

WEBSERIES REVIEW

Clean

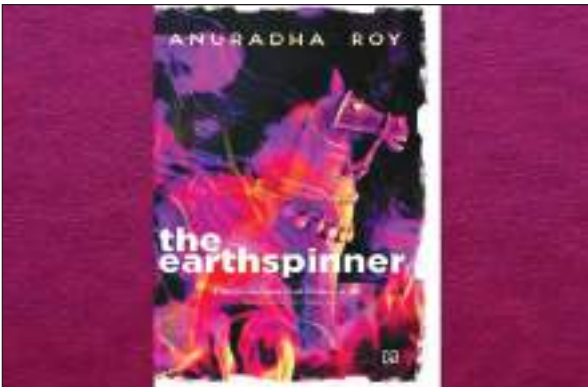


Director: Zoya Parvin
Cast: Anrita Puri, Somesh Agarwal, Nishank Verma
STORY: Sabah (Anrita Puri), is leading a content life with her husband Aamir (Nishank Verma) and son Nimoh (You Pandya) till its the day her younger sister Meher (Aisha Ahmed) returns from abroad. Why Sabah isn't too keen on Meher staying with them and how the sisters address the insecurities forms the crux of this short.
REVIEW: Writer-director Zoya Parvin has come up with an interesting story revolving around siblings that most people will relate to instantly. She also touches the issue of mental health but doesn't really delve deep into it, focusing on why the sisters Sabah and Meher share a complex equation and how they bridge the divide. Anurag Kashyap keeps the dialogues simple and direct, like how siblings and their families would speak in similar circumstances.
Amrita Puri delivers a sincere performance in her portrayal of Sabah, who, being the elder sibling, always took responsibility for the family and cleaned whatever mess any of them got into. Aisha is effective as Meher, who, ridden with guilt, is apologetic for her past actions, and wants to clear all apprehensions her elder sister has. Nishank Verma, Yug Pandya and Somesh Agarwal as the girls' Abbu play their parts as expected.
Clean is a decent watch for its narrative of a bitter-sweet story of two sisters that will resonate with most viewers.

In-depth Analysis				
Our overall critic's rating is not an average of the sub scores below.				
Direction	██████████	██████████	██████████	2.5/5
Dialogues	██████████	██████████	██████████	2.5/5
Story	██████████	██████████	██████████	2.5/5
Music	██████████	██████████	██████████	2.5/5
Visual appeal	██████████	██████████	██████████	2.5/5

BOOK REVIEW

The Earthspinner



Title: 'The Earthspinner'
Author: Anuradha Roy
Genre: Fiction
Publisher: Hachette India
Pages: 232
Price: 473 INR
Review: The 'Earthspinner', novelist and editor Anuradha Roy's fifth novel is told between the first and the third person and revisits themes like myth, memory, and history. It is a brilliant read about choice, family, how death and movement affect familial ties, love across religion, the vile nature of humans, and more.
The novel has three protagonists (the third one could be or could not be considered one - depending on the reader) - Elango, Sara, and Chinna. Elango is a potter and rickshaw driver in Kummaraipet, India. His young apprentice, Sara, is a girl whom he drives to school. Chinna is a stray dog, who wanders through their lives, providing solace to the battered humans. Sara is given first-person narration, but Elango's perspective is offered in the third. Much of the story is set in 1977, although Sara narrates her story when she is a university student in England, years later.
Politics is treated with both seriousness and light-heartedness in 'The Earthspinner'. While talking about Morarji Desai, Indira Gandhi's successor, and "a humorless old man who drank his own urine as a tonic," Sara and her sister sing a song about their new leader: "Dear Mr. Desai, would you like some tea? Oh no, little girls, I'd love a glass of pee."
All in all, the novel "shows the many ways in which the East encounters the West, fanaticism wars tirelessly against reason, and the individual's creative desires struggle against a populace's basic instinct for destruction."

