



Actor Anant Nag to be honoured with Dadasaheb Phalke Award for the year 2024 for his contribution to Indian Cinema and an illustrious cinematic journey

Award to be presented at the 72nd National Film Awards ceremony on 22nd September 2026 at Kevadia, Gujarat

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On the recommendation of the Dadasaheb Phalke Award Selection Committee, the Government of India is pleased to announce that the prestigious Dadasaheb Phalke Award 2024 will be conferred upon veteran actor Shri Anant Nag in recognition of his outstanding and invaluable contribution to the growth and development of Indian Cinema. The award recognises his illustrious cinematic journey spanning over 5 decades, which has inspired generations of artists and enriched the cultural landscape of the nation. The award will be presented to Shri Anant Nag at the 72nd National Film Awards ceremony to be held on 22nd September, 2026, at Kevadia, Gujarat.

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About Shri Anant Nag

Shri Anant Nag (born 4 September 1948, Karnataka) is a veteran Indian actor renowned for his versatility and contribution to Indian cinema spanning over 5 decades. He made his acting debut in the Kannada feature film Sankalp and his Hindi debut in Ankur, going on to portray diverse characters in over 300 films across Kannada, Hindi, Telugu, Malayalam, Tamil, and Marathi cinema, including notable works such as Malgudi Days.

Shri Anant has won five Filmfare Awards and five Karnataka State Best Actor Awards, along with the Karnataka Rajyotsava Award, the Karnataka Sahitya Academy Award, and the Karnataka State Lifetime Achievement Award. He also holds an Honorary Doctorate from Bangalore University (North). In 2023,

he celebrated the Golden Jubilee of his 50-year career in cinema.

Beyond cinema, Shri Anant served as a Member of the Karnataka Legislative Council from 1988 to 1994 and as a Member of the Legislative Assembly from 1994 to 1999, during which he held office as Minister of State for Bangalore City Development. He has been honoured by the Government of India with the Padma Bhushan in 2025. Today, Shri Anant Nag remains one of India's most respected cultural icons, admired for his versatility, humility, and enduring contribution to Indian cinema.

About Dadasaheb Phalke Award

Instituted in 1969 when presented to Devika Rani, the Dadasaheb Phalke Award was introduced by the Government of India to commemorate Dadasaheb Phalke's contribution to Indian cinema who directed India's first full-length feature film, Raja Harishchandra in 1913. Honoured with the highest award in the field of cinema, the recipients are recognized for their 'outstanding contribution to the growth and development of Indian cinema'. The award comprises a Swarna Kamal (Golden Lotus) medallion, a shawl, and a cash prize of ₹10 lakh.

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