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## Marina Kuwar shares cryptic post about depression after Sonu Nigam names her in video blasting Bhushan Kumar



**HOURS AFTER SONU NIGAM NAMED HER IN HIS VIDEO, MARINA KUWAR POSTS CRIPTIC TWEET ON DEPRESSION.** AFTER SINGER SONU NIGAM LEVIED FRESH ALLEGATIONS AGAINST THE MUSIC INDUSTRY IN AN EXPLOSIVE VIDEO ON MONDAY BY LATER ALSO REFERENCING TO BHUSHAN KUMAR AND MARINA KUWAR, NOW THE ACTRESS HAS SAID IN A CRYPTIC POST HOW SHE IS BATTLING WITH DEPRESSION. IN A CRYPTIC POST ON HER TWITTER ACCOUNT, MARINA SAID THAT HER DEPRESSION WAS CAUSED BY CERTAIN "UNWANTED INCIDENTS" THAT ALTERED HER LIFE. POPULAR FOR WORKING IN SEVERAL EPISODES OF CID AND AAHAT, MARINA WROTE, "WHEN YOUR LIFE CHANGES DRASTICALLY DUE TO SOME UNWANTED INCIDENTS HAPPENED IN YOUR LIFE, THAT TIME YOU CHOOSE TO GO INTO DEPRESSION. NO ONE KNOWS HOW BADLY THESE INCIDENTS AFFECT YOUR LIFE. SOMETIMES WE GIVE UP AND WE END UP WITH OUR LIFE! FEELING SO DEPRESSED #DEPRESSION #LIFE #MARINAKUWAR."

**'IDLE MIND IS DEVIL'S WORKSHOP': ARBAAZ REACTS TO ABHINAV KASHYAP'S FRESH ALLEGATIONS AGAINST SALMAN KHAN'S BEING HUMAN**



AFTER ABHINAV KASHYAP'S CONTROVERSIAL FACEBOOK POST ON SALMAN KHAN'S BEING HUMAN FOUNDATION, ARBAAZ KHAN TOOK TO HIS TWITTER PAGE AND WROTE A CRYPTIC NOTE.

**'IT TOOK SNAP OF A FINGER TO GET RID OF FOLLOWING OF 16 MILLION': SONAKSHI SINHA AFTER DEACTIVATING HER TWITTER ACCOUNT**



BOLLYWOOD DIVA SONAKSHI SINHA ON SATURDAY, SURPRISED HER FANS WHEN SHE ANNOUNCED THAT SHE HAS DEACTIVATED HER TWITTER ACCOUNT TO PROTECT HER MENTAL HEALTH.

**'I VOW I'LL DO EVERYTHING TO MAKE SURE EACH DREAMS ARE FULFILLED': SANJANA SANGHI'S GUT-WRENCHING TRIBUTE TO SUSHANT**



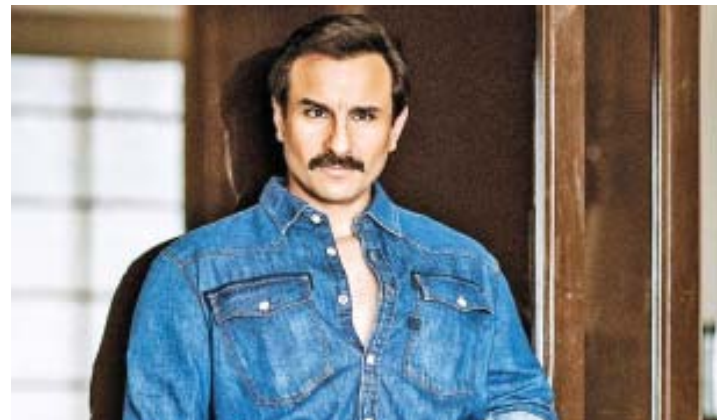
SUSHANT SINGH RAJPUT'S DIL BECHARA CO-STAR SANJANA SANGHI TOOK TO HER INSTAGRAM PAGE AND PENNED A MOVING TRIBUTE TO THE LATE ACTOR.

## Sushmita Sen's reply to fan who asked how she survived nepotism in Bollywood will win your heart



Bollywood diva Sushmita Sen recently ended her hiatus as she made her web screen debut with Aarya. The series was received well by critics as well as her fans. During a recent 'ask me anything' on her Twitter account, on Sunday, Sushmita answered all the questions her fans asked her about her life and career choices. Amid the raging nepotism debate, one of the fans asked Sushmita about her inspirations, fears, and also her views about the subject. As a fan asked her, "How you survived Nepotism in Bollywood ??" Sushmita replied saying, "By focusing on my Audience...YOU GUYS!!! I will continue to work as an actor as long as YOU want to see me!! #simpleenough #AskAarya" The debate around nepotism was sparked in Bollywood after Sushant Singh Rajput died by suicide on June 14. Investigations in the case are still ongoing. For the uninformed, Sushmita was crowned Miss India and then Miss Universe in 1994 after which she made her Bollywood debut in 1996 with Dastak.

## 'SOME OF US, FRANKLY, HAVE HAD DOORS OPENED FOR US': SAIF ALI KHAN ADMITS TO BEING 'PRIVILEGED' AMID NEPOTISM DEBATE



Amid the ongoing debate about nepotism that is going on after Sushant Singh Rajput's tragic death, Bollywood actor Saif Ali Khan has said that he was glad to shed his "privilege" and earn the respect of his colleagues with his performance as Langda Tyagi in Vishal Bhardwaj's Omkara. In a video interview, Saif said, "Being the kind of person I am, the films that I have done, there has also been a sense of privilege and lack of privilege, and people coming up the hard way and people coming up the easy way, that's always been the undercurrent, especially in an ensemble like this, with some of these NSD guys and film institute chaps." He further accepted that doors have easily opened for some in the industry than others. "They've come up purely through talent, while some of us, frankly, have had doors opened for us by the privilege of our birth and the parents we've had."

