopra, Abhijat Joshi–3 Idiots; Best Choreography Bosco-Caesar–Chor Bazaari Love Aaj Kal Best Dialogue Rajkumar Hirani, Vidhu Vinod Chopra–3 idiots Best Cinematography Rajeev Rai–Dev D Lifetime Achievement Award Shashi Kapoor–Khayyam

R D Burman Music Award Amit Tivedi.

Special Award Nandita Das-Firaaq

Critics Awards: Best Actor (Male) Ranbir Kapoor-Wake Up Sid; (Female) Mahie Gill-Dev D; Best Film-Firaaq

Best Debut actor (Male) Ayan Mukherjee-Wake Up Sid; (Female) Zoya Akhtar-Luck By Chance

Best Music AR Rahman—Delhi—6; Best Playback Singer (Male) Mohit Chauhan—Masakalli Delhi—6; (Female) Rekha Bharadwaj—Genda Phool Delhi—6 and Kavita Seth—Iktara—Wake Up Sid; Best Lyrics Irshad Kamil—Aaj Din Chadiya—Love Aaj Kal

Best Editing Sreekar Prasad–Firaaq; Best Sound Design Manas Chaudhury–Firaaq; Best Action Vijayan Master–Wanted; Best Costume Vaishali Menon–Firaaq; Best Background Score Amit Trivedi–Dev D; Best Cinematography: Rajeev Ravi (Dev D) Best Visual Effects: Govardhan Vigharan, Vinay Singh Chuphal (Kaminey); Best Production Design and Art Direction: Helen Jones, Sukanta Panigrahi (Dev D); Best Background Score: Amit Trivedi (Dev D)

Bravery Awards 2009

Bharat Award: Gaurav Singh Saini (Haryana)

Sanjay Chopra Award: Karan Nishad (Uttar Pradesh)

Geeta Chopra Award: Maibam Prity Devi (Manipuri)

Bapu Gayadhani Award: presented posthumously to both Ranu Mishra Deepak Kumar Kori (both *Uttar Pradesh*), and Vijith V (*Kerela*), Narendrasinh Solanki (*Gujarat*)

Other National Bravery Awardees: Uddesh R. Ramnathkar (*Goa*); Zonunsanga and Lalrammawia (*Mizoram*); Sujith R., Amal Anthony, Krishnapriya K. and Sujith Kumar P. (all from *Kerala*); Dijekshon Syiem (*Meghalaya*); Thoi Thoi Khumanthem (*Manipur*); Vaishaliben Sambhubhai Solanki (*Gujarat*); Rekha Kalindi, Sunita Mahato and Afsana Khatun, (all from *West Bengal*); and Yogesh Kumar Jangid (*Rajasthan*).

Padma Vibhushan Awards 2010

Ebrahim Alkazi (*Art*), Umayalpuram K. Sivaraman (*Art*), Zohra Segal (*Art*), Yaga Venugopal Reddy (*Public Affairs*), Dr Venkatraman Ramakrishnan (*Science and Engineering*), Prathap Chandra Reddy (*Trade and Industry*)

C. K. NAYDU AWARD 2008-09 Mohinder Amarnath

GLOBAL TRAVEL AWARD 2009 'Incredible India' campaign

Padma Bhushan Awards 2010

Ilaiyaraaja (Art), Aamir Khan (Art), Akbar Padamsee (Art), Allah Rakha Rahman (Art) Pandit Chhannulal Mishra (Art), Kumudini Lakhia (Art), Kuzhur Narayana Marar (Art) Prof. Madhusudan Amilal Dhaky (Art), Mallika Sarabhai (Art), Dr Nookala Chinna Satyanarayana (Art), Dr Puttaraj Gavai (Art), Ram Kumar (Art) Shrinivas Vinayak Khale (Art), Ustad Sultan Khan (Art), B.K. Chaturvedi (Civil Service) Moosa Raza (Civil Service), Dr P.R. Dubhashi (Civil Service), Fareed Zakaria (Journalism), Anil Bordia (Literature and Education), Prof. Bipan Chandra (Literature and Education), G.P. Chopra (Literature and Education), Prof. Mohammad Amin (Literature and Education), Prof. Satya Vrat Shastri (Literature and Education), Prof. Tan Chung (Literature and Education), Prof. Belle Monappa Hegde (Medicine), E.T. Narayanan Mooss (Medicine), Dr Noshir M. Shroff (Medicine), Dr Panniyampilly Krishna Warrier (Medicine), Dr Ramakant Madanmohan Panda (Medicine), Dr Satya Paul Agarwal (Medicine), Prof. Abhijit Sen (Public Affairs), Sailesh Kumar Bandyopadhyay (Public Affairs), Sant Singh Chatwal (Public Affairs), Prof. Arogyaswami Joseph Paulraj (Science and Engineering), Prof. Bikash Chandra Sinha (Science and Engineering), Jagdish Chandra Kapur (Science and Engineering), Dr Balagangadharanatha Swamiji (Social Work), Eknath Rao alias Balasaheb Vikhe Patil (Social Work), Capt. C.P. Krishnan Nair (Trade and Industry), Dr Kushal Pal Singh (Trade and Industry), Manvinder Singh Banga alias Vindi Banga (Trade and Industry), Narayanan Vaghul (Trade and Industry), S.P. Oswal (Trade and Industry)

