

Azhar Alam gets best Assamese film critic award



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Under the aegis of Directorate of Cultural Affairs and Assam State Film Finance and Development Corporation (ASFFDC), Film Award Festival -2010, was formally declared open by Assam Chief Minister, Tarun Gogoi at the Rabindra Bhawan on March 10 last. The celebration of 75 years of Assamese cinema was graced by presence of a number of dignitaries in the field, prominent among them were Parikshit Sahani, Seema Guha and Jahnu Baruah.

Veteran film director, Jahnu Baruah conferred Pabitra Kumar Deka Memorial Award for the best film critic announced by the Assam Cultural Affairs department on Assamese films, to Azhar Alam, a senior journalist of Pratap Khabar, a Hindi Daily, published from Guwahati, on this occasion. This award was given to Azhar Alam for his book in Hindi 'Asomiya Filmon Ka Safarnama', published in the year 2007. The Award consists of a citation, memento and a sum of Rs.20,000. It may be noted in this connection that it was the first time this award was announced, which has gone to a film critic on his book in Hindi. Azhar Alam's friends, colleagues and those who know him have congratulated him on his achievement and wished more success in future.

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