

YOUR TAROT THIS WEEK

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ARIES

MAR 21-APR 20



Kangana Ranaut

Love: Judgement **Mood:** Three of Swords **Career:** Temperance New demanding tasks could encourage you to collaborate more effectively with your co-workers. Keep peace at home by cooperating with family members. Think about investing in well-established companies to gain financial advantages. Be very careful when taking a long road trip. **Lucky Number:** 8 **Lucky Colour:** Sky Blue

CANCER

JUN 22-JUL 22



Priyanka Chopra

Love: Three of Wands **Mood:** Hierophant **Career:** Ten of Cups This week looks promising for Cancerians, as advancements may occur in several aspects of life. Setting clear objectives will greatly contribute to success in your professional life. You can expect pending payments to come through, strengthening your economic situation. **Lucky Number:** 9 **Lucky Colour:** Red

LIBRA

SEP 24-OCT 23



Nargis Fakhri

Love: Seven of Coins **Mood:** The Hermit **Career:** The Magician You might enhance your family connections and foster a peaceful atmosphere at home. Financial stability and progress could soon offer a sense of safety. If you are seeking romance, you may soon encounter someone who shares your interests. Prioritise both your physical and mental well-being. **Lucky Number:** 11 **Lucky Colour:** Peach

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 21



Deepika Padukone

Love: Two of Swords **Mood:** The Hanged Man **Career:** The Empress You can take proactive steps to grow in your career, which may lead to greater satisfaction in your current role. As your financial situation gets better, other areas of your life will also improve, bringing you prosperity and joy. Travelling with family could offer a refreshing break and strengthen bonds. **Lucky Number:** 7 **Lucky Colour:** Saffron

TAURUS

APR 21-MAY 20



Anushka Sharma

Love: Strength **Mood:** The Lovers **Career:** Two of Wands Your health is predicted to be in great shape this week, giving you the energy to handle your tasks. Financial stability is expected, allowing you to treat yourself. Romantic feelings may grow, adding joy and peace to your relationship. You'll likely see steady progress in your career over the next few days. **Lucky Number:** 3 **Lucky Colour:** Brown

LEO

JUL 23-AUG 23



Sara Ali Khan

Love: King of Coins **Mood:** The Fool **Career:** The Emperor Explore the thrilling prospects of love and tenderness, which could bring new excitement to your romantic life. Smart financial choices might lead to stability and growth. Now is the perfect moment to resolve family issues and refresh your mood. Property dealings will require thoughtful planning. **Lucky Number:** 22 **Lucky Colour:** Magenta

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22



Ananya Pandey

Love: Knight of Coins **Mood:** Judgment **Career:** The Fool Managing your expenses should be smooth and effortless. Some individuals might enjoy a magical evening with their partner at a romantic destination, sharing meaningful conversations and creating unforgettable memories. Reconnecting with distant relatives could help heal emotional wounds. **Lucky Number:** 18 **Lucky Colour:** Maroon

AQUARIUS

JAN 22-FEB 19



Preity Zinta

Love: The Magician **Mood:** Two of Coins **Career:** The Tower This week presents a chance to unlock fresh opportunities and elevate your professional standing. Your focus and attention to detail will serve as key strengths in the workplace. A family celebration may bring a deeper sense of connection, fostering stronger relationships with loved ones. **Lucky Number:** 1 **Lucky Colour:** Orange

GEMINI

MAY 21-JUN 21



Suhana Khan

Love: Four of Coins **Mood:** Justice **Career:** Eight of Cups Anticipate a week full of encouraging progress. Your creative strategies at work will keep you ahead of your peers. Ignoring parental guidance might cause tension in the family, so stay cautious. Buying a high-end vehicle might not bring the financial returns you expect. **Lucky Number:** 1 **Lucky Colour:** Light Yellow

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEP 23



Kareena Kapoor Khan

Love: Devil **Mood:** Two of Cups **Career:** The Hermit This week could bring a financial boost, enhancing your stability. Your career may thrive as you demonstrate strong leadership abilities. Including light activities like yoga or swimming can improve your health. Parental advice may serve as valuable support at home. Address relationship issues with compassion. **Lucky Number:** 17 **Lucky Colour:** Yellow

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21



Alaya F

Love: Temperance **Mood:** Knight of Wands **Career:** Ten of Coins Inspiring your team can enhance both their attitude and performance. A sudden influx of money could help settle outstanding debts. A boost in your health and vitality will bring you immense happiness. Keep some flexibility in your plans. This week holds a mix of opportunities and challenges. **Lucky Number:** 22 **Lucky Colour:** Beige

