International Booker Prize, 2022

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In news- 'Tomb of Sand' book of Geetanjali Shree won the 2022 International Man Booker Prize, thus becoming the first book written in an Indian language to have won the honour. It is also the first novel translated from Hindi (Ret Samadhi) to be recognised by the award (Translator Daisy Rockwell).

About International Booker Prize-

- It was earlier known as the Man Booker International Prize, launched in 2004 to reward, every two years, a contemporary author of any nationality for a body of work published in English or available in English translation.
- It was first awarded in 2005 and since 2016, the £50,000 prize has been awarded annually to a book translated into English and published in the UK or Ireland.
- The award is split equally between the writer and the translator.
- It is presented by the Booker Prize Foundation.

About Booker Prize

- Formerly known as the **Booker Prize for Fiction** (1969–2001) and the **Man Booker Prize** (2002–2019), it is a <u>literary prize</u> awarded each year for the best novel written in English and published in the United Kingdom or Ireland.
- When the prize was first created, only novels written by <u>Commonwealth</u>, Irish, and South African (and later Zimbabwean) citizens were eligible to receive the prize.
- In 2014 it was widened to any English-language novel.
- The prize money awarded with the Booker Prize was originally £21,000, and was subsequently raised to

£50,000 in 2002 under the **sponsorship of the Man Group**, making it one of the <u>world's richest literary prizes</u>.