

# RUNU DEVI THAKUR

## Acting on Instinct

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**R**unu Devi Thakur is a film personality as well as a classical singer. She acted in films like *Neoty, Sandhyaraag, Pap aru Prayachitta, Megh, Meghamukti, Anirban, Aparupa, Bahagor Duparia, Kolahol, Sipinir Sopun, Laj, Koina Mur Dhunia, Kadam Tale Krishna Nache* etc.

She has been acting on stage since 1967 and has received the best child actress award for her role in *Sangram Lagne Aji*, best actress award for her acting in plays like *Stabdha Bihanga, Eti Mrityur Janma* and *Sundarar Rang Madhurjya*.

She has also acted in television serials like *Sandhan, Roktim, Nishidhya Prantar, Fand, Jolsobi, Koka Deutar Har, Dukhuni Aaitar Malita, Jilikabo Luititore Par, Tula Aru Teja, Debi Peethar Tej, Dhumuha Pakhir Kallor*, and *Putra Honta*. She has acted in more than 20 stage plays from 1974 – 2003.

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Her awards include Best Actress Award for the year 1989 given by Assam Film Festival for the film *Kolahal*, Best Actress Award 1995 Film Fest. by ACAS, Jorhat, Moonlight Media Award for Best Actress for the year 2000-01 for her performance in Mobile Theatre of Hengul for the drama *Godmother*, Moon light Media Award for Best supporting Actress role for the year 2006 in the film *Kodom Tale Krishna Nache*, Best supporting Actress – by Jyotirupa for film *Kodom Tole Krishna Nache* in 2005.

While in school, she had participated in debate, extempore speech and recitation competitions and received distinctions. She performed kathak and Bihu dance in different places, organised exhibitions on art and craft and also established “Priyanjali”, a socio-cultural organisation.

She is a member of Advisory Panel , Central Board of Film Certification. □□