



EDITOR'S SPECS

CHANDRAYAAN-3: A 'PROUD MOMENT' FOR INDIAN DIASPORA

It was a 'proud and historic day' for India's 32 million-plus strong diaspora, which stood in unison with their mother country amid chants of 'Bharat Mata ki Jai' and 'Vande Mataram'...

'PRAYAS' TO GIVE FILLIP TO CHILDREN'S CREATIVITY

Lalit Garg

The Union Ministry of Education is giving start to a scheme called as 'Prayas' or 'Promotion of Research Attitude in Young and Aspiring Students' with the aim of providing opportunities for research and discovery to the school students...



studies, their creativity often brings out something new. But our prescribed syllabus is an essential part of the educational structure for most of the children, and they have to complete their studies accordingly, suppressing their inherent creativity...

Woods said, 'Who is at the forefront of your priority? If you are, you will not intentionally make mistakes. If the mistake is being made under a well-thought-out conspiracy, then its consequences can be bad.'

According to the effort, a total incentive grant of Rs. 50,000 will be given for each selected research proposal. Out of this amount, Rs 10,000 will be given to the student. If there are more than one student, this amount will be divided.

After observing and assessing all the situations, this fact has been coming to the fore again and again that now education should be given a new form. This is a great expectation to remove the incompleteness and inadequacy of education.

remain followers of a ready-made pattern. From this point of view, the importance of 'Prayas' can be recorded in the form that it emphasizes on the development of the ability of the students to do research, or discover individually or in groups.

Under 'Prayas', an effort will be made to solve a local problem or to find a research-based solution with the help of an expert from higher educational institutions along with school students and teachers.

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WAGNER CHIEF YEVGENY PRIGOZHIN KILLED IN PLANE CRASH, PUTIN TIGHTLIPPED

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Wagner mercenary group's chief Yevgeny Prigozhin, who stage a failed mutiny against Russia's military leaders, died in a plane crash in Tver region in Moscow...



channel 'Grey Zone' reported Prigozhin's death, saying he was "killed as a result of actions by traitors of Russia"

and relocate to Belarus. President Putin, who spoke at the BRICS summit in South Africa via video-link on Thursday, did not mention Prigozhin or the plane crash.



Six Indian pilgrims among 7 killed as bus overturns in Nepal

Kathmandu: Seven people, including six Indian pilgrims, were killed in a road accident in Nepal in wee hours on Thursday, local media reported.

Haley v Ramaswamy: For the first time, 2 Indian-Americans spar in GOP debate

Washington | Agencies

For the first time in the history of the US, two Indian-American presidential candidates locked horns over the country's foreign policy in the Republican party's first presidential debate.



behest of defence contractors. "I wish you well in your future career on the boards of Lockheed (Martin) and Raytheon," Ramaswamy told Haley.

Pak court adjourns Imran's plea challenging Toshakhana verdict



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The Islamabad High Court has adjourned till Friday former Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan's plea challenging his trial and conviction in the Toshakhana case.

cealing the details of Toshakhana gifts. Latif Khosa, appearing for Khan, said the trial court's decision had a lot of mistakes.

Incredible feat: Top US leaders celebrate India's lunar success

Washington | Agencies

From Vice President Kamala Harris to Ambassador Eric Garcetti, top American leaders congratulated India for the historic touchdown of Chandrayaan-3 on the southern polar region of the moon, calling it an 'incredible feat'.



camp there, and carry out in depth space exploration. Congratulating the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), which is Artemis Accords partner...

Indian-American Congressman Ro Khanna, who was in India this month to celebrate Independence Day, called it a "big moment" for

the country. "A big moment for India. Congratulations... I saw incredible ingenuity and dynamism across India in the delegation we recently led," Khanna said.



Heidi Klum slams reports claiming her extreme diet, says 'there's no real journalism anymore'

Los Angeles | Agencies

Supermodel Heidi Klum has slammed "crap" reports suggesting that she only eats 900 calories a day, commenting that "there really is no real journalism anymore." Shortly after making headlines due to her alleged extreme diet routine, Klum set the record straight on the matter via social media, reports [aceshowbiz.com](https://www.aceshowbiz.com).

The 50-year-old former Victoria's Secret Angel shut down claims about her eating habit via Instagram Story.