## Former Bangladesh skipper Mashrafe Mortaza tests COVID-19 positive



Former Bangladesh skipper Mashrafe Mortaza, who had gone for a coronavirus Test last week has been tested positive for the virus. According to ESPNcricinfo report, it is not known how Mortaza contracted the virus. Mashrafe, also a member of the parliament from Narail 2 constituency, had stepped down as the ODI captain of the country in March this year. Covid-19 cases have crossed 1,00,000 mark in Bangladesh and the government is now planning area-wise lockdown. Bangladesh was slated to face Sri Lanka in July in a three-Test series and the side would have later hosted New Zealand in August, but both series look unlikely now. The Asia Cup, scheduled for September, is also uncertain due to the coronavirus.

## #ONTHISDAY: DURING THE 2019 WORLD CUP, MOHAMMED SHAMI SCALPED HAT-TRICK AGAINST AFGHANISTAN



INDIA MAY HAVE NOT WON THE 2019 WORLD CUP, BUT THEY SURELY CREATED MANY RECORDS, ONE BEING INDIA PACER MOHAMMED SHAMI. ON THIS DAY LAST YEAR, THE BOWLER SCALPED HAT-TRICK AGAINST AFGHANISTAN.

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# #STAYHOME WITH #BOLLYWOODMONSTER MASHUP ANNOUNCES STAR-STUDDED LINEUP



The largest South Asian festival in Canada is going virtual. #StayHome with BollywoodMonster Mashup, presented by TD – The Ready Commitment and produced by MonstrARTity, will feature performances from international Bollywood artists Sunny Leone, The Meet Bros & Arjuna Harjai as well as Canadian music and dance acts. The virtual event will have two concerts on July 24 and 25 and will be streamed via Facebook Live. Save the date because on Saturday July 25, the Meet Bros & Khushboo Grewal will be taking the stage on screen. The Meet Bros duo, consisting of Harmeet and Manmeet Singh, is one of the most sought-after Bollywood music directors. They have delivered chartbusters such as “Lamborghini” (Jai Mummy Di), “Main Tera Boyfriend” (Raabta) and “Babydoll” (Ragini MMS 2) among numerous other hit songs with massive audience followings and have won several music awards. Bollywood actress Sunny Leone will be featured in special dance performances and will also be participating in a live chat with the Facebook Live audience on Friday, July 24. Leone forayed into the Indian television industry with “Big Boss” and went on to rule the small screen with “Splitsvilla”. Having worked in an array of Bollywood films like Ragini MMS 2 and Raees, Sunny Leone has won the hearts of millions.

Arjuna Harjai will also be taking the stage on Friday, July 24. Arjuna is a critically-acclaimed Bollywood composer and singer known for his hit song “Choti Choti Gal” (Motichoor Chaknachoor) and composing “O Soniye” (Titoo MBA). #StayHome with #BollywoodMonster Mashup presented by TD will bring spectacular performances and online interaction with Sunny Leone, Meet Bros, and Arjuna Harjai for people to enjoy from the comfort of their own homes,” says Vikas Kohli, Executive Director. “Thanks to funding from City of Mississauga, Ontario Arts Council, Province of Ontario, and Canadian Heritage we’re thrilled to complement this top Bollywood talent with amazing Canadian artists for our virtual stage this year. And thanks to Tim Hortons, we’re able to engage families with workshops in the days leading up to the concerts. We’re grateful to all our funders, collaborators and artists for helping us bring the community together through the arts during times like these.” #StayHome with #BollywoodMonster Mashup will also host workshops for kids during the week leading up to the concerts via Facebook Live. Tune into the #BollywoodMonster Kidz Hour from July 20 to July 23 at 11 am EST for one-hour sessions including two workshops for kids (and kids at heart) who want to have a little fun.

# SONU NIGAM NOT AFRAID TO TAKE NAMES AS HE HITS BACK WITH FRESH ALLEGATIONS AGAINST MUSIC INDUSTRY



After his vlog on the music industry being the biggest movie mafia, singer Sonu Nigam has now hit back at several singers and T-Series head honcho Bhushan Kumar in his new video vlog on Instagram. On Monday, Sonu hit back at several singers who reportedly disagreed with his views of the music industry being the biggest mafia. In his 3-minute -long video, Sonu spoke in Hindi and said refused to back out of his claims. The singer, who in his previous video declined taking names, this time directed his remarks towards Bhushan as well. Earlier, after Sushant Singh Rajput's death by suicide on June 14, Sonu, in his video, had hinted at some big names and stated that they have interfered with many singers' careers, which could lead to more

suicide cases in the industry. He had asked the bigshots in the industry to be kind and had pointed fingers at a certain actor who had an issue with Arijit Singh. Sonu had said that the actor demanded Sonu does not sing in his movie. 'How can you use your power like that?' he questioned. He also went on to reveal that he has sung various songs and after receiving calls to sing the song, these tracks were eventually dubbed. He also stated that nine singers get roped in for one song. Before concluding his video, Sonu even went on to hope that a few people do not take offence because he said some things about them. Sonu Nigam is currently quarantining in Dubai. The singer often goes live to interact with his fans and be in touch with them.

## Sushant Singh Rajput's Instagram account now 'memorialized'

Instagram changed Sushant Singh Rajput's account settings to 'memorialized' in honour of his memory. Amidst an ongoing investigation after the actor's suicide on Sunday, Instagram paid tribute to the actor with the new feature on his page. Sushant Singh Rajput's Instagram account would now remain just as he left it. More so, a tag called 'remembering' has been added to his name on the photo sharing site. For the uninitiated, a memorialized account has some rules, such as:

- Not anybody can log into the account or change the existing profile
- The 'remembering' message would appear next to the person's name on the profile page
- Audiences can view all posts by the person
- Memorialized accounts cannot be 'explored'

34-year-old Sushant Singh Rajput died by hanging in his Bandra home on Sunday, June 14, 2020. The actor's last rites took place in Vile Parle, Mumbai. On Thursday, Sushant's ashes were immersed in Ganga from his hometown Patna, Bihar. He is survived by four sisters and his father KK Singh.



