

WEBSERIES REVIEW

The Great Indian Murder

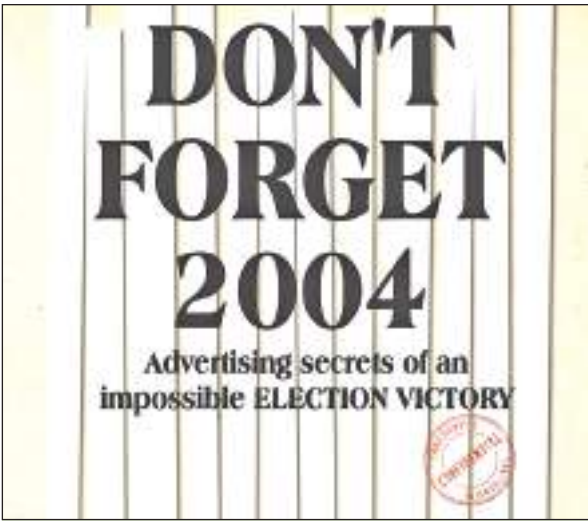


Director: Tigmanshu Dhulia
Cast: Richa Chadha, Pratik Gandhi, Ashutosh Rana, Raghuvir Yadav, Sharib Hashmi
STORY: Vikrant aka Vicky Rai, industrialist with a Casanova lifestyle, is killed at his own party to celebrate his acquittal in the rape and murder of two young girls. His father, Jagannath Rai, who is also the Home Minister of Chhattisgarh, demands a CBI inquiry. Officers Suraj Yadav and Sudha Bharadwaj lead the investigation following six suspects.
REVIEW: Ashutosh Rana effectively plays Jagannath Rai, who places his political interests and aspirations above everything and everyone, including his family. Raghubir Yadav convincingly portrays the diabolical nature of Mohan Kumar, who can also be Mohandas (Gandhi) when it suits his purpose. Sharib Hashmi (as the welfare officer Ashok Rajput), Paoli Dam, Shashank Arora, Jatin Goswami and the rest of the ensemble cast play their parts as expected. Cinematographer Rishi Punjabi has shot the series realistically, at the same time treating the various locations differently. Unnikrishnan P P and Prathamesh Chande's editing ensures the narrative doesn't lag, while Raghu Dixit and Ketan Sodha's music adds to the drama. Even though based on a book, this Ajay Devgn-produced series makes a compelling watch for its suspense, drama and excellent performances by an interesting ensemble cast.

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

BOOK REVIEW

Don't Forget 2004



Title: Don't Forget 2004: Advertising Secrets of an Impossible Election Victory
Author: Jayshree M Sundar
Genre: Non fiction
Publisher: Vitasta Publishing
Pages: 296
Price: 405 INR
Review: 'Don't Forget 2004' by Jayshree M Sundar tells a similar story, with a twist. A once all-powerful political party has been brought to its knees through electoral losses for 10 years, with minuscule funds. Media and public intellectuals have written it off. A spirit of apathy and worse, a feeling that they can't win, has begun pervading some party workers. The ghost of defeat hangs in the air at party offices. Jayshree Sundar tells the story with great panache, with a blow-by-blow account that feels like a thriller. We get an intimate look at some of India's well-known political figures and into decision-making at that level. We understand how leadership works, the flowers and the thorns that the path of leaders is strewn with, and some of the intricacies a female leader has to deal with. We get a masterclass in branding and marketing, from the research that identifies a consumer insight to how it is used to bring alive a campaign thought, to how to meticulously execute a campaign of staggering complexity. And all this in an unputdownable narrative. This book is a brilliant must-read not only for students of business and marketing or politics or contemporary history but also for anyone who likes a great story.

GADGET REVIEW

Realme 9 Pro



Expected Price	Rs 24,999.
Display	6.59-inch
Resolution	1080 x 2400 pixels
Front Camera	16MP
Rear Camera	64MP + 8MP + 2MP
Auto Focus	Yes
Flash	Yes, LED Flash
Shooting Modes	Continuos Shooting, High Dynamic Range mode (HDR)
RAM	6GB
Storage	128GB
Battery Capacity	5000mAh
Charging	Fast charging 33W
OS	Android
Loudspeaker	Yes
Audio Jack	3.5 MM
Radio	No
Fingerprint Sensor	Yes
Sensor Position	On-Screen
Colors	Midnight Black, Aurora Green, Sunrise Blue

Pros	Cons
* Has Dual Sim.	* No Radio.
* High Resolution Screen.	
* Has Front Camera Flash.	
* Excellent battery backup.	

