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ARUN GOVIL
The BJP candidate from Meerut, Uttar Pradesh, wrote on Instagram, "Heartly gratitude to all the voters, activists and top leadership... You showed your faith in me I thank you from the bottom of my heart for this. I will try to be completely true to your belief...Hail Lord Ram (sic)."

How actors who emerged victorious in the 2024 Lok Sabha elections, celebrated and thanked fans and voters

KANGANA RANAUT
The actor, who won from Mandi, Himachal Pradesh, as a BJP candidate, wrote on Insta: "Heartfelt gratitude to all the people of Mandi for this love and trust... This is the victory of your trust in Prime Minister Modi and BJP, this is the victory of Sanatan and in the honour of Mandi (sic)."

JEEEEET GAYE! STARS IN POLL POSITION

**RAVI KISHAN**
After his win from Uttar Pradesh's Gorakhpur, the 54-year-old thanked "the entire country" and "every unemployed person who got employment and those unemployed who believe that they will get employment" for supporting Prime Minister Narendra Modi, hailing him as "the architect of this new India".

**HEMA MALINI**
The BJP candidate from Mathura, Uttar Pradesh, who won a third term, wrote on X, "I thank each and every Brijwasi in Mathura... the Karyakartas who worked tirelessly for me... the MLAs who have worked round the clock for this victory."

**SHATRUGHAN SINHA**
The TMC candidate from Asansol, West Bengal, told media, "This is Mamata Banerjee's (West Bengal CM and TMC chairperson) win. I will try my best to address the issues in the constituency. I had earlier said Mamata ji will be a game-changer and TMC will sweep Bengal."

**MANOJ TIWARI**
Another BJP candidate, singer-actor Manoj Tiwari, who won from North East Delhi, wrote on Instagram: "Dhanyawaad Dilli... aabhaa uttar purv Dilli (sic)."

**HT City Delhi**

For Rakul, fashion is all about being in the element

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EXCLUSIVE
In an exclusive shoot with HT City Showstoppers, the actor talks about unconventional choices and being flexible with style



Rakul Preet exudes opulence in this cheery red silk lehenga enhanced with art deco pattern lines, from designer JJ Valaya, who will participate at FDCI Wedding Weekend. Her look has been amped up with a polki, emerald and pearl choker from Archana Aggarwal Timeless Jewellery

The actor is a sight to behold in a pristine Roman ecru lehenga from Gaurav Gupta Couture paired with a ruffled dupatta. The pearl embellishment adds to the beauty of her look. Rakul Preet shines in a diamond necklace from RK Jewellers. Gaurav Gupta will participate at FDCI Wedding Weekend

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How did platforms not do a sanity check before mistaking another person for me?



I don't believe in making any sensational political remarks. The incident is alarming for me and my family.

SONU NIGAM, Singer

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Singer Sonu Nigam who quit X (formerly Twitter) in 2017 itself found himself in the middle of an unsavoury controversy on Tuesday, right after the Lok Sabha results. Another user, who goes by the handle Sonu Nigam Singh posted an angry outburst against Ayodhya voters, and soon enough, media channels started misattributing it to the singer. This followed trolling of singer Sonu Nigam, who was not amused.

"I wonder how the media platforms that mistook him for me didn't do their basic sanity check by reading the description of the account. His handle says 'Sonu Nigam Singh' and the description says that he's a criminal lawyer from Bihar," says Nigam, talking exclusively to HT City. Apparently, the handle @sonunigamsingh, with a blue tick and 59.2K followers, and also followed by PM Narendra Modi and Minister of Commerce & Industry Piyush Goyal makes politically charged statements and has earlier also been mistaken for the singer's account.

"I don't believe in making any sensational political remarks and I only focus on my work. But yeh incident alarming hai, not just for me, but also for my family's safety," says Nigam.

How does he plan to address this? He says, "My well-wishers often send me screenshots of [Singh's] posts. My team reached out to him and insisted he fix his handle name, as millions of people are being misled by him using my surname. We'll find a way to fix it."




