

Tamannah Wows DJ Snake With Fusion Track

MUMBAI: French DJ William Sami Etienne Grigahcine, who goes by the stage name DJ Snake, finds actress Tamannah Bhatia's take on the track "Magenta riddim" slick.

The "Turn down for what" hit-maker is a huge Bollywood fan and shot his latest single "Magenta riddim" in Telangana's Hyderabad. He gave the "Magenta riddim" challenge to Tamannaah in a friendly banter on social media, read a statement.

It all started with DJ Snake confessing that he saw the magnum opus "Baahubali 2", a copy of which Tamannaah Bhatia sent him since she couldn't meet him while he was shooting for his track. Tamannaah said she had heard the record producer's recent single and loved it too. But the conversation did not end there as Tamannaah went on to reveal

her passion for dance.

After this, DJ Snake decided to present the dance challenge to the actress who fused the song with a few Indian classical dance moves.

The French DJ later shared the video with his 3.7 million followers on Instagram and 1.3 million followers in Twitter with the title "From Paris to Bollywood". The edited video has garnered over 300,000 views on the platform in a span of 12 hours.

"I loved shooting in India and experiencing the Indian culture. I have always loved it.

"And it was great to see the 'Baahubali' star, Tamannaah's take on 'Magenta riddim' where she fused it with Indian dance moves and made it feel so slick. I'm so inspired by all the layers of Indian culture it made me very happy to see that," said the DJ.



"Magenta Riddim" has been a tribute to the influence that Indian music has had on the artist and his work. Directed by Gal Muggia and Vania Heymann who

have also worked on Coldplay's Grammy Award-nominated video the song "Up & up", the track's video shows firefighters who can't stop dancing.

Most of the crew involved in making the video were local artists who have worked on several films in the Telugu film industry.

I'm Here To Make An Impact, Not Money Asserts Richa Chadha

MUMBAI: From playing the mother of Nawazuddin Siddiqui at the age of 24 to making her presence felt at the festival circuit as well as at the box office, Richa Chadha has carved her own niche. The actress says she would rather opt for a project that gives her a chance to act than just give her visibility.

Born and brought up in Delhi, Richa started her career in Bollywood with the film "Oye Lucky! Lucky Oye!" in 2008 after doing theatre extensively. However, she went through a tough time in the film industry before "Gangs Of Wasseypur" happened in 2012.

She has since played several substantial roles in films as different as "Fukrey" and "Masaan".

Doesn't she feel bad that mainstream filmmakers are not collaborating with her enough for a protagonist's role?

"Look, if the producer is looking for a business of Rs 100 crore from a film, they need a star like Deepika Padukone to pull it off and it is purely a professional reason. I am okay with all that.

"I am not here to make money anyway. I want to leave a mark on

every project that I take up, every film that I do," Richa told IANS in an interview.

"I would say that only in 'Sarbjit', I felt misused. I regretted choosing the film, but 'Goliyon Ki Rasleela Ram-Leela' was a great experience. My character was pretty substantial. As long as my choice of the film gives me a chance to do that, I will continue choosing quality," she added.

However, she admits that playing the mother of an older man, at the age of 24 in "Gangs Of Wasseypur", was certainly a risk.

"That was a huge risk that I took at that point in time for which nobody appreciated me. There are people who thought that I am much older than what my actual age was. But people also understood my calibre as an actor," she said.

Richa was also offered to play the mother of Hrithik Roshan in the film "Agnepath".

"Yes, that is true, and I think that was a really stupid idea of the person who offered me that role. I think he was smoking something wrong," quipped the actress, known for speaking her mind.

Asked to choose some of her best performance so far, Richa said: "Of course, Bholi Punjaban (in 'Fukrey') is one of the roles that has given me a lot of love from the audience.

Richa said "Masaan" is one of the films which is also close to her heart. "I think I am so lucky that I started in 2012 and in 2015, my film was receiving two awards at the Cannes Film Festival. I will always be thankful to Neeraj Ghaywan for giving me the role," she added.

The irony is "Masaan" was one of those films which initially nobody -- whether a producer, big studio or film stars -- was interested to be a part of.

Since she did not have a film background, what gave her the confidence to find the potential in the material back then?

"Oh that's easy... I have a brain. People mostly think about a character where they will get to look good, two song-dance sequences for visibility... but that is not how it works. I think it is the responsibility of an actor to add value and meaning to the character that is written in the script."

Sonam Says Her Closest Friends Are Swara, Jacqueline & Kareena



NEW DELHI: Actress Sonam Kapoor Ahuja, who is gearing up for the release of her forthcoming film "Veere Di Wedding", says her closest friends are actresses Jacqueline Fernandez, Kareena Kapoor Khan and Swara Bhasker.

Asked if real friends can't be made in Bollywood, Sonam told IANS: "Completely untrue. Jacqueline, Bebo (Kareena) and Swara are my closest friends."

Directed by Shashanka Ghosh, "Veere Di Wedding", a tale of four friends, also stars Kareena,

Swara and Shikha Talsania.

The "Aisha" actress will also be seen in Rajkumar Hirani-directed "Sanju", a biopic on actor Sanjay Dutt. Actor Ranbir Kapoor will be playing the title role.

Asked about her role in the film, she said: "I will (reveal) when the time is right. At the moment, I cannot divulge any details."

"Sanju" is slated to release on June 29 and features an ensemble cast, including Dia Mirza, Manisha Koirala, Paresh Rawal and Anushka Sharma.

Vir Das Will Be FBI Agent In American 'Dramedy'

MUMBAI: Comedian Vir Das has been signed on by ABC for a new hour-long weekly dramedy FBI series "Whiskey Cavalier", produced by Warner Brothers.

"Whiskey Cavalier" is an hour-long high octane action dramedy following the tough but tender FBI agent who has a code name of Whiskey Cavalier. Vir will be seen essaying one of the main agents in the FBI named Jai Datt.

This marks his second venture into American television series space after "In Theory" was announced last year.

On his new show, Vir said: "I had such a good time shooting the pilot. It's an exciting time to bring Indian voices to American



television. This is a comedy team and a cast that is the right mix of laughs and action.

"It was something that the universe sent my way while I was on tour in the US. I ended up meeting the team and we found this character together."

Big B Didn't Understand 'Avengers: Infinity War'

MUMBAI: Megastar Amitabh Bachchan says he went to watch the latest Marvel Studios' movie "Avengers: Infinity War", which he failed to understand.

The 75-year-old cine icon tweeted on Sunday: "Okay brother, don't feel bad. Went to watch a film called 'Avengers', but didn't understand what was happening in the movie."

Directed by Anthony and Joe Russo, "Avengers: Infinity War" is the 19th film in the Marvel Cinematic Universe.

The superhero film revolves

around Iron Man, Thor, the Hulk, Spider-Man, Dr. Strange and the rest of the Avengers who unite to battle their most powerful enemy Thanos.

It has a powerful cast comprising actors like Robert Downey Jr., Josh Brolin, Chris Hemsworth, Chris Evans, Mark Ruffalo, Scarlett Johansson, Samuel L. Jackson, Chris Pratt, Zoe Saldana, Dave Bautista, Don Cheadle, Sebastian Stan, Elizabeth Olsen, Tom Holland, Benedict Cumberbatch and Tom Hiddleston.

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