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'This is a celebration of everyone who worked on the film'



ayal Kapadia's All We Imagine As Light is on a winning streak this year. After bagging the Grand Prix award at Cannes, it was recently named the best international feature at Gotham Awards. Now, Payal has been nominated for the Best Director category at the 82nd Golden Globe Awards and the film has secured a nom in the Best Motion Picture in a Non-English Language category.

Reacting to the news Payal stated, "I'm deeply honoured by this nomination and grateful to the HFPA for this recognition. This is a celebration of everyone who worked so passionately on the film. To everyone in India, All We Imagine as Light is still in theatres, please go watch it and support

Filmmakers and actors also congratulated the team on so-

I feel proud to be part of both acclaimed films (Laapataa Ladies and AWIAL) and what they have achieved till date. Irrespective of what happens at the Oscars or at the Golden Globes, this will pave the way for more films in the future Chhaya Kadam

Golden Globes 2025 race

Emilia Pérez is leading the noms list with 10 nods. The Brutalist (7), Conclave (6), Anora (5) and Wicked (4) will be among the other films contending for the top prizes. In the TV space, The Bear, Shogun, Only Murders in the Building and Baby Reindeer are among the top contenders for key categories.

cial media. Laapataa Ladies director. Kiran Rao wrote on Instagram Stories, 'Christmas has come early this year! Brava, Payal!" Divya Prabha, who is a part of AWIAL shared her story and added, "Let's celebrate this together". Anil Kapoor called it "what a monumental recognition of Indian cinema and storytelling

credibly proud!" The film will be competing with Emilia Pérez, The Girl with the Needle, I'm Still Here, The Seed of the Sacred Fig and Vermiglio in the Best Motion Picture in a Non-English Language category. Earlier, Shekhar Kapur was nominated in the Best Direction - Motion Picture category at the 1999 Globes for Elizabeth. Inputs by Mihir Bhanage

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ASTARRY SPECTACLE ON INT'L Shark NINJA SHORES From 2024 Abu Dhabi **Grand Prix to Red Sea** Film Festival at Jeddah, stars such as Brad Pitt, Jared Leto, Shraddha Kapoor, Andrew Garfield and more, made glamorous appearances HAYES at international events Brad Pitt, (left) Jared Leto and Huma Qureshi at the F1 races Benedict Cumberbatch and Jeremy Renner

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challenges that shaped me

POLARISATION IS MERRIAM-WEBSTER'S WORD OF THE YEAR

Polarisation is Merriam-Webster dictionary's word of the year. Ahead of the announcement on Monday, Peter Sokolowski, Merriam-Webster's editor at large, told AP, "Polarisation means division, but it's a very specific kind of division. It means that we are tending toward the extremes rather than toward the centre." Last year's pick was authentic, this year's comes as large swaths of the US struggle to reach consensus on what is real, especially after the US Polls where Donald Trump defeated Kamala Harris. Polarisation extends beyond political connotations, too. All the scrutiny over Taylor Swift's private jet usage, beef between rappers Kendrick Lamar and Drake, they were all polarising.

It was a 'Spidey meets Stree' moment on the Red Sea Film fest red carpet as Andrew Garfield and Shraddha Kapoor posed together. (Left) Farhan and Shibani Akhtar also posed in their stylish best



Bryan Adams' Kolkata darshan Bryan Adams visited iconic places in Kolkata like the Victoria Memorial Bryan's Kolkata gig playlist ■ 18 till I Die Heaven Cloud Number 9 ■ Please Forgive Me

(Everything I Do) I Do It For You

So Happy It Hurts ■ Summer of '69

ryan Adams took the stage in Kolkata on Sunday as part of his So Happy It Hurts tour. After the show, he explored the city and the *Please Forgive Me* singer also shared a montage on social media, documenting his

In the video, Adams can be seen posing for pictures in front of the iconic Victoria Memorial. He also took pictures near the ghats of the River Hooghly. "Spent the day visiting sites in Kolkata, just off to Shillong for the second day of our fabulous tour of India #sohappyithurts (sic)," he wrote in the caption.

The So Happy It Hurts tour marks Bryan Adams' sixth visit to India, but his first concert in Kolkata. TNN

PUNJABI SINGERSARE NOWPLAYINGFORA DIVERSE CROWD: KARAN

Karan Aujla, says, "When one artiste succeeds internationally, they open doors for others. My Junos win demonstrated Punjabi music's global potential, shifting the focus from individual competition to elevating the entire industry's standards"

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Topping charts is not new for you, it started since you entered the music industry. At 27, does all this fame feel euphoric?