Sonu Nigam @SonuNigamSingh · 12h
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(Above) A screengrab of a website's report that was picked up by panelists on news channel debates; (left) Sonu Nigam Singh's post on X




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Sanjeeda Shaikh (L), who was married to Aamir Ali (R), spoke of "partners who demotivate you" in a recent interview

Washing dirty linen in public not my class: Aamir Ali

Actor Aamir Ali has ruled out ex-wife, actor Sanjeeda Shaikh referring to him when she, in a recent interview, brought up the subject of 'partners who try to demotivate you'. Ali, who was married to Shaikh for eight years before they split in 2020, says she was likely referring to another juncture of her life. "We haven't been together for nearly five years. She could have gone through something in that period," Ali told News18. "Ours is an old story now that is over. I know what I went through in that separation period and what happened to me. But washing dirty linen in public is not my class," added Ali, who has a six-year-old daughter with Shaikh.

Recently, Shaikh, who was seen in *Heeramandi: The Diamond Bazaar*, told *Hauterrfly*: "There are men, and there are partners who try to demotivate you, who tell you that you can't do anything. It's better to be away from such people. There are phases in a relationship where you're happy, and some when you are not. Then you take a call for your life and that's what I did."



STOP PRESS

What's brewing between singer Joe Jonas (34) and actor Demi Moore (61)? She was seen enjoying lunch with Jonas, who filed for divorce with actor Sophie Turner last September, at a hotel in France, a source told Page Six.

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Dr Batra's® XOGEN is designed to tackle a wide range of hair loss issues, in both men and women, from hormonal to hereditary. Hereditary hair loss, often considered untreatable, finds a new hope in XOGEN. Hereditary hair loss is often caused by increased sensitivity of hair roots to androgen receptors. XOGEN contains mRNA, miRNA, and 1,470 growth factors that help reduce the sensitivity of androgen receptors, thereby treating the root cause of hereditary hair loss (androgenetic alopecia).

WHAT ARE EXOSOMES? Exosomes are at the forefront of medical research and industry attention. These biomarkers hold tremendous potential in drug delivery, regenerative medicine, and diagnostics. Originating from body cells, they are biological molecules that play a crucial role in cell communication and tissue regeneration. They contain growth factors, proteins, and genetic material that stimulate cellular repair and regeneration.

RECENT RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT Researchers in the healthcare industry are exploring exosome-

based treatments for various medical advancements, including cancer treatment and neurological issues. Their discovery opens doors to personalised medicine, offering hope for more targeted and effective treatments across a wide range of medical conditions.

SAFETY AND EFFICACY
Arrests hair follicle miniaturisation: According to research published in ScienceDirect, hair follicle miniaturisation was arrested by 50% and exosome therapy has shown significant improvements in hair density and quality with zero side effects compared to traditional treatments.

Increases hair follicle activity: In another study by the National Centre for Biotechnology Information, there was a 60% increase in hair follicle activity with exosome therapy.

Ensures patient safety: Clinical trials confirm that exosome-based treatment is safe, gentle, non-surgical with no side effects. Research shows

it works well with different hair types.

HOW DOES XOGEN WORKS?
THE SCIENCE BEHIND THE TREATMENT

Xogen utilises exosomes to increase blood flow to the scalp. This process, known as angiogenesis, involves the formation of new blood vessels. These new vessels improve the delivery of oxygen and essential nutrients to hair follicles, promoting healthier and more long-lasting hair growth, creating an ideal environment for hair regeneration. **Stimulates dormant hair follicles:** The exosomes in xogen contain 1,470 growth factors, coenzymes, proteins, and genetic material. When applied to the scalp, these exosomes penetrate deep into the hair follicles and stimulate dormant hair follicles, encouraging them to enter the active growth phase. This results in the production of new, healthy hair strands.