Padma Shri Awards 2010

Gulam Mohammed Mir (Public Service), Rekha (Art); Arjun Prajapati (Art), Arundhati Nag (Art), Carmel Berkson (Art), Ustad F. Wasifuddin Dagar (Art), Gul Bardhan (Art) Haobam Ongbi Ngangbi Devi (Art), Hari Uppal (Art), K. Raghavan (Art), Guru Mayadhar Raut (Art), Mukund Lath (Art), Nemai Ghosh (Art), Pandit Raghunath Panigrahi (Art), Rajkumar Achouba Singh (Art), Dr Ram Dayal Munda (Art), Resul Pokutty (Art), Saif Ali Khan (Art), Dr Shobha Raju (Art), Sumitra Guha (Art), Pandit Ulhas Kashalkar (Art), Dr Karthikeyan (Civil Service), Dr Ranjit Bhargava (Environment Protection), Arun Sarma (Literature and Education), Prof. Arvind Kumar (Literature and Education), Bertha Gyndykes Dkhar (Literature and Education), Prof. Govind Chandra Pande (Literature and Education), Prof. Hamidi Kashmiri (Literature and Education), Prof. (Dr) Hermann Kulke (Literature and Education), Janaki Ballav Shastri (Literature and Education), Dr Jitendra Udhampuri (Literature and Education), Dr Lal Bahadur Singh Chauhan (Literature and Education), Lalzuia Colney (Literature and Education), Maria Aurora Couto (Literature and Education), Dr (Smt.) Rajalakshmi Parthasarathy alias Y.G. Parthasarathy (Literature and Education), Prof. Ramaranjan Mukherji (Literature and Education), Dr Ranganathan Parthasarathy (Literature and Education), Fr. Romuald D'Souza (Literature and Education), Prof. Sadiq-Ur-Rahman Kidwai (Literature and Education), Sheldon Pollock (Literature and Education), Dr Surendra Dubey (Literature and Education), Dr Anil Kumar Bhalla (Medicine), Dr Arvinder Singh Soin (Medicine), Dr B. Ramana Rao (Medicine), Dr Jalakantapuram Ramaswamy Krishnamoorthy (Medicine), Dr K.K. Aggarwal (Medicine), Prof. Kodaganur S. Gopinath (Medicine), Dr Laxmi Chand Gupta (Medicine), Dr Philip Augustine (Medicine), Dr Rabindra Narain Singh (Medicine), Dr Vikas Mahatme (Medicine), Dr Rafael Iruzubieta Fernandez (Public Affairs), Prof. M.R. Satyanarayana Rao (Science and Engineering), Prof. Dr Palpu Pushpangadan (Science and Engineering), Prof. Ponisseril Somasundaran (Science and Engineering), Prof. Pucadyil Ittoop John (Science and Engineering), Dr Vijay Prasad Dimri (Science and Engineering), Dr Vijaylakshmi Ravindranath (Science and Engineering), Anu Aga (Social Work), Ayekpam Tomba Meetei (Social Work), Deep Joshi (Social Work), Dr J.R. Gangaramani (Social Work), Kranti Shah (Social Work), Dr Kurian John Melamparambil (Social Work), Baba Sewa Singh (Social Work), Sudha Kaul (Social Work), Dr Sudhir M. Parikh (Social Work), Ignace Tirkey (Sports), Kumar Ram Narain Karthikeyan (Sports), Ramakant Vithal Achrekar (Sports), Saina Nehwal (Sports) Vijender Singh (Sports), Virendra Sehwag (Sports), Dr Alluri Venkata Satyanarayana Raju (Trade and Industry), Dr B. Raveendran Pillai (Trade and Industry), Deepak Puri (Trade and Industry), Irshad Mirza (Trade and Industry), Brig. Dr Kapil Mohan (Trade and Industry), Dr Karsanbhai Khodidas Patel (Trade and Industry), T.N. Manoharan (Trade and Industry), Venu Srinivasan (Trade and Industry).

