

Booker Prize 2020

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In news

New York-based Scottish writer Douglas Stuart has won the Booker Prize for *Shuggie Bain*

Key Highlights

- *Shuggie Bain* is his debut novel about a boy in 1980s Glasgow trying to support his mother as she struggles with addiction and poverty
- Dubai-based Indian-origin writer Avni Doshi, who was shortlisted among the final six authors for her debut novel *'Burnt Sugar'*, lost out on the top prize

About Booker prize

- It is the leading literary award in the English speaking world, which has brought recognition, reward and readership to outstanding fiction for over 50 years.
- The Booker Prize for Fiction, formerly known as the Booker–McConnell Prize (1969–2001) and the Man Booker Prize (2002–2019), is a literary prize awarded each year for the best original novel written in the English language and published in the United Kingdom or Ireland
- The Booker Prize was first awarded in 1969.
- Its aim was to stimulate the reading and discussion of contemporary fiction