Reduces inflammation: Inflammation is a common cause of hair loss. The anti-inflammatory properties of exosomes help reduce scalp

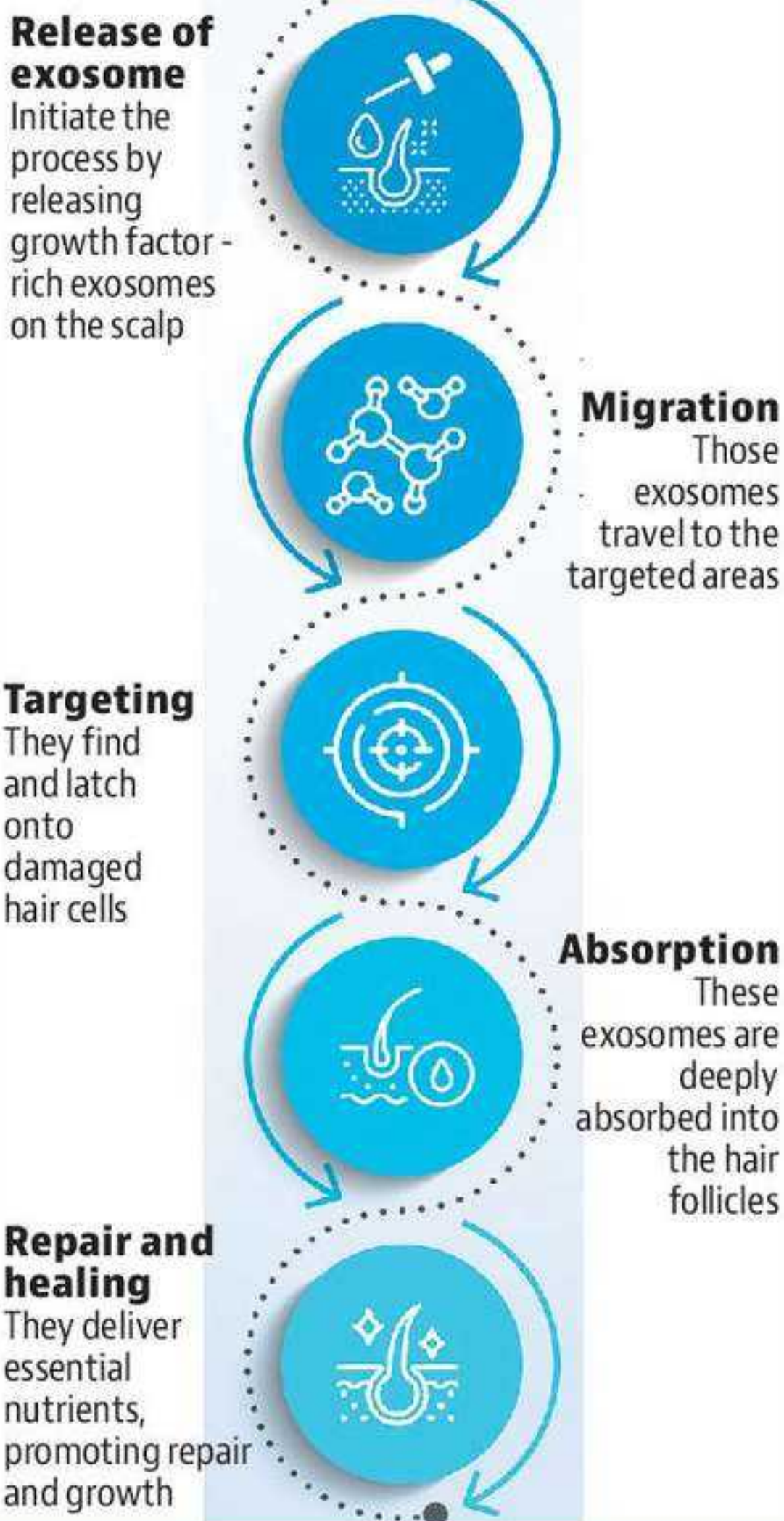
inflammation, preventing further damage to hair follicles. This promotes hair growth.

Strengthens hair follicles: By delivering essential nutrients and growth factors directly to the follicles, xogen enhances their ability to produce thicker, stronger hair. This is particularly beneficial for men and women with hereditary hair loss.

SUCCESS RATE On average, patients experienced 96% success in hair follicle activity and arrests in hair follicle miniaturisation. These results are achieved with zero side effects, making it a safe and effective treatment for various types of hair loss.

