

Why Didn't Akshaye Khanna Join Aamir Khan, Saif Ali Khan At Dil Chahta Hai Reunion?



Aamir Khan and Saif Ali Khan came together in Mumbai on Friday, August 28, to mark 25 years of *Dil Chahta Hai*, revisiting memories of the beloved cult classic. However, fans were quick to notice that Akshaye Khanna, who played the memorable Sid in the film, was absent from the reunion. The reunion brought together director Farhan Akhtar, co-producer Ritesh Sidhwani, and cast members Dimple Kapadia and Sonali Kulkarni, among others. Although Akshaye Khanna was included in the promotional poster for the special gathering, fans were quick to point out that he was missing from the event itself. Fans flooded the host of the event, Nikhil Taneja's Instagram post to

know the reason behind Khanna's absence. He replied to a fan, saying that Akshaye Khanna was sick; hence, he couldn't attend. The comment read, "That's because we were still hoping he gets better and were still trying to check if there's any way he could make it. Saif also hurt his back, was at the doctor, and almost didn't end up coming. He missed another event but fortunately came for this one. It's pure luck or destiny whatever you call it." When asked about Preity Zinta, Nikhil replied, "Unfortunately was unavailable after several permutations and combinations." Released in 2001, *Dil Chahta*

Hai marked Farhan Akhtar's debut as a director. The film followed three close friends, Aamir Khan's Akash Malhotra, Saif Ali Khan's Sameer Mulchandani and Akshaye Khanna's Siddharth "Sid" Sinha, as they navigated adulthood, love and the evolving nature of their friendship. Their Goa trip became a pivotal chapter in the story, as the three began to find themselves on different paths. Meanwhile, Akshaye Khanna has largely kept a low profile following the success of *Dhurandhar*, where his performance earned widespread praise. The actor is now set to be seen in *Mahakali*, which has already generated considerable anticipation among his fans.

Yash's Co-Star Reveals Why He Calls Him 'Boss', Says 'I See Him And See All The Things I Lack'



Yash's co-star in *Toxic*, Akshay Oberoi, has opened up about why he calls him "boss". Akshay said that this respect comes straight from his heart when he watches Yash perform. He also mentioned that Yash gets involved with all departments involved in making a film, and that he has taken Kannada cinema to "another level". In a chat with *Hindustan Times*, Akshay said, "Calling him Boss mere dil se aata hai (Calling him Boss comes from my heart). I see him, and I see all the things I lack. I know I'm a good actor...there's no reason to be modest. But perhaps I lack in other things...Boss is like a walking-talking industry of his own, building his own projects. He took Kannada cinema to another level, and *Toxic*

benefited from his stardom." Akshay also opened up about working with director Geetu Mohandas and said, "Geetu is fantastic; she's done work like *Liar's Dice* and *Moothon*. I fell in love with her while shooting. I loved every second of it. She treated me as an equal to all these big stars and trusted me with Tony (his character). I can't wait to be directed by her again." *Toxic* arrived amid considerable expectations, particularly as it marked Yash's major theatrical outing following his previous commercial success. Reactions on social media have been divided, with its treatment and creative choices becoming subjects of discussion among viewers. Reacting to this, Akshay said, "I

don't know if I've paid attention to any of that or how I feel about that, really. I mean, a film is meant for the audience to dissect. I'm a film fan, too. So, I understand this is what happens and that people will have varied opinions. I have a whole different relationship with the film." However, the divided reception has not stopped *Toxic* from recording strong numbers during its opening days. According to *Sacnilk*, the Yash-starrer collected Rs 138.75 crore net in India during its first two days. Its worldwide gross collection stood at Rs 185.60 crore over the same period. The film's weekend performance will now be closely watched, particularly after its strong initial numbers.



Vedhika, a beloved fashionista, captures eyes once more in her fabulous black bikini, gracefully synthesizing elegance with elements of fun. The actress is confident and regal at the same time; the black bikini works wonders to accentuate her toned and fit figure while maintaining an effortless glam appeal. Although known for her versatility in front of the camera, she inherits that versatility and confidence in her fashion choices, going from simple, elegant fashion to loud, fashion-forward looks. This black bikini moment exemplifies not just her love of fashion, but confidence in making an impact through an effortlessly sophisticated look that mixes charm and sexiness.

