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## Actress-Politician Divya Spandana Files Complaint Over Death and Rape Threats

MUMBAI (News Desk) – South Indian Kannada film actress and Lok Sabha member from Karnataka, Divya Spandana, also known as Ramya, has decided to file a police complaint after receiving threats on social media. According to the actress, she is being harassed online by fans of actor Darshan, who is accused of murder. The 43-year-old



shared a copy of the police complaint on her social media platform X. In an interview with Indian media, she revealed that Darshan’s fans have been sending her threats of murder and rape. Speaking about the online abuse, she expressed concern over the growing trend of verbal attacks on women, stating that such individuals often begin by questioning women’s character. The threats reportedly stem from comments related to the murder of 33-year-old Renuka Swamy. Actor Darshan, who was released on bail by the Karnataka High Court,

## Kajol Reveals Her Secrets to Staying Fit and Youthful at 50



MUMBAI (News Desk) – Bollywood actress Kajol has shared the secret behind her youthful and healthy appearance at the age of 50. Speaking on a recent chat show, the actress admitted that she does worry about aging to some extent, and openly discussed her concerns about growing older, skincare, and her daily routine. Kajol stated that in her opinion, age is reflected more in the eyes than in facial wrinkles—when people feel tired or disinterested in life, wrinkles begin to appear and aging becomes visible. She described aging as a blessing, noting that many people die young, which is why she feels grateful for growing older. Sharing her lifestyle habits, Kajol revealed she drinks eight glasses of water daily, gets 8 to 10 hours of sleep, washes her face and applies cream before bed, and exercises regularly. She expressed her excitement about the beautiful years ahead that she wants to live to the fullest. Kajol made her film debut in 1992 and has starred in several blockbuster films including Baazigar, Dilwale Dulhania Le Jayenge, Kuch Kuch Hota Hai, and Kabhi Khushi Kabhie Gham. Her latest film "Sarzaameen" was recently released.

## Crackdown on Vulgar Theatre Content in Faisalabad Theatres

FAISALABAD (News Desk) – In line with special directives from Punjab’s Minister for Information and Culture Uzma Zahid Bukhari, the Secretary Information, the Executive Director of Punjab Council of the Arts Lahore, and the Parliamentary Secretary for Culture, a strict crackdown has been launched against vulgar, obscene, and unethical content in theatres across Faisalabad Division. Over the past six months, 67 show-cause notices have been issued to various commercial theatres in Faisalabad for violating cultural and moral standards through indecent dialogues, unethical acts, and vulgar dance performances. Two theatres were sealed on separate occasions during this period. These actions are part of a comprehensive strategy to restore Punjab’s cultural values and transform theatre into a family-friendly entertainment medium. Deputy Director of Punjab Council of the Arts Faisalabad, Muhammad Imran Raza, is working closely with the district administration for continuous monitoring, including surprise inspections, nighttime surveillance, and e-monitoring systems. In an official statement, the Deputy Director emphasized that this sends a clear message to theatre owners, directors, and actors to strictly follow the prescribed SOPs and promote the richness of Punjabi language and culture through positive content. While the Punjab Council of the Arts encourages creative expression, it will not tolerate vulgarity or obscenity. More than 30 daily reports of surprise inspections have been submitted to higher authorities.



## ACP Karachi Musicians Shine At “Ubumuntu Arts Festival 2025” In Rwanda



KARACHI (News Desk) – Arts Council of Pakistan Karachi made a remarkable mark at the “Ubumuntu Arts Festival 2025” held in Rwanda, where directors and musicians from Arts Council Music Academy represented Pakistan with powerful performances that captivated international audiences. According to a press release issued by the ACP Karachi, renowned Pakistani artists, including Arman Rahim, Ahsan Bari, Jahanzeb Shah (Gizri), Mustafa Baloch, and Umesh Ladhan, delivered a dramatic musical performance titled “The Loudest Whisper”. Their act poignantly addressed the global silence over the massacre of innocent people in regions including Rwanda. The performance emphasized the world's disturbing indifference to such atrocities and was met with widespread acclaim at the international festival. The dramatic musical presentation, curated by the cultural troupe of the Arts Council, was praised for its emotional depth and global relevance, using music as a universal language to advocate for peace and cultural harmony. The Ubumuntu Arts Festival 2025 hosted participants from over 12 countries, including the USA, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, South Africa, Congo, Kenya, Nigeria, Tanzania, Uganda, France, the Netherlands, DRC, Burundi, Rwanda, Nepal, and Zimbabwe. Representing Pakistan at the event were Music Academy Director and acclaimed vocalist Arman Rahim, singer Ahsan Bari, Jahanzeb Ali Shah (Gizri), Mustafa Baloch, and Deputy Director of academies Umesh Ladhani.

