

Pulitzer Prize, 2022

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In news– The winners of Pulitzer Prize 2022 in journalism, books, drama and music (including 4 awards for India) were announced recently.

Winners of 2022 –

- The awards highlighted coverage of major stories in the U.S. that year, including the January 6 attack on the U.S. Capitol, for which ***The Washington Post won the Public Service prize***, considered the most prestigious award.
- *The New York Times* received three awards, the most of any publication.
- *Insider* received its first Pulitzer.
- Journalists from Ukraine were recognized with a 2022 Pulitzer Prize special citation.
- While jurors of journalism's top honours also recognized coverage the withdrawal from Afghanistan and the Surfside condominium collapse in Florida.
- **This year India received four awards for documenting its battle with Covid-19.**
- India's Danish Siddiqui was posthumously awarded a Pulitzer along with Adnan Abidi, Sanna Irshad Mattoo, and Amit Dave for their images of Covid-19 in India.

Danish Siddiqui-

- He received the award in the category of Feature Photography.
- He was a photojournalist associated with the international news agency Reuters.
- He was killed while covering the war between Afghan troops and the Taliban in the Spin Boldak district of Kandahar city last year.
- Siddiqui had earlier received the 2018 Pulitzer Prize

for Feature Photography, as part of the Reuters team, for documenting the Rohingya refugee crisis.

About the Prize-

- It is an award for achievements in newspaper, magazine, online journalism, literature and musical composition within the United States.
- **It was established in 1917 by provisions in the will of Joseph Pulitzer**, who had made his fortune as a newspaper publisher, and **is administered by Columbia University**.
- **Prizes are awarded yearly in twenty-one categories.**
- **In twenty of the categories, each winner receives a certificate and a US\$15,000 cash award (raised from \$10,000 in 2017).**
- **The winner in the public service category is awarded a gold medal.**
- The awards are made in categories relating to journalism, arts, letters and fiction.
- Reports and photographs by United States-based newspapers, magazines and news organizations (including news websites) that “[publish] regularly” are eligible for the journalism prize.
- In December 2008, it was announced that for the first time content published in online-only news sources would be considered.
- **In 2015, magazines were allowed to enter for the first time in two categories** (Investigative Reporting and Feature Writing).
- By 2016, this provision had expanded to three additional categories (International Reporting, Criticism and Editorial Cartooning).
- **In October 2016, magazine eligibility was extended to all journalism categories.**
- Hitherto confined to the local reporting of breaking news, the Breaking News Reporting category was expanded to encompass **all domestic breaking news events in 2017.**