

## Introduction: Dr. Chhaya Mahajan

- Dr. Chhaya Mahajan is a prolific writer. She is renowned Novelist, short story writer, Prose and writer for children, biographer, editor for encylopaedia, poetess, translator, orator and critic.
- Her mother, the late Sindhutai Bhalerao, grandfather late Shankarrao Khandat and father-in-law Vaidyabhushan Tatyasaheb Mahajan is a freedom fighter of the Hyderabad Liberation War.
- M.A. (English), Ph. D. (English Literature), DHE.
- Ex Principal, Dr. IBP Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Ch. Sambhajinagar (M.S.)
- Head, Dept. of English, Guide for M.Phil and Ph.D. students.
- Worked as Member of Lords, Banaras Hindu University, Banaras.
- Worked as Co-editor, Literary Dictionary for Sahitya Akademi, Delhi.
- Served as member of Loknyayalaya, High Court, Aurangabad.
- Presided as Adhyaksha, Marathwada Lekika Sammelan, Jalna on 17th & 18th Jan. 2015.
- Active office bearer of Management Committees of many social and educational organizations.
- Involved in Adult education programmes and continual education programmes in Marathwada region.
- She has 42 books in Marathi to her credit till date and 3 English.
  - 7 Short Story Collections MulakhaVegala, Yashoda , Nakalat, Oadh, Ekadasha Katha, Rahilo Upakara Eetuka, Addnyat
  - 6 prose books (Lalit Gadya) Mor Bangdi, Panya Varche Dive, Dashdisha, Gagan Jeevan Tejomay, Kolawari Di, Chandrache Tukade
  - 5 Marathi Novels (one is about to be published) College, Manasi, Tana Andhare, Horpal, Doeecha Padar Aala Khandyawari
  - 5 Books for Children Evlese Rop, Bhowara, Raktache Rang Ek, Fulanchya Goshti, Vijay Amchach Hoil
  - 2 Biographies of President of India Hon. Smt. Pratibha Patil, A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
  - 12 Translations (3 for sahitya Akademi & 5 for Kendra sarkar) Mulanche Premchand (3 Volumes), Nilya Dolyancha Manus, Herzog, Bharatachi Loot aani Badnami, Ravindranath Tagore-Natika, Aajichi wani–Swachha Jangalchi Kahani (Part 1 to Part 4), Smarak Shila
  - 2 Books in English Women in Paul Scott's novels, Inspirational Journey : President Smt. Pratibha Patil
  - Her three novels has been translated in Hindi Manasi, Tana Andhare, College
- 5 Audio books by story tell & Book Hangama.
- She has her own Youtube channel 'Sahity Chhaya' with more than 100 videos.

## Introduction Dr. Chhaya Mahajan

## **AWARDS**

- Govt. of Maharashtra Award for excellence to Nakalat (Shortest stories) 1992
- Swami Ramanand Tirth Gaurav Award for Literature (2003)
- Swami Ramanand Tirth Marathwada Bhushan Puraskar for social and educational work Sept. 2004
- Swatantraya Senani Vinayakrao Charthankar Puraskar 2004.
- Govt. of Maharashtra (Sanskrutik Sanchanalya) Shri V. S. Khandekar Award for College (novel) Nov. 2007
- Ankur Vangmay Award for novel Manasi 2009
- M.S.P. Pune, Krushnaji Vaman Kir Shreshthata award for Panyavarche Dive (Prose) 2012.
- Rajendra Banhatti Award by Pune Marathi Granthalaya (P.M.G.) for Rahilo Upkara Ituka, 2014
- Abiruchi Gaurav Puraskar, Vadodra (Gujrath) for Rahilo Upkara Ituka) (Stories)
   2014
- Vasantrao Dandale Award, Akola for Horpal (Nov. 2017)
- Jyatsna Deodhar Vishes Granthakar Puraskar, Pune, 2019.
- Award for Prose writing (Gagan Jivan Tejomay) by Vangamay Charcha Mandal, Belgaum, (Karnataka) 2019.
- Sow. Lilabai Dulichand Jain, Suryodaya Bal Sahitya Puraskar, by Suryodaya Saw. Samaveshale Mandal, Jalgaon, 2020
- Savitribai Phule Sahitya Bhushan State level Award for prose 'Chandrache Tukade', 2022
- Mahakavi Kalidas Pradnyawant Award, by M. K. Pratishthan, Pune 2022
- Lion's Dronacharya Award in field of Education by Lion's Club (Metro)
   Aurangabad 2022
- Late Kantabai Bhavarlal Jain Sevaratna Award by Sarvodaya Sarva Samueshak Mandal, Jalgon 2022
- Mahakavi Kalidas Lashvedhi Award by M. K. Pratishthan, Pune 2023.
- Award for Best Prose writing Author by Sahitya Vihar, Nagpur for Prose 'Chandrache Tukade', 21st October, 2023.