Gallantary Awards 2010

Ashok Chakra Major D Sreeram Kumar, late Major Mohit Sharma and Havildar Rajesh Kumar.

The gallantry awards include 26 Shaurya Chakras, 118 Sena Medals, 3 Nao sena medals, 3 Bar to Sena medals, 3 Vayusena Medals, 51 Ati Vashishth Seva Medals, 28 Param Vashishth Seva Medals, 16 Yudh Seva Medals, 119 Vashishth Seva Medals, 4 Uttam Yudh Seva Medals and 704 Police Medals.

Khel Ratna Awards

Ms M. C. Mary Kom (Boxing), Vijendra Singh (Boxing) and Sushil Kumar (Wrestling) among recipients.

Arjuna Awards

Mangal Singh Champia (Archery), K Sinimole Paulose (Athletics), Saina Nehwal (Badminton), L. Saritha Devi (Boxing), Tania Sachdev (Chess), Gautum Gambjir (Cricket), Ignace Tirkey (Hockey), Surinder Kaur (Hockey), Pankaj Shirasat (Kabaddi), Parul SD. Parmar (Badminton-disabled), Satish Joshi (Rowing), Ranjan Sodhi (Shooting), Poulami Ghatak (Table Tennis), Yogeshwar Dutt (Wrestling), G. L. Yadav (Yatching) are among recipients.

16th Star Screen Awards

Best Actor—Amitabh Bachchan (Paa) Best Actress—Vidya Balan (Paa) Best Story— Imtiaz Ali (Love Aaj Kal) Best Screenplay - Abhijat Joshi, Raju Hirani (3 Idiots)Best Dialogues—AbhijatJoshi, Raju hirani (3 Idiots) Best Playback Singer (Female)— Kavita Seth For Ore Manva (Wake up Sid) Best Playback Singer (Male)—Rahat Fateh Ali Khan For Aaj Din Chaya (Love Aaj Kal) Best Music Director—A R Rahman (Delhi 6) Best Film—3 Idiots Best Director—Rajkumar Hirani (3 Idiots) Best Supporting Actor—Rishi Kapoor (Love Aaj Kal)Best Editing Results—Raju Hirani (3 Idiots) Best Special Effects—Aladin Best Action—Vijayan (Wanted) Best Cinematographer—Rajiv Ravi (Dev D) Best Choreographer—Bosco Ceaser (3 Idiots) Best Child Artist—Pratik Katari (Paa) Best Cast- Luck By Chance Best Lyricist - Irshad Kamil For Choor Bazari (Love Aaj Kal) Ramnath Goenka memorial award—Nandita Das for 'Firaaq' Most Promising Newcomer (Female) Mahi Gill (Dev D) *Most Promising Newcomer (Male*)—Omi Vaidya (Aka Silencer) Most Promising Debutante Director-Nandita Das (Firaaq) Best Supporting Actress—Arundhati Nag (Paa) Star plus jodi award—Amitabh and Abhishek Bachchan Lifetime Achievement Award—Javed Akhtar Best Actor in a negative role—Boman Irani (3 Idiots)Best Actress Most Popular Category- Kareena Kapoor (3 Idiots) **Best Actor for Most Popular Category**—Shahid Kapoor (Kaminey) Best Actor in a comic role—Omi Vaidya (3 Idiots) Best Jodi of the decade—Shahrukh Khan and Kajol Best Entertainer of the year—Katrina Kaif

Pravasi Bhartiya Samman Awards

Mohinder Singh Bhullar (formation of the Indian Chamber of Commerce in Brunei Darussalam); Yanktesh Piramal Reddy (for promoting tourism to India in a big way from the entire south Pacific region); Ryuko Hira (a successful Indian entrepreneur in Japan,

is the director of the prestigious Japan-India Association); Dr Ruby Umesh Pawankar (for furthering Indo-Japanese medical collaboration); Suresh Kumar Virmani (founder member of the Indian Cultural Association in Oman), Pravin Jamnadas Gordhan (Finance Minister of South Africa and commissioner of the South African Revenue Service); Tholisah Perumal Naidoo (founder of the Indian Academy of South Africa in Durban); Rajni Kanabar (initiated the Tanzania Heart Babies project); Deepak Mittal (state-of-the-art Indian joint ventures in Thailand); Lenny Krishendath Saith (minister in the Prime Minister's Office in Trinidad and Tobago and advocate of bilateral ties between India and Trinidad and Tobago); Dr Azad Moopen (manages one of the largest healthcare networks in the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries); Mani Lal Bhaumik (scientist, author, educator and philanthropist); Ashok Kumar Mago (for the promotion of Indo-US political and economic ties) are among the recipients.

