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# Nandi TV awards announced

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**Hyderabad:** Eenadu television's serial *Seeta Mahalakshmi* bagged 10 television Nandi awards, including the best leading actor for Ashok Rao, the best director for B Pruthvi Varma and the best daily serial award. Sitara was adjudged the best leading actress for *Mouna Raagaalu*.

The awards to be given by the AP State Film Television and Theatre Development Corporation were announced by home and cinematography minister T Devender Goud and awards selection committee chairman G Rammurthy on Thursday.

Nandi awards for television were announced in 53 categories, including best regular serial (*Aame*), best mega serial (*Priyamaina Satruvu*)

and best children's serial (*Paapam Pasivaallu*). The best documentary award was given to *Maa Vullo Baala Karmikulu Leru*, produced by the then district collector of Nizamabad, G Ashok Kumar. *Ren-doolla Katha* has bagged the award in the socially relevant category.

Goud said the state government recognised the growing Telugu television industry and hence instituted the Nandi awards for TV. He said it was essential to encourage good serials and artistes.

Answering a question on awarding serials that propagated superstition, Goud said that as far as possible the government would see to it that such serials were not made and

added that government had decided not to give awards to such programmes.

The AP state TV film awards committee consisted of prominent personalities from theatre, television and films. This jury viewed the entries for a period of thirty days from June 21 and adjudged awards in the categories,

according to the guidelines issued by the government. The jury declared two awards for each category.

Among the other awardees were Niraja (best supporting actress for *Vidhi*), Brinda (best comedian for *Vidhi*), Prabhakar (best villain for *Seeta Mahalakshmi*) and Srinu (best supporting actor for *Mouna Raagaalu*).

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