## KANGANA RANAUT ON VALUING 'MATERIAL THINGS' AFTER HRITHIK ROSHAN LABELED HER AS GOLD DIGGER



Bollywood actress Kangana Ranaut has always maintained how she made her place in the industry without a godfather, privilege, or nepotism. In a recent video interview with a publication, the actress made her stand clear about the same, and on actor Hrithik Roshan. In the video, Kangana revealed how she is drawn towards material ambitions now after Hrithik tried to 'defame' her by labeling her as a gold digger in front of his friends after their fallout. Kangana said, “When I look back at my journey, I do feel proud but at the same time, I'd say that when I started, I didn't have any material ambitions. It's only a few years ago when I had a fallout with one of my exes and the whole legal case happened, I remember it became a discussion that I'm from a small town, I'm after his money. It was like that and girls are judged on that basis. I started to think on those lines ever since. Maybe being a woman, I don't look at money but am I looked at like that from an outside perspective that I'm a gold digger from a small town? It's something that is so obnoxiously said to you that it can change the course of your life. So then, it became about material things.” She further added that she is proud now to be in a position wherein she can say that “my ex lives in a rented house funded by his father and I have bought my house and office space on my own”. Kangana also revealed her personal goals and said, “Then, I thought I'm going to have the best house anyone will have, best office and by the age of 50, I also will be one of the richest people in India. That's what I've just decided.” Kangana has been making her presence felt on social media ever since Sushant Singh Rajput died by suicide on June 14. The actress, on several occasions, has raised her voice against the privilege that star kids enjoy in the industry and how outsiders are mistreated.

## Of space, science, and philosophy: Bhumi Pednekar says Sushant Singh Rajput taught her to gaze at the galaxy



Bhumi Pednekar was the latest to remember Sushant Singh Rajput days after his suicide. She remembered how he promised to show her the stars and ended up even introducing her to planets like Jupiter and Saturn up and close. Calling Sushant ‘Supernova’, Bhumi shared an image of her notes as she worked with Sushant Singh Rajput on 'Sonchiriyā'. The actress wrote, "I wake up in the morning & I think of you, I think of all our chats, your habits & moods. Then it kicks in, a pain I couldn't imagine I would feel for you." She spoke about Sushant's promise to show her the stars, and keeping his promise. She penned, “The 1st time we met, you told me you would show me the stars, in my head I wondered-ya whatever, what a cheese ball. Little did I know you meant every word you said. With a smile full of pride you showed it to us, this massive big black hole, your best friend, your telescope. I was like - wait, what, really, you got this here!!! Full of excitement, in the middle of nowhere, you jumped like a child, ready to take us all on a journey... You took us to the moon & back, I remember the moon being red then. You showed us Saturn, Jupiter and a million stars.” Remembering the late actor, Bhumi mentioned how he challenged her. “All of a sudden my might came crashing down, you made me realise I was just a fractal in this pond. You challenged me to write with my left hand & narrate versus backwards... You challenged me to races & quizzes & it drove me nuts...,” she added. Opening up on their conversations, she mentioned, “We spoke of Van Gogh, Gaudi & Descartes. We spoke of breaking patterns & creating new ones. We spoke of theories, success & life. We had debates & many fights. We listened to Beethoven & Mozart, we tried understanding their music through algorithms & charts. You spoke of Faraday, Chatelet & tried explaining Newton’s theories through Art.”

# 'YOU UNDERSTOOD OUR INTERPRETATION OF ANGST OF BROKEN HEART': SHAHID KAPOOR, KIARA CELEBRATE ONE YEAR OF 'KABIR SINGH'



It's been a year since one of the most talked-about movies of 2019, Kabir Singh released. The film starred Shahid Kapoor in the titular role and Kiara Advani as Preeti, the female lead. Kabir Singh is the official Hindi remake of Telugu hit film, Arjun Reddy and both were directed by Sandeep Reddy Vanga. The film was one of the highest-grossing films of 2019 but also received flak from critics and many moviegoers for its theme. Now, to celebrate the film's a year of its release, Shahid took to his Instagram page and shared a few stills from Kabir Singh. He wrote about the whole chaos and love the film received. Shahid stated, "To all those who gave so much overwhelming love to such a complex, conflicted character. Thank you. #kabirsingh was never just a film to me... it was an emotional arc that was raw... bare... unabashed...

honest... fearless... REAL!! In a time where people are quick to judge (others not themselves), you understood him. You understood our interpretation of the angst of a broken heart. This one will always be special. So so special. And it would just not have been possible without @kiaraaliaadvani, @sandeepreddy.vanga, @muradkhetani and @ashwinvarde @bhushankumar @santha\_dop, Payal and so many others. Thank you all once again. And remember. Keep it real and make it count. Be kind. Be good. Spread positivity. And always believe."

Kiara also shared stills and wrote, "Dear Kabir Singh, Happy anniversary! Love always, Preeti."

Meanwhile, Shahid will next be seen in Jersey which is also the Hindi remake of Telugu flick of the same name.

