



ANUPAM KHER

Award Winning International Actor, Author & Motivational Speaker

Anupam Kher is one of India's most celebrated and globally respected actors — an artist whose journey spans over 40 years across Indian and international cinema, theatre, and cultural leadership. With credits that include **550+ films** and **100+ plays**, he has delivered unforgettable performances in landmark titles such as *Saaransh*, *Dilwale Dulhania Le Jayenge*, *Karma*, *Khosla Ka Ghosla*, *A Wednesday*, *Special 26*, *Maine Gandhi Ko Nahin Mara*, *The Accidental Prime Minister*, and *The Kashmir Files*, earning both critical acclaim and enduring popular love.

Internationally, Kher has collaborated with renowned filmmakers including **Ang Lee**, **David O. Russell**, **Woody Allen**, **Gurinder Chadha**, and **The Wachowskis**, with global credits such as *Silver Linings Playbook*, *Hotel Mumbai*, *The Boy with the Topknot*, *The Big Sick*, and series like *Sense8* and *New Amsterdam*.

A member of the **Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences (USA)**, Kher's influence extends beyond performance into institution-building and public service. He has held key national leadership roles, including Chairmanships of **FTII**, the **National School of Drama**, and the **Film Certification Board of India**. His honours include the **Padma Shri (2004)** and the **Padma Bhushan (2016)**, among India's highest civilian awards for distinguished contribution to the arts.

In 2005, he founded **Actor Prepares**, a world-renowned acting school that has trained several of India's leading talents, including Deepika Padukone, Varun Dhawan, Hrithik Roshan, Abhishek Bachchan, and Kiara Advani.

Kher is also the best-selling author of **four** books — *Lessons Life Taught Me*, *Unknowingly (An Autobiography)*, *The Best Thing About You Is You*, *Your Best Day Is Today*, and *Different But No Less* — and a powerful motivational voice whose acclaimed stage autobiography, *Kucch Bhi Ho Sakta Hai (Nothing Is Impossible)*, has completed **400+ shows worldwide**.

As a producer-director, Anupam Kher's *Tanvi: The Great (2005)* has been officially listed among films eligible for consideration in the **Academy Awards' Best Picture** race. The film also won the **FIPRESCI India Award** for Best Feature Film at the Jagran Film Festival — marking a major milestone on its festival journey.

Through the **Anupam Kher Foundation** (founded in 2008), he has also been recognised for his work with underprivileged children, alongside broader global advocacy initiatives.

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