

Prize for Women's creativity in rural life



List of the 500 prize winners awarded 1994 - 2025

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AFRICA

ALGERIA - 1997	FATIMA BEN YUCEF – “WHERE THERE IS A WILL THERE IS A WAY”
ALGERIA - 1997	DJAOUIDA LASSEL – “LEADING THE WAY AS FIRST FEMALE FARMER IN THE REGION”
BENIN - 2002	INNOCENTIA EDWIGE A. GUEDEGBE – “MOBILISES WOMEN FODEVELOPMENT”
BENIN - 2003	AMINA BIO YAU BIO NIGAN – “CREATES GOOD PRODUCTS AT LOW PRICES”
BENIN - 2006	RUFINE KOUKOU – “PROMOTING WOMEN’S RIGHTS”
BENIN - 2010	JULIETTE KETEHOUNDJÉ – “AN INNOVATIVE APPROACH TO MICROFINANCE”
BURKINA FASO - 1997	MARIAM MAIGA – “AN EXCEPTIONAL RURAL WOMEN’S LEADER”
BURKINA FASO - 1997	RECIF/NGO – “USING INFORMATION AS EMPOWERMENT”
BURKINA FASO - 1999	RAHAMATA SAVADOGO – “PIONEER IN RURAL CREATIVITY & FAMILY PLANNING”
BURKINA FASO - 2001	KASSENA “FEMMES BATISSEURS” – “PERPETUATING TRADITIONAL ART FORMS”
BURKINA FASO - 2007	ASSOCIATION POUR LA PROMOTION FEMMES DE GAOUA – “TRADITIONAL PRACTICES”
BURKINA FASO - 2009	CATHERINE OUEDRAOGO-KANSSOLÉ – “A TIRELESS CREATIVE INNOVATOR”
BURKINA FASO - 2019	WENDLESIDA CONSTANCE KABORE – “WHERE THE ANTS CARRY THE ELEPHANTS”
BURKINA FASO - 2021	SALIMATA BALBONE – “EXCEPTIONAL COURAGE & PERSEVERANCE”
BURKINA FASO - 2023	MADJALIA SEYNOU – “AN EXCEPTIONAL & HIGHLY CREATIVE CONTRIBUTION TO ENDING RURAL POVERTY”
BOTSWANA - 2000	LESEGO VERONICA MOLAPO – “A MARKET BECOMES A SPACE FOR RURAL DEMANDS”

CAMEROON - 1997	MARY PEKOKEH – “TURNS VILLAGE INTO SMALL OWN”
CAMEROON - 1998	ALICE EWUME – “HEALS WITH HERBS AND LOVE”
CAMEROON - 2003	EUGENIE NOUALE NKORO – “DEFENDS PYGMIES’ RIGHTS”
CAMEROON - 2007	CAMEROON YOUNG JURISTS LEGAL RESOURCE CENTER – “GIVING WOMEN HOPE FOR THE FUTURE”
CAMEROON - 2008	BALI WOMEN’S UNION OF FARMING GROUPS – “TRANSLATION AS A TOOL FOR DEVELOPMENT”
CAMEROON - 2010	ANNE STELLA FOMUMBOD – “A UNIQUE CHARTER FOR WIDOWS”
CAMEROON - 2015	HAOUA DJIDERE – “AN ACTIVIST FOR WOMEN’S RIGHTS”
CAMEROON - 2016	ANNE PELAGIE YOTCHOU TZUDJOM – “CREATING STRONG NETWORKS AND LEADERSHIP”
CAMEROON - 2019	JEANNE D’ARC MOKO – “COMMITTED TO WOMEN’S RIGHTS & GENDER EQUALITY”
CAMEROON - 2019	BERNADETTE FETGO – “EMPOWERING RURAL WOMEN TO CLAIM THEIR RIGHT TO LAND”
CAMEROON - 2020	BOUBA AEISATU – “WHEN A RUNAWAY CHILD BECOMES AN ACCLAIMED & RESPECTED LEADER”
CAMEROON - 2022	ASSOCIATION WOMEN LEADERS OF THE LITTORAL – “A MOVEMENT OF GREAT SOLIDARITY “MUATO PROJECT”
CAMEROON - 2024	NGUEN LYDIADINE – “MOBILIZATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT”
CAPE VERDE - 2007	MARIA ISABEL ALVES – “WHEN THE RABELADOS BECOME INNOVATORS”
CHAD - 2001	ROBERTINE DEMBETTE – “WOMEN TAKE CHARGE”
D. R. CONGO - 1999	GODE BINDA KINI – “EMPOWERS WOMEN THROUGH ORGANISATION”
D. R. CONGO - 2002	MATESO NYOTA MWAVITA – “DEVELOPMENT THROUGH COLLECTIVE WORK”
D. R. CONGO - 2005	ESTHER OPANGA-NDJOWO – “GOOD SURVIVAL FIRST”
D. R. CONGO - 2008	AFIA FEV ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN NURSES FOR RAPE VICTIMS – “THE LACK OF MEANS IS ALREADY A MEANS”
D. R. CONGO - 2012	JACQUELINE MUSUGANI NYANGOMA – “EMPOWERS WOMEN, LOBBIES FOR THE RIGHT TO DIGNITY”
ETHIOPIA - 1996	W/O ALGANESH AWASH – “ENDS VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN”
EGYPT - 1995	GAWAHER SAAD EL SHERBINI FADL – “RECLAIMS THE RIGHT FOR WOMEN TO LAND & LABOR”
GHANA - 1995	JOAN AGBO – “REACHES OUT TO RURAL WOMEN IN FARMING & TRADING”
GHANA - 1999	ELIZABETH ABAKAH – “STANDING FOR CLEANLINESS & RESPECT”
GHANA - 1999	NARKI DOKU – “EDUCATING FOR VILLAGE LIFE”
GHANA - 2000	LAURINE TOKORY – “LIBERATING WOMEN FROM SEXUAL SLAVERY”
GHANA - 2001	JOYCE VIDA DONKOR – “BEE KEEPING SAVES BEES & BRINGS BUSINESS”
GHANA - 2011	LYDIA SASU – “AN ADVOCATE FOR WOMEN’S SKILLS & RIGHTS”
GUINEA - 2002	MARIAMA DIOULDE DIALLO – “EMPOWERMENT THROUGH SEWING”

IVORY-COAST - 2009	MADELEINE GBLIA – “FACING ADVERSITY WITH BARE HANDS”
KENYA - 1997	THE BAMAKO INITIATIVE GROUP – “VILLAGE DOCTORS ON BICYCLES”
KENYA - 1997	SUDANESE REFUGEE WOMEN’S GROUP – “REFUGEES MOVE TO SELF-SUFFICIENCY”
KENYA - 1998	THERESA MASINDE – “A TIRELESS ORGANIZER”
KENYA - 1999	NAOMI JERUTO – “A SUPER SOCIAL WORKER”
KENYA - 1999	DOLPHINE M.A. OKECH – “NICKNAMED “THE EXEMPLARY EDUCATOR”
KENYA - 2000	FLERIA ODUAR NDEGE – “FIGHTING HARMFUL TRADITIONAL PRACTICES”
KENYA - 2000	LUCIA KAKUNDI KITENG’U – “A NATURAL BORN AGRONOMIST”
KENYA - 2001	SELLINE OTIENO KORIR – “A CRUSADER FOR PEACE”
KENYA - 2002	GLADYS CHIKA – “FIGHTING POVERTY THROUGH AIDS PREVENTION”
KENYA - 2002	TEKLA WANJIKU MBIRIRI – “TEACHING RURAL WOMEN MANAGEMENT SKILLS”
KENYA - 2006	MARGARET NTUTI AKWALU – “EDUCATE A GIRL & YOU EDUCATE A NATION”
KENYA - 2007	MERCY KIYAPYAP – “CAMELS AND BEES FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT”
KENYA - 2007	JOYCE ONEKO – “EMPOWERING RURAL WOMEN”
KENYA - 2010	DOROTHY AWINO – “LAND RIGHTS FOR WOMEN: A DEVELOPMENT “MUST””
KENYA - 2011	BETTY MUNGA – “SOLIDARITY, THE KEY TO SUCCESS”
KENYA - 2012	BENDETTAH MUTHINA – “ALWAYS SEARCHING FOR NEW OPPORTUNITIES TO EMPOWER WOMEN”
KENYA - 2014	EUNICE OBALA – “RESOLVING CONFLICTS & EMPOWERING WOMEN IN PASTORAL COMMUNITIES”
KENYA - 2015	MARY KWENA – “BOYS & GIRLS TOGETHER FOR A CULTURAL SHIFT”
KENYA - 2016	EVA DARARE GONCHE – “RESTORING WOMEN’S RIGHT TO A LIFE OF DIGNITY”
KENYA - 2019	JEBET KIPLAGAT NAIYAN – “A MANY-TALENTED LEADER OF INNOVATIVE DEVELOPMENT”
KENYA - 2019	MUNTELI LALPARASALOI – “THE GODDESS OF THE LIONS”
KENYA - 2021	PHILLIPINE KIDULAH – “LIFTING WOMEN & GIRLS OUT OF POVERTY / ILLITERACY”
KENYA - 2025	REGINA CHEPTOO – “STRENGTH IN SOIL AND SOLIDARITY”
LESOTHO - 2013	ARMELINA TSIKI – “CHANGING THE LIVES OF GIRLS & YOUNG WOMEN THROUGH EDUCATION”
LIBERIA - 2006	LIBERIA CRISIS CENTER – “THE RIGHT TO DIGNITY & JUSTICE”
LIBERIA - 2007	AGNES KARTIMAI – “ADVOCATE FOR RURAL WOMEN’S RIGHTS”
MADAGASCAR - 1999	VONONA – “READY & DECIDED TO SAVE THE FOREST”
MALI - 1995	SAMAKE NAKANI AND SANGARE AMINATA – “FIGHT POVERTY, MISERY & IGNORANCE”
MALI - 2000	AISSATA GUINDO – “AN EXCEPTIONALLY CREATIVE TEACHER”