While the chart success is gratifying, I am grounded and grateful. My primary goal is to create music with cultural resonance. The positive reception is humbling and motivates me to improve and create even better music. How did your struggle shape you?

The journey from Ghurala (a village near Ludhiana, Punjab) to becoming a leading Punjabi artiste is a blessing. However, the early loss of my parents was a profoundly difficult time, marked by homelessness and financial struggle in Canada. Those experiences, working odd jobs while writing for others, and the uncertainty of my future, have defined me. I believe hardship reveals the true value of success. Even now, amidst discussions of views and numbers, my focus remains on creating heartfelt, genuine music. I'm thankful for my achievements, but I'll never forget the formative challenges that shaped me and were my big-

Do you think Punjabi singers are enjoying a wider audience base for concerts these days? Yes, Punjabi singers are playing to much bigger and diverse crowds. The huge demand and soldout shows are a result of several factors like world-class production quality making the shows more visually spectacular, the celebratory and positive nature of Punjabi music making for a great live experience, the increased reach of social media, and the evolution of the music incorporating modern sounds and crisp storytelling while retaining its core identity. Most important is the fresh perspective and stylistic innovations of a new generation of Punjabi artistes.

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Many Punjabi singers are gaining international fame, and you too have won the Juno Awards from Canada **Academy of Recording Art** and Sciences. Do you feel this is leading to competition among singers?

I don't see it as competition, it's more about a catalyst for collective growth. When one artiste succeeds internationally, they open doors for others. My Junos win demonstrated Punjabi music's global potential, shifting the focus from individual competition to elevating the entire industry's standards. Global recognition inspires us to create better music, enhance production values, and showcase Punjabi culture's rich-

You married your long-time girlfriend Palak last year. Are you able to balance work with family life?

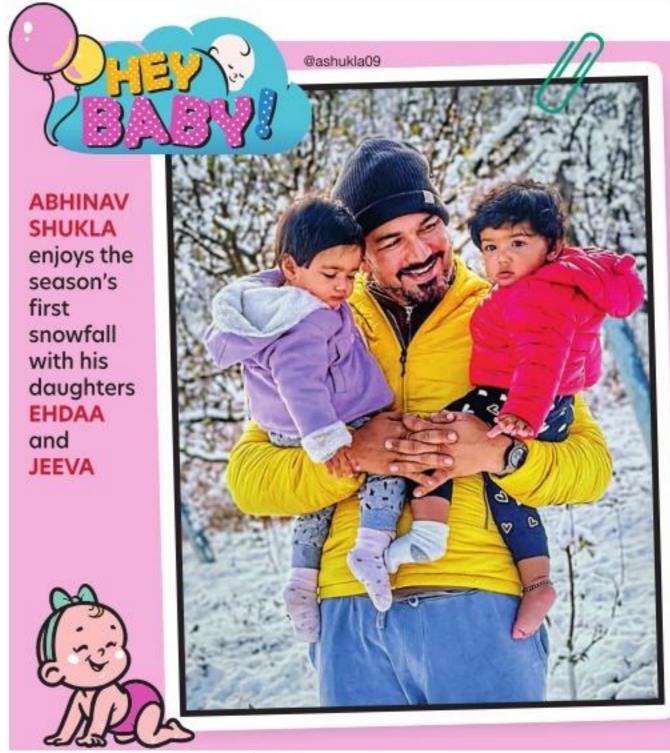
It's been a wonderful journey, and I'm lucky that my wife has been my biggest fan from day one! Balancing family and this demanding career is tough, but she completely understands. Her support is unwavering, and I value her honest feedback on my new music. Having someone who knows me so well, supports my dreams, and keeps me grounded is a true blessing.

Dil tu, jaan tu: Kat and Vicky mark 3rd anniv



atrina Kaif and Vicky Kaushal have completed three years of marital bliss. Katrina took to Instagram recently to pen a heartfelt wish for Vicky, calling him her "jaan." She also shared a picture of the couple snuggled up together in a romantic pose. "Dil tu, jaan tu...," she captioned the post.

Kareena Kapoor Khan reacted to the image by dropping a red heart emoji in the comments section. Katrina also shared a series of pictures from their "48 hours in the jungle," suggesting the couple celebrated their anniversary amidst the wilderness.