UDHYOG RATAN AWARD 2009 Murugavel Janakiraman

JNANPITH AWARD 2009 Sanskrit poet Satya Vrat Shastri

INDIRA GANDHI PEACE PRIZE 2009 Sheikh Hasina, Prime Minister of

Bangladesh

BEST E-GOVERNANCE STATE AWARD Maharashtra

Autocar India Awards

Car of the year: Tata nano, Bike of the year: Bajaj pulsar 135 LS, Saloon car of the year: Chevrolet Cruze; Luxury car of the year: Mercedes Benz E-Class; SUV of the year: Totyota Fortuner.

INDIAN SCIENCE AWARDS 2010 C.R. Rao

Intach Awards for Heritage Conservation 2010

Ebrahim Alzaki (*Theatre*), Kapila Vatsyayan (*Art Historian and Cultural Diplomat*), Martand Singh (*Textile Researcher and Curator*), Rajeev Sethi (*leading designer and expert on south Asia culture*), O.P. Jain (*preservation and nurturing of India's cultural heritage*) OP Aggarwal (*establishing Lok Kala Sanghralaya for preserving an disseminating cultural heritage of all religions*).

SIR SYED AHMAD KHAN INTERNATIONAL AWARD (2009): Jointly to Prof. Obaid Siddiqi and Prof. Syed Zahoor Qasim.

11th Helen Keller Awards

Disabled Persons Role Model category: Dr Meenu Bhambhani (Vice President of the IFPIAN); Nupur Jain (Senior Executive, Wipro Ltd.); and Dr Sam Taraporevala (Director, Xavier's Resource Centre for the Visually Challenged). Mani Ram Sharma and G. J. Siddharth have been given a special mention.

Non-disabled Role Model Supporters category: Dhruv Lakra (Founder and C.E.O. of Mirakle Couriers); Team I.T. comprising of N. Ravi Shanker, Dr Govind, Neeta Verma and Dr S.K. Aggarwal; and Vikas Sharma (posthumously) have been awarded. I.B.M. India Private Limited, National Thermal Power Corporation (N.T.P.C.)

Limited, Steel Authority of India Limited (S.A.I.L.) and Wipro Limited bagged the honours under the disabled friendly corporate category.

30th Sanskriti Awards

Ashok Pawar (Marathi) for Literature, Teresa Rehman for Journalism, Tejal Shah for Art, Jyothish M.G. (Theatre) for Performing Arts and Bahar Dutt for Social Achievement.

K.R. NARAYANAN AWARD 2009 N. Ram, Editor-in-Chief of *The Hindu*

Social Entrepreneur of the Year Award

Rajendra Joshi, *Saath* (Ahmedabad); Brij Kothari, *Planet Read* (Mumbai); Padmanabha and Rama Rao, *RIVER*, Andhra Pradesh.

Femina Miss India 2009

Miss India World 2009 Pooja Chopra (*Pune*)
Miss India Universe 2009 Ekta Choudhury (*Delhi*)
Miss India Earth 2009 Shriya Kishore (*Mumbai*)

CNN-IBN Awards 2009

CNN-IBN Indian of the Year 2009 A R Rahman; CNN-IBN Indian of the Year 2009 (Politics)-Rahul Gandhi; CNN-IBN Indian of the Year 2009 (Sports)-Saina Nehwal; CNN-IBN Indian of the Year 2009 (Business)-The Satyam Revival Team; CNN-IBN Indian of the Year 2009 (Entertainment)-A R Rahman; CNN-IBN Indian of the Year 2009 (Public Service)-Pratham

Mcarthur Awards 2009 for Creative and Effective Institutions

Access to Justice (Lagos, Nigeria); Caribbean Natural Resource Institute (Port of Spain, Trinidad); Center for Neighborhood Technology (Chicago); Centre for Independent Social Research (St. Petersburg, Russia); Chicago Community Loan Fund; Mahila SEWA Trust (Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India); National Housing Conference Center for Housing Policy (Washington, D.C.) and Women of the Don (Novocherkassk, Russia).

