

Guj's Hellaro best film; Badhaai Ho bags 2 awards

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Mainstream Hindi cinema bagged the lion's share of the 66th National Film Awards 2018, announced on Friday, with 'Uri: The Surgical Strike' winning four, 'Andhadun' and the controversial 'Padmaavat' three and Junglee Pictures' 'Badhaai Ho' getting two awards each in various categories.

The best feature film was bagged by Gujarati film 'Hellaro', a film on women empowerment in a patriarchal society.

'Badhaai Ho' won the award for best popular film providing wholesome entertainment. Surekha Sikri also won the award for best supporting actor (female) for her role in the 2018 blockbuster film.

"Junglee Pictures has always believed in telling impactful stories in the most engaging manner. This recognition in the form of a national award is truly gratifying. I am proud of the team for putting together such a delightful yet meaningful film," said Times Group Managing Director and 'Badhaai Ho' producer Vineet Jain.