



Kishore Kumar Samman

Why in News?

- Recently, the Madhya Pradesh government announced that filmmaker **Rajkumar Hirani** will be honored with the prestigious **Kishore Kumar Samman 2023**.

Key Points

- **Notable Films:**
 - Hirani is known for directing iconic films such as **3 Idiots, PK, Sanju, Munna Bhai MBBS, Dunki** etc.
 - The award ceremony will take place on **13th October, 2023**, in **Khandwa**, Kishore Kumar's hometown.
 - It coincides with the **death anniversary** of the legendary singer.
- **Significance of the Award:**
 - This year marks the **20th anniversary** of Hirani's directorial debut with **Munna Bhai MBBS**, a film that transformed Bollywood storytelling.
 - The **Kishore Kumar Samman** has previously honored notable personalities in Indian cinema, including **Amitabh Bachchan, Dilip Kumar, Manoj Kumar, Dharmendra, Shatrughan Sinha**.

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- The Kishore Kumar Samman is an award given by the **Madhya Pradesh government to recognize contributions to Hindi cinema**.
 - **The award is given in the following fields:** Acting, Screenplay, Songwriting, and Direction.
- The award includes a prize of **Rs 5 lakh, a plaque, and a shawl-shriphal**. The award is given in memory of the famous playback singer and versatile artist, Kishore Kumar.
- **Kishore Kumar** was a **playback singer, actor, music director, lyricist, film producer, film director, screenwriter, and composer**. He was a skilled imitator, interpreter, and innovator. He used colorful timbral effects, electric organs, and other atypical instruments in his accompaniments.