Salman's mom dances on her 83rd birthday

s Salma Khan turned 83, her son Salman Khan had a heartfelt way of wishing his "Mother India." Salma, who is married to Salim Khan, celebrated her birthday in Mumbai. The star took to Instagram to share a video of his mother dancing with his brother Sohail Khan. In the caption, the Wanted actor wrote, "Mummyyyyyy happy birthday.... Mother India, our world (sic)."

Helen, who was also present at the celebration, joined Salma on the dance floor and grooved to Dancing Queen.



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I let Vidhika explore her ambitions: Dipshikkha

Neha Maheshwri

hen Dipshikkha Nagppal's 23-year-old daughter, Vidhika, expressed her desire to step into the world of showbiz, the actress supported her wholeheartedly - though she admits she initially had reservations. She shares, "Everyone is aware of the highs and lows that come with showbiz. I wanted my daughter to understand the emotional roller coaster this career entails before fully committing to it."

Speaking about Vidhika's evolving career aspirations, Dipshikkha says, "She has explored different paths over the years. At one point, she wanted to be a psychiatrist, then a journalist. About four years ago, when she expressed interest in showbiz, I encouraged her to take a crash course in filmmaking and acting at NYU (New York University). I felt exposure to a new environment would help her grow in confidence. When she returned, she worked as an assistant director on a film before transitioning into modelling."

She adds, "I once dreamed of joining a beauty pageant myself but lacked the sup-

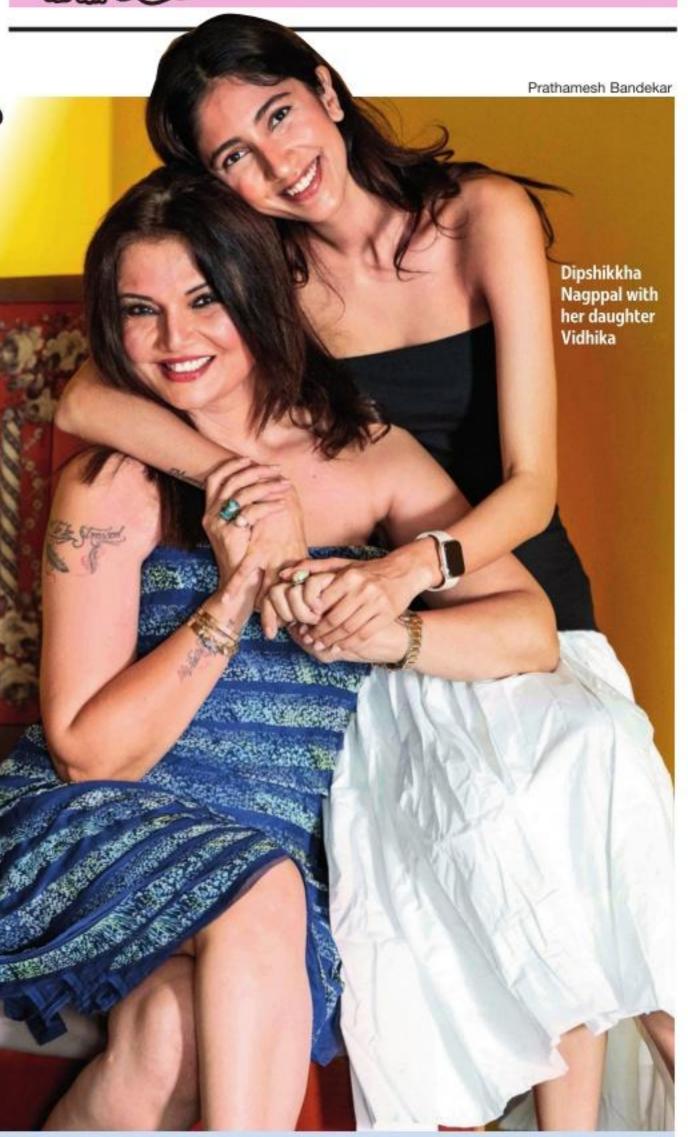
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port. So, I made sure to let her explore her ambitions freely. Yes, we've had our arguments about her career choices, but I didn't want to impose my dreams on her."

Having experienced the vagaries of showbiz herself, Dipshikkha is candid about its challenges. She shares, "There are moments when she feels disheartened during slow phases, but I remind her that patience is crucial in this field. Success might happen overnight, or it could take years. Either way, it's all about trusting the process."



