DHAN Foundation bags Jindal Prize 2011

DHAN Foundation bags Jindal Prize 2011 for its contributions in rural development and poverty alleviation. The prize carries a cash contribution of Rs. 1 crore to further its initiatives. The Jindal Prize has been instituted by Dr. Sitaram Jindal to accolade exceptional service of current significance rendered by individuals or organisations for the welfare of Indian citizens in the country. It is expected that the recognition garnered by the Jindal Prize awardees will catalyse their efforts towards social upliftment.

Sitaram Jindal Foundation has honoured 27 Outstanding Institutions and individuals including DHAN Foundation. Five prizes carrying Rs. 1 crore each have been given to DHAN Foundation for Rural Development and Poverty Alleviation, Rishi Valley Education Centre, Chittoor (AP) for Education - with moral upliftment, Shri Dharmasthala Veerendra Heggade for Health - including drugless healing, A P J Abdul Kalam for Science and Technology, Justice N Santosh Hegde for Social Development.

The founder of the Art of Living Sri Sri Ravishankar and Shri Tejendra Khanna, Lieutenant Governor of Delhi gave away prizes to winners in New Delhi on February 23, 2012.

Together Jindal & S R Jindal Prizes had attracted close to 2000 nominations in the first year of launch, mirroring the exceptional response for the Prizes. The nominations were invited from across India and abroad through advertisements in print and electronic media as well as the website of Jindal Foundation. The nominations received were adjudicated by Juries comprising eminent persons of high integrity through a process independent of the working of the Foundation.