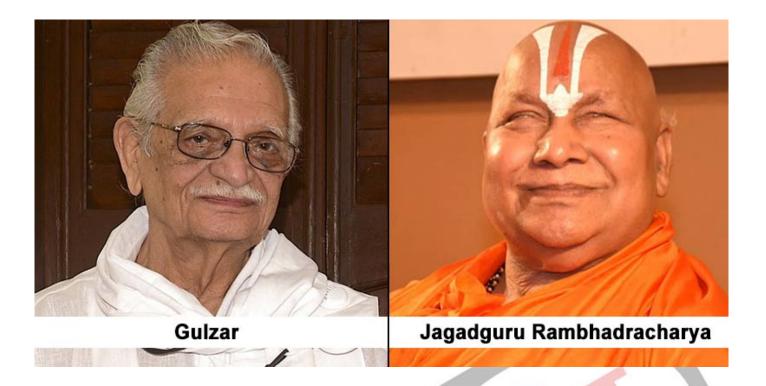


## 58th Jnanpith Award

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The President conferred the **58th Jnanpith Award** for the year 2023 upon **Sanskrit scholar Jagadguru Rambhadracharya** and renowned poet-lyricist **Gulzar.** 

- Jagadguru Rambhadracharya: He is a revered Sanskrit scholar and Hindu spiritual leader, has held the title of Jagadguru Ramanandacharya since 1982. He is the founder and head of Tulsi Peeth in Chitrakoot (MP), a prominent religious and literary institution.
  - A prolific author of over 240 works, he has penned four Sanskrit epics (Bhargava Raghavam, Sri Ramayanam, Dasavatara Tirtham, and Ramanandacharya Tirtham). He was honoured with the Padma Vibhushan in 2015.
- Gulzar: Sampooran Singh Kalra (Gulzar) is a celebrated Urdu poet, lyricist, author, and filmmaker.
  - He pioneered the Triveni poetic form and made lasting contributions to Hindi cinema with films like Maachis, Aandhi, and Koshish.
  - He is recipient of the Padma Bhushan (2004), <u>Sahitya Akademi Award</u> (2002), <u>Dadasaheb Phalke Award</u> (2013), an Oscar (2009),
    - a Grammy (2010), and five National Film Awards.
- Jnanpith Award: The Jnanpith Award, established in 1961 and first presented in 1965, is India's oldest and highest literary honour.
  - Conferred annually by Bharatiya Jnanpith, the award recognises
    outstanding contributions to Indian literature across both English and various Indian
    languages, exclusively to Indian citizens and not posthumously.
  - Recipients of the Jnanpith Award receive a cash prize of Rs 11 lakh, a statue of Vagdevi/Saraswati, and a citation, celebrating their literary excellence.



**Note:**Vinod Kumar Shukla has been named the recipient of the **59<sup>th</sup> Jnanpith Award (2024)**, becoming the first writer from Chhattisgarh to receive the honor.

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