

# Justin Bieber joins BTS, Shakira and Madonna for the FIFA WC 2026 final halftime show

Popstar Justin Bieber has joined as co-headliner of the historic FIFA World Cup 2026 Final Halftime Show along with names such as Shakira, Madonna and the Korean phenomenon BTS.

"The FIFA World Cup brings the world together in a way nothing else can. I'm grateful to be part of this Halftime Show, and even more grateful knowing it's already helping expand access to education for children around the world," said Bieber.

The Final Halftime Show will be taking place on July 19 (July 20 as per IST) at New York New Jersey Stadium, reports fifa.com.

Burna Boy, whose global smash hit 'Dai Dai' with Shakira continues to dominate the charts worldwide, will also appear during the 11-minute broadcast, alongside Gustavo Dudamel, the internationally acclaimed Venezuelan conductor and Music and Artistic Director of the New York Philharmonic, and the Webby Award-winning PS 22 Chorus featuring Coldplay.

"The FIFA World Cup is one of the few moments that truly brings the entire world together. To represent Africa on the first-ever FIFA World Cup Final Halftime Show is a privilege and a responsibility that I don't take lightly. I'm honoured to be part of a performance that not only celebrates football and culture but also helps create greater opportunities for children

through education around the world," added Burna Boy.

"When it comes to what the world needs, there is nothing more important than education. We are proud to have Justin Bieber joining Madonna, Shakira and BTS to co-headline the FIFA World Cup 2026 Final Halftime Show in support of the FIFA Global Citizen Education Fund and our mission to expand access to quality education and football opportunities for children around the world," said FIFA President Gianni Infantino.

"Burna Boy, Gustavo Dudamel and PS 22 Chorus ft. Coldplay will also join and play a key role in conveying a powerful message of unity and hope to billions of people worldwide. As the world unites for the most significant football match in history on Sunday, 19 July 2026 at the New York New Jersey Stadium, this groundbreaking spectacle, curated by Chris Martin of Coldplay, will celebrate football, music and our shared values, ensuring a legacy that transcends the final whistle."

Characters from Sesame Street and The Muppets, who have brought joyful learning to children around the world for generations, will be part of the show. Their inclusion reinforces the purpose of the FIFA World Cup 2026 Final Halftime Show, to help ensure children around the world have access to quality education.



## *Neha Kakkar reveals parents, brother Tony insisted she marry Rohanpreet Singh after meeting him for just 20 minutes*

Singer Neha Kakkar has revealed that it was her parents and brother Tony Kakkar who insisted she marry former co-star and singer Rohanpreet Singh after meeting him for just 15-20 minutes.

Speaking on the upcoming episode of 'Tum Ho Naa - Ghar Ki Superstar', hosted by Rajeev Khandelwal, Neha shared how her family instantly approved of Rohanpreet, after she expressed her liking for him.

Recalling the moment, Neha said, "I told Tony bhai that I really liked Rohan. He said he wanted to meet him. My mom, dad and brother, my family is really sweet, they said they would come to Punjab and meet him themselves. They spoke to Rohan privately for just 15-20 minutes. When they came out of the room, they said, if you want to get married, marry only Rohan. My mom, dad and Tony bhai's words are something we still remember. From our side, it was a clear yes, without any doubt. I feel it was all destined. Everything was happening so quickly. Many people could have felt it was child-

ish to take such a big decision so quickly?" Earlier in the conversation, Neha recalled how destiny brought her and Rohanpreet together during the COVID-19 lockdown while she was working on her song 'Nehu Da Vyah'.

She said, "I feel everything is already written. Earlier, I genuinely didn't believe that destiny was written beforehand, but when this happened to me, I realized that God really writes every chapter of our lives. Every little thing comes true. During the lockdown, we were all bored with no work. I thought if everyone could make songs, maybe I should also try creating one. That's when I made 'Nehu Da Vyah'."

She further added, "While writing 'Nehu Da Vyah', I had no idea that I was actually writing my own life story. I had written, Agli Baari Aawanga Te, Mummy Ji Nu Lawanga, Cute Ji Bahu Da Introduction Karawanga, and every single thing I wrote eventually came true. I couldn't believe it myself. Later, when we decided to make the music video, we were looking for a boy and I happened to see

Rohan on my social media Explore page. I said, He's so cute. Our team then contacted him and told him he had a music video with Neha Kakkar."

Rohanpreet also recalled his first reaction to the offer, exclaiming he initially thought it was a prank.

He said, "Where is Neha Kakkar and where am I? But they kept insisting that the shoot was happening and asked me to come. I thought I'd at least go and see what it was about. The moment I opened the door, she was sitting there. She turned around, looked at me, and I instantly thought, that's it, I'm done for."

Neha later revealed, "We met during that music video. In the video, he asked me, Will you marry me? and just two months later, we got married in real life. He was also the one who proposed to me." Talking about Neha Kakkar and Rohanpreet Singh, the couple tied the knot in October 2020 in Delhi after a brief courtship.

Recently, there were reports of trouble in their paradise but neither Neha nor Rohanpreet confirmed or denied it.