LBS NATIONAL AWARD Sunil Mittal, Chairman and Group CEO, Bharti Enterprises.

Sahitya Akademi Awards 2009

Pardum Singh Jindheria (*Dogri*), Kailash Vajpayee (*Hindi*), Jess Fernandes (*Konkani*), Raghu Leishangthem (*Manipuri*), Vasant Abaji Dahake (*Marathi*), Phani Mophanty (*Oriya*), Damayanti Beshra (*Santhali*) Puriarasu (*Tamil*).

SASTRA RAMANUJAN PRIZE 2009 Prof. Kathrin Bringmann, University of Cologne, Germany.

INTERNATIONAL AWARDS

Nobel Prize 2009

Peace: Barack Obama;

Literature: Ms Herta Meuller (Romania)

Medicine: Ms Elizabeth H. Blackburn (USA), Ms Carol W. Greider (USA), Mr Jack

W. Szostak (USA)

Physics: The awardees include Charles K. Kao, Willard S Boyle and George E Smith,

all from US.

Chemistry: Venkatraman Ramakrishnan (USA, and of Indian Origin), Thomas Steitz

(USA) and Ada Yonath (Israel)

67th Golden Globe Awards

Best Motion Picture (Drama) Avatar; Best performance by an actress in a motion picture (drama) Sandra Bullock—The Blind Side; Best performance by an actor in a motion picture (Drama) Jeff bridges-Crazy Heart; Best motion picture (comedy or musical) The Hangover; Best performance by an actress in a motion picture (comedy or musical) Meryl Streep—Julie and Julia; Best performance by an actor in a motion picture (comedy or musical) Robert Downey Jr. —Sherlock Holmes; Best Animated Feature Film 'UP'; Best Foreign Language Film The White Ribbon (Germany); Best performance by an actress in a supporting role in a motion picture Mo'nique Precious, Best performance by an actor in a supporting role in a motion picture Christoph Waltz-Inglourious Basterds; Best Director (Motion Picture) James Cameron—Avatar; Best Screenplay(Motion Picture) Jason Reitman, Up In The Air Sheldon Turner; Best Original Score(Motion Picture) Michael Giacchino-Up; Best Original Song (Motion Picture) The Weary Kind (Theme From Crazy Heart)"-Crazy Heart Music and Lyrics by Ryan Bingham, T Bone Burnett; Best Television Series (Drama) Mad Men (AMC); Best Performance By An Actress In A Television Series (Drama) Julianna Margulies—The Good Wife; Best Performance By An Actor In A Television Series(Drama) Michael c. Hall—Dexte; Best Television Series-Comedy Or Musical Glee (Fox); Best Performance By An Actress In A Television Series (Comedy Or Musical) Toni Collette—United States Of Tara; Best Performance By An Actor In A Television Series (Comedy Or Musical) Alec Baldwin—30 Rock Best Mini-Series Or Motion Picture Made For Television Grey Gardens (HBO); Best Performance By An Actress in a Mini-Series or Motion Picture Made For Television Drew Barrymore—Grey Gardens; Best Performance By An Actor In A Mini-Series Or Motion Picture Made For Television Kevin Bacon—Taking Chance; Best Performance By An Actress In A Supporting Role In A Series, Mini-Series Or Motion Picture Made For Television Chloë Sevigny-Big Love; Best performance by an actor in a supporting role in a series, mini-series or motion picture made for television John Lithgow-Dexter

Booker prize 2009 Hilary Mantel for 'Wolf Hall'

Miss Earth 2009 Larissa Ramos (Brazil)

Miss Gibraltar, Kaiane Aldorino (Gibraltar)

Man Booker prize 2009 Alice Munro

International Olympiad Nitin Jain (India) won the award at Tehran, Iran

Bafta 2010

Best Film: The Hurt Locker; Outstanding British Film: Fish Tank; Best Director: Kathryn Bigelow—The Hurt Locker; Leading Actor: Colin Firth- A Single Man Leading Actress: Carey Mulligan, An Education; Supporting Actor: Christoph Waltz-Inglourious Basterds; Supporting Actress: Mo'Nique-Precious; Original Screenplay: Mark Boal- The Hurt Locker; Adapted Screenplay: Jason Reitman, Sheldon Turner-Up in the Air; Animated Film: Up; Film Not in the English Language: "A Prophet" (France); Music: Michael Giacchino, "Up"; Editing: The Hurt Locker; Cinematography: The Hurt Locker; Production Design: Avatar; Costume Design: The Young Victoria; Sound: The Hurt Locker; Special Visual Effects: Avatar; Makeup and Hair: The Young Victoria; Short Animation: Mother Of Many; Short Film: I Do Air; Outstanding Debut by a British Writer, Director or Producer: Duncan Jones, Director, Moon; The Orange Rising Star Award (voted for by public): Kristen Stewart; Academy Fellowship: Vanessa Redgrave; Outstanding British Contribution to Cinema: Joe Dunton