VEHICLE REVIEW

Tata Safari



Starting Price	Rs. 14.99 - 23.29 Lakh*
Fuel Type	Diesel
Engine Displacement	1956 cc
No. of cylinder	4
Max Power	167.62bhp@3750rpm
Max Torque	350nm@1750-2500rpm
Seating Capacity	6, 7
No of Airbags	6
TransmissionType	Automatic
Boot Space	447 L
Fuel Tank Capacity	50.0 L
Body Type	SUV
Drive Type	FWD
Steering Type	Power
Steering Column	Tilt & Telescopic
Steering Gear Type	Rack & Pinion
Front Brake Type	Disc
Rear Brake Type	Disc
Fog Lights	Front
Alloy Wheels	Yes
Automatic Climate Control	

Pros	Cons
* Comfortable and spacious seating for 7.	* Missing some modern day features.
* Spacious and practical cabin.	* Infotainment experience is disappointing.
* Impressive features list.	
* Loads of practical storage in cabin.	

Health and Lifestyle

Home decor tips to embrace a natural look sustainably







The notion of sustainability has been making rounds for a couple of decades now. The climate crisis has made the matter pressing; however, what fails to be understood is that sustainability is not limited to safeguarding the future but also about nurturing the present in the best capacity. The idea of being sustainable has been hyped up to become a trend that showcases adapting extensive interventions; however, it is also about small contributions that go a long way and can become stepping stones to a great ecologically conscious home and life. Devika Khosla, creative director of an interior designing company, shares some ideas on embracing sustainability and attaining a natural look at home.
Maximise on sunlight and natural air
Invest in larger windows to draw in all the vitamin D and ventilation. It will certainly reduce the electricity consumption of the home. If the sunlight is harsh, one could opt for double glazed windows with well-sealed frames to minimise air leaks and add layers of sheer curtains and drapes to keep the space warmer in colder seasons.
Natural materials
Natural materials for the win Materials like marble, stone and wood form aesthetically better and calmer spaces because they are derived from nature. Using these materials in the home as a flooring material for furniture and other uses instead of artificial materials like vinyl or other synthetic products is preferable.
Refurbish time-honoured pieces
Vintage furniture pieces are the new trend in the design world that are great investments. They can be pre-owned pieces inherited from the family or a discovery at the local vintage store. These old pieces have stood the test

of time and survived because of the quality of the materials used and hence are sturdy even today. Renew its polish, remodel it, and it will be a showstopper.
Recycle your fabrics
Fabrics like linens, cotton and silk are biodegradable because they are natural materials and are aesthetically pleasing. One could use old dupattas, shawls, and sarees that can easily be recycled to make upholstery for cushions, furniture pieces, and throws. In addition, natural fibre rugs made from wool and silk for upholstery are ideal options that provide good insulation.
Support local brand and homegrown products
Sustainability is also about supporting the local community. Not only does it reduce the carbon footprint due to reduction in transportation, but it also grants economic stability to the vendors, artisans and craftspersons. It could be an art piece for your bedroom, an embroidered throw for your refurbished sofas or a piece of furniture itself.
Verdant and lively interiors
Plants provide oxygen and filter out harmful chemicals from the air. Besides these, they offer a natural ambience and bring freshness to the space. So invest in some good indoor plants to add the splash of life to any room.
Bamboo, Rattan and Cane
These days, Bamboo, Rattan and Cane are the shining stars of sustainable interior design, making their presence in varied scales of design elements, furniture and decor. They are highly durable materials and the answer to a low-cost solution for interior and exterior design. For instance, they can be used in a rustic interior setting or as a focal point in a room as a headboard for the bed and shutters of the wardrobes. In addition, they are sturdy materials and can be used to make chairs, stools, storage units, partitions, screens etc.