## Sussanne Khan shares beautiful moments of 'simply the best dad ever' Hrithik Roshan with their sons on Father's Day



It was Father's Day on Sunday (June 21, 2020) and social media pages were flooded with messages by people for their dads around the world. Even Bollywood celebrities posted beautiful photos and videos with the unforgettable memories they share with their fathers. One of the sweetest Father's Day wishes was by Sussanne Khan for her ex-husband and actor Hrithik Roshan. The former couple is co-parenting their sons Hrehaan and Hridaan making fans heart flutter every time. Sussanne took to her Instagram page and shared a minute and 12 seconds long video on the occasion of Father's Day filled with gorgeous moments of Hrithik with their sons. In the video, we see Hrehaan and Hridaan from their toddler days to young lads they

have become now. She even called Hrithik 'Rye' and wished him by calling him the best dad ever. She captioned her post stating, "When God knew he couldn't be everywhere he made 'A Dad'. Happy daddy's day Rye... u are simply the best dad ever. #rayridzrye". During the ongoing lockdown, Sussanne moved in at Hrithik's home to spend time together and co-parent their sons. She had written about it on her Instagram page, "When COVID-19 was declared a pandemic and the news was out that a lockdown would be imperative, Hrithik and I decided that staying together in the same home would be the intelligent and soulful decision for our sons, and for us." They even shared their lockdown activities on their social media pages.

### AISHWARYA RAI BACHCHAN WAS 'ABSOLUTE TROOPER' DURING MAKING OF 'RAAVAN', PRAISES ABHISHEK BACHCHAN

Abhishek Bachchan, who is completing two decades in Bollywood is taking a trip down memory lane almost every day reminiscing his journey. Now, he shared about the year 2010 when he had two film releases - Mani Ratnam's Raavan and Ashutosh Gowariker's Khelain Hum Jee Jaan Se. He shared interesting anecdotes about both the films which are worth a read. Abhishek had reunited with Mani after Yuva and Guru while worked with Ashutosh for the first time.

About Raavan, Bachchan wrote, "Raavan has been the most challenging film both physically and emotionally for me in my career. It's a wonder how the team managed to pull it off. Mani and I reunited for our third film together. By far the most ambitious story, for him to execute and tell (in my opinion). My eighth film with the missus. She was an absolute trooper during the making of the film. The dedication and sheer strength it took for her to perform the complexities of her role are just awe-inspiring. And she did it all with her trademark smile. To think that she had to perform each scene (regardless of how emotionally and physically challenging) baffles me. And to do it twice each time- as we were shooting the Hindi and Tamil versions simultaneously. Huge salute! Raavan also gave me the opportunity to work with @the\_real\_chiyaan I've been a huge fan of his (must have watched Dhool - his Tamil film over 17 times) he has always been so loving towards me and I learnt so much by just observing him. A great actor! A film truly ahead of its time."

While sharing about Khelain Hum Je Jaan Se, he penned, "Later that year was Khelain Hum Jee Jaan Se with my dear friend @ashutoshgowariker I had first met Ashu on the sets of my father's film Indrajeet in which he was acting way back in 1991. We tried several times to work together and finally managed with #KHJJS A HUGE cast comprising of @deepikapadukone, my childhood best friend @sikandarkher and a host of others was a story very close to my heart. When Ashu told me the story of Surya Sen and what he managed with 60 of his students, I felt compelled as a patriotic Indian to be a part of the telling of their immense courage and sacrifice. I'm so proud that we could bring their story to life and tell it to a new generation who might not have known about it. Wonderful vivid memories of the making of this film. The premiere in Kolkata and our shenanigans post the show with our cast and crew is a night I will never forget. What fun!"

### Fatima Sana Shaikh reacts to dating rumours with Sanya Malhotra, would love to see 'Shah Rukh Khan strip on streets'



Fatima Sana Shaikh says she laughed off reports of her dating her Dangal co-star Sanya Malhotra. "We simply laughed about it. Just because we are good friends, they assumed the worst," she said, talking about the rumour.

Asked about three things that she learnt from Sanya, Fatima said: "I have learnt a lot from her. For one, Sanya likes to keep everything clean. While she is an introvert and I am an extrovert, I learnt to hold myself back at times. I also learnt a lot from her dedication to work."

Talking about her diverse religious background and upbringing, the actress said: "It makes me feel like the ideal poster girl for secular India. The beauty of our country is that we are so diverse and all of us are okay with just being ourselves, follow our religion and accept everybody."

On Bollywood superstars, she likes Shah Rukh Khan. "I would love to see Shah Rukh Khan strip on the streets of Mumbai!" she said. "I think the perfect scene of a man proposing to his wife atop the Eiffel tower would be of Shah Rukh Khan and me", she added, while opening up on the Zee Cafe show, Starry Nights Gen Y.

### 'This better be last remembrance message I write': Richa Chadha remembers Ali Fazal's late mother



Ali Fazal's mother passed away after health complications. The actor mourned her demise with a social media post and soon, his girlfriend Richa Chadha also shared a remembrance post for Ali's mother.

Sharing a picture of Ali with his mother, Richa took to Instagram and wrote, "Love at a dead-end is grief.. RIP! Aunty, you left us yesterday... but you will always be around... I will always remember you as a lady ahead of her time... a voracious reader, feminist and cupcake lover. I promise to take care of your son... hope you find your peace... And I miss you already !"

She added, "Rest in peace Aunty, I am grateful that I got to know you! Ali , be brave. She wouldn't have liked to see you sad ! 2020, this better be the last remembrance msg I write!"

Ali Fazal also shared a similar picture and wrote, "Yeh chand tasweeron mein bayaan nahi ho paayega. Lekin tasweerein hee hain - kuchh andar kuchh idhar. Will never get closure with this woman. There was too much pending and too much gone, too much to say and too much to see.. but you n i know , this world wasnt for you my love."

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# IRRFAN KHAN'S WIFE SUTAPA SIKDAR QUESTIONS NOISE BEING CREATED AROUND SUSHANT SINGH RAJPUT'S DEATH



Sushant Singh Rajput's untimely death by suicide on June 14 has sparked a debate in the country and the film industry. Now, Irrfan Khan's wife Sutapa Sikdar has also reacted to how people have been responding to the actor's tragic demise.