THE COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH OF DR BATRA'S® XOGEN This treatment is not just about stimulating hair growth; it's about creating a healthier scalp environment to support holistic hair health. The combination of advanced diagnostics, targeted approaches, and homeopathy ensures that each treatment is personalised to the individual's

How Xogen works?



Benefits of Xogen



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ARIES
MAR 21-APR 20

♈ You are likely to compensate for bad eating habits with regular workouts. Those in high positions hold sway over important decisions. Travelling will be a welcome break from routine. **LOVE FOCUS:** Those looking for love are in for a pleasant surprise. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 5 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Purple

LEO
JUL 23-AUG 23

♌ It is best to nip a minor ailment in the bud. Someone may try to be one-up on you at work. Fun times with friends or family cannot be ruled out. A property dispute appears inevitable for some. **LOVE FOCUS:** Someone you are attracted to may give positive signals. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 5 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Cream

SAGITTARIUS
NOV 23-DEC 21

♐ A medical issue can cause problems if you are not vigilant enough. You are likely to exercise your authority on a professional front to defuse an ugly situation. Excellent time is foreseen on a long journey. **LOVE FOCUS:** Love life is likely to get rejuvenated through your efforts. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 5 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Peach

TAURUS
APR 21-MAY 20

♉ Eating right will be the key to good health. You may experience a financially fluid situation, but things will turn in your favour. Delegating tasks will become essential to meet a deadline. **LOVE FOCUS:** It is a fine day for lovebirds to spend time together. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 22 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Dark Grey

VIRGO
AUG 24-SEP 23

♍ Some might become interested in healthy foods. You will need to keep your priorities right on the professional front. An exciting event is likely to bring the family together. **LOVE FOCUS:** A thrilling time is foreseen for those in love. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 2 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Light Pink

CAPRICORN
DEC 22-JAN 21

♊ Some of you can experience a spot of bad health. It is best to avoid a confrontation on the work front. A trip abroad may be delayed due to some unforeseen circumstances. **LOVE FOCUS:** You will be able to enjoy a few tender moments with lover. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 18 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Brown

GEMINI
MAY 21-JUN 21

♊ Health can be your weak point. You will need to prepare thoroughly for a professional presentation. Don't disclose a property deal to those you don't know well. **LOVE FOCUS:** Love life is likely to give immense pleasure. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 8 **LUCKY COLOUR:** White

LIBRA
SEP 24-OCT 23

♎ You will be regular in your workouts and enjoy good health. An exciting event is likely to bring the family together. Easing off on the academic front is possible, so tighten your belt. **LOVE FOCUS:** Spending time with a lover will prove most fulfilling today. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 1 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Green

AQUARIUS
JAN 22-FEB 19

♒ You will regain total fitness through your efforts. It is best not to splurge till the financial front is fully stabilised. **LOVE FOCUS:** Anticipation will save you from obvious pitfalls on the romantic front. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 3 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Yellow

CANCER
JUN 22-JUL 22

♋ Efforts need to be doubled by those wanting to get back in shape. Something not budgeted for may have to be bought in an emergency. It may become difficult to impress a senior merely by words. **LOVE FOCUS:** The one you like may make the first move. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 17 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Magenta

SCORPIO
OCT 24-NOV 22

♏ Carelessness on the health front can get you into a lot of trouble at this juncture. It is sensible to remain judicious in your spending. Juggling more than one job cannot be ruled out. **LOVE FOCUS:** Love birds are likely to find the day blissful. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 8 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Silver

PISCES
FEB 20-MAR 20

♓ Good health is assured for all, especially those ailing. Don't be rash in opening your wallet, whatever the temptation. This is the time to muster all your resources for tackling something complicated on the work front. There is a good chance of setting out for a happening destination. **LOVE FOCUS:** Love life will be vibrant. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 6 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Blue

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A no-nonsense
summer guide
for healthy
hair

With sweltering temperatures on the rise, summer can wreak havoc not only on the internal functions of the body but also impact skin and hair health. Just like skin, hair needs extra attention during the hot months.

HOW DOES THE SUN AFFECT YOUR STRANDS?