PISCES

FEB 20-MAR 20



Sanya Malhotra

Love: The World **Mood:** The Sun **Career:** Ten of Cups Professionally, your talents could gain recognition, providing opportunities to influence your career path. It's wise to conduct thorough research before making any alterations to your financial investments. With a bit of patience, you can re-establish peace and balance in your relationships. **Lucky Number:** 18 **Lucky Colour:** White

THE WORD-DICT HAS BEEN DELIVERED

The cultural mood and societal shifts in a year can be gauged from the words that gain prominence during that time. Here's a dekko at some that reigned supreme in 2024

Compiled by Akshita Prakash



Pookie

The origin of this word can be traced back to the 1930s, when it was used as a term of endearment for children. However, it got a new life this year, thanks to social media, where it was mixed into the modern language — popping up in relationships, friendships, and even in pet names. Pookie has evolved from a niche term into a commonly used slang word. In Gen Z slang, "pookie" means cute behaviour. Imagine a hamster with bulging eyes and a pink bow. That's pookie.

Brat

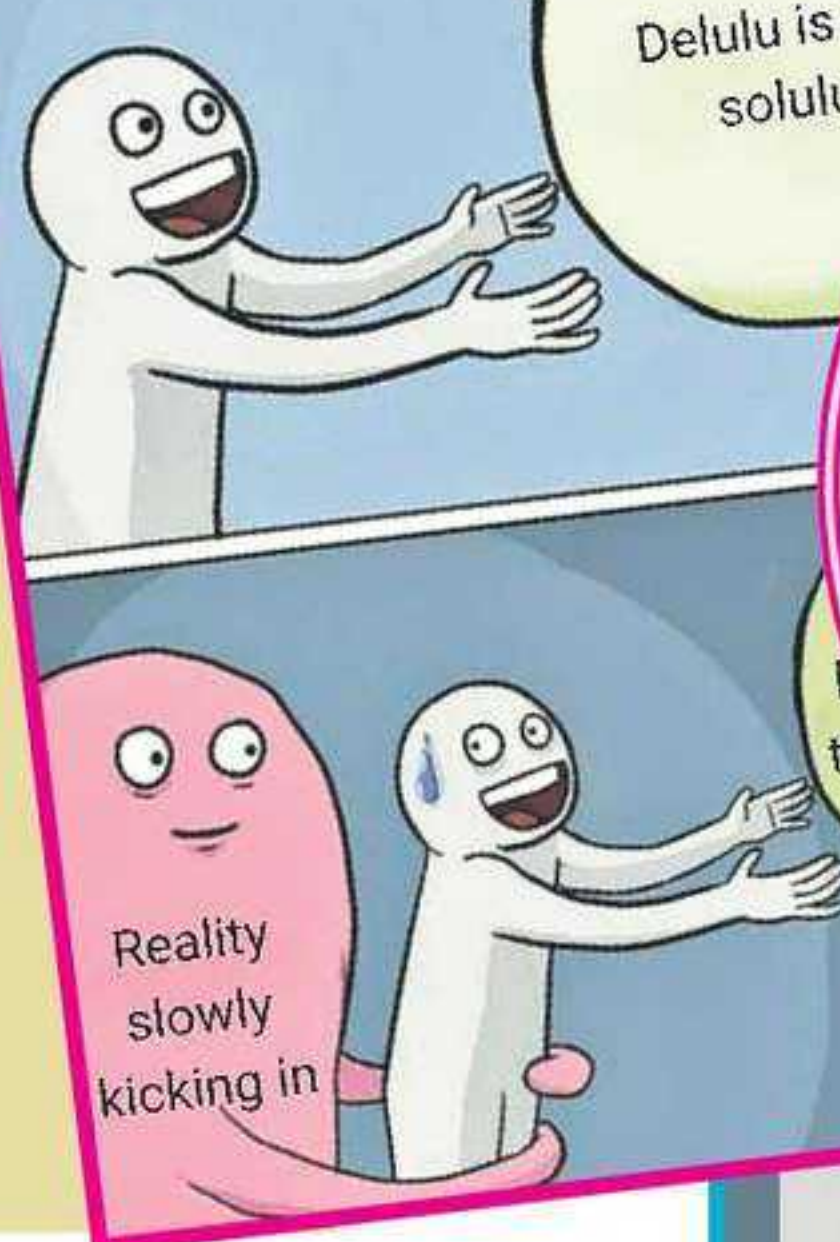
Named the Word of the Year by Collins Dictionary, 'brat' also got a fresh definition. While it has been historically used to describe a spoilt child, the word is now about embodying confidence and a carefree lifestyle. Though the word has been around since the 1500s, its popularity was influenced by Charli XCX's album Brat, which came out this year. The modern interpretation aligns with a rebellious, bold attitude.

