



Indira Gandhi Peace Prize

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Why in News?

Recently, the Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament and Development for 2023 has been jointly awarded to **Daniel Barenboim and Ali Abu Awwad** for their efforts in bringing together the youth and peoples of Israel and the Arab World **for a non-violent resolution** of the [Israel-Palestine conflict](#).

- Barenboim is an Argentine-born distinguished classical pianist, and Awwad is an eminent Palestinian peace activist who has been working for a peaceful resolution of the ongoing conflict in the **Middle East**.

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What is the Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament and Development?

▪ About:

- The Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament, and Development award has **been conferred every year since 1986 by Indira Gandhi Memorial Trust** in honor of Indira Gandhi, the former Prime Minister of India.
- The award recognizes **individuals or organizations for their exceptional contributions** to international peace, disarmament, and development.
- The prize is awarded annually and is considered one of the highest honors in the field of peace and development.
- It consists of a monetary award of **25 lakh rupees along with a citation.**

▪ Categories:

- The award is bestowed in **three categories:** peace, disarmament, and development.

▪ Criteria for Recognition:

- The recipients are chosen based on their exceptional and sustained efforts to address critical global challenges related to peace, disarmament, and development.
- Their work should demonstrate a positive impact on the international community and contribute to the betterment of human welfare.

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