For the uninformed, Sutapa had earlier shared a post which she later deleted and said, "I posted the below update and many of my friends have mentioned that the therapist didn't divulge the details hence I am deleting the link. And my apologies to the doctor. But he should definitely sue the journalist then. I wonder why are netizens not reacting to this? It's not only about Sushant Singh Rajput it's also about how callous we can be to get that bit of news."

She further added, "My heart goes for the girls mentioned in the article. Imagine how many would have trolled Rhea by now. We cannot know ever what happens between two individuals it's sickening to the core to pass moral judgment on social media. Just anyone gets up

today and becomes judge therapist relationship counselor blah blah blah. And I repeat count your blessings in these tough times then being vicious vultures. There is much more in life to share so get a life!!"

Sutapa had earlier also reacted to her son Babil's reaction to Sushant's death and had said, "Human mind is not something one can decipher on social media.(sic) Why why we will never know. The least we can do is not to judge a fragile sensitive person. We can dwell in our loss because one doesn't come across often a youngster in Bollywood who reads quantum physics, poetry, supports organic farming, sends kids to NASA, is deep in astronomy, does charity, and yoga and spiritualism ..special soul special boy.. I am so sorry you were in so much pain. May you reach for stars, look closely at them while you are there. You will always have a special place in my heart since your first interview Sushant."

# HAPPY FATHER'S DAY: AJAY DEVGN REMEMBERS VEERU DEVGN WITH BLACK-AND-WHITE PHOTO

On the occasion of Father's Day, actor Ajay Devgn on Sunday remembered his father Veeru Devgn with a priceless throwback picture, stating that 'those we love always walk beside us'. The 'Singham' actor shared a heartwarming picture with his father on Instagram.

In the image, Ajay is seen standing inside the boxing ring and the father-son duo is having a conversation while shooting for a film. Along with the adorable monochrome throwback picture, the 'Baadshaho' star penned down an emotional note.

"Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us everyday. Unseen, unheard but always near, still loved #HappyFathersDay," he wrote.

While the fans showered love to the post, actor Abhishek Bachchan too reacted to Ajay's ode to his late father.

Lately, the actor has been quite active on social media and has been updating the fans on his activities by posting pictures and videos. Earlier, the 'Gangaajal' actor shared a montage of throwback pictures and recalled the memories of his father Veeru Devgan on his death anniversary.



# Sushant Singh Rajput death: Complaint filed against Rhea Chakraborty in Bihar court



A case was filed with the Bihar court against Rhea Chakraborty on Saturday. The actress has been accused of abetting the suicide of actor Sushant Singh Rajput.

A resident of Patahi locality of Muzzafarpur, Kundan Kumar, filed a petition before the court of Chief Judicial Magistrate Mukesh Kumar. Kumar's lawyer Kamlesh confirmed accusing Rhea of 'financial and mental exploitation' of Sushant Singh Rajput. "My client is a huge fan of Rajput and has been deeply distressed by his suicide. He has filed his complaint under IPC Sections 306 (abetment of suicide) and 420 (fraud)," he said.

Rhea was recently interrogated by the Bandra Police for over nine hours. Apart from the actress, the Mumbai Police has recorded statements of 14 others, with regards to Sushant Singh Rajput's suicide on June 14, 2020.

Mukesh Kumar, co-incidentally, would also be hearing another petition filed by local advocate Sudhir Kumar Ojha on eight Bollywood personalities including Karan Johar and Salman Khan. Aditya Chopra, Sanjay Leela Bhansali and Ekta Kapoor would also be questioned with Kangana Ranaut as a witness on the case.

# Gurmeet Choudhary, wife Debina Bonnerjee set couple goals on International Yoga Day



Gurmeet Choudhary and Debina Bonnerjee set outstanding couple goals on Sunday as they unusually celebrated International Yoga Day. The couple posed for an amazing yet complex yoga stance. Sharing pictures of the same, Gurmeet wrote, "#internationalyogaday".

The picture showed Gurmeet lying on his back and balancing his wife Debina with his hands, as she is arched on his raised legs. Their pet dog Pablo too decided to take part in the family yoga session and can be seen standing on his hind legs.

Celebrities had all taken to their social media account on International Yoga Day. Most of Bollywood celebs and TV stars took to Instagram to share pictures. Kareena Kapoor Khan posted two pictures of herself doing yoga and wrote, "More stretching, less stressing Stay flexible, stay fit and stay fab! . @mcmay.kom @rahulki and @dutechand, it's your turn to #StretchLikeACat with @pumaindia #InternationalYogaDay."

While Kasautii Zindagii Kay actor Hina Khan wrote, "Move your body and still your Mind.. Lengthen, strengthen, Rise, feel Taller and Peaceful.. #happyinternationalyogaday."

While ultrafit Shilpa Shetty Kundra who is known for her fitness regime as well as her healthy lifestyle and has authored a book about her life and health as well, also did a live session and wrote on Instagram, "Live Yoga Session | International Yoga Day 2020 Was such an honour to join Hon'ble Sports Minister Shri @kiren.rijju, @mcmay.kom, and @anjum\_moudgil for a LIVE Yoga session on #internationalyogaday. Hoping we all can make Yoga a way of life! @fitindiaoff @hrdministry @manishbatavia @shilpashettyapp .. #SwasthRahoMastRaho."

# SUSHANT SINGH RAJPUT-ANKITA LOKHANDE'S THROWBACK PHOTOS WITH ZIVA DHONI MAKE INTERNET SMILE ONCE AGAIN



It's been nine days since Sushant Singh Rajput passed away. The actor's death by suicide has left a void in many people's lives and everyone is remembering him by his sweet moments on social media pages. SSR's fans are digging out old photos and videos of the late actor to make relive those memories. The beautiful moments are once again truly unmissable and have instantly gone viral on the Internet.