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Aura points

The term 'aura points' gained traction on TikTok this year, but its roots trace back to sports communities, where 'aura' was used to describe the confident presence or vibe of athletes on the field. On social media platforms, the phrase "How many aura points did I lose?" became a playful way to judge actions and behaviours based on how much they add or detract from someone's 'aura.' According to a report by The Wall Street Journal, posts with the hashtag #aurapoints jumped 378% from May to June.



Delulu

This word, short for delusional, refers to someone with unrealistic views or expectations. It is often used in a light-hearted and humorous way. Popularised by social media fandoms, particularly K-pop communities since 2014, it surged in popularity this year. Phrases like "delulu is the solulu" — where 'solulu' is short for solution — came to be commonly used, also appearing on different products such as T-shirts and mugs. The term also gained traction as a meme template, cementing its place in pop culture.

Brain rot

The term 'brain rot' has been named the Oxford Dictionary's Word of the Year. First recorded in 1854, the term now refers to the decline of a person's thinking ability caused by overconsumption of trivial or unchallenging material online. The Oxford University Press says the phrase "gained new prominence in 2024," with the frequency of its use growing by 230% from the year before. It was picked as the word of the year through a mix of popular vote and language analysis.

Polarisation

This term originated in the early 1800s from the Latin term 'polaris,' meaning 'of the poles.' It has been named Merriam Webster's Word of the Year for 2024. Its rise in popularity coincided with the heightened political tensions witnessed during the US presidential election this year.

Demure

Crowned the Word of the Year by Dictionary.com, 'demure' has been historically defined as modest or reserved. The word dates back to the 14th century, often used to describe shy and polite girls. Its usage soared by 1,200% between January and August. The word went viral after TikTokker Jools Lebron posted a video, playfully describing her makeup look for work as "very demure, very mindful."



DAILY HOROSCOPE

Sunday, December 15, 2024

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ARIES

MAR 21-APR 20



Taking up an exercise routine is possible and will benefit you immensely. Tight control over expenditure is needed now. A long drive undertaken by some today is likely to be a pleasant one. **LOVE FOCUS:** Things brighten up on the romantic front. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 6 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Brown

LEO

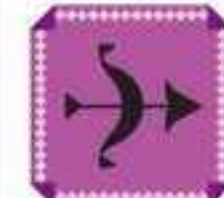
JUL 23-AUG 23



It may become difficult to get your pending dues. Travel bugs may bite some and help quench their wanderlust. Some of you are out to dominate the social scene. An invite to marriage or a function is likely for some. **LOVE FOCUS:** Those in love are likely to have fun with an opposite number. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 22 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Red

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21



Strong will power may be needed to keep in shape. Come into the saving mode to conserve your monetary resources. A profitable day is envisioned for those in retail business. **LOVE FOCUS:** Some are set to improve your love life. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 5 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Peach

TAURUS

APR 21-MAY 20



Those feeling under the weather are likely to show improvement. A dip in the financial graph may seem worrisome, but it is likely to be just a temporary phase. You may be part of a trip organised by your friends. **LOVE FOCUS:** Someone you are attracted to may give positive signals. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 8 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Yellow

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEP 23



Those suffering from an ailment for long will find their condition much improved. You can burn your fingers by trusting someone with your money. You may invite someone over for an outing together. **LOVE FOCUS:** Mutual respect will take your love to a new level. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 2 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Orange

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 21



You can be invited to accompany someone interesting on a journey. A family youngster may rebel and upset you. You will need to get ahead of someone who is in close competition with you. **LOVE FOCUS:** Your love life is likely to pick up the tempo and is poised for an exciting finish! **LUCKY NUMBER:** 6 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Blue

GEMINI

MAY 21-JUN 21



You can bid goodbye to an ailment. A deal you have clinched may turn out to be a golden goose. An exciting time is assured for those travelling for fun. **LOVE FOCUS:** Don't do what your partner dislikes. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 7 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Magenta