In a video, she could be heard saying: "I just got home, and some friends are sending me these articles that have been written that I only take in 900 calories."

"One, I want to say, I don't think I've ever had to count my calories in my life," the former Sports Illustrated Swimsuit cover model clarified.

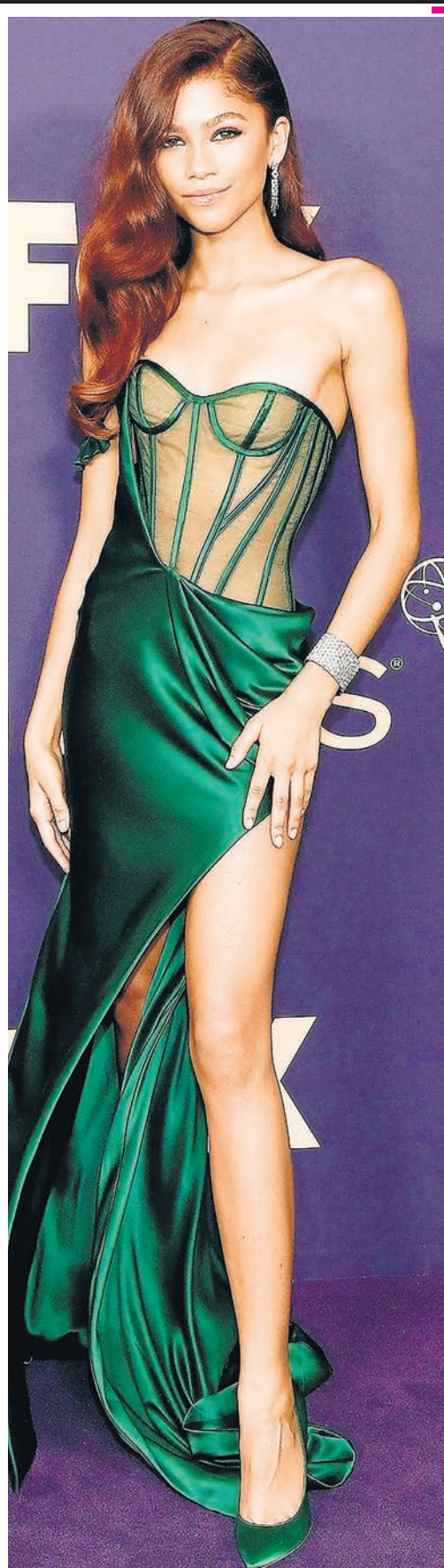
She went on to state: "And don't believe everything that you read, So, I don't count my calories."

In the same footage, Heidi also defended herself for showing off how much she weighs to her followers. "Someone asked me how much I weigh, and I got on the scale and showed how much I weighed," she recalled. "I don't know. People just put things together and just write a bunch of crap, and it's really sad because there really is no real journalism anymore."

"People just make up stories, one person writes it, and then everyone jumps on it," the former "Project Runway" star continued.

"And it's really sad because you know, people read that and they think that, and possibly follow that, and that's not good."

Earlier that day, The Daily Mail reported that Heidi revealed to her followers she only consumes 900 calories each day.



My entry in Hollywood was 'frightening yet thrilling' experience: Zendaya

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Actress Zendaya's journey into Hollywood hasn't been a picnic as the 'Dune' actress has had to face a bunch of troubles when she entered the industry. Zendaya recently spoke about how she felt when she stepped in as "a leading lady", calling it a very frightening experience, but something she wanted to do nonetheless which was thrilling for her.

According to The Hollywood Reporter, talking about how her roles in 'Euphoria', 'Spider-Man' and 'Dune' catapulted her fame to massive levels and made her one of the industry's biggest modern faces, Zendaya said: "It was a little bit scary when I entered. While it was definitely something that freaked me out, I think it is also a good feeling."

"To have your own moments of self-doubt and then be like, 'Ooh, can I do this?' After this, you can run from that feeling and stay safe and comfortable, or you can go, take the risk and say 'You know what, f*** it'", she added.

Zendaya further doubled down about the growing attention she had been getting as a Hollywood star, which came to her notice while filming in Boston in 2022.