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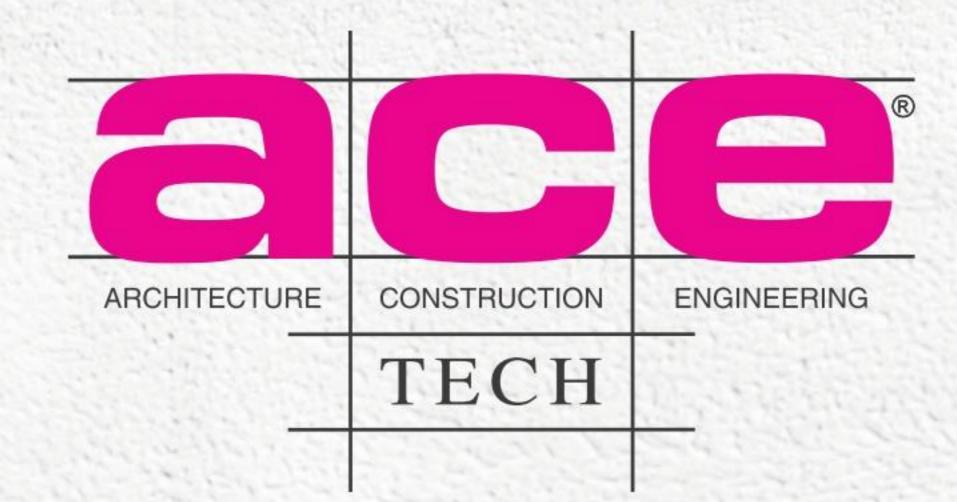
I've inherited my mother's fierce determination, her work ethic inspires me: Vidhika

Vidhika, who has appeared in over 10 commercials and continues to audition for roles, is clear about her goals. Despite her mother's connections in the industry, she is determined to carve her own path. She explains, "I love being known as my mom's daughter, but she built her career on her own terms, and I want to do the same. I've inherited her fierce determination – no matter how unwell she is, she always shows up and gives her best. That work ethic inspires me."

She adds, "Raising two kids as a single mother while building a career wasn't easy for her, and as I grow older, I understand the depth of her sacrifices. That realisation drives me to pursue my dreams with everything I have."

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Inside Out films have changed my life: Poehler



my Poehler shared that starring in the Inside Out movies has been a life-changing experience, *People* reported. While attending the 12th Annual Bring Change to Mind Revels and Revelations gala, the actress, who voices the character Joy in both the 2015 original animated film and its 2024 sequel, talked about her role and how it has sparked meaningful discussions "as well as personal reflections about how we navigate our emotions."

"My experience in Inside Out and Inside Out 2 has truly, fundamentally changed my life," said Poehler.

Similarities between parenting and Joy - a character from Inside Out

As the mother of two teenagers, Poehler draws parallels between parenting and her character, Joy. She and her ex-husband, Will Arnett, share sons Archie, 16, and Abel, 14. Reflecting on her experience, she said, "I think that's kind of why I related to playing Joy so much. In the film, Joy has to let go, and when you're raising a kid, they're their own person. You just can't protect them from pain and you're really not even supposed to. You're supposed to let them kind of have all their feelings so that they can figure out who they are."



pher Nolan film, a milestone she recently described to Women's Wear Daily as "it makes me feel like I'm doing something right." Hathaway debuted in Nolan's The Dark Knight Rises as Catwoman, followed by her acclaimed

LEISURE

she shared, "It fills me with so much joy... to be invited into their world (is) one of the best places you can find yourself." Hathaway credits Nolan with revitalising her career, calling Interstellar a "vitalising, reviving" experience.

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Be kind, rewind

Bryan Adams' recent concert in Kolkata, the first stop in his India tour, has turned out to be one helluva ride back in time – especially for the 90s' generation.

Social media has been buzzing with emotional posts, memories of an era when music wasn't streamed but discovered through cassettes and savoured on those dandy little contraptions called Walkmans. For those who grew up with his anthems, the event evoked powerful memories of tactile experiences with music, of youthful rebellion, first heartbreaks and last romances.

Stories are being shared by wistful fans about the long-

forgotten thrill of crafting mixtapes for someone special carefully saving pocket money to buy cassettes, poring over playlists to discover new artistes, and trading mixtapes with friends to share the magic.

There are heartfelt anecdotes of how those tapes were meticulously rewound with pencils, while one hunted for the perfect song to include on a mix, or spent hours memorising lyrics from the tiny booklets inside cassette covers. The joys of analogue music were as much in the intimate rituals that sur-

rounded it as it was in the music itself.