Laikey Laika Makers Plan Special Dance Number For Rasha Thadani After 'Uyi Amma' Success

Laikey Laika has been one of the most talked-about films this year. The movie stars Rasha Thadani and Abhay Verma in the lead in an intense love story, and ahead of the film's release, a source has informed *CNN-News18 Showsha* that the makers have planned a special dance number for the actress. Following the massive success of *Uyi Amma*, the dance number Rasha Thadani performed in her debut film *Azaad*, our source informed us, "Whoever has watched the film during post-production has said that they loved Abhay and Rasha's performances. However, in a day and age where music also plays an important role in Bollywood cinema, and considering Rasha has had a hit unlike any other in her generation, the makers want to use that in their stride, and hence one more song is being planned to be shot separately, which can work to increase the reach among Bollywood cinema-goers." The genre of the song and details are being kept under wraps, while the makers plan to shoot for it soon and prep the film for release. Taking to their Instagram handle, Phantom shared a video in which the actors were seen announcing the project, "She's the chaos. He's the calm. Or is it the other way around? Get ready for #LaikeyLaika in theatres, Summer 2026!" Shanaya Kapoor, who is also working with Abhay Verma in her next, wrote, "Wooooooooooooo letsssgooooo." Rasha Thadani and Abhay Verma are all set to collaborate for the first time in Saurabh



Gupta's directorial debut. On the work front, Abhay Verma has been basking in positive reviews for *Safed Sagar* and also has a tremendous lineup with King and Jacob Cardoso coming up, making him one of the most promising actors of the new generation. On the other hand, Rasha has had *Uyi*

Amma as one of the most viral songs we have had in recent times, which was also number one globally on YouTube last year with 600 million+ views. Rasha, along with Laikey Laika, also has a film opposite Vir Hirani, Rajkumar Hirani's son, in her lineup and is already being touted as one of the most promising faces of this current generation.

Vishal Mishra Plans Concerts In Assam And Nepal, Promises To Donate 'Every Penny To Flood Relief'

Nepal's recent flash floods and the floods in India's Assam have caused serious destruction to mankind. And while people in the affected areas are struggling to survive, ace singer Vishal Mishra has taken to his Instagram to make a very heartwarming announcement. The singer, while extending heartfelt prayers to those affected, announced that he will be hosting two concerts, one in Nepal and one in Assam, and he will donate every single penny that he earns towards flood relief. While sharing this announcement, Vishal Mishra wrote, "My heart is heavy seeing what's happening. So I have made a decision. I WILL PERFORM A CONCERT IN #NEPAL AND A CONCERT IN #ASSAM EVERY SINGLE PENNY WILL GO TOWARDS FLOOD RELIEF AND THE PEOPLE AFFECTED. I GIVE YOU MY WORD. Announcement soon." The singer further wrote in the caption, "Stay strong, will do whatever I can individually, Har Har Mahadev." This post by the singer received a heartwarming response from netizens. An anchor wanting to contribute to the cause wrote,



"Can I host it? ?? I'm an anchor from Mumbai with over 15 years of experience & if I could add value in some way it would be a privilege.. ??" Rubina Dilaik also reacted to the post and called Vishal's step 'commendable'. A user commented, "True Artist with Great Soul. That's why Everyone's Favourite". "The artist with a big heart ?? go ahead!" another one wrote. A third fan shared, "love you a lot bhaiya. You always proved that you're the best human being."

"Respect for this noble decision! True artist with a golden heart." another user wrote. Nepal is battling one of its worst natural disasters in recent years after severe flash floods hit several parts of the country, with visuals of the devastation going viral online. Similarly, Assam is also battling severe floods that have affected several parts of the state, with heartbreaking visuals of the devastation emerging online. Vishal Mishra is an Indian

playback singer, music composer and songwriter known for his soulful and romantic tracks in Hindi cinema. He rose to prominence with songs such as "Kaise Hua" from Kabir Singh and went on to deliver popular tracks including "Aaj Bhi" and "Pehle Bhi Main" from *Animal*. Over the years, Mishra has established himself as one of the prominent voices in contemporary Bollywood music, while also composing and writing songs for films.