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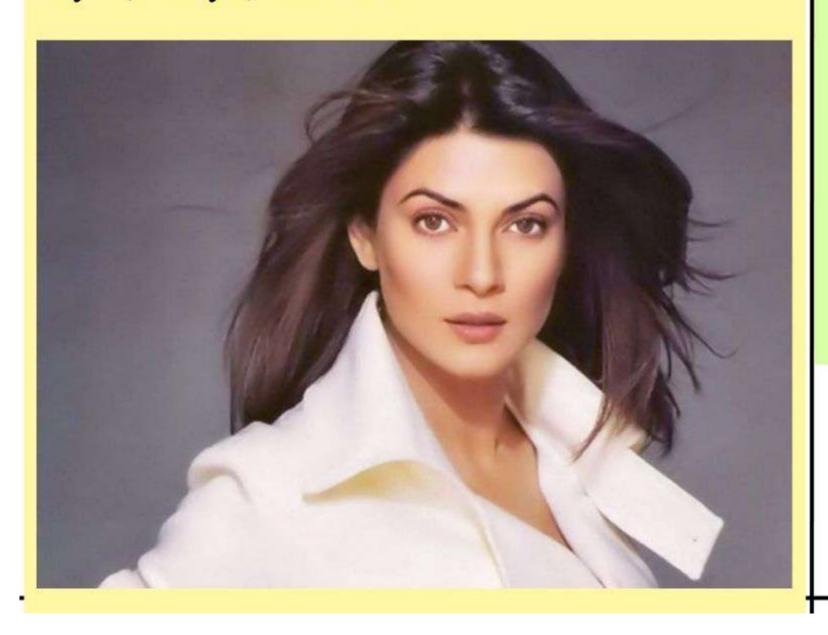
### Nazia Hassan's 25th Death Anniversary to be Observed on August 13

Lahore (News Desk) - The 25th death anniversary of South Asia's iconic pop singer and Pride of Performance recipient Nazia Hassan will be observed on August 13. Nazia Hassan passed away on August 13, 2000, at the age of 35 in a London hospital after battling cancer. Born on April 3, 1965, in Karachi, she spent her childhood in educational institutions in both Karachi and London. In 1980, at just 15 years old, she rose to stardom after singing "Aap Jaisa Koi Meri Zindagi Mein Aaye" for Indian filmmaker Feroz Khan's movie Qurbani. She also appeared in multiple PTV programs and commercials. Alongside her brother Zoheb Hassan, she introduced a new dimension to Pakistani music, blending Western styles with local pop. This modern approach gained immense popularity not only in Pakistan but also in India, the USA, the UAE, Latin America, and beyond—earning her recognition as one of the founders of pop music in the region. Known as the "Bulbul of Asia," Nazia's enduring influence is evident as today's singers continue to cover her hit songs for success. She received numerous honors, including the Pride of Performance, Best Female Playback Singer Award, and 15 Gold Discs.

#### Sushmita Sen Calls Her Mother a Rockstar and Her Hero on Birthday



Mumbai (News Desk) - Bollywood star Sushmita Sen has described her mother, Subhra Sen, as a "rockstar" and her "hero." In an emotional Instagram post, Sushmita wished her mother a happy birthday and shared heartfelt pictures with her, along with her daughters Renee and Alisah. "Happy Birthday, Ma! I will always be grateful to God for blessing me with such a priceless gift. What a beautiful blessing this is! Always praying for your health and happiness. You are such a rockstar, my forever hero! Enjoy your birthday in your favorite city, birthday girl! I love you immensely," she wrote. Recently seen in Aarya 3, directed by Ram Madhvani, the 49-year-old actress began her acting career with the 1996 thriller Dastak. She has delivered memorable performances in films like Biwi No. 1, Sirf Tum, Fiza, Aankhen, Main Hoon Na, Maine Pyaar Kyun Kiya?, Aarya, and Taali.