MALI - 2005	ASSOCIATION ESSEM – “HEALING ILLS OF RURAL EXODUS”
MALI - 2005	ASSOCIATION IDL JEUNESSE DEGUENA – “PREVENTING ILLS OF RURAL EXODUS”
MALAWI - 2023	ESTHER LUPAFYA – “A RELENTLESS CRUSADER FOR THE POOREST OF THE POOR”
MAURITANIA - 1998	AMAL WOMEN’S COOPERATIVE FOR HOPE – “FIGHTS DESERTIFICATION & ILLITERACY”
MOROCCO - 1996	KHADOUJ – “GIVES LOANS FOR FREEDOM”
MOROCCO - 2012	ZAHRA ADERDOUR – “OUTSPOKEN IN DIRECTING ATTENTION TO WOMEN’S RIGHTS”
MOROCCO - 2013	AZIZA JEBBARI – “COMMITTING TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT”
MOZAMBIQUE - 2021	EULALIA FERNANDO – “A FISH TRADER WITH INTEGRITY & PASSION”
NAMIBIA - 1997	OSHITUKAFITU WOMEN’S GROUP – “RURAL POOR EDUCATE SOCIETY”
NIGER - 2003	HADJARA HASSANE – “DON’T KILL THE “MOTHER OF TREES””
NIGER - 2003	HAOUA BARAZE – “STANDING UP FOR GIRLS’ SCHOOLING”
NIGER - 2008	ZAHRA MOHAMED ATTAYEB – “FIGHTS IGNORANCE & GETS GIRLS TO SCHOOL”
NIGER - 2014	BRIGITTE-MARIE BRAVO – “AIDING & PROTECTING AFRICAN CHILDREN & RURAL WOMEN”
NIGERIA - 1996	E.O. OLAWOLU – “PRESERVES TRADITION FOR TOMORROW”
NIGERIA - 1996	JANET AKINBODE – “ENDS HUNGER-NOW”
NIGERIA - 1998	ROSE ADAMU – “OVERCOMES TIMELESS TABOOS”
NIGERIA - 1999	MERCY AGU ANAGBOGU – “RESTORING THE DIGNITY OF WOMEN”
NIGERIA - 2000	ETHEL NNE EKEKE – “EMPOWERING THROUGH WEAVING”
NIGERIA - 2001	VICTORIA BOSEDE DUNMADE – “APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY FOR WOMEN”
NIGERIA - 2003	VICTORIA ADETONA – “MICRO-CREDIT FOR RURAL WOMEN”
NIGERIA - 2009	ASSUMPTA NGOZIKA REGINALD – “A PIONEER FIGHTING AIDS”
NIGERIA - 2013	EUNICE UCHECHIOMA AGU – “USING FOOTBALL AS AN EDUCATIONAL TOOL”
NIGERIA - 2020	Dr. AHMED-AMSHI MAIRO – “A POWERFUL ADVOCATE OF WOMEN’S RIGHTS”
NIGERIA - 2022	RITA OUT ROBERT – “A VISIONARY FEMINIST FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES”
NIGERIA - 2023	MABEL IFEOMA ONWUKA – “A PASSION FOR TEACHING NEW SKILLS TO RURAL WOMEN ”
NIGERIA - 2025	JULIANA AMAKA UGWU – “PIONEERING SUSTAINABLE FARMING SOLUTIONS ”
RWANDA - 1996	GODELIEVE MUKASARASI – “NEVER DISCOURAGED WHATEVER THE OBSTACLE”
RWANDA - 2009	ODETTE KAYIRERE – “QUIET STRENGHT IN THE MIDST OF TEMPEST”
RWANDA - 2025	EUGENIE MUKANSANGA – “REDUCING GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE WITH CLEAN WATER ACCESS”
SENEGAL - 1994	FATOUMATA FOFANA – “STARTS FIRST SESAME SEED COTTAGE INDUSTRY”
SENEGAL - 1994	ADAM TAMBA – “IMPROVES QUALITY OF LIFE”

SENEGAL - 1998	THERESE SENGHOR – “COMBATS FISH PIRACY IN COASTAL SEAS”
SENEGAL - 2003	ND'DEW SENE – “FIGHTS UNAUTHORIZED TOURISM DEVELOPMENT”
SENEGAL - 2011	NDEYE SEYNABOU TALL WADE – “A TRUE LEADER FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES”
SENEGAL - 2013	SEYNABOU MALE CISSE – “CREATING LASTING PEACE”
SIERRA LEONE - 1998	LOIS THOMPSON – “A BEACON OF HOPE IN WAR-TORN SIERRA-LEONE”
SIERRA LEONE - 2000	YATTA SAMAH – “HEALING THE SCARS OF WAR”
SIERRA LEONE - 2022	VICTORIA RENNER – “A RURAL LEADER WITH A HEART”
SOUTH AFRICA - 1996	LEPHINA MAPANGA – “HELPS OTHERS TO HELP THEMSELVES”
SOUTH AFRICA - 1998	SONIA HARDNECK – “TEACHES VALUES FOR LIFE”
SOUTH AFRICA - 2008	BONGISIWE KHOSA – “PASSION, PERSEVERANCE AND COMMITMENT”
SOUTH AFRICA - 2009	HLENGIWE “LEO” MCHUNU – “FIGHTING THE SILENT KILLER HIV/AIDS
SOUTH AFRICA - 2010	WENDY JASMINE PEKEUR – “A TRADE UNION FOR THOSE WHO FEED THE NATION”
SOUTH AFRICA - 2011	NOKWANDA LANGAZANA – “BOOSTING THE “WILD COAST COMMUNITIES”
SUDAN - 1995	HUDA ADBEL-ELHAMEID – “EXPANDS FISHING ACTIVITIES & BECOMES EXPERT IN SALTED FISH”
SUDAN - 1997	HAWA ADAM YAGUOB – “WITH SHEEP AGAINST FAMINE”
SUDAN - 1998	GANIA ALI AL BASHIR – “COMMITTED TO SERVE”
TANZANIA - 2008	SISTER PLACIDA MOSHA – “BUILDING WITH BRICKS & CREATIVITY”
TOGO - 1995	COORDINATING BUREAU WOMEN’S GROUPS SEGOU TIDA – “EDUCATES RURAL POOR”
TOGO - 1998	AMAVI KOSSIDONKO – “HER COURAGE OVERCOMES ALL OBSTACLES”
TOGO - 2001	HONORINE POIDI-2001 – “REVIVING CULTURAL IDENTITY & NATIVE LANGUAGE”
TOGO - 2001	MAWULAWOE – “STRUGGLING TO PROVIDE IODISED SALT”
TOGO - 2002	APEFA KOUNETSRON – “REVIVING ANCESTRAL SOAP MAKING METHODS”
TOGO - 2003	NYUIEMEDI KOUGBLENO – “HELPS HANDICAPPED RURAL PEOPLE”
TOGO - 2005	AGNELE DELALI CHRISTINE MENSAH – “EDUCATIONAL SKETCHES FOR DEVELOPMENT”
TOGO - 2019	ADJOA AKAKPO – “A PIONEER WITH NUMEROUS TALENTS”
TOGO - 2025	ADIDEME KOUTANGNI – “SOLAR POWER TRANSFORMING RURAL HEALTHCARE”
TUNISIA - 1996	LATIFA MEDDEB BENT MOKHTAR – “ONE-WOMAN ‘BODY SHOP”
TUNISIA - 2003	MBIRIKA CHOKRI – “BROODS EGGS IN DUNG”
UGANDA - 1999	PETTY ANGIDA-OMAGOR – “VEGETABLES FOR WAR VICTIME”
UGANDA - 2000	LOYCE OGOLLA – “TREES FOR DEVELOPMENT”
UGANDA - 2000	REBECCA MULWANA – “A MODEL ORGANIC FARMER”
UGANDA - 2002	PEACE BYANDUSYA – “MUSHROOM GROWING BRINGS INCOME”
UGANDA - 2014	JEAN CHRISTABEL ASIPKWE – “ENCOURAGING RURAL WOMEN LEADERS – KEY TO

