

Film award: Delhi HC issues notice to Govt



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The Delhi High Court has issued notice to the government and chairperson of the 59th National Film Awards on a plea seeking quashing the decision of the jury for not accepting the nomination of an Assamese film for the awards.

The court issued notice to the information and broadcasting ministry and Rohini Hattangadi, chairperson and jury, Hiren Bora, jury of the 59th National Film Awards, and the Central Board of Film Certification.

A division bench of Acting Chief Justice A.K. Sikri and Justice Rajiv Sahai Endlaw sought from all the respondents the reason for not treating the film as an Assamese film.

The petitioner said that inspite of the certification received from the CBFC to be an Assamese movie, the jury of the awards deprived the movie and the Assamese film industry a nominee for the national awards. The bench also directed the National Film Development Corp (NFDC) and the producer of the film to implead as a party in the case.

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