When skin is exposed to the sun, it tends to become dehydrated, which can lead to feelings of tightness. "The scalp and hair face the same challenges. Continued exposure to ultraviolet rays strips the hair of its natural oils and damages the hair cuticle, leading to breakage, split ends and weakens the hair's protein structure," says dermatologist Dr Bhawuk Dhir.

MAINTAINING YOUR MANE

Dermatologist Dr Anil KV Minz recommends using mild shampoos and conditioners with a lightweight formula to battle the grease. For oily hair, he suggests using clay conditioners to keep your locks fresh.

Minz also advises against tight caps for long periods to

avoid bacterial or fungal infections and using heat styling tools.

FOOD MATTERS

According to nutritionist Kavita Devgan, eating the right foods makes all the difference for healthy hair. Here's what she recommends to nourish your strands:

Protein: Protein is essential for hair growth and preventing hairfall. Pistachios, fish, poultry, eggs, milk, cheese and soy products like

tofu and tempeh have a high protein score. **Vitamin A and C:** Vitamin A aids cell growth while vitamin C helps repair damaged hair. Pumpkin, amla and leafy greens like spinach and kale are good sources for both.

Healthy fats: Omega-3 fatty acids are important fats that help hydrate the scalp and hair. Nourish your hair with fish, avocado, chia seeds and walnuts.

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Amla is a good source of vitamin C

Omega-3 fatty acids help hydrate hair and scalp

'BOLLYWOOD GETS SOUTH INDIA WRONG MOST OF THE TIME'



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JYOTIKA

Actor Jyotika feels she made her comeback to Bollywood during the 'best phase' of Hindi cinema but says the industry still relies on stereotypes to represent the south

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Jyotika has had a successful Bollywood comeback this year with back-to-back films, *Shaitaan* and *Srikanth*. "The comeback was a surprise for me. It happened very organically. For 25 years, there was no sound and suddenly these two films made such noise," says the actor who made her Hindi film debut with *Doli Saja Ke Rakhna* (1998).

During these 25 years, the actor has been busy with Tamil cinema and has films such as *Raatchasi* (2019), *Udanpirappe* (2021) and *Chandramukhi 2* (2023) to her credit. While she believes that she has returned to Hindi films during the "best phase" of Hindi cinema, Jyotika reveals she is still waiting for roles like the ones she is used to in South films. "I chose *Shaitaan* and *Srikanth* as they are beautiful stories, but I am looking for more as an actor, in terms of the length of my role in a film," she elaborates.

As she talks about the differences in both industries, the actor also admits that the Hindi film industry often sticks to stereotypical portrayals of the south. "I agree that some things are over-the-top in the south; we love idli-sambar and action films, but how it's depicted is definitely overdone. It might be done in good spirits, but frankly, they do get it wrong most of the time," she asserts.

Despite her success in Tamil cinema, Jyotika shares that venturing into south films wasn't her first choice. After the "upsetting" failure of her first film, she shares that looking for work in Bollywood after her debut felt futile: "Your first film has to be a hit for you to be recognised. After that, I did one film in the south, which didn't do well either, but they recognised my talent. That is a difference I saw in both industries." But, she acknowledges that things are changing. "On the sets of *Shaitaan*, (actor) R Madhavan and I were treated with a lot of respect. They recognised us as big artistes, not just regional actors," she ends.

So grateful: Evangeline Lilly retires from acting

Actor Evangeline Lilly has announced that she will be taking a hiatus from acting. In an Instagram post, the 44-year-old, known for her roles in the series *Lost* and *Ant-Man and The Wasp* (2018), said she is "so filled with joy and contentment" and ready to "live out [her] vision." The actor posted an almost 20-year-old video of herself while shooting *Lost*. The throwback video shows a young Lilly laying out her dreams for the future. "Ideally, 10 years from now I'd like to be a retired actress and have a family," she tells the camera, adding that she would like to be a writer and spend her time doing humanitarian work.

Lilly wrote, "Praise God, I feel so grateful for my blessings. Stepping away from what seems like the obvious choice (wealth and fame) can feel scary at times, but stepping into your dharma replaces the fear with fulfillment." She adds, "I might return to Hollywood one day, but, for now, this is where I belong. A new season has arrived, and I AM READY... and I AM HAPPY (sic)."