One of the most adorable moments is Sushant's photo with Mahendra Singh Dhoni and Sakshi Dhoni's daughter Ziva Dhoni. The actor had posted the photo on his Facebook page on December 23, 2015. In the photo, Ziva was all smiles while SSR showed his angelic eyes as he pouted while holding the little girl in his arms. Sushant had posted the photo with a caption stating, "And me with the baby...:))) #ziva"

Sushant, who was dating Ankita Lokhande at that time also shared a photo of her posing with Ziva. In the photo, the toddler is looking cutely at the camera while Ankita posed candidly. He had captioned it as "Ankita with ziva...#sakshi #dhoni #dinner".

Sushant and Ankita had met up with Dhoni and his family as he played the titular role in former Indian skipper's biopic titled M.S. Dhoni: The Untold Story which released in September 2016. The film also starred Kiara Advani and Disha Patani as the female leads and Anupam Kher and SSR's onscreen father.



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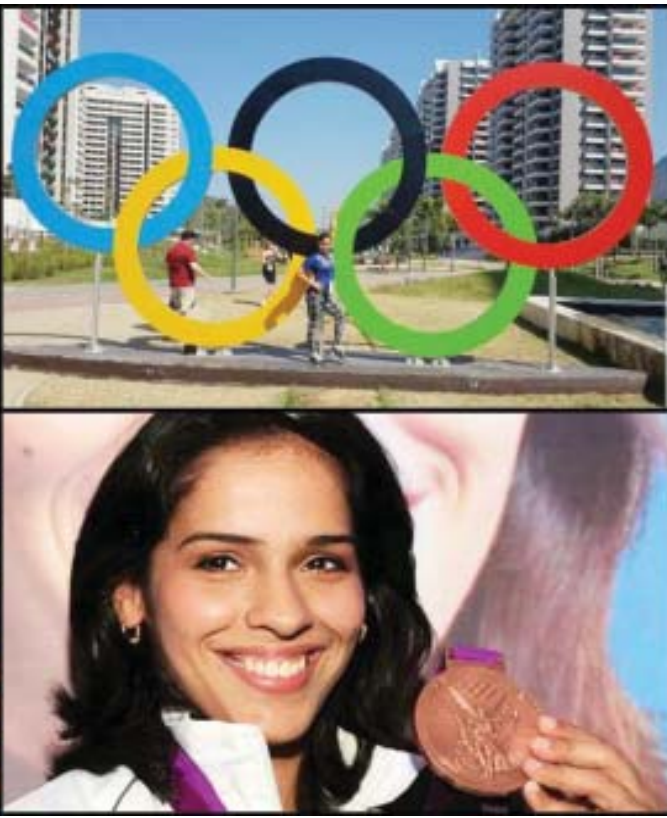
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## INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC DAY

Sushil Kumar, Dipa Karmakar, Saina Nehwal share memories they had at the games



As the world of athletes celebrate International Olympic Day, Indian sports stars Sushil Kumar, Dipa Karmakar, and Saina Nehwal took to Twitter to share their medal-winning memories at the showpiece event. Wrestler Kumar said that his life changed with the Olympic medal in 2008, while history was created with another medal in 2012. Kumar won a bronze medal in the 2008 Olympics, and a silver in the 2012 event. "My life changed with the Olympic medal in 2008 and history was created by the second one in 2012. Working hard to change the colour of the medal once again. Need your blessings," Kumar tweeted. Shuttle Saina Nehwal also said that the bronze medal-winning moment in 2012 was very special. "Very very very special moment in my career when I achieved the Olympic bronze medal in 2012 Olympics.. #London. It was always my and my parent's dream from the day I joined badminton in 1999. Hard work, belief, and some sacrifices made it possible," Nehwal tweeted.

As for gymnast Karmakar, she shared a photo and recalled the 2016

Rio Olympics and said its closest to her heart. She tweeted: "Rio Olympics 2016. This one is closest to my heart! Smiling face with 3 hearts #InternationalOlympicDay". Olympic Day is celebrated on June 23 every year since 1948 to commemorate the initiation of the modern Olympic Games. On Monday, Indian Olympic Association (IOA) President Narinder Dhruv Batra urged the country's Olympic medalists and Olympians to lead the celebrations of Olympic Day on June 23, while expressing hope that India transits from a sports-watching nation to more of an active sports-participating nation. Kiren Rijiju, the Union Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports have also been vocal for making India a sporting powerhouse. He has repeatedly emphasised the need to make India enter the top ten medal-winning countries by the 2028 Olympics. Tokyo Olympics were slated to be held in July-August this year, but the event has been postponed to next year due to the coronavirus pandemic.

## 'WORLD BADLY NEEDS INDIA-PAKISTAN CRICKET RIVALRY TO RESUME': SHOAIB MALIK

India and Pakistan have had several memorable matches over the years. The image of Venkatesh Prasad cleaning up Aamir Sohail and then sending him off is still etched in the minds of millions of cricket fans from both the countries. The moment when Javed Miandad hit a six on the final ball to win the match for Pakistan is another. There was also a moment when wicketkeeper Kiran More flustered Miandad who lost his cool and started jumping up in frustration on the field. Besides the banter, the two cricket teams have also played some thrilling encounters at the ICC tournaments - the 2007 T20 World Cup final and the 2017 Champions Trophy final being two of them. But due to strained relationships between the two countries, India and Pakistan have not played bilateral series in eight years, and now only compete with each other in ICC tournaments. The last bilateral series between the two countries was back in 2012 when Pakistan visited India for two T20Is and three ODIs.

Veteran Pakistan allrounder believes that the two countries should resume their cricket rivalry for the world to see. "I think the world badly needs this rivalry to resume, in the same way that world cricket needs the Ashes," Malik told PakPassion.net.

"Could England and Australia imagine Test cricket without an Ashes series? Both series are played with the same kind of passion and have such a great history, so it is a shame that we don't play right now," he added.

