

MOVIE REVIEW

The Night Manager Season 2



**Director:** Priyanka Ghose, Sandeep Modi  
**Cast:** Anil Kapoor, Aditya Roy Kapur, Sobhita Dhulipala, Tillotama Shome, Saswata Chatterjee

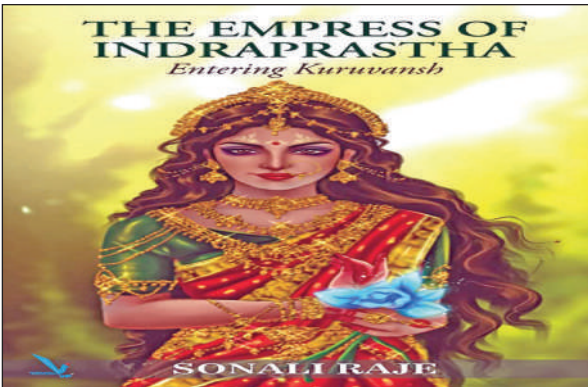
**STORY:** As Shaan Sengupta has a new identity and replaces BJ as Shailendra Rungta's CEO, he must bring his plan to take the powerful arms dealer down to fruition. But there are more players and more peril, as Shelly takes charge to keep his empire safe.

**REVIEW:** Besides a constantly-riveting plot, performances make this one an out-and-out winner. One saw Anil Kapoor in a subdued avatar in the first edition, but he unleashes the finesse here. He proves that he meant business when he warned Shaan that it would be best if he didn't meet the man behind the suit. And one can see what that means. He shows how evil and strong-headed he can be, from a backstory that Lipika narrates and a scene in a warehouse that will have one gasping. Aditya Roy Kapur also brings his A-game to the role as he plays a business tycoon, leaves Lipika wondering what he is up to, exacts revenge, and also plays a peacemaker in a scene. Sobhita Dhulipala has a meatier part and she does complete justice to her character, whether in emotional scenes or as a brave woman in distress. Saswata Chatterjee has a shorter role but he hits it out of the park as Shelly's loyal but hurting aide. Tillotama Shome, too, has a longer role and props to her for doing a fabulous job as an insanely committed, sharp and honest agent.

In-depth Analysis				
Our overall critic's rating is not an average of the sub scores below.				
Direction	██████	██████	██████	3/5
Dialogues	██████	██████	██████	3/5
Story	██████	██████	██████	3/5
Music	██████	██████	██████	3/5
Visual appeal	██████	██████	██████	3/5

BOOK REVIEW

The Empress of Indraprastha



**Title:** The Empress Of Indraprastha- Entering Kuruvansh  
**Author:** Sonali Rajee  
**Genre:** Mythological Fiction  
**Publisher:** Vishwakarma Publications  
**Pages:** 140  
**Price:** INR 195

**Review:** Sonali Rajee makes her debut as an author with 'The Empress Of Indraprastha- Entering Kuruvansh', the first book in a five-part series that unveils the untold memoirs of Draupadi, an Empress and one of the pivotal characters in the Mahabharata.

The book is a retelling of the epic Mahabharata from Draupadi's point of view. The narrative spans Draupadi's life, from her birth to her deep conversations with her best friend Krishna, highlighting significant events that shaped her journey.

From her Swayamvar to the partition of Hastinapur, where the Pandavas are granted the desolate Khandavprastha, Rajee expertly weaves intricate factual details into the story, breathing life into the characters and immersing readers in the tale.

The book sheds light on lesser-known characters like Devaki (Yudhisthir's wife), Karna's wives Supriya and Vrushali. It also offers a fresh perspective on Draupadi herself. She is portrayed as fearless, revealing her complex relationships with her five husbands and other characters. Throughout the series, the intricate complexities of polyamorous marriage dynamics and sibling bonds promoting gender equality are skillfully explored, providing readers with a deeper understanding of Draupadi's multifaceted character. The writing style is simple and would appeal to all kinds of readers. Its concise yet engaging nature makes it an effortless and enjoyable read. This is definitely a well-told story with interesting characters and a rich and detailed setting.