DEVELOPMENT

UGANDA - 2016	CAROLINE OWASHABA – “ENTREPRENEUR FOR ADDING VALUE & SELF RELIENCE”
UGANDA - 2017	ESTHER NAKAJJIGO – “A COURAGEOUS OPPONENT OF TEENAGE PREGNANCY”
UGANDA - 2019	RUTH NAMAGANDA – “QUEEN OF COFFEE PRODUCERS”
UGANDA - 2025	NQUENY AKUT MAJAK – “CHANGING THE NARRATIVE FOR RURAL AND REFUGEE GIRLS”
ZAMBIA - 1997	CECILIA MAKOTA – “GOOD ORGANIZATION IS KEY TO SUCCESS”
ZAMBIA - 2006	ELENI BANDA – “JUSTICE FOR ALL THROUGH PARALEGAL TRAINING”
ZIMBABWE - 1998	VIRGINIA MUPANDUKI – “EMPOWERS WOMEN THROUGH GARDEN COOPERATIVE”
ZIMBABWE - 2000	PATIENCE SITHOLE – “RESTORING LAND USING TRADITIONAL AGRICULTURE”
ZIMBABWE - 2002	ELIZA NGWENYA – “SOLIDARITY FOR FOOD SECURITY”
ZIMBABWE - 2003	BETTY MAKONI – “PREVENTS CHILD ABUSE NATION-WIDE IN VILLAGES OF HOPE”
ZIMBABWE - 2006	ANGELINE MUGWENDERE – “WOMEN’S EDUCATION: A TIGER IN THE TANK FOR DEVELOPMENT”
ZIMBABWE - 2008	SHORAI CHITONGO – “A FIRM NO TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE”

SOUTH CENTRAL ASIA

AFGHANISTAN - 2001	ZARIN GUL – “KNITTING BRINGS HOPE”
AFGHANISTAN - 2008	LEILA HAKIM-ALI – “GOAT HERDER BRINGS LIGHT TO RURAL HOMES”
BANGLADESH - 1996	GOALER VITA – “A PIONEER RURAL WOMEN’S GROUP”
BANGLADESH - 1997	JABEDA SATTAR KHAN – “HALF A MILLION WOMEN ON THE MOVE”
INDIA - 1995	SAMUBEN UJABHAI THAKORE AND RANBAI JEMALJI RAUMA – “LEAD A UNION OF 14’000”
INDIA - 1995	MADHUBEN BHAILAL SOLANKI – “FORMS SAVINGS GROUP IN HER VILLAGE VAKHARIA”
INDIA - 1996	TULSI DEVI JANI – “A TRIBAL WOMAN TURNS ACTIVIST”
INDIA - 1996	KUNWARBEN – “HANDICAPPED WITH LEPROSY BECOMES LEADER”
INDIA - 1997	MANCHABA KHERAJI RATHOD – “NEEDLES WOMEN OUT OF HUNGER”
INDIA - 1997	SHANTABEN LAKHMANBHAI KOLI – “A SALT FARMER PROTECTS CHILDREN”
INDIA - 1997	SAVIBEN DEBHABHAI AAYER – “1000 WANDERERS BECOME ARTISANS”
INDIA - 1997	PURIBEN VAGHABHAI KEHU AHIR – “A HUMAN RIGHTS LEADER”
INDIA - 1997	MENABEN HARCHANDBHAI THAKORE – “FIGHTS THE DESERT”
INDIA - 1997	MS. RANI – “PERSISTENCE PAYS OFF”
INDIA - 1998	LATA KACHHAWAH – “HELPS DESERT WOMEN SURVIVE”
INDIA - 1998	IRUAL TRIBAL WOMEN’S WELFARE SOCIETY – “CLAIMS HUMAN RIGHTS”
INDIA - 1998	SISTER STELLA EDDATU – “TRANSFORMS RURAL WOMEN’S LIVES”
INDIA - 1999	RADHABEN BHANABHAI – “A NEW BEGINNING”

INDIA - 1999	SUSSELA DEVI – “RESTORING DIGNITY TO UNTOUCHABLES”
INDIA - 1999	SWARNALATA DEVI – “DEFENDING LAND NON-VIOLENTLY”
INDIA - 1999	AGNES RUDRAPATI – “ABOLISHING CHILD LABOR”
INDIA - 1999	SANGRAMI DEVI – “TRANSFORMING A POOR VILLAGE”
INDIA - 1999	KRISHNAMMAL JEGANNATHAN – “A GHANDIAN “JOAN OF ARC””
INDIA - 2000	MANOHARI DOSS – “CAMPAIGNING FOR THE RIGHTS OF THE POOR”
INDIA - 2000	PASUMPON MAYANDI – “TIRELESS VILLAGE ACTIVIST”
INDIA - 2000	R. VASANTHA – “WOMEN BECOME LEADERS”
INDIA - 2000	KALAWATI DEVI – “SETTING & ENFORCING RULES FOR THE FOREST”
INDIA - 2001	KUSUM JAIN – “GIVING HOPE TO THE HELPLESS”
INDIA - 2001	RAJESWARI KARTHIKEYAN – “ELIMINATING CHEMICAL PESTICIDES”
INDIA - 2001	RATNI BAI KHATIK – “DETERMINED TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE”
INDIA - 2001	VIKAS MHAILA MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE SOCIETY – “ORGANISING FOR CHANGE”
INDIA - 2001	HELEN MANOHARAN – “CHALLENGING THE CASTE SYSTEM”
INDIA - 2001	PREMA NARASIMHAN – “INNOVATIVE RURAL DEVELOPMENT”
INDIA - 2002	DURGABEN JAISWAL – “IMPROVING RURAL LIFE”
INDIA - 2002	ANTHONIAMMAL AROKIASAMY – “AN INNOVATIVE ECOLOGICAL FARMER”
INDIA - 2002	HIRBAIBEN LOBI IBRAHIMBHAI – “A SIDDI COMMUNITY LEADER”
INDIA - 2002	SANGEETA SAWALAKHE – “PROMOTING BIOLOGICAL CONTROL OF INSECT PESTS”
INDIA - 2002	ANNAPOORNI T. MERCY – “OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN & CHILDREN”
INDIA - 2002	RADHA VIJAY – “HELPING WOMEN TO HELP THEMSELVES”
INDIA - 2003	LEELA S. RAJSEKHAR – “EDUCATES INDIGENOUS WOMEN & CHILDREN”
INDIA - 2003	ALL FARMERS CLUB – “WHEN WOMEN DRIVE TRACTORS”
INDIA - 2003	THRESIAMMA MATHEW – “BUILDS WALLS OF CONFIDENCE”
INDIA - 2003	NEELA THANGAVELU – “FIGHTS FOR THE LAND”
INDIA - 2005	DHULIBEN BHAVANBHAI KHANT – “A GRASSROOTS ENGINEER BEATS THE PROS”
INDIA - 2005	JAGRAN JAN VIKAS SAMITI INSTITUTE – “EMPOWERING TRADITIONAL RURAL HEALERS”
INDIA - 2005	REVABEN JATANBHAI BARIYA – “GRASSROOTS FORESTER SHOWS THE WAY”
INDIA - 2006	GAURIBEN RAYSINGHBHAI KOLI – “WATER IS LIFE! ”
INDIA - 2008	AMULYA SAHOO BULI – “A DRIVING FORCE IN COMMUNITY CHANGE”
INDIA - 2009	KHABAR LAHARIYA – “RURAL WOMEN JOURNALISTS CREATE “NEW WAVE””
INDIA - 2009	ANITA RAGHAV – “OBSTACLES SHOW OUR STRENGTH”
INDIA - 2010	PRATIBHA RAJESH BUKKAWAR – “REVOLUTION IN DARYAPUR”
INDIA - 2010	NARMADA BALDEVA GOND – “A GHANDIAN ADIVASI WARRIOR CHANGES A WHOLE REGION”
INDIA - 2010	ANNA MERCY – “TURNING A VILLAGE INTO AN AQUARIUM”
INDIA - 2010	SANTOSH BAI SAHARIYA – “FIGHTING HARMFUL TRADITIONAL PRACTICES”
INDIA - 2011	URMILABEN AMRUTAL PARMAR – “USING KNOWLEDGE AS A WEAPON TO BREAK DOWN BARRIERS”
INDIA - 2012	MEHTABEN NAGJI GADHVI – “FROM POVERTY TO PROSPERITY TO LEADERSHIP”