"After the last Spider-Man and the last season of Euphoria, there was a visceral change," Zendaya explained. "Before, I could get away with going places and getting in and out. But in Boston, I would end up going right back home, because it was really over stimulating." "Everybody would go hang out at a bar or something, and I'd be like, 'I'd love to, but I think I could ruin everybody's night. Because it's just not going to be fun once I'm there,'" she added.

The conversation was held in regards to her upcoming film 'Challengers', where the 26-year old will portray the character of Tashi Donaldson, the fictional tennis superstar turned coach who gets caught in a love triangle.

Talking about her role in the upcoming dramedy, Zendaya called her new venture as a stepping stone to something new which made her feel more 'grown up'. She said "I felt like it was a good step into a more, I guess you could say, 'grown-up' role and into that next phase."

Dua Lipa roped in to star in Asif Kapadia's 'Camden'

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Singer Dua Lipa is set to star in a new documentary series 'Camden', which is being directed by Oscar-winning filmmaker Asif Kapadia.

The series, which centers on the influence of London's Camden neighborhood, will also put the spotlight on the likes of Coldplay's Chris Martin, Mark Ronson, Boy George and the Black Eyed Peas, reports [aceshowbiz.com](https://www.aceshowbiz.com).

Individual episodes will be helmed by Toby Trackman, Yemi Bamiro and co-director Sarah Lambert. Plans to make the documentary series were announced on Wednesday, August 23, at the Edinburgh TV Festival, according to The Hollywood Reporter.

Lipa was born and raised in London, but her family hail from the Balkans and the pop star previously claimed that it's a "big part" of her identity.

The brunette beauty - who lived in Kosovo during her teens - told WSJ Magazine: "It's such a big part of who I am. Given my parents and how they came to the UK, (the refugee situation) has always been something that's really close to my heart." Lipa, 28, also shared that she won't allow anyone to deny her "identity". The 'Levitating' hitmaker said: "I read a lot of comments from people telling me that I don't have a country, I don't have an identity, Kosovo doesn't exist. I lived in Kosovo, I know the lives that were lost (during the war)." "So for somebody to deny me my identity and my experience, it's hard for me to stand back and not speak up about it. So that's something that I will always do."



Japanese girl group XG dish out high octane dance-party energy in 'New Dance'

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The Japanese girl group XG are riding on the waves of high octane energy and all out dance-party mood as they have unveiled the music video for their latest track, 'New Dance' which is touted to be the lead track from their very first Mini Album/EP 'New DNA'.

The Seoul based Japanese dance pop maestros continue to stylistically experiment and look for ways to gradually evolve their sound, while still retaining their original sound.

The group is mainly known for their Hip-Hop, electronic and R&B sound signature, and while it is very much present here, there is also some experimental 70's dance pop in the mix, and a bit of a deviation from their old BTS style K-pop, instead reeling more towards modern day American pop.

'New Dance' is an uplifting dance track that features prominent guitar riffs and hi-hats, accompanied by a catchy chorus that adds color to the entire



song. The lyrics convey a message of enjoying yourself and dancing as if nobody is watching.

The first track taken from the Mini Album, 'Grl Gvng' saw XG adopting a techno-style steam punk flavour to accompany the track's sci-fi sound. The video saw them arriving from outer space.

Now 'New Dance', whose very theme is exploring life's offerings, goes on to highlight much of the beauty, harboured in sim-

ple things. The video, while showcasing the dance-party vibe of the song, also displays great scenes like a sunset beach, rooftops under clear blue skies, as well as venturing into the city and dancing in the streets, thus encapsulating the summer vibes of XG.

XG's new EP 'New DNA' is coming soon, as it will hit shelves and platforms on September 27, 2023, showcasing all their evolution.

Halle Berry to pay \$8,000 per month to former husband for child support

Los Angeles | Agencies

After years of marriage, Halle Berry and her husband Oliver Martinez have finalised their divorce after a bunch of hiccups and doubts. According to a Los Angeles court, the actress will have to pay \$8,000 every month in child support. Berry and Martinez, who share 9-year-old son Maceo, reached an agreement on their divorce and custody, as reported by E!Online. The custody case, which was filed in Los Angeles Superior Court on August 21, declared that the former couple will share joint legal and physical custody of their son. Berry, 57, has also agreed to pay Martinez \$8,000 a month in child support and 4.3 per cent of all income she makes above \$2 million.

