

'This one is for you, Gen Z'



Priyanka Chopra, Vijay Varma, Vaani Kapoor, Tahira Kashyap, Vir Das and several other celebrities took to social media on Saturday to react to Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan's

resignation, with many dedicating the moment to students who had been protesting for weeks. Leading the chorus was Priyanka Chopra, who reshared the resignation news on her Instagram Stories with clapping, heart and raised-hands emojis, commenting, "This one is for you, Gen Z."

Vaani Kapoor also saluted the students, posting, "For every student who kept pushing, kept questioning, and kept hoping... this moment is for you."

Comedian, actor Vir Das shared multiple Instagram Stories, including videos of celebrations at Jantar Mantar and the news of Pradhan's resignation.

Vijay Varma added a touch of humour, posting Pradhan's photograph with the caption, "Accha chalta hoon... duaon mein yaad rakhna ("I'll take my leave now... keep me in your prayers")," referencing the popular Bollywood song lyric.

Tahira Kashyap highlighted the significance of student voices, writing, "Students are the future and they pretty much are the present."

Comedian Samay Raina, rapper Raftaar, and actors Akansha Ranjan and Sanya Malhotra also joined the conversation, sharing their reactions on Instagram Stories soon after the news broke.

The flurry of celebrity posts reflected widespread support for the student movement, with many framing the resignation as a moment that belonged to Gen Z and the young people who continued to question, protest and demand accountability.

Yash opens up about playing Ravana in Ramayana



As anticipation builds for Ramayana, actor-producer Yash, who is also producing the film under his banner Monster Mind Creations, joined the team at Comic-Con to promote the much-awaited epic. During a media interaction, the actor, who essays the role of Ravana, opened up about the character's complexity, the philosophy of the Ramayana and why its message continues to resonate even today.

Reflecting on the epic, Yash said, "To tell a story, you need good and bad, good and evil." According to him, the Ramayana is defined by the contrasting journeys of Lord Rama and Ravana.

Explaining the difference, Yash shared, "Lord Rama is somebody who is born as a king, but he goes into situations where he has to lose everything and then regain all his power through his behaviour and the kind of actions he takes. But Ravana starts with nothing, becomes powerful and then, sometimes, like they say, when you fight a demon, you end up becoming a bigger one. You have to be very careful with that."

For Yash, that contrast is what makes the story timeless. While Lord Rama earns back everything through his actions and values, Ravana's journey serves as a reminder of how power, when driven by vengeance and ego, can lead to destruction.

Speaking about Ravana, Yash said the character was far more layered than a conventional villain. "He has mastered many arts," he said, adding that despite his immense knowledge and abilities, Ravana ul-

timately "can't control his power." That contradiction, according to Yash, is what makes him one of mythology's most fascinating characters.

Yash also revealed that his connection with the Ramayana goes back to childhood. "It's probably the first story I ever heard. My grandfather used to tell me these stories, and you build your own imagination around them," he shared.

Preparing for the role, the actor said his focus was not on reinventing Ravana but on understanding his mindset.

"What do you bring to it as an actor? What is your understanding of the character?" he recalled asking himself.

Crediting director Nitesh Tiwari and the writers for their vision, Yash added, "I wanted to understand what made him do the things he did."



Born on October 26, 1995 in Uttar Pradesh, Megha Shukla is rapidly emerging within the Indian entertainment space. Megha was featured in the lead role, Pinky Singh, in the Netflix satirical comedy Kathal: A Jackfruit Mystery (2023), where her earnestness and comic timing received significant praise. Alongside acting, Megha has also branched out as a fashion-first model and digital creator, producing content which is effortlessly stylish and engaging through Instagram posts. Through her experienced and engaging personality, Megha has attracted more than 1.1 million followers and maintained a solid fan base with her charm, sincerity and fearless approach to fashion. Megha's growth signifies a new artistic generation willing to embrace the prospect of combining cinema, digital influence and developing a personal brand with a diversified audience.

Haare: Noor Chahal's latest love anthem



Bringing a fresh dose of romance to the season, singer-songwriter Noor Chahal is back with Haare, a light-hearted, feel-good track that captures the excitement of falling for someone. Written, composed and performed by Noor, alongside Piyush Ambhore and Yuved, the song is an easy and infectious blend of Afrobeat-inspired rhythms and melodic pop, wrapped in Noor's expressive vocals.

Haare is about the little moments that slowly make you realise someone has quietly become an important part of your life. I wanted the song to feel effortless, carefree and full of butterflies, just like the feeling of falling in love. I hope the listeners find a little piece of their own love story in it, lift their mood and walk away with a smile," shared Noor.

With Noor's heartfelt delivery and unmistakable warmth, composer-producer Piyush Ambhore adds melodic textures shaped by years of experience across film and independent music. Yuved completes the collaboration with his contemporary rap, helping create a sound that feels fresh, youthful and replayable.

Raghav Juyal and Niharika NM promise chaos, comedy and a whole lot of laughs with 'Bhai Tera Star Hai'

Raghav Juyal has mastered the art of making people laugh—but he insists comedy is no joke. At a time when thrillers, action spectacles and larger-than-life dramas dominate the marquee, actors Raghav Juyal and Niharika NM are betting on laughter with 'Bhai Tera Star Hai'. While in Chandigarh on Friday to promote the film, the duo speak not just about comedy and cinema but also about Punjabi food, family roots and why Chandigarh always feels like a city worth returning to.

When you're in Chandigarh, you have to experience the hospitality," smiles Raghav, settling comfortably into the conversation. Food, inevitably, enters the discussion almost immediately. "Wherever we go for promotions, trying the local food is mandatory. Chandigarh—you can eat anything here. Even the soil would taste good," he jokes, setting the tone for an interview peppered with humour. For Raghav, the Punjabi connection runs much deeper. "My mother is Punjabi and my father is Garhwali," he shares. He also fondly recalls close friendships with actor Jayy Randhawa, whom he describes as an old friend, and another friend Amrinder, whose theth (raw and rustic) Punjabi fascinates him. "I've learnt Punjabi," he grins mischievously, "but the Punjabi I've learnt... I probably shouldn't speak it here." His punchline has everyone in splits. "Punjabi has a different flavour. The joy and energy in it are unmatched," he adds. In fact, that admiration may soon find its way onscreen. Raghav hints at playing a Sikh character in an upcoming project. "I'll have to speak Punjabi for that," he says, adding that he's looking forward to the challenge. Niharika, meanwhile, admits Punjabi is still an unfamiliar territory.