INDIA - 2012	BHAN SAHU – “FROM BARELY EDUCATED YOUNG GIRL TO HOMELESS WIDOW, TO INSPIRING ACTIVIST”
INDIA - 2013	SUCHISMITA MAJUMDAR – “REHABILITATING THE DISABLED IN RURAL COMMUNITIES”
INDIA - 2015	VILLIAMMAL RAJAN PALNIYAPPAN – “A COMMITTED COMMUNITY LEADER & TEACHER”
INDIA - 2015	KAILASHKUNVARBEN CHAUHAN – “AN AGRICULTURAL TRAINER, ADVOCATING FOR QUALITY SEEDS”
INDIA - 2015	ANITABEN DINDOR – “BRINGING SOLAR LANTERNS & HAND PUMPS TO ISOLATED VILLAGES”
INDIA - 2016	CHINTA BAI TREGAM – “A STRONG COMMUNITY LEADER FOR WOMEN FARMERS”
INDIA - 2016	KESI BAI – “FIGHTING PATRIARCHAL STRUCTURES OF DECISION-MAKING”
INDIA - 2017	CHOTI KUMARI SINGH – “EMPOWERING THE POWERLESS”
INDIA - 2017	MANJU VERMA – “OVERCOMING ALL THE ODDS”
INDIA - 2017	SELF-EMPLOYED WOMEN’S ASSOCIATION (SEWA) – IN 2017, WWSF LAUNCHED AN ADDITIONAL SPECIAL PRIZE TO SUPPORT AND HONOR CREATIVE RURAL WOMEN MOVEMENTS THAT KEEP TRADITIONAL SEED PROTECTION FOR DISTRIBUTION IN RURAL COMMUNITIES, NAMED THE “RURAL WOMEN MOVEMENTS AWARD”
INDIA - 2018	PUSHPA SAVARIRAJ – “A PIONEER OF ORGANIC CULTIVATION AMONG TRIBALS”
INDIA - 2018	RABHA BIRUBALA – “A COURAGEOUS OPPONENT OF WITCHHUNTING”
INDIA - 2019	TRIVENI ACHARYA – “RESCUED FROM TORTURE TO EMPOWERMENT OF RURAL COMMUNITIES”
INDIA - 2019	MS. GEETA AND MS. KANTA (SHARING ONE PRIZE) – “TRAVELLING THROUGH HELL TO REACH HIGH WATER”
INDIA - 2019	SHRADDHA KASHYAP – “AN EPITOME OF COURAGE & A TRUE CHANGE MAKER”
INDIA - 2020	UIKEY SARASWATI – “WHEN A POOR TRIBAL WOMAN BECOMES A POWERFUL & RESPECTED ROLE MODEL”
INDIA - 2020	SHAH SHABNAM – “INNER STRENGTH AND STRONG DETERMINATION WIN THE DAY”
INDIA - 2020	KUJUR NIRMLA – “A CHAMPION FOR THE POOREST OF THE POOR”
INDIA - 2020	PAWAR VIJAYA SHRIRAM – “TRANSFORMING SUGARCANE WORKERS INTO ARTISTS OF BEAUTY”
INDIA - 2020	KHAPERDE SUBHADRA – “WHAT IS DIFFICULT, I’LL DO IMMEDIATELY, THE IMPOSSIBLE WILL TAKE A LITTLE LONGER”
INDIA - 2021	MARIA SR JESSY – “DEDICATED TO RURAL PEOPLE, THEIR LAND, THEIR YOUTH”
INDIA – 2023	SIVARANI FROM TAMIL NADU – “PROMOTED WOMEN’S FEDERATIONS IN 6 DISTRICTS & EXTENDED LIVELIHOOD OPPORTUNITIES, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SECURITY WOMEN’S GROUPS”
INDIA – 2023	ASHITHA ASH FROM KERALA – “WORKED WITH THE KERALA STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD & THE PESTICIDE ACTION NETWORK”
INDIA – 2023	LAKSHMI UNNIKRISHNAN FROM KERALA – “LEADER IN THE WOMEN ENTERPRISE CALLED KARTHUMBI, PRODUCING UMBRELLAS & RAISE FUNDS FOR CHILD NUTRITION & ENDING POVERTY”
INDIA – 2023	BHAGYALAKSHMI FROM TAMIL NADU – “TRAINED IN BIODIVERSITY FARMING, KITCHEN GARDENING, ROOF GARDENING & SAVING TRADITIONAL SEEDS”
INDIA - 2023	SUCILA PANDIAN FROM TAMIL NADU – “WORKS IN HEALTH SANITATION, AIDS PREVENTION, CHILDREN’S WELFARE, WATERSHED MANAGEMENT, HANDICRAFT DEVELOPMENT & HELPING WOMEN VICTIMS OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE”

INDIA - 2024	A. FEMINA DAS – “COMPASSION IS HER LEITMOTIV”
INDIA - 2025	NELLY RODRIGUES – “A VISION FOR RURAL PROGRESS”
KYRGYZSTAN - 2001	MEIMANBU TASHIEVA – “A TIRELESS TEACHER PROMOTES SELF-HELP GROUPS”
KYRGYZSTAN - 2003	ALGA ASSOCIATION – “TAKING CONTROL OF OUR LIVES”
KYRGYZSTAN - 2005	MAIRAM OMURZAKOVA – “NOMADIC TOURISM & SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT”
KYRGYZSTAN - 2005	ELMIRA SULTANOVNA IBRAIMOVA – “COMMITMENT & INTEGRITY CHALLENGE” NEPOTISM”
KYRGYZSTAN - 2011	SHAIYRBUBU ABDYLDAEVA – “WOMEN CAN DO EVERYTHING”
NEPAL - 1996	RADHA BHATTARAI – “IMPROVES QUALITY OF LIFE WITH EDUCATION”
NEPAL - 1997	NIRMALA THAPA – “EMPOWERS WOMEN TO HELP THEMSELVES”
NEPAL - 2001	MOHINEE MAHARJAN – “MAKING WOMEN AWARE OF THEIR LEGAL RIGHTS”
NEPAL - 2005	SOHORATI THARU – “EMPOWERING WOMEN TO FIGHT FOR JUSTICE”
NEPAL - 2005	TARA ARYAL KARKI – “REPORTING FOR CHANGE & DIGNITY”
NEPAL - 2011	PRATIVA SUBEDI – “AN ATYPICAL HISTORY OF A NEPALESE ACTIVIST”
NEPAL - 2015	LAURIMAYA THAMI – “DISMANTLING CASTE-BASED DISCRIMINATION”
NEPAL - 2016	TULSI GYAWALI – “EMPOWERING WOMEN THROUGH INNOVATION IN WASTE MGT”
NEPAL - 2016	NIRMALA DEVI THARU CHAUDHARY – “POWER TO INDIGENOUS WOMEN WAGE LABORERS”
NEPAL - 2017	APSARA CHAPAGAIN – “PROMOTING WOMEN THROUGH FORESTRY MANAGEMENT”
NEPAL - 2018	INDIRA ARYAL – “WORKING THROUGH LIFE’S THOUGEST CHALLENGES TO BECOMING AN IMPORTANT AGENT OF SOCIAL CHANGE”
NEPAL - 2020	RAJBHANDARI KANTI – “A NATURAL BORN LEADER”
NEPAL - 2021	DIL KUMARI ROKA MAGAR – “FROM MAOIST FIGHTER TO WOMEN’S CHAMPION”
NEPAL - 2024	SANA KISHAN FARMER’S COOPERATIVE GROUP – “WOMEN FARMERS LOCALIZE FOOD SYSTEMS IN RURAL NEPAL USING THE POWER OF PGS”
NEPAL - 2024	WOMEN ACTING TOGETHER FOR CHANGE (WATCH) – “SUPPORTING & PROMOTING RURAL WOMEN’S & DISADVANTAGED PEOPLE’S HUMAN, LEGAL RIGHTS & ACCESSING RESOURCES & SERVICES”
NEPAL - 2025	JAYSARA BARAL – “BEES, BIODIVERSITY, AND EMPOWERMENT”
PAKISTAN - 1997	BHUTTRI WOMEN’S ORGANIZATION – “PROMOTES HEALTH CARE FOR THE RURAL POOR & THE WEAK”
PAKISTAN - 1997	FARZANA PANWHAR – “PROMOTES SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE”
PAKISTAN - 1997	RURAL WOMEN WELFARE ORGANIZATION – “BRINGS DEVELOPMENT TO PEOPLE”
PAKISTAN - 1998	GHULAM SUGHRA SOLANGI – “LEADS WITH CREDIT, HEALTH & FAMILY PLANNING”
PAKISTAN - 1999	KHATIMA BIBI – “A MODEL WOMAN ACTIVIST”
PAKISTAN - 2000	GHULAM SUGHRA KUBAR – “PROVING WOMEN’S WORTH”
PAKISTAN - 2002	AMBER BALOUCH – “FIGHTING WOMEN’S EXCLUSION FROM EDUCATION”
PAKISTAN - 2003	KHALIDA BIBI AWA – “CREATING A LOCAL SEED BANK”
PAKISTAN - 2003	SHAMEEM ARAA J. RAJPOOT – “WHEN WOMEN CROSS THE DOORSTEP”
PAKISTAN - 2005	DURE-E-SHAHWAR – “ESTABLISHING WOMEN’S SELF-HELP GROUPS”
PAKISTAN - 2008	SHAD BEGUM – “UNFLINCHING WARRIOR FOR WOMEN’S RIGHTS”