The agreement also indicates that the 'Catwoman' actress will pay for Maceo's tuition, school uniforms and school supplies as long as he is in private school, \$8,000 to Martinez per



month as child support as well as "4.3 per cent of any income she receives above \$2,000,000."

For the custody agreement, it seems the two have worked out a schedule that gives half of the week, Monday to Wednesday, to one parent and the other half of the week,

Wednesday to Friday to the other, with alternating weekends. Time is also set aside to "make up time" if work commitments create an inconvenience.

Berry will also be responsible for the cost of Maceo's extracurricular activities, including soccer, which is specifically named in the documents. Berry is also footing the bill for Maceo's private school tuition, his extracurricular activities, his health insurance and his therapist. According to E!News, Martinez's legal team provided the following statement: "The public documents filed in the matter should speak for themselves. The parties wanted more clarity in regards to Maceo's schedule and each of their respective time with their son. The judgment was reached in mediation with the parties and their counsel."

ABSOLUTE PIC OF THE DAY



Diane Kruger



69TH NATIONAL AWARDS

'Rocketry' wins Best Film; 'RRR', 'Gangubai Kathiawadi' shine in technical awards

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The 69th National Film Awards were announced at the National Media Centre in New Delhi on Thursday. Ahead of the announcement, the Chairperson and other jury members called on the Union Minister for Information and Broadcasting Anurag Thakur and presented him with the selections for the Awards.

Best feature film award has been given to 'Rocketry: The Nambi Effect' and the Best Non-Feature Film has been bagged by 'Ek Tha Gaon' directed by Srishti Lakhera. 'The Kashmir Files' was feted with the Nargis Dutt Award for Best Feature Film on National Integration, while 'RRR' bagged the Award for Best Popular Film Providing Wholesome Entertainment.

Allu Arjun has won the award for Best Actor for his stellar performance in the movie Pushpa (The Rise Part I) while Alia Bhatt and Kriti Sanon became joint winners of Best Actress Award for 'Gangubai Kathiawadi' and 'Mimi', respectively.

Here's the complete list of winners across non-feature and feature categories:

Best Feature Film: Rocketry
Best Director: Nikhil Mahajan, Godavari
Best Popular Film Providing Wholesome Entertainment: RRR
Nargis Dutt Award for Best Feature Film on National Integration: The Kashmir Files
Best Actor: Allu Arjun, Pushpa
Best Actress: Alia Bhatt, Gangubai Kathiawadi and Kriti Sanon, Mimi
Best Supporting Actor: Pankaj Tripathi, Mimi
Best Supporting Actress: Pallavi Joshi, The Kashmir Files



Goldie Sohel's

Latest single is a heartfelt tribute to dogs

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Punjabi Singer Goldie Sohel's latest song 'Ghumakkad' is an ode to just how special dogs can be to humans and showing why a dog is really considered a person's best friend.

A song brimming with life and radiating positivity, the song is Goldie Sohel's own homage to dogs, who is a big animal lover and dog owner himself.

Talking about his latest tune, Goldie, who is married to singer Asees Kaur, said: "Ghumakkad" is a happy melody with a big heart. I've always been a passionate animal lover and had six dogs at my Guwahati home, and this song is dedicated to the travel-sized friends we call dogs. "It was quite a joyful experience composing and singing this single, and I am looking forward to fans loving this melody as much as we did," he added.

The song is indeed a simple, wholesome and light-hearted melody whose biggest strength is in fact its simplicity, as it is able to highlight the emotions behind Goldie's own voice. Simple instrumentation, with a cheery atmosphere, the song also features production that highlights the song's mood, being very open and very clear. Derived from the Hindi word meaning "wanderer", 'Ghumakkad' is a lively tune, which despite its positive nature has an emotional side to it, which pertains to everyone, extending beyond dog or animal owners as it tells just how vast life is, how there is to really explore beyond our four

walls and the great, unpredictable adventure that is life. But of course, dogs are an integral part of the song, and the music video for 'Ghumakkad' makes sure that point is not overlooked. Very well produced and extremely wholesome in nature, the video shows a very relatable day to day life of an average person.

A charming reflection of the song, the video beautifully portrays the joy of dogs when they hop into a car with their owners who become their best friends and their sheer joy at being with them.

