



Press Release

Winners of the 6th Annual Shriram Awards for Excellence in Financial Journalism Announced

- **Eminent journalist Mr. Manas Chakravarty conferred with Lifetime Achievement Award**
- **Late Mr. C.P. Kuruvilla conferred with Hall of Fame Award**

Chennai, May 29, 2018: The Shriram Awards for Excellence in Financial Journalism was conducted for the 6th year in succession at a glittering function at the Taj Coromandel Hotel in Chennai on May 29, 2018. Mr. R Thyagarajan, Founder, Shriram Group and Shri. S Gurumurthy, Editor, The Thuglak felicitated all the awardees.

Mr. Manas Chakravarty was conferred with the prestigious Lifetime Achievement Award and the special Hall Of Fame Award was conferred upon Late Mr. C.P. Kuruvilla at the 6th Edition of the Shriram Awards for Excellence in Financial Journalism.

Winners and Runner Ups in various categories are:

1. Economic Policy - Winner : Ms. Aruna Chandrasekhar (Scroll.in); Runners Up : Mr. MC Govardhana Rangan & Ms. Gayatri Nayak (The Economic Times); Mr. Anand Kalyanaraman (The Hindu Business Line) and Ms. Aarefa Johari (Scroll.in)
2. Financial Markets -Winner: Mr. Abhishek Waghmare (Business Standard); Runners Up: Ms. Lokeshwarri SK (The Hindu Business Line); Mr. Anup Roy (Business Standard)
3. Financial Institutions - Winners: Mr. Joel Rebello & Ms. Saloni Shukla (The Economic Times); Runner Up: Mr. Atmadip Ray (The Economic Times)
4. Sectoral Issues - Winners: Mr. Hari Pulakkat (The Economic Times); Runners Up: Mr. Sumant Banerji (Business Today) & Mr. Rajeev Dubey (Business Today)

A compendium of Top articles was distributed as a special booklet to the audience.

Mr. R Thyagarajan, Founder, Shriram Group, said, "The first ever Shriram awards was held here in Chennai back in 2013. It gives us immense pleasure and happiness to bring the awards back to the wonderful city this year. Over the last 6 years, the Shriram Awards for Excellence in Financial Journalism has grown in stature and also in qualitative and quantitative terms. We are thrilled by the ever increasing participation of the Journalistic fraternity", he said. We are entering a Golden age of Journalism which is all about story telling. And now with the support of the journalists, I can proudly say that The Shriram Awards has now become a key platform for journalists across the country to showcase the magnificent work done by them, Mr. Thyagarajan added.

This year, there were some alterations in the nomination process. Journalists/ Editors could submit a maximum of three entries per journalist. Any Journalist/Editor who had won a Shriram Award in the past 3 years could not apply in the current year. However, runners Up were eligible to apply. The Institute for Financial Management and Research (IFMR), Chennai played an important and independent role in the selection process by scrutinizing the nominations and making them available for the Jury Members for their consideration.

The jury comprised of some of India's most respected media personalities such as Mr. A. K. Bhattacharya(Editorial Director, Business Standard), Mr. Swaminathan S. Aiyar(Consulting Editor, Economic Times),Mr. T. N. Ninan (Chairman, Business Standard), Mr. R Jagannathan (Editorial Director, Swarajya Magazine), Mr. Gopal Srinivasan (Chairman & Managing Director - TVS Capital Ltd.), Mr. Srinivasan K. Swamy (Chairman & Managing Director, R. K. Swamy BBDO), Ms. Ashu Suyash (MD & CEO, CRISIL) and Mr. Adit Jain (Chairman, IMA Asia).

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