



FATIMA SANA SHAIKH promotes regional cinema at J&K Film Festival

Actress Fatima Sana Shaikh speaks on the importance of regional cinema at the first International Film Festival of Jammu and Kashmir 2026, held in Srinagar. The actress said that regional films are all about portraying the real life of that particular region and not the perception of it by someone else. As her mother is from Kashmir, the actress felt that visiting the Valley was special and that the region could soon become a popular film destination. Fatima also spoke lovingly of Dargal co-star Zaira Wasim.

The actor's September 2026 cover story for Lifestyle Asia India saw her pose in her latest designer outfits while she discussed her plans for the year. Since she has no films this year, fans are now waiting for her next project.

V Vijayendra Prasad unveils title poster of 'First Bench Premakatha'

The title poster of the upcoming Telugu film First Bench Premakatha has been unveiled by V. Vijayendra Prasad. The legendary writer and Rajya Sabha MP congratulated the team and wished them luck.

Presented by Vedula Balakameswari and produced under the banners of Mega Films and Sai Samhita Creations, the film is directed by Venkataramana S, the man behind Mercy Killing.

First Bench Premakatha narrates a love story between two toppers that takes a turn towards their studies, ambitions, and families. This film promises to take the audience through the exciting journey of young love, where the protagonist's romance had an adverse effect on their studies, ambitions, and parents.

The film's story is set in the challenging competitive



exam environment where the protagonist deals with the expectations of their parents, studies, love, and career. It promises to take the audience through the exciting journey of first love, first crush, and the dilem-

mas of Gen Z, dealing with the adverse effect of love on ambitions and parents.

Kollabathina Joshna Rani, Nakka Haribabu, and K. Ramesh Chandra are the producers, while Shrivakoti Bobby, Pathan Waleekhan,

and Kakarapalli Raju are the executive producers.

With an intriguing plot twist, the film aims to recreate the magic of first love while exploring the dilemma of love versus career and family.

'EYE Bomma' trailer released; promises a gripping social thriller

The trailer of EYE Bomma, an upcoming Telugu film starring Banoth Pawan, Gautham, Narmada and Satish, was unveiled at a grand gathering at Hyderabad today. Directed and produced by Vijay Raghunathabhatla under Sri Mallanna Creations, the film is set for an international theatrical release soon.

The film dwells on a modern-day social issue and narrates the story of a man who goes through various phases in life before taking up a sheath against society. The film also delves deep into his psyche, action and also the reason that leads to his conflict with the system.

Director Vijay revealed that he had finished the script overnight while the entire

film was shot in 15 days. He said the idea struck him while interacting with people about the EYE Bomma piracy website and wanted to probe deep into their activities and the reason behind their initiation.

Making his debut as the lead actor, Banoth Pawan says that the director provided him with a great platform after his tryst with the industry. While Gautham plays the role of DSP Vikram, Satish is also a part of the star cast.

Producer Kuruva Jamanna says that his love for movies motivated him to venture into film-making despite being from an agriculture family. Praising the trailer, guest of honor Rama Satyanarayana and producer Raja appreciated Vijay's work.



'Jai Gowriputra Ganesha' trailer speaks about student mental health

The audio and trailer of Jai Gowriputra Ganesha, the maiden production of Vatsalya Audio and Video Illustrations, were launched at a grand event in Preview Hall of Telugu Film Chamber in Hyderabad. Writer, director and producer Swami Srivatsalya Dharma Veera presided over the event that was attended by a few personalities of the film industry, political leaders and spiritual scholars.

The film speaks about the increasing academic stress among students and the importance of saving them from falling into the trap of suicide. Besides, the movie throws light on how the unhealthy race for exams, marks, home-work and positions will affect an overall growth of the new generation.

My 26 years of deep study and experience on Vedic Dharma Shastras inspired me to use this art form (movie) to preach ethical values and humanity to the younger generation. This movie also explains how Indian culture, traditions and values can be helpful to develop emotional wellbeing and healthy relationships, said Swami Srivatsalya Dharma Veera.

Telugu Film Producers Council Secretary Tummalapalli Prasanna Kumar and Joint Secretary Tummalapalli Ramasatyanarayana appreciated the film's social message, while actor Gharshana Srinivas and Sri Daiwajna Sharma welcomed the initiative of promoting the Vedic values among the young generation. Starring Gharsana Srinivas, Karate Kalyani, Srimani, Maruthi Sakaram, Damaam Abhilash, Kavya Sri, Divyasri, Raja Ramakrishna Varma, Chandramukhi Chandrasekhar, Tiruveedhula Jayaram and others, the movie's team feels the film will help open up dialogues for parents, students and society.

