

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **NHRC announces winners of its Short Film Award Scheme – 2016**

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The National Human Rights Commission has announced the winners of its Short Film Award Scheme – 2016 based on the recommendations of an expert panel of jury headed by Mr. Sunit Tandon and comprising Nadoja Dr. Mahesh Joshi, Ms. Ananaya Banerjee and Mr. Arun Chadha.

‘Black and White’ by Anuj S.R. from Kerala has been selected for the first prize of Rs 1 lakh. ‘Tumling Street’ by Rimbik Das and ‘Ambrosia’ by Somnath Chakraborty, both from West Bengal, have been chosen for the second and third prize of Rs. 75 thousand and 50 thousand respectively.

The awards will be given on the Human Rights Day function of the Commission in New Delhi on the 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2016. The Commission has also accepted the jury’s recommendations to give this time a certificate of special mention to four films, which include ‘Dehleez’, ‘Arem SEI’, ‘Women’ and ‘Kanavugul’.

The Commission had received 84 valid entries till the last date on the 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2016 to compete for its Short Film Award Scheme - 2016. This was almost double the number of entries received for the inaugural run of the NHRC’s Short Film Award Scheme last year.

The aim of the Short Film Award Scheme is to encourage and acknowledge cinematic and creative efforts of the Indian citizens, irrespective of their age, towards the promotion and protection of human rights.

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