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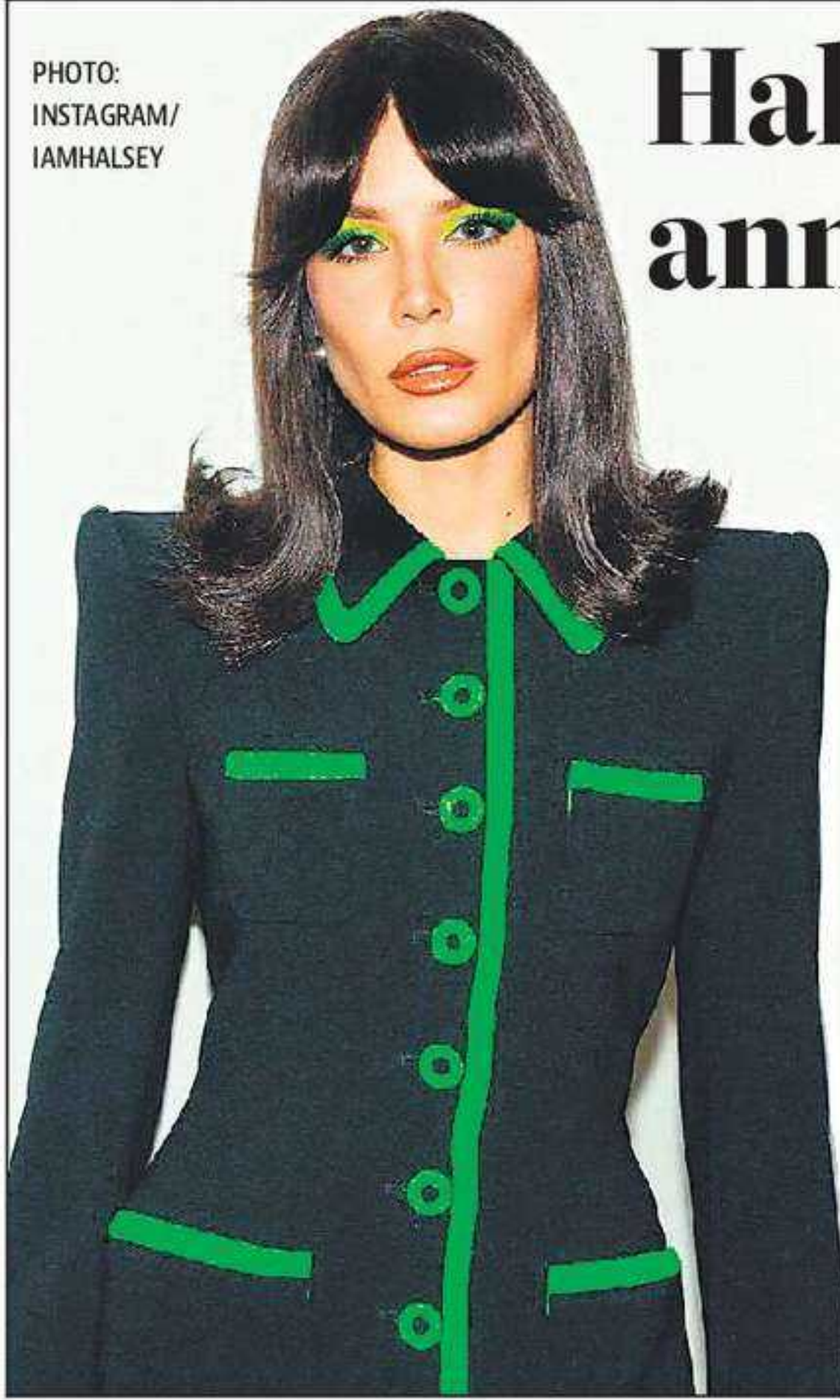


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Halsey shares health update, announces new album

Singer Halsey shared news that she has privately been battling an illness. She took to Instagram recently to post a series of videos that document the singer receiving what appears to be infusions. "Long story short, I'm lucky to be alive,"

she wrote, adding, "Short story long, I wrote an album."