GADGET REVIEW

Realme C55



Expected Price	Rs 10,999.
Display	6.72-inch
Resolution	(1080x2400)
Processor	MediaTek Helio G88
Front Camera	8MP
Rear Camera	64MP + 2MP
RAM	4GB, 6GB, 8GB
Storage	64GB, 128GB
Battery Capacity	5000mAh
OS	Android 13
Wi-Fi	Yes
GPS	Yes
Bluetooth	Yes
USB Type-C	Yes
Headphones	3.5mm
Face unlock	Yes
3D face recognition	No
Fingerprint sensor	Yes
Magnetometer	Yes
Fast charging	Super VOOC
Colours	Sunshower, Rainy Night

Pros	Cons
* Premium-looking design.	* Lacks 5G connectivity.
* Bright 90Hz LCD panel.	* Mini Capsule feature is half-baked.
* Fast wired charging.	* Too much bloatware, spammy notifications.
* Good daylight imaging.	
* 3.5mm headphone port.	

VEHICLE REVIEW

Maruti Invicto



Starting Price	Rs. 24.79 - 28.42 Lakh*
ARAI Mileage	23.24 kmpl
Fuel Type	Petrol
Engine Displacement	1987 cc
No. of cylinder	4
Max Power	150.19bhp@6000rpm
Max Torque	188Nm@4400-5200rpm
Seating Capacity	7, 8
No of Airbags	6
Transmission Type	Automatic
Fuel Tank Capacity	52.0 L
Body Type	MUV
Front Suspension	MacPherson Strut
Rear Suspension	Torsion Beam
Steering Type	Electric
Steering Column	Tilt and Telescopic
Front Brake Type	Ventilated Disc
Rear Brake Type	Solid Disc
Parking Sensors	Front & Rear
USB Charger	Front & Rear
No of Speakers	6

Pros	Cons
* Impressive road presence with the large size and premium lighting elements.	* 17-inch alloy wheels look too small on the large vehicle.
* A truly spacious 7-seater.	
* Hybrid powertrain offers effortless drive and impressive mileage.	

Health and Lifestyle

Decorating and Remodeling: Expert tips on how to ace it!



Decorating and remodeling a home can be both exciting and challenging. Choosing the apt decor can be overwhelming, especially if you don't know much about setting up spaces. That's why we've enlisted the expertise of Keith Menon, co-founder of an interior designing brand and he shares six valuable decorating and remodeling tips that will help you transform your home into the space of your dreams.

**Understanding Your Space and Needs:** Take a look at your room sizes, the layout, and the amount of natural light available. Think about how you use each room and what kind of furniture and décor will make it more comfortable and practical.

For example, if you have children, you may want to choose materials that are easy to clean and durable enough to withstand wear and tear. By considering your space and needs, you can create a design that not only looks great but also works for you and your family.

**Prioritise utility first:** Prioritising utility means understanding the purpose of each room and choosing furniture and décor that support those activities. For instance, if you work from home, you should prioritise a comfortable and ergonomic chair that supports good posture and prevents back pain. Additionally, consider the amount of storage space you need to keep your workspace organised and clutter-free.

**Set a budget:** Set a budget based on what you know you can spend, and use that money to buy the things you want. Prioritising the most important items first, such as furniture, lighting, and paint, is critical. You can always add decorative items after you've taken care of the necessities.



**Plan your timeline:** Consider tasks that can be completed outside of your home when creating your timeline, such as shopping for décor, ordering furniture, or painting. Then, concentrate on tasks that must be completed within your home, such as installing furniture, painting walls, and organising décor.

**Search online for options:** Explore various websites, social media accounts, and online stores to find pieces that fit your style and budget. Remember to think about the materials used, the quality of the items, and previous customer experiences. Online research can assist you in making informed decisions and locating the ideal items for your home.

**Don't block sunlight and ventilation:** Natural light and ventilation are essential for a healthy and comfortable home. Make sure you're not blocking windows or doors with furniture or décor unless you live in a hot place and don't have an option.

**Wait before ordering:** Waiting to make a purchase can help you better understand what you require and ensure that you make the right choice. This approach can also help you avoid cluttering your home with items that do not match your style or space.

**Leave space for nature:** Adding plants to your home is a simple and inexpensive way to decorate your living space. Plants can bring color, texture, and life to any space. Consider the amount of natural light in your space when selecting plants, as different plants have different lighting requirements. You can also select plants that are low-maintenance, such as succulents, which require little watering and attention.