GADGET REVIEW

Xiaomi 11i HyperCharge 5G



Expected Price	Rs 28,990
Display	6.67-inch
Processor	MediaTek Dimensity 920
Front Camera	16-megapixel
Rear Camera	108-megapixel + 8-megapixel
Rear autofocus	Yes
Rear flash	Yes
RAM	6GB
Storage	128GB
Battery Capacity	4500mAh
OS	Android 11
Resolution	1080x2400 pixels
GPS	Yes
Wi-Fi	Yes
Bluetooth	Yes, v 5.20
NFC	Yes
USB Type-C	Yes
Headphones	3.5mm
Fingerprint sensor	Yes
Accelerometer	Yes
Gyroscope	Yes

Pros

- * Excellent display - bright, accurate, HRR.
- * Top-tier chipset at a reasonable price.
- * Battery life around the top of the class.
- * Excellent Camera.

Cons

- * Side-mounted fingerprint sensor may not be to everyone's liking.
- * No wireless charging.

VEHICLE REVIEW

Bajaj Chetak Electric



Starting Price	Rs. 1,38,992*
Fuel Type	Electric
Max Power	4,080 W
Rated Power	3800 W
Battery charging time	5 Hrs
Fast charging time	4 Hrs
Transmission	Automatic
Riding Range	85-95 Km
Top Speed	70 Kmph
Battery type	Lithium Ion
Braking System	CBS
Front Brake Type	Disc
Rear Wheel Size	12 inch
Rear Brake Type	Drum
Wheel Type	Alloy
Tyre Type	Tubeless
Front Suspension	Leading-link Suspension
Rear Suspension	Monoshock
Battery warranty	3 Year
Odometer	Digital
Reverse mode	Yes

Pros

- * Good Looks.
- * All-Digital Instrument Console.
- * Feature Rich.

Cons

- * High Price.

Health and Lifestyle

Promises you can make to yourself for a successful career



A successful career can be built with a lot of determination, hard work and when you dream big. Not everybody has the courage to dream big and go after it, as many limitations pave as adverse obstacles on the road to success. It is at this point, a person can persevere and strive to achieve their goals no matter what and that is the true definition of being a motivator and a successful person. Now that 2022 is approaching, we bring to you some promises that you can make to yourself so that you can have a successful career.
Live by your own definition of success
You can often get confused by what success means. For others, it may be fame and wealth, but it can mean something different for you. Don't let society determine your terms of success. Achieving a tiny goal is also success by all means.
Follow your own standards
Don't live by what others expect of you. You will never be truly happy and successful because doing things that others



want from you will only distance yourself from your true, inner self. 'What do you want?' ask yourself this and go after it.
Setting goals
Promise yourself that you will always set goals for yourself that allow you to be the best version of yourself. Setting goals in your life will help you to be organised and follow a routine that'll direct you towards success.
Follow a disciplined life
It is very necessary to lead a disciplined life so that you have a rhythm to follow religiously. Wake up early, follow a routine and don't stray away from your path. It is all about maintaining a successful lifestyle.
Don't avoid pain and hurt
Fear, hurt and pain are all parts necessary to experience all aspects of life. The bitter and sweet feelings, both contribute to your life. Each moment teaches you something or the other that prepares you for the next adventure. And avoiding pain will only make you weaker. Battling it will make you stronger.