'AH' glimpse builds suspense ahead of Oct 9 release

The makers of AH have created more hype over the upcoming thriller by releasing the first glimpse titled as 'Bloody Hunger'. The film stars Rahul Vijay and Archana Iyer and is set to release worldwide on October 9, 2026.

The Bloody Hunger glimpse, which does not have any dialogues, uses atmospheric visuals, rapid editing and a chilling background score to set the tone for the mysterious world. This video contains a lead-up to an investigation into the disappearance of young girls and a sinister force that seems to be operating.

Rahul Vijay is seen as a determined police officer investigating the case while Archana Iyer is seen in

intriguing glimpses that add to the mystery. The words "Ammayi, Adrushyam, Anveshana" provide the central theme of investigation for the film and the final glimpse leaves many questions unanswered.

Sri Charan Pakala's frightening background score enhances the suspense along with Monish Bhupathi Raju's cinematography while Abhinav V. Kunapareddy and Garry BH handle the editing.

Directed by Sai Baali and produced by Kanaka Rao Tonangi, Abhishek K and Garry BH, AH is the production venture of Star Box Stories and Ripple Slide Studios. The latest glimpse has made us more curious about the dark thriller.



'Missing Meghana' promotions gain momentum

The much-anticipated missing Meghana is all set to hit the theatre screens on September 18, and it is all set to release across 150 plus screens. Panchumarthi Naresh Babu is the producer of the film under the banner of First copy movies and KD & Co. The emotional thriller is directed by Vachaspathy.

The film stars Ram Karthik, Ammu Abhirami, Vaidika Senjalia, and Ankit Kooya in the lead roles alongside Goparaju Ramana, Vempa Kasi, Kaushik, Mahipal, Ruchita, Nalini, Srinivas, Azeem, and Pandu in the supporting roles.

The promotions of the film have gained tremendous attention, as the teaser and three songs launched till now garnered decent responses.

The songs are doing well online, and RR Dhruvan's music has received appreciation for the fresh feel. Apart from that, the camera work of Shyam K Naidu has also garnered attention.

The promotions of the film started with the director V.V. Vinayak launching the first look and title poster of the film. Later, the first song Pilla Pilla was unveiled by producer Suresh Babu, and the second song was revealed by Dil Raju, the producer of the film. Third song was unveiled by writer-producer Kona Venkat and Matcha Ravi.

Director Vachaspathy shared that the trailer of the film will be out soon, and Naresh is optimistic about the film's final version and business.

I poured my blood, sweat and tears into it: Udaya Bhanu about 'Panchanama'

The first-episode screening and press meet of the Telugu ZEE5 Original Panchanama took place at Prasad Labs, Hyderabad on September 9. The crime thriller is set to premier on 11 th September. The show promises to keep the audience engaged with its crime, mystery and emotional drama.

The thrilling series is directed by Mohan Srivatsa and stars Bharath Srinivasan as Jai Ram, Medha Reddy, Shivaji Raja, Surya Srinivas, Srija, Radhika Preethi, Charan



Babu and Shiva Karthik Danda. Actress Udaya Bhanu while talking about

the ZEE5 series said that Panchanama is a project which goes beyond a

regular crime thriller. She further added that they have put in so much of their blood and sweat into the project because of the emotional content and her bond with the character.

Post the screening, the cast and crew met the media persons and interacted with them. The team discussed their experience while working on the show and talked about the various challenges of working on such a complex crime based series. Panchanama will stream on ZEE5 from 11 th September.

'Kaagitham Padavulu' trailer promises an unexpected experience

The trailer for the upcoming Telugu love story film "Kaagitham Padavulu," starring Vardhan and Krishnapriya, was released before its theatrical premiere on September 18. This movie was directed by MGR Thukaram and produced by Keerthana Naresh, T.R. Prasad Reddy, Venkatarama Anjanappa under multiple banners.

Director MGR Thukaram expressed confidence in the content of the film and claimed that the spectators would be surprised by the climax. He also stated that they had worked hard and promised that the film would



provide an unexpected experience for the spectators. Vardhan asserted that the entire team had given their best, and he hoped that the viewers would en-

joy it. He also said that the experience of making the Kaagitham Padavulu was an unforgettable one, and he urged them to witness it on the big screen.

Furthermore, Krishnapriya called the film a good family entertainer and acknowledged the director for giving her a meaningful role. Anjanappa said that they remained committed to the story and made the film without any compromise on its quality.

Keerthana also thanked the team for the incredible work and dedication, especially the director and Vardhan.

Their previous glimpse attracted the attention of many, which increases the anticipation for the romantic drama's release. Asian Suresh Entertainment has scheduled the release of Kaagitham Padavulu on September 18.