

List of winners of the Human Rights Prize of the French republic 2021 Edition

On the opening of the International Human Rights Day, the National Consultative Commission on Human Rights is honored to announce the winners of the 2021 edition of the Human Rights Prize of the French Republic under the motto "Liberty, Equality, Fraternity".

To highlight and support civil society, which is the kingpin for the protection and promotion of human rights.

The Human Rights Prize of the French Republic "Liberty, Equality, Fraternity" has been awarded every year since 1988 by the CNCDH. The Prize aims to distinguish actions in the field and projects relating to the effective protection and promotion of human rights, in the spirit of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, regardless of nationalities or borders.

With this Prize, the French Republic wishes to support individual and collective actions in favor of the defense and protection of human rights in the world. The Prize recognizes the fundamental role played by civil society, and in particular non-governmental organizations, in the promotion and protection of these rights.

Two themes were considered in 2021.

As every year, the members of the CNCDH selected two themes on which the candidates could propose projects :

- Covid and human rights (theme 1), reflecting the global health crisis and its impact on human rights;
- Education, a common good, a fundamental right (theme 2), while the health crisis has made inequalities in access to education more glaring.

The rankings

This year again, for the 34th edition of the Prize, the CNCDH received a record number of applications.

The jury, composed of members of the CNCDH and chaired by the President of the CNCDH, had to select the winners and special mentions from 260 projects from 68 countries on all continents.

Winners 2021.

The jury for the Human Rights Prize decided to award the Prize to:

- Ms Mary James Gill, Pakistan (Theme 1) ;
- Association Mivaotra, France, project in Madagascar (Theme 2) ;
- Structure d'aide et de réinsertion des détenus et enfants en difficulté (SARED), Niger (Theme 2) ;
- People Organization for planning and education (POPE), India (Theme 2) ;
- Just Grace NPC, South Africa (Theme 2)

The jury also awarded a special mention to:

- Association Meilleur avenir pour nos enfants (AMANE), Morocco (Theme 1) ;
- Federation of Woman Lawyers, Lesotho (Theme 1)
- Corporation Sisma Mujer, Colombia (Theme 1) ;
- Street Child France, France and project in Afghanistan (Theme 2) ;
- Manas Revista Social e Feminista, Mozambique (Theme 2) ;
- Mirza Dinnayi, Germany and Irak (Theme 2) ;
- Combite pour la paix et le développement, Haïti (Theme 2) ;
- ADRA France, France and project in Bangladesh (Theme 2) ;

Exceptionally this year, due to the health situation, it is not possible to organize an official award ceremony for the Human Rights Prize. Ceremonies will be held at the French embassies in early 2022 in the countries where the winners are working.

[More information on the winners and the prize on our website](#)