PAKISTAN - 2017	MUQADAS AABROO – “AN EXCEPTIONAL CHAMPION OF WOMEN’S RIGHTS”
PAKISTAN - 2022	CHRISTINA PETER – “A PRECIOUS ENERGY FOR HUMANITY”
SRI LANKA - 1997	AMARA PEERIS – “ENDS RURAL WOMEN’S POVERTY”
SRI LANKA - 2000	H.M. VIMALAWATHIE – “ORGANISING FOR DEVELOPMENT, CULTURE & PEACE”
SRI LANKA - 2002	BANDARA MENIKE WEERASEKERA – “LEADING WOMEN TOWARDS DEVELOPMENT & PEACE”
SRI LANKA - 2007	RUPA MANEL SILVA – “A BANK BY WOMEN FOR WOMEN”
SRI LANKA - 2008	THUSHARI HEWAPATHIRA – “NEW BREAKTHROUGHS IN MICRO LENDING”
TAJIKISTAN - 2011	RANO KOSIMOVA – “TRANSFORMING RURAL GIRLS INTO ECONOMIC ACTORS”

SOUTHEAST & EAST ASIA

CAMBODIA - 2000	THAVRIN THONG – “EXTREME HARDSHIP CREATES A LEADER”
CAMBODIA - 2011	SAMAN BUTH – “EMPOWERING MOTHERS TO SAVE LIVES”
CAMBODIA - 2012	SAN VANNARY – “PRESERVING TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE, WHILE INCREASING VILLAGE SUSTAINABILITY”
CHINA - 1995	JIA JUNQIAO (LONGJU) – “TEACHES NEW SKILLS AND BUILDS VILLAGE SCHOOL”
CHINA - 1995	LAI XIAO – “A MONGOL HERDSWOMAN PIONEERS SCIENTIFIC STRATEGY FOR SHEEP BREEDING”
CHINA - 1996	CAI SHUZHEN – “BECOMES AGRICULTURAL RESEARCHER”
CHINA - 1996	PEI GUILIAN – “BRINGS PROSPERITY TO ALL”
CHINA - 1996	CIRENZONGBA – “A WOMAN WITH A HUNCHBACK BECOMES LEADER”
CHINA - 1996	CHEN YUNLIAN – “PROSPERS... FROM PEPPERS”
CHINA - 1996	ZHAO QUNYING – “PROSPERS...WITH RABBITS”
CHINA - 1997	ALONIOUNIOU – “GROWS TREES FOR A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT”
CHINA - 1997	MIAO CHANGLIAN – “FROM RICE GROWER TO CREATIVE RESOURCEFULNESS”
CHINA - 1997	LUO XIFEN – “ON PEPPERED PATH TO PROSPERITY”
CHINA - 1997	FANG XIULAN – “CHICKENS & POVERTY”
CHINA - 1998	HAN BAOJING – “CLEAN WATER-KEY TO GOOD HEALTH”
CHINA - 1998	HU CHUNLIAN – “TOPS THE TEA TRADE”
CHINA - 1998	ZUO AIMING – “RAISES CHICKENS & DUCKS FOR CHINA”
CHINA - 1998	ZHAO XIAOJING – “CREATES PROSPERITY WITH PIGS”
CHINA - 1999	BAI CAINONG – “AN ILLITERATE WOMAN BECOMES DEPUTY”
CHINA - 1999	YANG XIANGLIAN – “VILLAGE TAILOR BECOMES MANAGER”
CHINA - 1999	ZHANG AILAN – “PREVENTING POVERTY WITH PIGS”
CHINA - 1999	ZOU CHUNLIAN – “FLOWERS BRING PROSPERITY”
CHINA - 2000	MA XUEFENG – “FISH PONDS BRING WEALTH”
CHINA - 2001	BAO CAILUAN – “GREENING THE HILLS”
CHINA - 2001	LI FENRONG – “XIANG-SHUIGOU VILLAGE, QUINGLONG COUNTY”

CHINA - 2001	ZHANG LIFEN – “LIUWAN VILLAGE, HUBEI PROVINCE”
CHINA - 2001	ZHAO YANHU – “TUONAN TOWNSHIP, MANCHANG COUNTY, HEBEI PROVINCE”
CHINA - 2001	GUO XIUYING – “YAZHIBE VILLAGE, INNER MONGOLIA”
CHINA - 2001	CAI LIXIA – “BOGONG VILLAGE, PANAN COUNTY, ZHEJIANG PROVINCE”
CHINA - 2002	HU MEIYING – “GREENING THE HILLS”
CHINA - 2002	HUASHUN FEEDLOT ENTERPRISE – “RAISING RABBITS FOR PROSPERITY”
CHINA - 2002	XIJI COUNTY WOMEN’S FEDERATION – “SKILL TRAINING FOR RURAL WOMEN”
CHINA - 2002	WOMEN’S FEDERATION-PINLOU COUNTY – “INNOVATION FOR THE RURAL POOR”
CHINA - 2003	WANG ZHILAN – “WORKS AGAINST ALL ODDS”
CHINA - 2003	WANG FENGYAN – “BREEDS ANGLEWORMS FOR PROSPERITY”
CHINA - 2003	ZENG GUANGLAN – “CHANGES MENTALITIES”
CHINA - 2005	WANG SHUXIU – “SELF-MADE MILLIONAIRE RETURNS TO VILLAGE ROOTS”
CHINA - 2005	ZHENG BING – “A STRONG ROPE IS MADE FROM MANY STRANDS”
CHINA - 2006	HONGXIA REN – “GREENING TREELESS MOUNTAINS”
CHINA - 2006	LIJUAN XIANG – “A KINDERGARTEN FOR RURAL CHILDREN”
INDONESIA - 2000	NGATINI TARMUJI – “FIGHTING THE ILLEGAL EXPROPRIATION OF LAND”
INDONESIA - 2005	TISNA SUTISNAWATY NANDO – “AT THE HEART OF THE TSUNAMI”
INDONESIA - 2006	MAMA MARGARETHA SAKO – “TOGETHER WE ARE STRONG”
LAOS - 2010	NUANSY RATANASITHY – “FROM DEPENDENCY TO PARTNERSHIP OF EQUALS”
MONGOLIA - 2003	BYATSHANDAA JARGAL – “COMBATING MALNUTRITION”
MONGOLIA - 2009	OTGONBAYAR CHULTEM – “FOLLOWING MOTHER’S FOOTSTEPS”
MONGOLIA - 2017	TUGRUG UUGAN-ERDENE – “A POWERFUL PROMOTER OF WOMEN’S RIGJJTS”
MYANMAR - 2013	REV. MAI KI – “SEEING EQUAL WORTH IN EVERY INDIVIDUAL”
PHILIPPINES - 1998	PORTIA NAYVE ROSSI – “DEMONSTRATES ORGANIC ANIMAL FARMING”
PHILIPPINES - 2009	MOTHER PETRA MACLIING – “PROTECTING INDIGENOUS LAND & CULTURE”
THAILAND - 1998	SA-ING TAWAISINDH – “SAVES COMMUNITY FOREST”
VIETNAM - 1996	SELF-HELP SAVINGS AND CREDIT GROUP – “FINDS RIGHT MARKET NICHE”
VIETNAM - 2001	DO THUY DIEN – “HELPING HER COMMUNITY BEGIN AGAIN”