Oscars 2010

Best picture: The Hurt Locker

Best director: Kathryn Bigelow 'The Hurt Locker'

Best actress: Sandra Bullock 'The Blind Side'

Best actor: Jeff Bridges 'Crazy Heart'

Best foreign language film: 'El Secreto de Sus Ojos' Argentina Best film editing: Bob Murawski and Chris Innis 'The Hurt Locker'

Best documentary feature: The Cove

Best visual effects: Joe Letteri, Stephen Rosenbaum, Richard Baneham and Andrew

R. Jones 'Avatar';

Best original score: Michael Giacchino 'Up' Best cinematography: Mauro Fiore 'Avatar'

Best sound mixing: Paul N.J. Ottosson and Ray Beckett' The Hurt Locker'

Best sound editing: Paul N.J. Ottosson 'The Hurt Locker

Best costume design: Sandy Powell 'The Young Victoria'

Best art direction: Rick Carter and Robert Stromberg; Set Decoration: Kim Sinclair'

Avatar';

Best supporting actress: Mo'nique 'Precious'

Best adapted screenplay: Geoffrey Fletcher 'Precious'

Best makeup: Barney Burman, Mindy Hall and Joel Harlow 'Star Trek'
Best short film (Live action): Joachim Back and Tivi Magnusson 'The New Tenants'

Best documentary (short subject): Roger Ross Williams and Elinor Burkett 'Music by prudence'

Best short film (animated): Nicolas Schmerkin 'Logorama'

Best original screenplay: Mark Boal 'The Hurt Locker'

Best original song: 'The Weary Kind (Theme from Crazy Heart)' from 'Crazy Heart'

Music and Lyric by Ryan Bingham and T Bone Burnett

Best animated feature film: 'Up'

Best supporting actor: Christoph Waltz 'Inglourious Basterds'

2009 American Music Awards

Artist of the year: Taylor Swift; Pop/rock: Favourite artist: Male: Michael Jackson, Female: Lady Gaga; Favourite Band: Duo/group: Black eyed peas; Favourite album: Michael Jackson/Number ones; Country: Favourite Artist: Male: Keith Urban, Female: Taylor swift; Favourite band, Duo/Group: Rascal Flatts; Favourite album: Taylor swift/Fearless Rap/Hip Hop/Favourte artist: Male: Jay –Z Favourite album: Jay-Z/Blueprint3; Beyonce: Favourite band: Duo/group: Black eyed peas, Favourite album: Michael Jackson/number ones; Soundtracks: Twilight soundtrack: Alternative Rock: Green day: Adult contemporary: Favourite artist: Taylor swift.

52nd Grammy Awards

Best dance recording: Lady Gaga; Best electronic/dance album Lady Gaga- The Fame; Best female country vocal performance: Taylor Swift-White Horse; Best male country vocal performance: Keith Urban-Sweet Thing; Best country performance by a duo/ group with vocals: Lady Antebellum-I Run To You; Best country collaboration with vocals: Carrie Underwood and Randy Travis-I Told You So; Best country song: Taylor Swift-White Horse; Best bluegrass album :Steve Martin-The Crow/New Songs For The Five-String Banjo; **Best children's music album**: Ziggy Marley-Family Time; **Best** spoken word album: Michael J. Fox -Always Looking Up; Best musical show album-West Side Story; Best compilation soundtrack album: Slumdog Millionaire; Best song written for motion picture, television or other visual media: Slumdog Millionare – Jai Ho; Best remixed recording, non-classical: David Guetta featuring Kelly Rowland -When Love Takes Over; Best male pop vocal performance: Jason Mraz-Make It Mine; Best pop performance by a duo or group with vocals: Black Eyed Peas-I Gotta Feeling Best pop collaboration with vocals: Jason Mraz and Colbie Callait-Lucky; Best pop instrumental album: Booker T. Jones – Potato Hole; Best pop vocal album: The Black Eyed Peas - The E.N.D; Best traditional pop vocal album: Michael Buble - "Michael Buble Meets Madison Square Garden"; Best rock solo performance: Bruce Springsteen-Working on a dream; **Best rock performance by a duo/group w/vocals:** Kings of Leon– Use Somebody; Best hard rock performance: AC/DC -War Machine ;Best metal performance: Judas Priest – Dissident Aggressor; Best rock instrumental performance: Jeff Beck -A day in the life :Best rock song: Kings Of Leon-Use Somebody; Best alternative music album: Phoenix-Wolfgang Amadeus Phoenix; Best female R and B