The video stars actress Shruti Bakshi alongside the cuddly and absolutely adorable golden retriever Messi. The video shows Shruti taking a break from her hectic life and driving along with Messi to the beautiful landscape of Alleppey in Kerala.

As much as the song showcases Shruti, the video showcases Messi's bright energy and his energetic ever positive spirit of adventure which is symbolic of how even in the most tiring of times, dogs can show us what to do when fatigue overcomes as well with their vibe alone.

The Deepak Rawat directorial also has a special appearance by Goldie Sohel.

Kartik Aaryan 'enjoyed playing this emotionally charged character' in 'Satyaprem Ki Katha'

Team Absolute | Mumbai

As their film 'Satyaprem Ki Katha' is premiering digitally after a great run in theatres, actors Kartik Aaryan and actress Kiara Advani have poured their hearts out on why the movie and their characters mean so much to them. Kartik said: "Satyaprem is one of my most loved characters till date and is very close to my heart. The journey of bringing Sattu to life on screen has been an incredible and enriching experience. It was a one-of-a-kind role - who is simple, honest, and madly in love." "I thoroughly enjoyed playing this emotionally charged character and I am eternally thankful to the incredible team behind the film." Kiara added: "Satyaprem Ki Katha holds a very special place in my heart. Embracing and portraying Katha's complexities and vulnerabilities, was quite the challenge yet a rewarding experience. The amount of affection and admiration that I have received and am still receiving for Katha is more than I can ever imagine." "It was absolutely amazing to collaborate with the entire film team. I am grateful to my director Sameer Vidwans who brought out my best performance as Katha." 'Satyaprem Ki Katha' follows Satyaprem (Kartik) in his quest for love, eventually falling in love with Katha (Kiara). Their journey from laughter, friendship, and finally marriage hits a rocky terrain when Satyaprem confronts a major "truth", which tests their bond. "With Satyaprem Ki Katha, we knew that we wanted to bring out an imperative subject, blended with a dose of entertainment," said director Sameer Vidwans. "I wanted to extend my heartfelt gratitude to Kartik and Kiara who embraced Sattu and Katha as their own and for the powerhouses Sajid Sir, Shareen and Kishor Sir for entrusting our poignant story.



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Singer Neeti Mohan has recalled memories of her audition days, reminding her of the challenges she set to return featuring Himesh Reshammiya, Neeti Mohan, Anu Malik as judges and Aditya Narayan as the host. While candidates from across the country are auditioning for a spot in the top 12, a select few have captivated the judges with their distinctive voices and passion for singing. One such contestant is Akarshit Wadhwan from Amritsar whose rendition of 'Dil Haara' mesmerised one and all. Listening to his performance, Neeti said: "Since you are the first contestant, we could sense a slight nervousness at the beginning of your performance, but I must say, you managed to overcome your fear and performed the rest of the song with all your heart. I love your voice and it is evident that you have been learning music since your childhood. Missing a beat or two at the beginning is something I completely understand, because everyone has a fear of presenting themselves in front of cameras on stage for the first time." "Just like you, I have given auditions at the start of my career and making up for it in the course of your performance. You did that beautifully and blew us away with your rendition," she added.

MISSING SONG BEATS DOESN'T MEAN YOU ARE NOT A GOOD SINGER: NEETI MOHAN



Pragya Jaiswal

Pankaj Tripathi dedicates his award to his late father

Team Absolute | Mumbai

Actor Pankaj Tripathi, who is currently receiving good response to his recent release 'OMG 2', has been feted with the Best Supporting Actor award for his work in 'Mimi' at the announcement of 69th National Film Awards in Delhi on Thursday.

The actor, who is grieving the loss of his father, has dedicated his award to his late father. He said in a statement: "This is unfortunately a period of loss and grieving for me. If Babuji was around, he would have been really happy for me. When I first got the National award mention, he was very proud and pleased". The actor also congratulated actress Kriti Sanon, who shared the Best Actress Award with Alia Bhatt for her film 'Mimi'. He further mentioned: "This National Award I dedicate to him and his spirit. I'm who I'm today because of him. I'm at a loss of words due to this time but I'm happy and grateful to the team. Kriti also has won the Best Actress, so a huge congratulations to her." The winners of the 69th National Film Awards were announced at the National Media Centre in Delhi on Thursday.