The Canadian musician has visited India five times before this. The last tour was in 2018. What has changed since then to bring about this intensely emotional and poignant response to his songs, that have been a part of a collective youth?

It may have something to do with how much technology has rewired our responses to immersive experiences in these years. How we engage with music and live performances, that rely solely on the timeless appeal of classic rock and the artiste's charisma.

At the height of India's bustling live entertainment season, dominated by trending artists and high-octane tech-driven productions, it's taking a 65-year-old rock legend to remind us that it's the raw, unfiltered connection between an artiste and the audience that resonates the most. That we are, after all, sentient beings - drawn to music not for its gloss, but for its ability to evoke timeless emotions and that heady thing called nostalgia.

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one solution.

cells must create a single continuous area, undivided by darkened cells. 4. Every time you darken a cell, you can automatically circle its vertical and horizontal neighbours, which means they cannot be eliminated. 5. Any cell "sandwiched" between neighbours of the same value can be

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Example

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LOOP THE LOOP

RULES Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single

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in Fig B). · Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells

loop (Fig A).

may be surrounded by any number of You can't draw lines

around zeroes. Each puzzle has just one unique solution.

HOW TO BEGIN: Example (Fig A) -

Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a deadend (Fig B).

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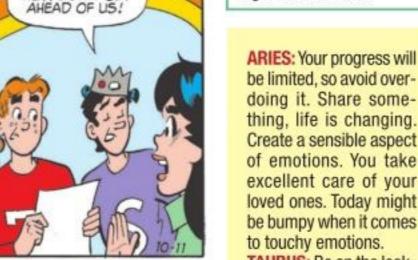
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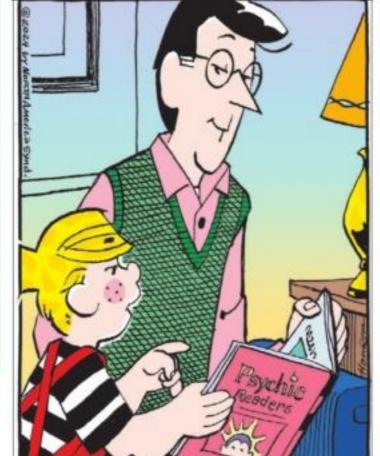






Create a sensible aspect of emotions. You take excellent care of your loved ones. Today might be bumpy when it comes to touchy emotions. TAURUS: Be on the look-

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How vain, without the ... is the __. - Homer (5,..4)

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ments that may be no longer productive. This can be a time of renewed passion or the bonding of new relationships. Saturn sends ripples in your life by going direct, with a major wave of change

coming today. GEMINI: You receive good news today. Take a short trip, go for it! This is a time for frugality. Today is an excellent day to join social communities. Your friends respect your opinions and seek you out for advice. CANCER: Focus your attention on some additional work to enable yourself to make the best use of your vital energy. You will feel on top of the world as things go around you as expected. Your relationship is suffering because of some disagreements. LEO: You can obtain financial benefits through the simple power of attraction today. You will naturally have a flair for innovative, new and different things. You are at your most practical when dealing and working with others.

VIRGO: You should feel successful and able to cope with most situations today. Winning the hearts of others can be a challenge and you are eager to intuition to return.

tion today. Don't worry if you find yourself feeling a leagues and partners. Avoid arguments.

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AQUARIUS: You may hurt someone with your words. Keep your confidence high and it will contribute to your success. A sense of responsibility comes across today. Support and goodwill from colleagues will give you security at the workplace. It is a perfect time to enhance or deepen a love relationship.

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SCRAMBLE name, - Homer

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Over 800 people had been tracking the pair of ruby slippers, informed the auction house. Among those bidding to bring the slippers home was the **Judy Garland Museum** but it lost out to the winning bid.



pair of ruby slippers that was worn by Judy Gar-land in *The Wizard of Oz* has sold for \$28 million (₹237 crore) at an auction. The shoes are one of four surviving pairs made for the 1939

most valuable movie memorabilia ever sold at auction, according to auction house Heritage Auctions.

The auction house had estimated that the pair would fetch \$3 million (₹25 crore), but the fast-paced bidding far outpaced that amount within seconds. A few bidders mak-

ing offers by phone volleyed back and forth for 15 minutes as the price climbed to the final, eye-popping sum. Including the Dallasbased auction house's fee, the unknown buyer will ultimately pay \$32.5 million (₹271 crore).



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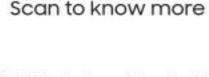














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