vocal performance: Beyonce-Single Ladies-(Put a ring on it); Best male R and B vocal performance: Maxwell-Pretty Wings; Best R and B performance by a duo/ group with vocals: Jamie Foxx and T-Pain -Blame It; Best traditional R and B vocal performance: Beyonce -At Last; Best urban/alternative performance: India. Arie and Dobet Gnahore -Pearls; Best R and B song: Beyonce-Single Ladies (Put A Ring On It); Best R and B album: Maxwell-BLACKsummer's night; Best contemporary R and B album: Beyonce - I Am...Sasha Fierce; Best rap solo performance: Jay-Z -D.O.A.; Best rap performance by a duo/group: Eminem, Dr Dre and 50 Cent - Crack A Bottle; Best rap song: Rihanna, Jay-Z and Kanye West – Run This Town; Best rap album: Eminem – Relapse; Best short form music video: The Black Eyed Peas –Boom Boom Po; Best long form music video: Various Artists-The Beatles Love - All Together Now"; Song of the year: Beyonce "Single Ladies (Put A Ring On It)"; Best country album: Taylor Swift-Fearless; Best new artist: Zac Brown Band; Best comedy album: Stephen Colbert – The Greatest Gift Of All!; **Record of the year**: Kings Of Leon – Use Somebody; Best rock album: Green Day - 21st Century Breakdown; Best rap/sung collaboration: Jay-Z, Rihanna and Kanye West - Run This Town; Best female vocal performance: Beyonce - Halo; Album of the year: Taylor Swift - Fearless

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BVRAAM	Beyond-Visual Range Air-to-Air Missile
CCEA	Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs
IMEI	International Mobile Equipment Identity
INTACH	Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage
NIMHANS	National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro-Sciences
NVVN	NTPC Vidyut Vyapar Nigam
SAU	South Asian University
FIAV	The Federation of Indian Association of Victoria
МАСНО	Massive Astro-physical Compact Halo Object(s)
WIMPS	Weakly Interacting Massive Particle(s)
AARDO	Afro-Asian Rural Development Organization
IFPRI	International Food Policy Research Institute
G-SHE	Governance for sustaining Himalayan Ecosystem
MGREGA	Mahatma Gandhi Rural Employment Guarantee Act

IUCCA Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics
ICANN Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers

EUNAVFOR European Union Naval Force

FOGSI Federation of Obstetrics and Gynaecology Socities of India

MSME Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
NSSK Navjaat Shishu Suraksha Karyakram

STPF Special Tiger Protection Force

NABI National Agri-food Biotechnology Institute
SDIS Skill Development Initiative Scheme

ICM.IE International Committee of Medical Journal Editors

ICCROM International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and

Restoration of Cultural Property

CEQUIN The Centre for Equity and Inclusion

JAXA The Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency

UNIFEM The United Nations Development Fund for Women
USPSTF The United States Preventive Services Task Force

NTRO National Technical Research Organization

CCS Cabinet Committee on Security

IGMDP Integrated Guided Missiles Development Programme

AIGS Advanced Inertial Guidance System

MTCR Missile Technology Control Regime

UNFCCC United Nations Framework Convention On Climate Change

EAS East Asia Summit

ATF Aviation Turbine Fuel

NGRBA National Ganga River Basin Authority
NCCF National Calamity Contingency Fund
NHRC National Human Rights Commission

LHC Large Hadron Collider

NELP New Exploration Licensing Policy

GEAC Genetic Engineering Approval Committee

WADA World Anti-Doping Agency

EPCA Environmental Pollution Prevention and Control Authority

IED Improvised Explosive Device

MRTPC Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Commission

BPLR Benchmark Prime Lending Rate

NSDC National Skill Development Corporation

PMEAC Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council

IRDA Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority

SEBI Securities and Exchange Board of India
APEC Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation
WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization

CIP Central Issue Price

NHDP National Highway Development Project

NCHRH National Council for Human Resource in Health

NHAI National Highways Authority of India

MCX Multi Commodities Exchange

NCCF National Consumer Cooperative Federation

IMEI International Mobile Equipment Identity

VOIP Voice-over-Internet Protocol

NAAC National Assessment and Acceditation Council

CBDT Central Board of Direct Taxes

SIMRAN Satellite Imaging for Rail Navigation
ACBC Austrlia China Business Council
BIAP Business Industry Assistance Program

CBCT Cross Border Capital Tax

NSSA National Social Security Authority
OGRA Oil and Gas Regularity Authority
ROE Regional Office of Education

AVCC Automatic Vehicle Counter-cum-Classifier

CRP Central Record Keeping Agency

DCPS Defined Contribution Pension Scheme

DUAC Delhi Urban Arts Commission

FPO Follow on Public Offer

GUCOC Gujarat Control of Organized Crime
NCTE National Council of Teacher Training

PFRDA Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority

WTP Wazirabad Water Treatment Plant

AIBMDA All India Broadcast Manufactures and Distributors Association

DRAM Dynamic Random Access Memory

QUID Quasi Universal Intergalactic Denomination

RICAREA Retired Indian Council for Agricultural Research Employees

Association

SETS Society for Electronic Transactions and Security

UNFCC The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

HINDRAF Hindu Rights Action Force

IRNSS The Indian Regional Navigation Satellite System

MNP Mobile Number Portability

SBSTA The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice

IPI International Press Institute

APRSAF Asia Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum

IGNOAPAS Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme

ARGD Artificial Recharge of Ground water through Drugwells

IFFI International Film Festival of India

NMDC National Mineral Development Corporation Ltd

IITF Indian International Trade Fair
SELCO Solar Electric Light Company
IRF International Road Federation

LPD Landing Platform Dock

NDNC National Do Not Call

NCA National Cricket Academy

NASSCOM National Association of Software and Service Companies

CIIL Central Institute of Indian Languages

VSSC Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre

IIGEP The International Independent Group of Eminent Persons

OCTOPUS Organization to Counter Terrorist Operations

USHA Urban Statistics for HR and Assessment
IGNCA Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts
ICCI Indian Council of Carotid Intervention

OWRC Overseas Workers Resource Centre

NIMHANS National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences

TULF Tamil United Liberation Front

NACIL National Aviation Company of India Ltd
SAFMA South Asian Free Media Association
PGCIL Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd
CCPA Cabinet Committee on Political Affairs

NSCN Nationalist Socialist Council of Nagaland

CMAG Commonwealth Ministerial Action Group

GCC Gulf Cooperation Council

CCI Competition Commission of India

AERA Airport Economic Regulatory

BCAS Board of Control for Airport Security

PATA Pacific Asia Travel Association
GRF German Research Foundation

IMSA International Medical Sciences Academy

ISC Indian Science Congress

DSN Deep Space Network

NCDTEI National Conference on Development of Technical Education

in India

UNCCC United Nations Climate Change Conference

IAPSCC International anti-Imperialist and People's Solidarity

Coordinating Committee

IIFS India International Friendship Society

TCIL Triplate Company of India

AIATF All-India Anti Terrorist Front

CAT Compressed Air Technology

CIFA Consortium of Indian Farmers' Association

GIS GeoSpecial Information Systems

HUDCO Housing and Urban Development Corporation

IPMA Indian Paper Manufacturers Association
PETA People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals

REITS Real Estate Investment Trusts

DPEP District Primary Education Project

KPCS Kimberley Process Certification Scheme

PCPIR Petroleum, Chemicals and Petrochemicals Investment Region

SLB Stock Lending Borrowing
AUM Asset Under Management
CER Certified Emission Reduction
CDM Clean Development Mechanism

NERMP National Earthquake Risk Mitigation Project

ESMA Essential Services Maintenance Act

EUETS EU Mission Trading Scheme

AAPI American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin

WII Wild Life Institute of India

ICRA Investment Information and Credit Rating Agency of India

FMC Forward Markets' Commission
GETF Gold Exchange Traded Funds

MTN Medium Term Note

IIFCL India Infrastructure Finance Company Limited
ARCIL Asset Reconstruction Company of India Ltd

ELSS Equity Linked Saving Scheme

ATA Allen Telescope Array
BPR Bottom Pressure Recorders

ICANN Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers

IPCC Intergovernment Panel on Climate Change

ISCS Integrated Smart Card System

PN Participatory Note

AIPSC All India Police Science Congress

ICARIndian Council for Agricultural ResearchKGBVSKasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya Scheme

GPY Grameen Pushti Yojana

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