ASTROLOGY

WEEKLY PREDICTIONS 09TH— 15TH JANUARY 2022

<p>ARIES</p> <p>MAR 21 - APR 19</p>	<p>Sun in Capricorn, in your house of career, making a semi-sextile to Saturn in Aquarius in your house of freedom. It is also the new moon in Capricorn. You might be looking for an exit point for your after some recent trouble. But, rather than stewing in irritation at lazy coworkers, insensitive managers, or rude customers, this is a good day to make a plan.</p>
<p>LIBRA</p> <p>SEP 23 - OCT 22</p>	<p>It is also the new moon in Capricorn. Libra, you might bundle up and go on an excursion with the kids, visiting places you haven't been before. Or maybe you're bonding with younger relatives by doing a home improvement project together. Today, you could drive a relative to the airport and learn more about them on the way there.</p>
<p>TAURUS</p> <p>APR 20 - MAY 20</p>	<p>Sun in harmonious Capricorn, in your house of wisdom, making a semi-sextile to Saturn in Aquarius in your house of career. It is also the new moon in Capricorn. You are likely focusing your sights on growth right now. It might be frozen outside, but you are ready to sprout. The problem is that the activities you do now (especially your job) might not offer you growth opportunities.</p>
<p>SCORPIO</p> <p>OCT 23 - NOV 21</p>	<p>Scorpio, you might miss an important text with pick-up coordinates for one of your kids, a phone call could go to voicemail with the details you need to get someone to the airport on time, or you could just be misunderstood on an important matter. This is a day to check and recheck to make sure the other person has understood you. Also, make sure your phone is charged today.</p>
<p>GEMINI</p> <p>MAY 21 - JUN 20</p>	<p>Sun in Capricorn, in your house of resources and investments, making a semi-sextile to Saturn in Aquarius in your house of information. It is also the new moon in Capricorn. Today, you might be frustrated because you see a great investment, but you don't have the capital to buy-in. Gemini, you see others making money, but you don't know how to access these types of investments.</p>
<p>SAGITTARIUS</p> <p>NOV 22 - DEC 21</p>	<p>Today, you could miss an important message that could cost you a sale. Sagittarius, you might overlook an email inviting you to have an interview for a new job. You could be irritated by all the different communication methods there are these days, and now you're focused on organizing your email inbox and clearing out your voice mailbox.</p>
<p>CANCER</p> <p>JUN 21 - JUL 22</p>	<p>Sun in Capricorn, in your house of relationships, making a semi-sextile to Saturn in Aquarius in your house of financial resources. There is also the new moon in Capricorn. You and your partner could discuss how money and obligations are divided. You might have been doing your own accounting and not liking the deficit you see. You want to get things back into balance.</p>
<p>CAPRICORN</p> <p>DEC 22 - JAN 19</p>	<p>You have every reason to be confident. You work hard and have developed a strong skill set. But, sometimes, you're very hard on yourself, and this can challenge you in the area of self-worth. Sometimes you feel like you don't deserve benefits, and then the Universe complies, making those benefits hard to get. Today, shift your thinking about what you deserve and watch opportunities flow in.</p>
<p>LEO</p> <p>JUL 23 - AUG 22</p>	<p>Sun in Capricorn, in your house of daily effort, making a semi-sextile to Saturn in Aquarius in your house of partnerships. It is also the new moon in Capricorn. Leo, you might be more than a little frustrated today with coworkers and people in your life. In fact, it looks like you're caring the whole game. Everyone around you is asking you to be their cheerleader even while they sit on the bench.</p>
<p>AQUARIUS</p> <p>JAN 20 - FEB 18</p>	<p>You might need a break. Maybe you need a full 'pajama day' where you hang around the house in your slippers and just enjoy the snow falling outside. You might play video games today or a board game with your kids. This is a good day to do absolutely nothing. You might be looking at money-making opportunities. You're making a choice between the familiar versus the adventure.</p>
<p>VIRGO</p> <p>AUG 23 - SEP 22</p>	<p>Sun in Capricorn, in your house of romance and adventure, making a semi-sextile to Saturn in Aquarius in your house of work. It is also the new moon in Capricorn. Today, you might have to cancel a date because you've been called into your job. Or your beloved has to give you a rain check because of an obligation they had forgotten about.</p>
<p>PISCES</p> <p>FEB 19 - MAR 20</p>	<p>Technology can give you a lot of trouble. You might think that it's haunted, possessed, or at least really finicky. Pisces, the calendar says 2022, but it might feel more like 1822, especially if a storm knocks out your power entirely. Today you could end up reading a book by candlelight. You could connect with someone who really wants to help you.</p>