The singer, however, has not revealed the condition she is suffering from. Her representatives have not commented either. "I feel like an old lady," Halsey says

aloud in the first video, while rubbing her legs in apparent pain. "I told myself I'm giving myself two more years to be sick. At 30, I'm having a rebirth and I'm not gonna be sick. I'm gonna look super hot, have lots of energy and I'm gonna get to redo my 20s in my 30s."

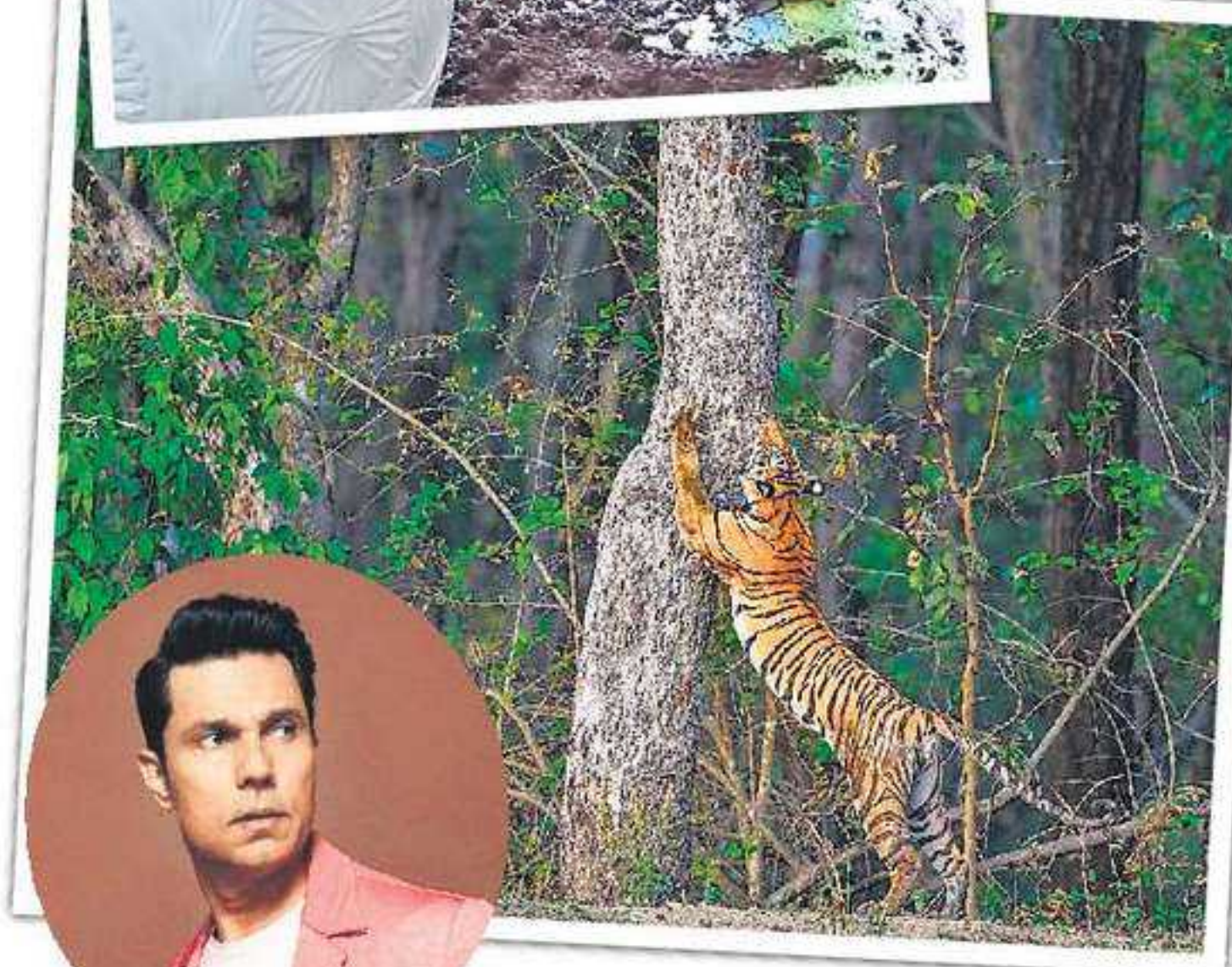
The 29-year-old also released a song on Tuesday, an acoustic guitar ballad titled *The End*. Halsey's upcoming album is a follow-up to her fourth studio album, *If I Can't Have Love, I Want Power* which was released in 2021 and produced by Nine Inch Nails frontman Trent Reznor and music producer Atticus Ross.