WESTERN ASIA

ARMENIA - 1999	ROSA TZAROUKYAN – “CREATING A MODEL ANIMAL FARM”
ARMENIA - 2005	MARIAM GRIGORYAN – “BUSINESS TO ENCOURAGE RURAL TRADITIONS”
ARMENIA - 2012	NUNE SARUKHANYAN – “WORKING WITH FARMERS AS EQUAL PARTNERS”
AZERBAIJAN - 1996	SUDABA MURADOVA – “ORGANIZES WOMEN’S SOLIDARITY FOR SURVIVAL”

IRAN - 2018	ZIBA AZIZI – “A POWERFUL ROLE MODEL FOR WOMEN’S EMANCIPATION”
JORDAN - 1997	NAJWA SHA’SHA’A – “SELF-CONFIDENCE, THE KEY”
JORDAN - 1997	KAWKAB I.M. AL-GHNAMEEN – “DRASTICALLY IMPROVES QUALITY OF VILLAGE LIFE”
JORDAN - 1999	HIND AL HADJA – “LEARNING BY DOING”
KUWAIT - 1996	ABAB FARHAN – “WEAVES THE MAGIC OF BEDOUIN BEAUTY”
LEBANON - 2000	ANISSA NAJJAR – “CREATING THE BASIS FOR A DISTINCT RURAL CULTURE”
PALESTINE - 2005	MAYRIM SHADEED – “EMPOWERING RURAL WOMEN”
TURKEY - 2010	NURCAN BAYSAL – “HAPPINESS IS PART OF DEVELOPMENT”
WEST BANK - 1999	SUBHIYYEH KAMEL ASAD GHANNAM – “A RURAL WOMAN ACTIVIST”

AMERICAS / LATIN AMERICA / CARIBBEAN

ARGENTINA - 1997	ROSARIO LADIES ANDRADES DE QUISPE – “FROM LAMA HERDSWOMAN TO COMMUNITY LEADER”
ARGENTINA - 2000	PUEBLO GRANDE CULTURAL ORGANISATION – “ESTABLISHING A CULTURAL IDENTITY”
ARGENTINA - 2007	VERONICA FRANZEN – “ESTABLISHING A CULTURAL IDENTITY”
ARGENTINA - 2012	MATILDE LUCIO – “A COMPASSIONATE LEADER, DEDICATED TO THE INDIGENOUS CAUS”
ARGENTINA - 2023	MARIA EVA SOTO – “A TIRELESS FIGHTER FOR THE INDIGENOUS RIGHTS OF HER NATIVE PEOPLE, THE AVA GUARANI, THEIR LANDS, THEIR CULTURE & LANGUAGE”
ARGENTINA - 2024	GREGORIA LOPEZ – “RESPECTING NATURE & TRUSTING JUSTICE”
BOLIVIA - 1995	DOMITILA BARRIOS – “GRASS ROOTS LEADER FIGHTS FOR JUSTICE FOR THE MOST OPPRESSED”
BOLIVIA - 1998	TAWA (NENA) BALTAZAR LUGONES – “EXCEPTIONAL LEADER OF WILDLIFE” RESERVE
BOLIVIA - 1999	HORNOS “JUANA AZURDUY DE PADILLA” – “PROMOTING SEED POTATOES IN THE ANDES”
BOLIVIA - 2000	CH’ASKA PALOMAS AWAJ WARMI – “WEAVING FOR DEVELOPMENT”
BOLIVIA - 2001	ALCIRA ESTRADA – “DETERMINED TO SAVE THE FOREST”
BOLIVIA - 2002	JULIA DAMIANA RAMOS SANCHEZ – “FIGHTING EXCLUSION & ENVIRONMENTAL DEGRADATION”
BOLIVIA - 2007	AMALIA CALAMANI DE QUISPE – “VALUING ANCESTRAL PRODUCTS”
BRAZIL - 1997	EMILIA ALVES DA SILVA RODRIGUES – “PROMOTES RURAL KNOWLEDGE & CULTURE”
BRAZIL - 1999	RAIMUNDA GOMES DA SILVA – “FIGHTING FOR LAND & RIGHTS”

BRAZIL - 1999	THE NATIONAL ARTICULATION OF FEMALE AGRICULTURAL WORKERS – <i>“ORGANIZING WOMEN’S RIGHTS”</i>
BRAZIL - 2000	SANDRA MARA RIBAS SANTOS – <i>“PIONEER ORGANIC FARMER”</i>
BRAZIL - 2003	GRUPO DE MILHERES DECIDIDAS A VENCER – <i>“CULTIVATING ORGANIC FOOD”</i>
BRAZIL - 2003	ROSA SELL – <i>“REVIVING TRADITIONAL FARMING METHODS”</i>
BRAZIL - 2009	MARIA LUCIA LOPES DE OLIVEIRA – <i>“FEMINISM. A TOOL FOR DEVELOPMENT”</i>
CHILE - 1996	ROSALIA JARA NIRRIAM – <i>“PROVES EDUCATION TO BE KEY TO DEVELOPMENT”</i>
CHILE - 2000	BERNARDITA CALFUQUEO – <i>“FIGHTING RACIAL DISCRIMINATION”</i>
CHILE - 2010	KONOMI KIKUCHI – <i>“WALKING, WALKING...TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT”</i>
COLOMBIA - 1998	MILENA DUCARA TAPIERO – <i>“INDOMITABLE ACTIVIST & WOMEN LEADER”</i>
COLOMBIA - 2000	ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN OF YOLOMBE AMOY – <i>“ORGANIZING FOR PEACE AND THE ENVIRONMENT”</i>
COLOMBIA - 2003	AURORA CARMONA – <i>“THE POWER OF FORGIVENESS”</i>
COLOMBIA - 2006	MARIA BRIGADA GONZALEZ DE CARTAGEN – <i>“NON-VIOLENCE SUBDUES TERROR”</i>
COLOMBIA - 2014	JUANA ALICIA RUIZ HERNANDEZ – <i>“RISING FROM PAIN TO HEALING & HOPE ONE STITCH AT A TIME”</i>
COLOMBIA - 2015	ANA ELFA ZAMBRANO – <i>“THE IMPORTANCE OF ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS”</i>
COLOMBIA - 2017	ANA ELVIA ARANA – <i>“A TIRELESS FIGHTER FOR A BALANCED ENVIRONMENT”</i>
COLOMBIA - 2018	ASSOCIATION OF PRO-ACTIVE RURAL WOMEN OF AQUITANIA – <i>“A GROUP OF RURAL WOMEN’S “DIVINE MADNESS” PAYS OFF”</i>
COLOMBIA - 2018	MARÍA ADRIANA MOSQUERA – <i>“BOUNDLESS CREATIVITY IN CHANGING REGIONAL FOOD CUSTOMS”</i>
COLOMBIA - 2021	MARIA CRISTINA AMAYA MACIAS – <i>“EXAMPLE OF HUMILITY, HUMANITY & SOLIDARITY”</i>
COLOMBIA - 2021	MOVIMIENTO DE MUJERES POUR LA VIDA – <i>“A CUSTODIAN FOR PEACE LAND / SEEDS”</i>
COLOMBIA - 2021	MARYLEN SERNA SALINAS – <i>“SPEAKING OUT 4 PEASANTS, INDIGENOUS GROUPS & WOMEN”</i>
CUBA - 2001	GEORGINA PEREZ MARTINEZ – <i>“TRANSFORMING WASTELANDS INTO VEGETABLE GARDENS”</i>
CUBA - 2003	FRANCISCA EUGENIA MILANES GARCIA – <i>“FROM GARBAGE DUMP TO ORGANIC AGRICULTURE”</i>
MARTINIQUE - 2013	MONETTE ABATORD – <i>“ADVOCATING FOR SMALL FARMERS”</i> (OVERSEAS REGION OF FRANCE)
CANADA - 2007	DIANA DELARONDE-COLOMBE – <i>“ASSURING FOOD SECURITY TO HER COMMUNITY”</i>
CANADA - 2016	PEGGY CARSWELL – <i>“STEERING THE ORGANIC MOVEMENT IN ASSAM – INDIA”</i>
COSTA RICA - 1996	PAULINA DÍAZ NAVAS – <i>“A COURAGEOUS WOMAN WHO WINS DESPITE HUGE ODDS”</i>
COSTA RICA - 2002	ROSITA ANGULO ANGULO – <i>“DEFENDING COMMUNITY WATER RESOURCES”</i>
COSTA RICA - 2008	EAST MOUNTAIN QUILTERS – <i>“QUILTING FOR A NEW QUALITY OF LIFE”</i>