LIBRA

SEP 24-OCT 23



Health concerns may worry you. You may have to clear a financial debt sooner than you think. You may have to think out ways to lighten your workload. **LOVE FOCUS:** Support of partner will provide immense fulfilment. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 8 **LUCKY COLOUR:** White

AQUARIUS

JAN 22-FEB 19



Healthy diet and exercise will be the key to your coming back in shape. You will feel much closer to your near and dear ones. Parties and get-togethers can get you all tired. **LOVE FOCUS:** Young couples may decide to set up house independently. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 11 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Baby Pink

CANCER

JUN 22-JUL 22



This is the time to invest in schemes that you are confident of. A task entrusted to you may not generate much enthusiasm in you. A comfortable journey is foreseen for those on a long-distance travel. **LOVE FOCUS:** A new posting can find some getting entangled in an affair! **LUCKY NUMBER:** 9 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Golden

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22



Some health issues may need immediate attention. Investment opportunities coming your way need to be vetted. Those planning a long journey will find things going smooth. **LOVE FOCUS:** Those planning an outing with lover will have good time. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 4 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Yellow

PISCES

FEB 20-MAR 20



Your attempts to achieve perfect health will shortly begin to show positive signs. Returns from a previous investment are likely to show improvement. Be humble with someone you despise. **LOVE FOCUS:** You may open up a bit to those who display a positive attraction towards you. **LUCKY NUMBER:** 18 **LUCKY COLOUR:** Grey

RELATIONSHIP BUZZWORDS

BOY SOBER

A woman is 'boy sober' if she takes a break from romance to focus on self-care and emotional wellness. The practice is aimed at helping one recharge, reevaluate and rediscover one's worth. The trend promotes breaking away from toxic relationships and letting go of the pressure to seek male validation. Coined by comedian Hope Woodard, the term gained traction on platforms like TikTok and Instagram, with TikTok search spikes indicating a 200% increase in interest in the trend globally between 2023 and 2024.

THRONGING

This term refers to pursuing a partner who enhances one's social reputation, essentially placing them on a pedestal for their influence and clout. While the concept isn't new, Gen Z has given it a fresh name. According to Google's Top Trending Searches report, it was the most popular dating-related search of the year. The term is expected to dominate the dating scene in 2025, as highlighted in a report by the NY Post, reflecting a shift in how relationships are perceived in the age of social media.

OPEN RELATIONSHIP

While the term 'open relationship' is not new, it was the top trending relationship definition people Googled this year as more individuals explored alternatives to traditional monogamy. An open relationship refers to a consensual agreement between partners that allows them to form romantic or sexual relations with other people. Dating platforms like Feeld and OkCupid have further normalised non-monogamy by including it as an option in user profiles, reflecting shifting attitudes toward relationship dynamics.



