



Meow! More Cat Fights in Bollywood ...

Talking about stars getting along, our starlets aren't doing that well either. With *Bipasha Basu* constantly speaking about who she's not too 'chummy' with, *namely Katrina Kaif*, another group of girls are making their dislike for each other more than apparent. *Paritoosh Painter*, a debutant director, making *Paying Guest* which stars *Riya Sen*, *Celina Jaitley* and *Neha Dhupia*, can't get the girls to cooperate at all. Till now it was much similar to a group of kids who couldn't play together. However, things went to the next level when *Neha Dhupia* recently missed a flight and delayed everyone on the sets by at least a whole day, which in the film industry can mean a whole lot more. Rumor has it that she missed her flight from Dubai to Bangkok due to excessive partying the night before.

Big Boss Akhir Kaun Hai?

Who can forget the controversy that surrounded our *Mme Shilpa Shetty* during the *Big Boss* fiasco in the UK? She is now, undoubtedly, the best known and most popular Indian in the UK – and perversely she can put her fame down to having been bullied by *Jade Goody* during her appearance on UK's '*Celebrity Big Brother*'. A string of demeaning comments and derogatory labeling, such as referring to *Shilpa* as *Shilpa Poppadom*, led to a record number of complaints to Ofcom, the regulators, and the burning of *Jade's* effigy in the streets of India. *Shilpa's* graceful and dignified response led to her being admired by everyone, shamed sections of the public, and provoked numerous articles of national self-reflection in the UK.

Thanks to all of this, *Shilpa's* career is booming and she has been signed to host the Indian equivalent of '*Big Brother*', '*Big Boss*'. In a further twist, it is rumored that the producers have offered *Jade Goody* £50,000 to appear on '*Big Boss*'. A spokesman for *Jade* has said, "*For Jade, it's a chance to show that she is not a racist. She is the first to admit that she did have her problems with Shilpa, but this will be like a role reversal and a chance to show India and the world what she is really like.*" Should we say, "poor *Jade*" right about now?

Meanwhile, *Jade*, who is not so "poor" after all, has put her celebrity status to great use after having appeared in both '*Big Brother*' and '*Celebrity Big Brother*'. She recently produced her autobiography, "*Jade Goody – Living and Learning*" and her own perfume brand, "*Shh.....Jade Goody*". Her celebrity status is said to have earned her up to £3m and she currently drives a £130,000 Bentley. Man! Are we in the wrong line of business!

Anil Kapoor Chale Holly-

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Although south Asia has a limited presence at the Toronto International Film Festival, *Danny Boyle's* film titled *Slumdog Millionaire* will be premiering there this year. The film stars *Dev Patel*, *Irrfan Khan* and *Anil Kapoor* and marks *Kapoor's* first international film which he is incredibly excited about. The film is the story of a man who goes on the Hindi version of "*Who Wants to be a Millionaire?*" in order to maintain contact with his lady-love. It is based on the novel by *Vikas Swarup*, titled '*Q&A*'.

Madhuri is Unforgettable...

Madhuri Dixit, a part of the *Unforgettable* tour with *Brand Bachchan*, has been thrilling fans with her performances. In case you didn't know, the '*Unforgettable*' tour stars *Amitabh*, *Abhishek* and *Aishwarya Bachchan*, along with *Preity Zinta* and *Riteish Desmukh*. *Mads* is only performing in select cities and she says being on stage with these stars has been "unforgettable".

In a statement, *Mads* said, "*The 'Unforgettable' tour gave me an opportunity to perform with Amitabh Bachchan, Aishwarya Rai and Abhishek on the same stage. I have worked with Aishwarya and Preity before and that has been great. Also, there is a great comfort level in our team and this has been an unforgettable experience.*"

Lucky fans will not only see her dancing to '*Ek Do Teen*' from *Teezab*, and '*Que Sera Sera*' from *Pukar* but also, in what must surely be the highlight of the evening, the '*Dola Re Dola*' number from *Devdas* with *Aishwarya*.

Now, if only this tour had been performing in Florida, we could have witnessed some of this "unforgettable" entertainment!



Kareena - The Hostess ...

Our *Nawab Sahib* of Bollywood turned one year older on August 16th and as expected the celebrations are the talk of the town. *Saif Ali Khan's* real life leading lady, *Kareena Kapoor* has just returned from a busy schedule in the US and focused all her time and energy on planning the birthday bash of the year for her *nawab*. Rumor has it that due to the big clash between *SRK* & *Salman* during *Katrina's* birthday get together a few weeks ago, *Katrina* had a few misgivings about what size she should keep the party to. Tut! Tut! Tut! When will these stars learn to get along with another?