



Booker Prize 2022

Why in News?

Recently, Sri Lankan writer Shehan Karunatilaka won the [Booker Prize](#) 2022 for his novel **“The Seven Moons of Maali Almeida”**, about a dead war photographer on a mission in the afterlife.

What is Booker Prize?

- The Booker Prize is the **world’s leading literary award for a single work of fiction.**
- Founded in the UK in **1969**, it was initially awarded to Commonwealth writers and now spans the globe, and it is open to anyone regardless of origin.
- Each year, the Booker Prize is awarded to what is, in the opinion of our judges, the **best sustained work of fiction written in English** and published in the UK and Ireland.
- The winning book is a work that not only speaks to our current times, but also one that will endure and join the pantheon of great literature.

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