ASTROLOGY

WEEKLY PREDICTIONS 09<sup>TH</sup>— 15<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2023

<b>ARIES</b>  MAR 21 - APR 20	This week, you have the tactical advantage. The week begins with Mars in Leo and your house of personal expression and risk-taking making a quineux to Pluto in Capricorn. You might feel undervalued and underpaid. Now you're hunting for solutions. Aries, it's possible you're looking to change your career; start a business, or figure out how you can push yourself in a new direction. You're raising the bar.	<b>LIBRA</b>  SEP 24 - OCT 22	This week, a commitment is possible. The week begins with Mars in Leo and your house of friendships making a quineux to Pluto in Capricorn. Today, a friend might become a family member. It's possible that you're getting engaged to your best friend or a friend of yours is marrying your sibling. Libra, you're making a meaningful connection today.
<b>TAURUS</b>  APR 21 - MAY 20	This week, you're speaking truth to power. The week begins with Mars in Leo and your house of home and family making a quineux to Pluto in Capricorn. Today, you might run headlong into a family dispute. Taurus, this could be about a big topic like politics, climate change, global nuclear treaties, or rival sports teams. And you're both quite intractable at the moment.	<b>SCORPIO</b>  OCT 23 - NOV 22	This week, you could hit the road. The week begins with Mars in Leo and your house of travel and mind-expanding experiences making a quineux to Pluto in Capricorn. In My Travels with Charley, John Steinbeck noted how many people wanted to travel with him. Sagittarius, this might apply to you. You could be ready to let go of your conventional life and hit the road (either literally or figuratively).
<b>GEMINI</b>  MAY 21 - JUN 20	This week, you're tapping into the prosperity mindset. The week begins with Mars in Leo and your house of plans making a quineux to Pluto in Capricorn. Today, you can work through a difficult puzzle, especially one that has a financial component. Gemini, you might consider a new investment strategy, self-banking, or how to use a business to offset tax liability.	<b>SAGITTARIUS</b>  NOV 23 - DEC 22	This week, you're meeting new and exciting people. The week begins with the sun in Gemini and your house of relationships squaring Neptune in Pisces. If you want to meet someone new, visualize your energy drawing this person toward you. Sagittarius, you might light a candle to let the Universe know you are ready. If you're already in a love relationship, you could have a very romantic evening.
<b>CANCER</b>  JUN 22 - JUL 23	This week, you're finding your path. The week begins with Mars in Leo and your house of money making a quineux with Pluto in Capricorn. Cancer, the road to prosperity is much easier if you can get your partner and family on board. Today, you could state your case about reining in impulse spending, saving for a house, or looking for other income sources.	<b>CAPRICORN</b>  DEC 23 - JUL 20	This week, you're finding your power. The week begins with Mars in Leo and your house of investments, credit, and debt making a quineux to Pluto in your own sign of Capricorn. Pluto has returned to your sign briefly to make you understand that you have power. You might not feel like you have access to resources, money, or credit, but there is more available to you than you think.
<b>LEO</b>  JUL 24 - AUG 23	This week, you're in the limelight. The week begins with Mars in your own sign of Leo and your house of confidence making a quineux with Pluto in Capricorn. Leo, you could run into a gatekeeper today. Someone feels like it's their job to stand in your way. But this is interesting energy that suggests there is a side door. A side door for a musician would be self-publishing the album.	<b>AQUARIUS</b>  JAN 21 - FEB 23	This week, you're making a breakthrough. The week begins with Mars in Leo and your house of relationships making a quineux to Pluto in Capricorn. You could be in a power struggle with someone inadvertently. They want more territory or autonomy. And they might be related to you. In fact, Aquarius, it could be your toddler demanding that they can tie their own shoes without your help.
<b>VIRGO</b>  JUL 24 - AUG 23	This week, you're co-creating with the Universe. The week begins with Mars in Leo and your house of solitude and quiet making a quineux to Pluto in Capricorn. You can have some powerful insights if you give yourself some time to think today. Virgo, you might get out your journal and use some writing prompts to channel wisdom from the Universe.	<b>PISCES</b>  FEB 20 - MAR 20	This week, you're going in the right direction. The week begins with Mars in Leo and your house of health and well-being making a quineux to Pluto in Capricorn. A needy "friend" seems to take most of your energy. You are a very giving person, but sometimes boundaries are necessary. Pisces, you might want to set up a spiritual fence and get a magical guard dog.