Picture perfect! Kapoors come together to celebrate the Showman

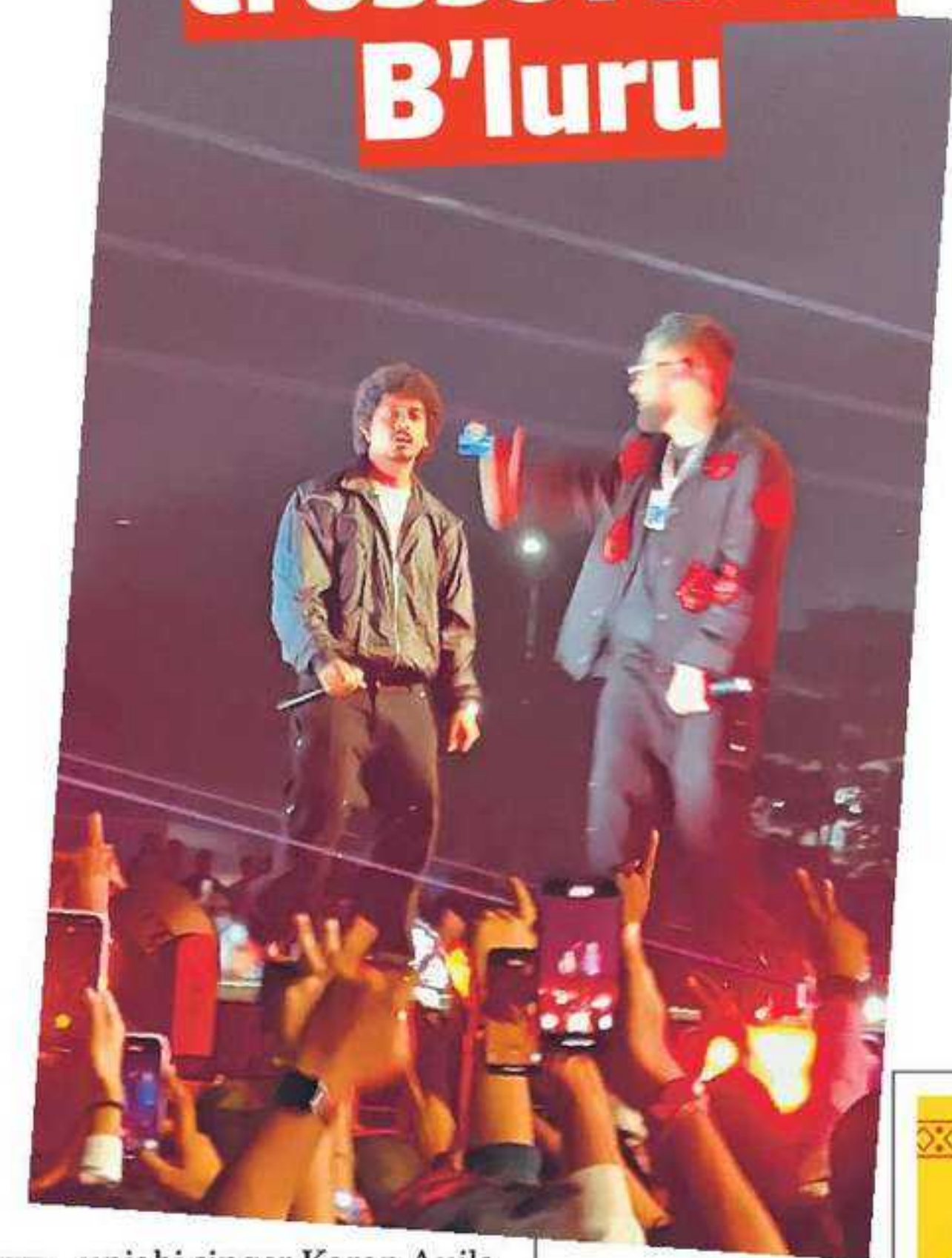
The Kapoors got together with gusto to kick-start the birth centenary celebrations of the late actor-filmmaker, Raj Kapoor, in Mumbai. The star-studded opening night witnessed the entire family in attendance, including Ranbir Kapoor, Alia Bhatt, Kareena Kapoor Khan, Karisma Kapoor and veterans Randhir Kapoor, Babita and Neetu Singh. The event was also attended by several eminent personalities such as actor Rekha and filmmaker Sanjay Leela Bhansali. A three-day Raj Kapoor film festival is also being held as part of the celebrations.



The Kapoors pose together on the occasion of Raj Kapoor's birth centenary celebrations



A Karan Aujla and Hanumankind crossover in B'luru



Punjabi singer Karan Aujla, who is currently on tour across India, surprised fans when he brought out rapper Hanumankind to perform with him on stage during his concert in Bengaluru, Karnataka on Friday.

The Kerala native and Aujla performed a rendition of the rapper's hit track *Big Dawgs*, sending the crowd into a frenzy. Following the performance, the singer told concertgoers, "I'm incredibly grateful for the support in Bengaluru. The connection with my fans is what makes this tour so special."

The 27-year-old, who is on his first-ever arena tour in India, is headed to Delhi after performing to packed houses in both Bengaluru and Mumbai.

"Dream collab!" one fan commented on an Instagram video of the performance. Another wrote, "Goosebumps... a totally unexpected surprise by the GOAT (sic)."

Talking about getting to perform in his homeland, Aujla had earlier shared, "This tour marks a significant milestone in my career, highlighting my journey from a small village in Punjab to the global stage. India has a special place in my heart... I'm grateful to my fans for making this dream possible."

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Recipe curated by Chef Neha Deepak Shah

Ingredients

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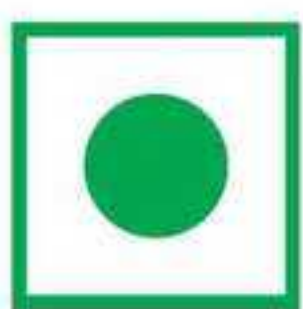
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