A grab from
a video
Halsey
posted on
her Insta
handle



Debinna
Bonnerjee
with daughters
Lianna and
Divishha



Randeep Hooda posted a shot
from his wildlife photography



Sachin Tendulkar and wife Anjali
PHOTOS: INSTAGRAM

Celebs go for green on World Environment Day

With great power comes great responsibility and celebrities are increasingly using their platforms to raise awareness about environmental issues and ecological sustainability.

Actors Debinna Bonnerjee and Randeep Hooda as well as former cricketer Sachin Tendulkar were among the celebs who championed green initiatives during World Environment Day celebrations on

Wednesday.

Bonnerjee posted a Reel showing off her green thumb as she planted trees with her children while Hooda posted a picture he shot of a tiger clawing at a tree and urged his followers to "go hug a tree today." Tendulkar also posted a Reel of himself and wife Anjali on a safari, and captioned it, "There's no limit to how beautiful our planet Earth can be. Here's to staying in awe and doing our bit."

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OUTFIT: JJ VALAYA
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OUTFIT: GAURAV GUPTA
JEWELLERY: RK JEWELLERS

The actor stuns in a Roman ecru lehenga with pearl embellishment. Her elegant diamond necklace, pieced with a fusion of spectacular diamonds, amps up her look. Designer Gaurav Gupta is also participating in the FDCI Wedding Weekend to be held on August 3-4 at Taj Palace Hotel, New Delhi

'I DON'T LIMIT MYSELF TO ANY CODE OF FASHION'

In a shoot with HT City Showstoppers, Rakul Preet Singh talks about her flexible sense of style, going beyond the role of the girl next door, and her future-forward mindset

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Fashion is all about being in your element. It is about feeling comfortable and good," says actor Rakul Preet Singh. Describing her style as something that "changes with the occasion", the actor shares how she doesn't like to limit herself.

The same can be said about her acting career. The 33-year-old actor's work has spanned from the more typical heroine roles in *Puthagam* (2013) and *Bruce Lee: The Fighter* (2015) to unconventional films like *Doctor G* (2022) and *Chhatrivali* (2023). However, the actor feels she had to work hard to make space for herself to be cast in roles other than the girl next door. "I remember how the makers of *Doctor G* felt a bit apprehensive when they had to cast me as a small-town doctor. They discussed among themselves, on whether I looked the part. But I think it is an actor's job to try new things. If I were to only commit to the roles that resembled myself, what would be the fun in that?"

However, Singh admits, it's not like she always knew better. She says, "When I began my career, I thought it was easy to crack an audition. I never questioned my talent because I didn't know much about showbiz!"

When it's all said and done, Singh, who is currently shooting for *De De Pyaar De 2*, feels she prefers to think about the future, rather than the past. "I am not someone who looks back. Whether it is South or Hindi cinema, there is still much to do," she ends.

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OUTFIT: MEHUL GUPTA
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Rakul Preet shines in a Mehul Gupta silver metallic saree with lustrous embellishments along the border. Her look has been styled with a beaded blouse and spruced up further with a diamond and emerald choker from The House of MBJ. This is an apt look for your cocktail



OUTFIT: VIDHI SINGHANIA
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A perfect amalgamation of modernity and tradition, Rakul Preet slays in this fusion look in a cropped blazer styled with three colourful Banarasi silk sarees in fuschia, zari and gharchoha that have been styled into a skirt by Vidhi Singhania, a handloom brand known for its exquisite weaves. Her look has been further amped up with antique polki necklace with rose cut diamonds and pearls from The House of MBJ. This look is perfect for the nonconformist brides