"Also, I have Pakistani friends who love to talk about Indian cricketers with respect and admiration. Similarly, I and my Pakistan team-mates are given such love and support when we play in India so it is a



rivalry that I would like to see return as soon as it is possible," the cricketer further said.

Recalling his favourite memories of playing against India, Malik further added: From a personal point of view the 2009 Champions Trophy match at Centurion when I was Man of the Match after scoring 128 and the Asia Cup match in Sri Lanka in 2004 where I scored 143 from 127 balls and took the wickets of Sachin Tendulkar and Yuvraj Singh are great memories."

"But I also enjoyed the one-off ODI in Kolkata in 2004 when we chased 293 to win. It was a day before Eid and the atmosphere inside Eden Gardens in that floodlit match was incredible," he added.

## ABHINAV BINDRA, OTHERS MOURN DEATH OF FORMER INDIA SHOOTER POURNIMA ZANANE AFTER HER BATTLE WITH CANCER



The shooting fraternity, including Olympic champion Abhinav Bindra, mourn the untimely death of cancer-stricken former India shooter Pournima Zanane. She died aged 42.

Zanane had been suffering from cancer for the past two years. According to ex-India rifleman Joydeep Karmakar, she had almost recovered after receiving treatment.

The International Shooting Sport Federation-licensed coach had represented India at multiple ISSF World Cups, Asian Championships, Commonwealth Championships, among others. Zanane was also a national record holder in the 10m air rifle event. She took to coaching and was honoured with the Shiv Chhatrapati Sports award by the Maharashtra government. The Nanded born shooter, who was diagnosed with cancer during the Nationals in Kerala two years ago, had started her career in Mumbai before shifting base to Pune. The National Rifle Association of India (NRAI) sent out a condolence message after she succumbed to the dreaded disease. "The National Rifle Association of India condoles the untimely sad demise of our international shooter and a coach - Ms Pournima Chinmoy Zanane, at a very young age. "Ms Pournima Zanane was an Air Rifle shooter and took part in many international competitions as Pournima Gawahne. At a later stage, she started coaching shooters and also coached the Sri Lankan team," the sport's apex body in the country said in a statement. Beijing Games gold medallist Bindra said the shooter will be greatly missed. "RIP Pournima. You will be greatly missed," Bindra wrote on his twitter handle.

## Pakistan PM Imran Khan has lent his 'support' to criminalise match-fixing, says PCB chairman Ehsan Mani

The Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB), who wants to criminalise match-fixing have said that they have the 'support' of Prime Minister Imran Khan, PCB chairman Ehsan Mani has confirmed. According to ANI, when Mani was asked if Imran Khan has backed the PCB to criminalise match-fixing, he replied: "Yes, he has lent his support".

The Pakistan Cricket Board has been vocal in the past about bringing in legislation to make match-fixing a criminal offence. As per the current rules and regulations, the board does not have the legal authority to check the bank accounts of the concerned authorities whenever a match-fixing incident is reported. Now whenever the new legislation comes into force, match-fixing is likely to become a criminal offence and the punishment for offenders will also be specified. Over the last few years, Pakistan has reported several match-fixing cases. Salman Butt, Mohammad Asif, and Mohammad Amir were involved in the spot-fixing scandal in a Test match against England in 2010. The ICC banned these players for a period of 5-10 years in November 2011. Over the past few weeks, there has been huge speculation over Ehsan Mani and Sourav Ganguly being in the running for heading the ICC, however, Mani has clarified his stand on this particular matter.

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# BCCI's decision regarding IPL's future will be in best interest of country, cricket: Rajeev Shukla

Former Indian Premier League (IPL) Chairman Rajeev Shukla expressed his thoughts on BCCI's (Board of Control for Cricket in India) move to suspend this year's edition of the league saying that it would be in the "interest of both country and cricket".

Shukla further added how the governing body of cricket in India is constantly monitoring the coronavirus outbreak situation in the nation and would take a "proper decision".

"As far as IPL is concerned, they are keeping an eye on this and will take a proper decision on it. We have to see the benefit of our country, whatever would be in the interest of our country and cricket," Shukla told ANI.

"They will take a proper step, there is no worry. They will take a good decision while keeping in mind everything. I don't think that we should comment on anything before the decision," he added.

The coronavirus outbreak brought most sports activities to a halt with players practising social distancing and self-isolation during the pandemic.

BCCI had announced that the 13th edition Indian Premier League (IPL) has been suspended till further notice amid coronavirus pandemic. The opening match of this year's IPL was supposed to be played between the most successful teams of IPL - defending champions Mumbai Indians (MI) and Chennai Super Kings (CSK) - at the iconic Wankhede Stadium in Mumbai on March 29.

As the coronavirus cases in India continue to spread rapidly, India is now just behind the United States, Brazil, and Russia in terms of the total confirmed cases.

It is, therefore, the biggest epicentre of the coronavirus disease pan-



dem in Asia and the fourth worst-affected nation in the world. With over 14,800 new cases reported in the last 24 hours, India's

COVID-19 count on Monday crossed the 4.25 lakh-mark, while the death toll has almost touched the 13,700-mark as well.

## #OnThisDay: During the 2019 World Cup, Mohammed Shami scalped hat-trick against Afghanistan

India may have not won the 2019 World Cup, but they surely created many records, one being India pacer Mohammed Shami. On this day last year, the bowler scalped hat-trick against Afghanistan.

Shami became the second Indian to do so in the 50-over World Cup after former pacer Chetan Sharma, who bagged the hat-trick against New Zealand during the 1987 edition.

Shami's exploits helped India register an 11-run win against Afghanistan at Rose Bowl. Chasing a modest target of 225 runs, Afghanistan had a poor start and then lost two quick wickets in middle-order. Asgar Afghan and Mohammad Nabi tried to build the inning but the former ended up losing his wicket to spinner Yuzvendra Chahal. Nabi kept the one-end and built brief partnerships with Najibullah Zadran (21) and Rashid Khan (14).