COSTA RICA - 2015	GENNI MARIA SEGURA PINTO – “AN INDIGENOUS LEADER WHO LOVES HER COMMUNITY”
ECUADOR - 1998	ELVIA DAGUA – “LEADS WOMEN TO DIGNITY”
ECUADOR - 2021	XIMENA CORDOVA – “GENDER & ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE THROUGH GIRLS’ EDUCATION”
EL SALVADOR - 1996	VICTORIA MIRA – “SHOWS CREATIVITY & INNOVATION DESPITE HER AGE”
EL SALVADOR - 1996	MARIA ANA ANGEL DE CASTILLO – “AN INDOMITABLE SPIRIT & COURAGE”
EL SALVADOR - 1997	SALVADORIAN ASSOCIATION FOR RURAL HEALT – “RURAL WOMEN FOR A HEALTHY FUTURE”
EL SALVADOR - 1998	MARIA MARGARITA MALDONADO CRUZ – “RUNS MODEL FARM DESPITE ILLITERACY”
EL SALVADOR - 2001	MARIANA HERNANDEZ – “FROM EXCELLENCE TO LEADERSHIP”
EL SALVADOR - 2003	MARTA BENAVIDES – “CREATING A CULTURE OF PEACE”
GUATEMALA - 1996	TERESA DE JESUS RAFAEL – “A MAYA FARMER & POLITICAL ACTIVIST”
GUATEMALA - 1997	MARIA ELENA CRISOSTOMO DE PEREZ – “PROMOTES BAREFOOT PHARMACY”
GUATEMALA - 2001	MARIA DE JESUS COLAJ CHALI – “EDUCATION EQUALS EMPOWERMENT”
GUATEMALA - 2002	CATARINA ELEUTERIO GOMEZ IXMATA – “APPROPRIATE EDUCATION FOR THE MAYAS”
GUATEMALA - 2018	ELVIA LETICIA RAQUEC YAQUÍ – “A POWERFUL PROMOTER OF MAYAN WOMEN’S RIGHTS”
HAITI - 1996	SARA MICHEL – “THE WORLD’S OLDEST PRACTICING RURAL MIDWIFE”
HONDURAS - 1999	ISIDORA GARCIA – “FIGHTING FOR THE INDIGENOUS WOMAN”
HONDURAS - 2001	COMIXMUL – “IN UNION LIES STRENGTH”
HONDURAS - 2002	LEONILA ESCOTO DE ZELAYA – “A MODEL ORGANIC GARDENER”
HONDURAS - 2018	ASOCIACIÓN DE MUJERES DEFENSORES DE VIDA – “THE COURAGE OF FIGHTING FOR WOMEN”
HONDURAS - 2021	MARTHA NORALES RAMIREZ – “ENCOURAGES BANKS OF HOPE FOR GARIFUNA WOMEN”
JAMAICA - 1996	ETHLYN RHOOMS – “THE MOST RESOURCEFUL RURAL WOMAN OF JAMAICA”
MEXICO - 1998	AMEYOLOTZIL WOMEN’S GROUP – “PIONEERS SELF-RELIANCE”
MEXICO - 1998	LA POZA DEL CLAVO WOMEN’S GROUP – “WITH ENTREPRENEURSHIP 2 SURVIVAL”
MEXICO - 2000	NORMA PATRICIA SAUCEDO VILLALBA – “TEACHING RESPECT FOR THE ENVIRONMENT”
MEXICO - 2001	RUFINA EDITH VILLA HERNANDEZ – “FIGHTING FOR THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS WOMEN”
MEXICO - 2002	ARTCAMP ASSOCIATION – “MASTERING NEW TECHNOLOGIES TO MARKET THEIR ART”
MEXICO - 2007	PAULA SANDOVAL ELISEÑO – “A LONG LIFE DEDICATED TO HER COMMUNITY”

MEXICO - 2014	MARIA TERESA URBINA ALACON – “ <i>BREAKING THE CYCLE OF POVERTY</i> ”
MEXICO - 2018	AURORA VALDEPAÑA RAMIREZ, TERESA CASTELLANCA RUÍZ – “ <i>AN EPIC FIGHT AGAINST A GIGANTIC DESTRUCTIVE DAM</i> ”
MEXICO - 2025	MARIA LORENA HARP ITURRIBARRIA – “ <i>EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES FOR A HEALTHIER FUTURE</i> ”
NICARAGUA - 1996	MARIA AUXILIADORA LOPEZ OLIVAS – “ <i>INNOVATES BANKING BY & FOR THE PEOPLE</i> ”
NICARAGUA - 1996	LUCRECIA FLORES CHAVARRÍA – “ <i>ILLITERATE COOK BECOMES LEADER</i> ”
NICARAGUA - 1997	GLADYS CACERES – “ <i>A TIRELESS LEADER</i> ”
NICARAGUA - 2001	PETRONA PEREZ BASILIO – “ <i>EDUCATION-THE KEY TO EMPOWERMENT</i> ”
NICARAGUA - 2005	ELBA RIVERA URBINA – “ <i>BIOLOGICAL AGRICULTURE FOR THE POOREST</i> ”
NICARAGUA - 2012	ROSE CUNNINGHAM – “ <i>INTERGENERATIONAL DIALOGUE FOR ELIMINATING VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN</i> ”
PANAMA - 2002	EDELMIRA BARRIOS DE CENTELLA – “ <i>WHERE THERE IS A WILL THERE IS A WAY</i> ”
PARAGUAY - 1999	SEVERA LUQUE BOGARIN – “ <i>COOPERATIVE ORGANISATION HELPS MANY</i> ”
PARAGUAY - 2003	LILIAN MARTINEZ DE KRONG – “ <i>MOBILISING HOUSEWIVES FOR A BETTER LIFE</i> ”
PERU - 2000	SANTOS FELICITA SALCEDO CUEVA – “ <i>PERSISTENCE PAYS</i> ”
PERU - 2000	GLADYS VASQUEZ POMA – “ <i>FIGHTING TO SAVE THE HIGH ANDEAN WETLANDS</i> ”
PERU - 2001	ZOILA VALDEZ CHAUI – “ <i>PROMOTING WOMEN’S RIGHTS</i> ”
PERU - 2003	DINA EMILIA MORALES LLERENA – “ <i>AN INDIGENOUS LEADER “TICCHARI WARMI”</i> ”
PERU - 2003	LUZ MARGARITA ROMERO RAMOS – “ <i>NATURAL MEDICINE AVAILABLE TO ALL</i> ”
PERU - 2003	MARCELINA PONCE HANCCO – “ <i>FIGHTING FOR INDIGENOUS WOMEN’S & CHILDREN’S RIGHTS</i> ”
PERU - 2014	OMIL (ORGANIZATION INDIGENOUS WOMEN LARAMATE) – “ <i>BUILDING A BETTER FUTURE THROUGH TRADITION</i> ”
PERU - 2015	AMUPPA – “ <i>ASOCIACION DE MUJERES PROTECTORAS DE PARAMOS Y CUENCAS DE AGUAL</i> ”
ST VINCENT - 2008	FANCY COMMUNITY HELP GROUP – “ <i>COMMUNITY BANKING FOR ALL</i> ”
URUGUAY - 1998	NETWORK RURAL WOMEN – “ <i>A NETWORK FOR SURVIVAL</i> ”
USA - 2003	THERESA SECORD HOFFMAN – “ <i>REVIVING AMERICAN INDIAN’S BASKETRY & LANGUAGES</i> ”
USA - 2013	LORI POURIER – “ <i>REVITALIZING NATIVE AMERICAN COMMUNITIES THROUGH THE ARTS</i> ”
USA - 2016	HERMILA (MILY) TREVINO-SAUCEDA – “ <i>CREATING AWARENESS ABOUT FARMWORKER RIGHTS</i> ”