ASTROLOGY

WEEKLY PREDICTIONS 13TH — 19TH FEBRUARY 2022

ARIES  MAR 21 - APR 19 Pluto in Capricorn, in your house of reputation, making a trine to the North Node in Taurus in your house of self-worth. You have an opportunity to connect with your tribe. You can find people with whom you have an emotional or spiritual link. You may have a big decision. Choice A may lead you to something that challenges you to find out what you're made of.	LIBRA  SEP 23 - OCT 22 Pluto in Capricorn, in your house of home and family, making a trine to the North Node in Taurus in your house of power. Today, you may be balancing your responsibilities and obligations to your family with what you want to do. Libra, you do like to please, and sometimes this means putting your own wishes aside.
TAURUS  APR 20 - MAY 20 Pluto in Capricorn, in your house of personal philosophy, making a trine to the North Node in your own sign of Taurus. This is a rare aspect that hasn't occurred since 2016. Taurus, your personal narrative shapes your world. Basically, what you believe is what you get. And this aspect allows you the opportunity to transform your story and thus change your experience.	SCORPIO  OCT 23 - NOV 21 Pluto in Capricorn, in your house of communication and thinking process, making a trine to the North Node in Taurus in your house of relationships. This is a rare aspect that has not occurred since 2016. Today, you could have a communication breakthrough. You may realize an important fact about your partner and how they communicate their needs to you.
GEMINI  MAY 21 - JUN 20 Pluto in Capricorn, in your house of intimacy, making a trine to the North Node in Taurus in your house of secrets. This is a rare aspect that has not occurred since 2016. You can make a deep and meaningful connection with another person today. You could share something very special with a potential partner. And today, you're revealing secrets that strengthen the bond between the two of you.	SAGITTARIUS  NOV 22 - DEC 21 Pluto in Capricorn, in your house of financial success, making a trine to the North Node in Taurus in your house of daily routines. This is a rare aspect that has not occurred since 2016. Today, you may recognize that your personal success is based on how you wrangle your schedule and routines. Sagittarius, you love spontaneity, but success requires consistent action. A regular routine could lead to an extraordinary life.
CANCER  JUN 21 - JUL 22 Pluto in Capricorn, in your house of relationships, making a trine to the North Node in Taurus in your house of friendships. This is a rare aspect that has not occurred since 2016. Someone you have known for a while may want to become more than an acquaintance. Cancer, this person may be pursuing you for a love relationship. This could be an individual who has been in your "friend zone" for a long time.	CAPRICORN  DEC 22 - JAN 19 Pluto, in your own sign of Capricorn and in your house of confidence, making a trine to the North Node in Taurus in your house of risk-taking. Capricorn, you know what you want. You have been focused on the ladder of success for years. But occasionally, when climbing, you like to rest at a certain level. Then it's time to focus your energies on the climb again.
LEO  JUL 23 - AUG 22 Pluto in Capricorn, in your house of health and well-being, making a trine to the North Node in Taurus in your house of the future. This is a rare aspect that has not occurred since 2016. Today, you may feel empowered to take certain steps to improve your general well-being. You may alter your diet, get a personal trainer, or start a meditation practice. Today, you could be making yourself a priority.	AQUARIUS  JAN 20 - FEB 18 Pluto in Capricorn, in your house of spirituality, making a trine to the North Node in Taurus in your house of foundations. This is a rare aspect that has not occurred since 2016. Your connection with the Universe is strengthened by the spiritual routines you do at home. Aquarius, it's wise to enfold spiritual practices into your daily life. This is a good day to do prayer, meditation, or read spiritual texts.
VIRGO  AUG 23 - SEP 22 Pluto in Capricorn, in your house of romance and fun, making a trine to the North Node in Taurus at the top of your chart. Today, you are highly visible, and it's easy to make your wishes known. It's like there's a beacon over your head. If you wish to attract a love relationship, you need only to send out that message to the Universe.	PISCES  FEB 19 - MAR 20 Pluto in Capricorn, in your house of friendships, making a trine to the North Node in Taurus in your house of communications. A friend could profess their undying love. And you may feel the same. This could mean big changes in both your lives. Now, you're living more authentically, expressing true feelings, and this opens you up to new possibilities.