### Pakistani Pop Icon Hadiqa Kiani Turns 51 Today



Thatta Sadiqabad (News Desk) – World-renowned Pakistani pop singer Hadiqa Kiani will celebrate her 51st birthday today, August 11. Fans will hold birthday celebrations and offer prayers for her long life. Hadiqa Kiani is a celebrated singer in Urdu, Pashto, and Punjabi, born on August 11, 1974, in Rawalpindi. Her debut album was released in 1995, marking the beginning of her successful music career. She has also been honored with the Tamgha-e-Imtiaz by the Government of Pakistan.

### Actress Maria Wasti to Celebrate Birthday on August 14



Lahore (News Desk) – Actress Maria Wasti will celebrate her birthday on August 14. Born on August 14, 1970, she began her acting career in Lahore and has since appeared in hundreds of TV dramas. With her wheatish complexion and attractive features, she quickly established her identity on television. This year, Maria Wasti will cut her birthday cake alongside Pakistan's Independence Day celebrations.

## Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan's 28th Death Anniversary to be Observed on August 16



Lahore (News Desk) - The 28th death anniversary of Pakistan's world-renowned singer Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan will be observed on August 16, with various events organized by the film fraternity to contributions. Born on October 13, 1948, in Faisalabad, Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan was the son of Ustad

Fateh Ali Khan and nephew of Ustad Mubarak Ali Khan, both celebrated qawwals of their time. Nusrat rose to nationwide fame with Dam Mast Qalandar Mast Mast and introduced a fusion of Western styles into qawwali, which gained worldwide acclaim. His passing left a void in the music world that remains unfilled to this day.



### Namrata Shirodkar Calls Mahesh Babu Her "Everything" on His 50th Birthday

Mumbai (News Desk) - Former Bollywood actress and model Namrata Shirodkar gave a heartfelt birthday wish to her husband, South Indian superstar Mahesh Babu, on his 50th birthday, calling him her "everything." Namrata took to Instagram to share a recent family photo from their trip to Sri Lanka, featuring Mahesh Babu with their daughter Sitara, son Gautham, and Namrata smiling with her cheek resting on Gautham's shoulder. She captioned it: "Happy birthday to the man who makes life feel like a dream... my love, my strength, my everything. Will love you always." Their children also posted sweet birthday wishes: Sitara shared a childhood photo with her father, writing, "Happy birthday to the best dad in the world, I love you," while Gautham wrote, "You've always been my first hero. Have the best birthday." He also posted a collage of pictures spanning several years. Mahesh Babu received warm wishes from fans and celebrities, including Jr NTR, Ram Charan, and Chiranjeevi. Namrata and Mahesh married in February 2005 and live happily with their two children.

### Manza Arif Advises Newlyweds to Have Children Early

Karachi (News Desk) – Senior actress Manza Arif has advised newly married couples to have children early, warning that conceiving becomes more difficult with age — a fact many young people are unaware of. Speaking on Sama TV's morning show, Manza discussed women's health issues, complications after menopause, and the attitudes of married couples. She said her grandmother and mother lived in an era when pure, unprocessed food was easily available, unlike today's generation. Manza shared that even in her childhood, she avoided milk and other pure foods, but her mother insisted on feeding them to her. In contrast, she observed, today's youth rely more on fizzy drinks and processed foods, leading to health complications.

### Actress & Model Saheefa Jabbar Apologizes to Public and Family for Harsh Words

KARACHI (News Desk) – Actress and model tribute to his artistic Saheefa Jabbar has apologized to her family and social media users for inappropriate remarks and harsh words she used during interviews and social media posts. In an Instagram post, the actress admitted that she used rather harsh and unsuitable words in TV programs and certain podcasts, which not only proved damaging to her own personality but also caused hurt to others. Expressing remorse over her choice of words, Saheefa wrote that she deeply regrets and feels embarrassed for not choosing her words wisely during interviews. She stated that she spoke without caring about the consequences, failing to realize the impact those words could have on others, her loved ones, and even herself. She further wrote that whether it is a TV show, a podcast, or a casual conversation on the street, we should think before we speak, because every word has value. We should choose our words wisely, present ourselves with dignity, and learn to be respectful.