

Gjeke Marinaj

THANK YOU, INDIA, FOR THIS GREAT HONOR

My dear friends,

This award was meant to be given to me in January. Due to, I have no idea what, I left India without receiving it. It arrived this afternoon. I have been honored numerous times during my professional life, and I appreciate every single literary award my peers or other people award me with, but I consider this as one of the most important recognition I have ever received. It comes from the Underground Literature and the Platform literary journal of the West Bengal, Kolkata, India. In addition, it is signed by Dr. Ramesh Chandra Mukhopadhyaya and Dr. Mousumi Ghosh, two of the most brilliant people, and sincere lovers of literature I know. Many of us know India through their great philosophy, amazing mythology, and through their wise public figures. But you don't really know India unless you go there. Indian people are the easiest people to love.

Everywhere you go, you feel your heart getting loaded with faces of people, from all walks of life, that you want to take home with you. They are so naturally intelligent, so casually classy, so artistically sound, so kind and hard-working, so humanly beautiful that you start liking yourself better when being among them. India is one of those countries that you go there but you don't really want to leave. That's why this honor is so important to me – it comes from the people of a country that is very close to my heart. Thank you, Underground Literature, Platform, West Bengal, Kolkata, and India. Thank you Dr. Ramesh Chandra Mukhopadhyaya, and Dr. Mousumi Chhanda Mousumi Ghosh.





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