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I want to become a role model for women who are not perfect: Rytasha Rathore



Kangana Ranaut

## 'DURING QUEEN, I COULD TELL SOMETHING WAS WRONG WITH VIKAS'

**KANGANA RANAUT SAYS THAT SHE BELIEVES THE SURVIVOR ACCUSING VIKAS BAHL OF SEXUAL ASSAULT, DETAILS CREEPY BEHAVIOUR BY THE DIRECTOR DURING QUEEN'S SHOOT**

Now that Phantom has dissolved, many are attacking him, even though she asked for help long ago. I supported her at that time. Vikas had come to me with a script about a gold medalist from Haryana, but then stopped talking to me. I didn't mind losing out on a good script. I was determined to say what I felt was right

Go, look at yourselves in the mirror, bunch of cowards, attacking powerless men won't begin a movement. Either we do it or we don't. Let's not be opportunists. Selective outrage will only serve as entertainment

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In April 2017, *Mumbai Mirror* had reported that a woman employee of Phantom Films had accused co-founder and director Vikas Bahl of sexual harassment, a charge Bahl had vehemently denied at the time. The report also hinted that there were multiple victims and quoted one of the stakeholders as saying that Bahl was prone to "bad behaviour". Now, the woman has revealed more details about the incident to *Hi/Post India*, alleging that Bahl sexually assaulted her during a trip to Goa in 2015, on the promotional tour of *Bombay Velvet*. She has also stated that she told the other partners at Phantom - Anurag Kashyap, Vikramaditya Motwane and Madhu Mantena - about the incident a few months later, but nothing was done about it till March 2017, and that Bahl continued to harass her till she finally quit the company.

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Anurag Kashyap

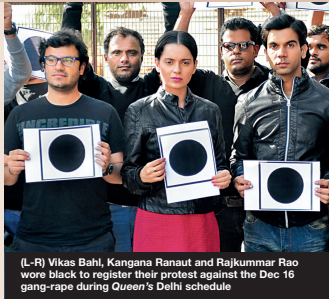
I am deeply, truly sorry to the woman in question and she has known it all this while. This will never happen on my work premises ever again

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## GIRLS SHOULD BE ABLE TO GO OUT AT 2AM, THAT'S THE POINT: VIKAS AT NIRBHAYA PROTEST DURING QUEEN'S DELHI SHOOT

In December 2012, when *Queen* was being shot in Delhi and the capital was coming to terms with the Nirbhaya gang-rape, which had happened a few days before, the crew of the film decided to wear black to protest the incident. At the time, Vikas Bahl had said, "We were wondering what we could do to keep up the momentum of the protests. We thought, if we can't stop work we can at least wear black for a day and put it out there. The salt part is that the solution - actually offered as a solution - here is that girls should stay at home and they won't get raped. That's not the direction this should go in. Girls should be able to go out at 2am, that's the point."

During the protest, the director was also chanting, "Kill the bastards or castrate them."



(L-R) Vikas Bahl, Kangana Ranaut and Rajkumar Rao wore black to register their protest against the Dec 16 gang-rape during *Queen's* Delhi schedule

## Breaking the stereotypes of mainstream fashion



Kartik Aaryan with Kamal Khushlani

On completing 20 years, denim casual wear brand Muffi has roped in Kartik Aaryan as its maiden ambassador and also as the face of its Autumn-Winter '18 collection. Kamal Khushlani, founder and MD of the brand, launched it in 1998 with one ambition -- to provide an alternative dressing solution that didn't conform to the uniform codes of mainstream fashion. Since its inception, Muffi has evolved as a brand and Kartik's fun, easy-going and youthful persona fits in perfectly with its image. Also, he is among the popular faces in Bollywood today with hits like *Pyaar Ka Panchama 2* and *Sonu Ke Titu Ki Swستی* under his belt.

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## Heralding a wine revolution in India

Prathamesh Bhandekar



Diana Chan enjoys an autorickshaw ride in Mumbai

After emerging the winner of *MasterChef Australia's* season nine, Diana Chan, who enjoys immense fan following across the world, has now joined hands with Wine Villa, to help bring about a wine revolution in India. Her collaboration with the restaurant, said to be Mumbai's first wine-on-tap restaurant, has given its menu an exquisite Malaysian touch.

MasterChef Diana, an accountant by profession, grew up in Johor Bahru (Malaysia) and moved to Melbourne (Australia), to pursue higher education. After four years of working at one of the top four accounting firms Down Under, she decided to pursue her passion of making a career out of food, and went on to compete in the reality show. The rest, as they say, is history.

Hailing from Malaysia, which is known for its vibrant flavours, and having spent her adulthood in a country known as one of the top five wine-regions in the world, Diana is now set to offer her Indian fans a taste of her expertise.

## Jennifer and Ben finalise divorce

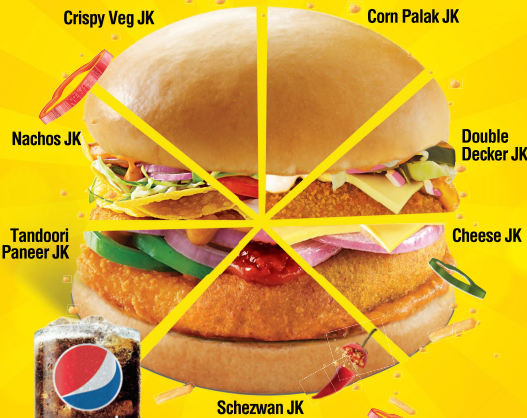


Jennifer Garner

Ben Affleck

Jennifer Garner and Ben Affleck have finalised their divorce three years after separating. The former couple, who announced their separation in June 2015 after ten years of marriage, have officially ended their marriage, according to court documents obtained by a US magazine. The duo met at Garner's house with lawyers and a private judge on Thursday, a day after news broke that she had requested the private judge to handle the final details of the divorce. The news of the divorce comes a day after Affleck addressed his recreation in the blue. The actor entered rehab on August 22 to address his alcohol addiction. Affleck and Garner have three children together, Violet, 12, Seraphina, nine, and Samuel, six. They began dating in 2004 and married in June 2005. They filed for divorce in April 2017.

## I am the flavour of Mumbai.



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