## IPS Trainees Visit Aamir Khan’s Residence Amid Social Media Speculations

MUMBAI (News Desk) – A recent video showing Indian civil service officers arriving in a luxury bus at Bollywood superstar Aamir Khan’s residence sparked a wave of speculation on social media. Theories ranged from a high-security film project to rumors about issues with luxury vehicles. However, the actual reason for the visit has now been clarified and is far more pleasant than anticipated. A spokesperson from Aamir Khan’s team dismissed the rumors, confirming that the current batch of IPS trainee officers had requested to meet the actor, and Aamir Khan welcomed them to his home. The spokesperson added that this is not the first time Aamir Khan has met with new civil service officers. Since his role as a principled and tough police officer in the 1999 classic film Sarfarosh, Khan has become an inspirational figure for trainee officers. Over the years, he has regularly interacted with civil servants, discussing not only his film career but also themes such as patriotism, public service, and nation-building.

## ACP Karachi Represents Pakistan at Ubumuntu Arts Festival in Rwanda

RWANDA (News Desk) – Arts Council of Pakistan Karachi represented the country at the Ubumuntu Arts Festival 2025 held in Rwanda, where directors and musicians from the Arts Council Music Academy participated. In a dramatic musical performance titled The Loudest Whisper, Arman Rahim, Ahsan Bari, Jahanzeb Shah (Gizri), Mustafa Baloch, and Umesh Ladhani highlighted the massacre of innocent people across the world, drawing attention to the global silence on such tragedies. The cultural troupe’s performance was praised internationally for addressing this somber issue.

## No Sequel for Drama Serial "Mayi Ri", Confirms Director Meesam Naqvi

LAHORE (News Desk) – Director Meesam Naqvi has confirmed that there will be no sequel to the popular 2023 drama serial Mayi Ri, stating that the story had already concluded in the original season. The drama was well-received for its unique storyline, which focused on the social issue of child marriage. It starred Aina Asif and Samar Jafri in lead roles, whose on-screen pairing was widely appreciated. The narrative depicted their early-age marriage, becoming parents, and eventually getting divorced. After the drama’s conclusion, fans, critics, and showbiz figures called for a sequel. However, in an appearance on the show Kya Drama Hai, Meesam Naqvi clarified that since the central theme—child marriage—had already been addressed and resolved, it would not be appropriate to restart the topic. Therefore, a sequel will not be made. He added that due to the popularity of Aina Asif and Samar Jafri, they cast the duo again in their new drama Parwaaz.

## Sultana Siddiqui Says Slapping Women Not Allowed in HUM TV Dramas

LAHORE (News Desk) – Sultana Siddiqui, President of private TV channel HUM TV, drama producer, and renowned former director, has stated that she does not allow scenes where women are slapped in dramas aired on her channel, though occasionally such scenes still occur. In a recent appearance



on a Pakistan Television (PTV) podcast, she openly discussed her career, the launch of her TV network, and related matters. Speaking about television dramas, she noted that although many TV channels have emerged, most of their directors, producers, and writers lacked strong experience—something she worked to develop. She expressed pride in having trained many people, claiming that individuals she mentored are now being hired by other channels for higher pay—up to Rs. 800,000 compared to Rs. 200,000 earlier—which she sees as a positive sign. She mentioned that up to 21 dramas are aired weekly on her channels, and in most of them, slapping female characters is not permitted. However, she acknowledged that in one or two dramas a week, a woman might still be slapped, which she said reflects real life to some extent. Nonetheless, she maintains a strict policy against allowing repeated slapping of women in her dramas. Sultana Siddiqui emphasized that her life, principles, and even the dramas on HUM TV do not permit such portrayals of violence against women.