EUROPE & COUNTRIES IN TRANSITION

ALBANIA - 1999	RAPE WEIZAJ – “TEACHING LIFE SKILLS”
ALBANIA - 2002	DIELLË SMAKAJ – “A HELPING HAND FOR THE RURAL BLIND”
AUSTRIA - 1998	MONIKA LUGMAYER – “A STRONG ADVOCATE FOR WOMEN FARMERS”
AUSTRIA - 2000	INGEBORG AUER – “AN AMBASSADOR FOR WOMEN FARMERS”
AUSTRIA - 2003	ASS. AUSTRIAN MOUNTAIN FARMERS – “CREATED A PLAY FOR RURAL EDUCATION”
AUSTRIA - 2014	EVA HOENLE – “WEAVING LIVES TOGETHER AFTER DECADES OF CIVIL WAR”
BELARUS - 2012	TATSIANA GURYNA – “DEVELOPING RURAL REGIONS AFFECTED BY CHERNOBYL”
BOSNIA - HERZEGOVINA - 2013	SLADJANA UJIC – “CREATING A NEW PARADIGM FOR RURAL WOMEN”
BOSNIA - HERZEGOVINA - 2013	DANKA ZELIC – “HELPING WOMEN REBUILD COMMUNITY AFTER WAR”
CROATIA - 1997	EMA MIOCINOVIC – “DEDICATES HER LIFE TO PEACE MAKING”
FINLAND - 1996	ALKUVOIMA – “THEIR PRIMAL FORCE IS PEOPLE”
FRANCE - 2000	GEORGIA LAMBERTIN – “BRINGING CHILDREN CLOSER TO THE EARTH”
FRANCE - 2001	VERONIQUE THEVE – “WORKING TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE RURAL LIFE”
FRANCE - 2006	JOSIANE MULOWSKI – “PRESERVING MENACED HORSES”
FRANCE - 2015	EMILIE ALAUZE – “A TRAILBLAZER FOR BIODIVERSITY”
FRANCE - 2023	ANNE BOUCARD – “ENABLING THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO GET ACQUAINTED WITH & BETTER UNDERSTAND THE ACTIVITY OF FARMERS.”
GERMANY - 2001	CHRISTA OFF – “PERSEVERANCE PAYS”
GERMANY - 2007	WWW.BAEUERINNENTREFF. DE – “AN INTERNET NETWORK FOR RURAL WOMEN WORLDWIDE”
GREAT BRITAIN - 1998	MARTHA KILEY-WORTHINGTON – “AN ECOLOGICAL FARMER, TEACHER & WRITER”
GREECE - 1999	UNION AGRITOURISTIC – “ARTESANAL & HOME ECONOMIC COOP.-UNITING FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT”
GREECE - 2007	WOMEN’S COOPERATIVE OF MESOTOPOS – “REVIVING CUSTOMS TO FIGHT UNEMPLOYMENT”
HUNGARY - 2000	ERZSEBET SZECSENYI – “CREATING AN ECO-VILLAGE”
IRELAND - 1999	ANITA HAYES – “SAVING SCARCE SEED”
ITALY - 2001	MARTINA LINTNER – “PRESERVING THE RURAL WAY OF LIFE”
ITALY - 2006	WALTRAUD SCHWIENBACHER – “AN EXPLOSION OF CREATIVITY”
ITALY - 2024	SABINE SCHROTT PRENN – “A PIONEER & ORGANIZER OF THE SEED FESTIVALES” SINCE 2015 IN SOUTH TIROL. SHE CALLS ON POLITICIANS TO PROMOTE & NOT HINDER THE CONSERVATION & DISSEMINATION OF LOCAL SEEDS”

KOSOVO - 2006	MARTHA PREKPALAJ – “LEARNING FROM LIVING & BUILDING WITH THE PEOPLE”
LATVIA - 1998	RASMA FREIMANE – “RUNS A DAIRY FARM COOPERATIVE”
LATVIA - 1999	ZENTA SKRASTINA – “BEAUTIFYING A RURAL VILLAGE”
LATVIA - 2002	AGRITA GAILITE – “RESCUING TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE OF MEDICINAL PLANTS”
N. IRELAND - 2001	WOMEN ON RURAL DEVELOPMENT – “WORKING TOGETHER FOR PEACE & DEVELOPMENT”
NORWAY - 1998	ANNE-GRETHER BRUSTAD – “AN AUTHENTIC BIOLOGICAL FARMER”
NORWAY - 2000	ASHILDE DALE – “REVIVING MOUNTAIN FARMING”
POLAND - 1998	EWA SMUK – “REVIVES VILLAGE LIFE”
POLAND - 2005	BARBARA BURZYNSKA – “GRASSROOTS DEMOCRACY: FROM POLITICAL SLOGANS TO FUNCTIONING REALITY”
PORTUGAL - 2007	CAPUCHINHAS – “REINVENTING A TRADITIONAL CRAFT”
PORTUGAL - 2008	GROUP OF WOMEN LACE MAKERS – “WHEN BUSY FINGERS GENERATE PROSPERITY”
ROMANIA - 2000	MIOARA BOANTA – “ENABLING WOMEN TO ORGANISE”
ROMANIA - 2003	SILVIA PANAIT – “HELPS OTHERS TO HELP THEMSELVES”
ROMANIA - 2005	GETA HEREDEA – “BUILDING HOPE WITH HANDS & HAMMER”
RUSSIAN FED - 1996	TATJANA N. INOZEMTSEVA – “INNOVATIVE FARMER, PHILANTHROPIST & POETESS”
RUSSIAN FED - 1999	VERA SOLOVIEVA – “ADAPTING TO A NEW RURAL ECONOMY”
RUSSIAN FED - 2002	NADEZHDA MIKHAILOVNA MARTINOVA – “CREATING AN ENVIRONMENTAL UNIVERSITY”
RUSSIAN FED - 2003	OSSIPOVA TATJANA VIKTOROWNA – “WE CAN DO IT”
SERBIA - 1997	DOBRILA VASILJEVIC SMILJANIC – “LEADS RURAL WOMEN TO KNIT FOR THE WORLD”
SPAIN - 1998	EL DESPERTAR – “WITH CULTURE TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT”
SWEDEN - 2017	VANJA WALLEMYR – “A PIONEER OF CLEAN ENERGY”
SWITZERLAND - 1998	ELSBETH AEGERHARD – “FINDING OUR RURAL ROOTS”
SWITZERLAND - 2001	CHRISTINE ZOLLINGER – “SAVING SWITZERLAND’S VARIETY OF SEEDS”
SWITZERLAND - 2002	URNER WOLLHANDWERK TEAM – “INNOVATIVE PRODUCTS SUSTAIN MOUNTAIN LIFE”
SWITZERLAND - 2002	JOHANNA DÖNZ-GILLARDON – “FARMING FLOWERS FOR PROSPERITY”
SWITZERLAND - 2011	ROMY SCHMIDT – “A CREATIVE COUNTRYWOMAN & WRITER ABOUT FARM LIFE”
SWITZERLAND - 2018	MARIE-THÉRÈSE CHAPPAZ – “PASSION & CREATIVITY CREATE MIRACLES”

UKRAINE - 1999

VALENTINA SHAPOVAL – “ORGANISING FOR DEVELOPMENT”

UKRAINE - 2000

NATALIA BESPALA – “HELPING OTHERS ACHIEVE SUCCESS”

OCEANIA

AUSTRALIA - 1998

GEORGINA LEE CHEU – “LEADS WITH CULTURE TOWARDS SELF ESTEEM”

AUSTRALIA - 2017

ANNE POELINA – “AN EXCEPTIONAL FIGURE AMONG THE FIRST NATIONS”

FIJI ISLANDS - 2002

NAVAKASOBU WOMEN'S GROUP – “SAVING A WETLAND ECOSYSTEM”

FIJI ISLANDS - 2017

ADI VASULEVU MEREWALESI LEVU – “A VERSATILE GRASS-ROOTS DEVELOPER”

PAPUA NEW GUINEA
- 2006

MARIA LINIBI – “INNOVATION FOR DEVELOPMENT”



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