

Dadasaheb Phalke Award to Mithun Chakraborty

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Recently, the **Ministry of Information and Broadcasting** has announced that the **Dadasaheb Phalke Award** for **2022** will be awarded to the actor and former **Rajya Sabha Member of Parliament (MP)**Mithun Chakraborty.

- It will be presented during the 70th National Film Awards ceremony, for his significant contribution to Indian cinema.
- He will be the 54th recipient of the DadaSaheb Phalke Award.
- About Dadasaheb Phalke Award:
 - It is the country's highest film honour introduced in 1969, conferred for "Outstanding contribution for the growth and development of Indian cinema".
 - It was awarded for the first time to **Devika Rani**, "the first lady of Indian cinema".
 - This award includes a 'Swarna Kamal,' a cash prize of INR 10 lakh, a certificate, a silk roll, and a shawl.
 - It is presented by the <u>President of India.</u>
- About Dhundiraj Govind Phalke:
 - He was an Indian producer, director, and screenwriter, who directed India's first feature film Raja Harischandra (1913).
 - He is known as the "Father of Indian Cinema".

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