Shami bowled the final over of the inning and Nabi hit a boundary on the first delivery. But Nabi gave away an easy catch to Hardik Pandya at long-on on the third delivery which ended his 52-run inning.

Shami then continued his sublime form and took another two wickets to complete his hat-trick as he bowled both Aftab Alam and Mujeeb Ur Rahman respectively.

The 29-year-old returned with figures of 4-40 in his 9.5 overs.

Earlier, Afghanistan displayed a spirited bowling performance to restrict India to 224 runs for the loss of eight wickets in the allotted fifty overs after being asked to bowl first. Virat Kohli played a knock of 67 while Kedar Jadhav amassed 52 runs.



## 'All eyes will be on it': Jofra Archer expects big audience for England vs West Indies series

International cricket will resume in July with England taking on the West Indies at home for a three-match Test series. The Caribbean players are already in England and are under quarantine, as is the rule in these times of the coronavirus.

Cricket fans all over the world will be waiting anxiously for the first match to get underway on July 8th. For England paceman Jofra Archer it will be an exciting series too as he will be playing against his native country for the first times. Archer was born in Barbados but decided to play international cricket for England, as his father is English.

Writing about the upcoming series, the young paceman said he expects a lot of people to tune in to the match as live sports is returning after long.

"It's exciting that England and West Indies will be the teams to start world cricket back up again, laying down the platform for other countries to follow," Archer wrote in his column for the Daily Mail. "Obviously as the only cricket on, all eyes will be on it, and I expect that there will be a lot more television viewers than would have been the case had things been normal."

"I expect people who don't usually watch cricket will tune in — because it's live sport, not pre-recorded. If they are like me they will have had their fill of re-runs," he added.

Earlier, West Indies paceman Kemar Roach, who played with Archer in the Caribbean when they were growing up, said there would be friendships on the field. Archer though said that the comments shouldn't be blown out of proportion.



"Jofra made his decision and he's done a fantastic job for England so far but there will be no friendships during this series," Roach had said last week. Archer, 25, said: "Let's not get this out of proportion. There will be rivalry there but when Kemar said there will be 'no friendships' it sounds a lot worse than it actually is."

"Obviously, we all grew up in the Caribbean and it's customary for us to say 'we will be friends at the end of the game'. That's exactly what he meant. "It's not as though he is going to walk past me or be rude, it's just that when we are on the field we will play hard cricket," the England pacer added.



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# ON THIS DAY: MS DHONI'S TEAM INDIA BEAT ENGLAND TO WIN CHAMPIONS TROPHY 2013

The date June 23 marks the seventh year anniversary Team India defeating England to win the Champions Trophy in 2013.

The match was slated to be a 50-over contest, but rain curtailed the affair to 20-overs per side.

In the match between both sides, England won the toss and opted to bowl first.

The Dhoni-led side was restricted to just 129/7 in the allotted twenty overs.

Virat Kohli top-scored for the Men in Blue as he played a knock of 43 runs from 34 balls with the help of four boundaries and one six.

In the final overs, Ravindra Jadeja played a cameo of 33 runs off just 25 balls to take the team's total past the 120-run mark.

For England, Ravi Bopara took three wickets.

Chasing 130, England was left at 46/4 in the eighth over as Alastair Cook (2), Jonathan Trott (20), Ian Bell (13), and Joe Root (7) were all sent back to the pavilion.

Eoin Morgan and Ravi Bopara then steadied the ship for England as the duo put on 64 runs for the fifth wicket.

However, with just 20 runs away from the target, England lost the wickets of Morgan (33) and Bopara (30) as both batsmen were sent back to the pavilion by Ishant Sharma.

After the dismissal of both batsmen, England did not manage to recover and the side ended up losing the finals by 5 runs.

With this win, MS Dhoni became the first captain in the history of cricket to win all major ICC trophies (50-over World Cup, 20-over World Cup and Champions Trophy).



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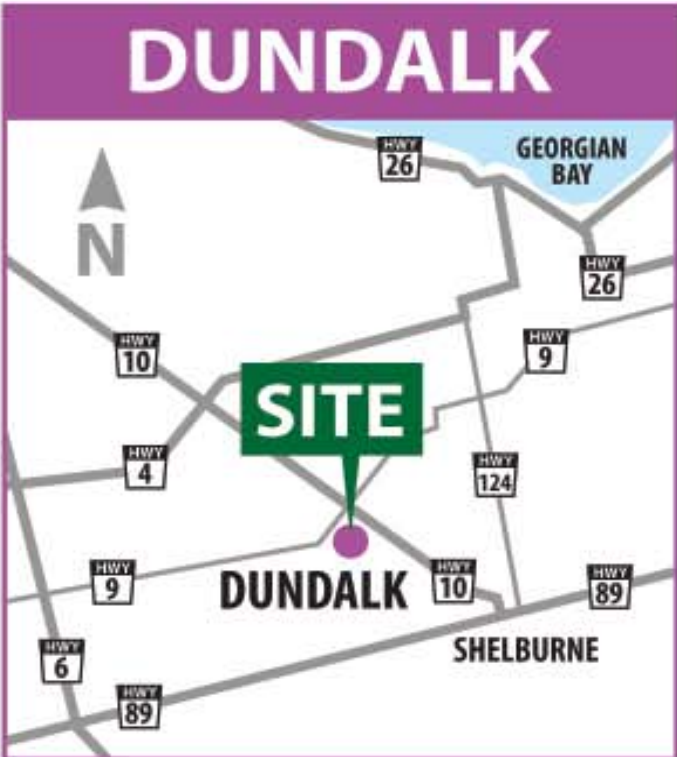
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