

ACTOR / PERFORMER / STORYTELLER

DARSHAN KUMAAR

PRESENCE.

PURPOSE.

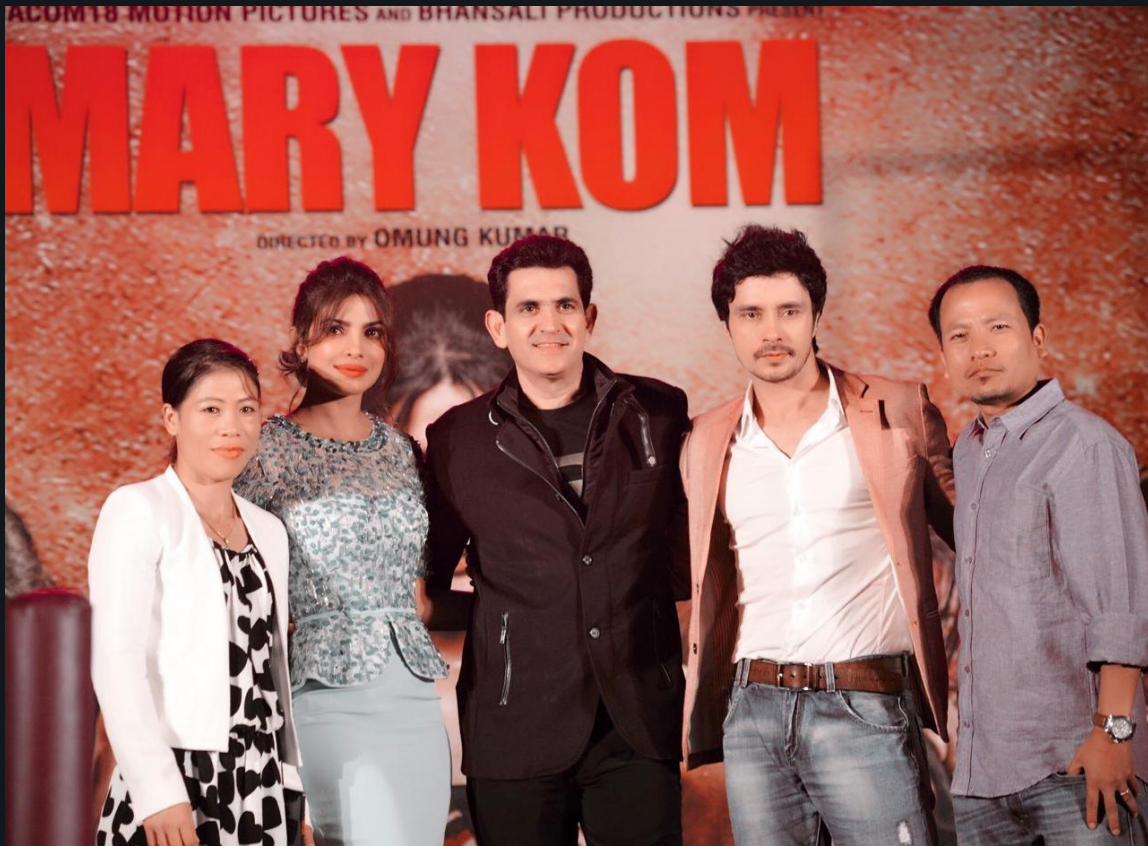
PERFORMANCE.



A theatre-trained actor bringing emotional depth, controlled intensity and conviction to Hindi cinema and streaming.

SELECTED WORK & RECOGNITION / OCTOBER 2026

An instinct for emotional truth



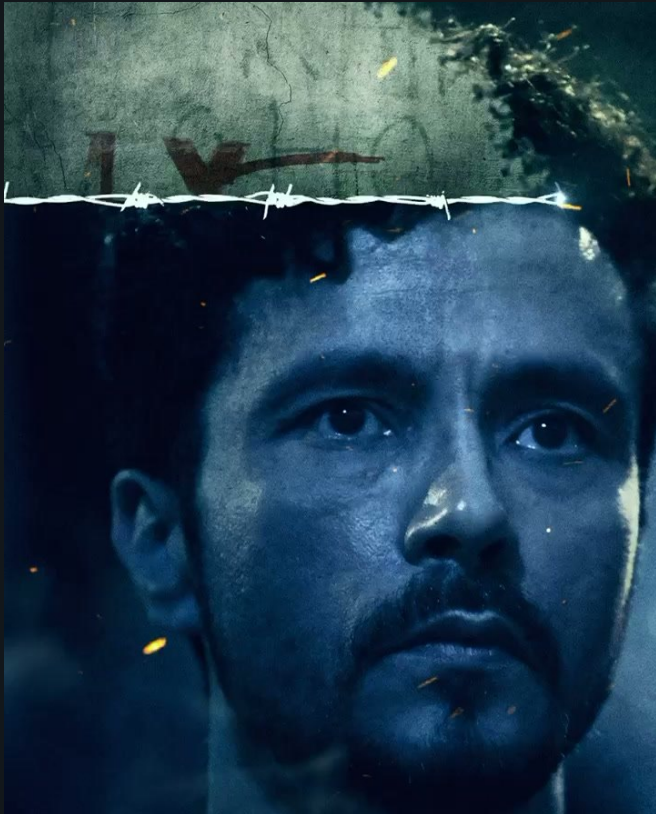
MARY KOM / A DEFINING EARLY SCREEN ROLE

Darshan Kumaar is an Indian actor whose work spans intimate drama, social thrillers and long-form streaming series. His performances move between tenderness and menace, balancing physical presence with a precise emotional register.

Raised in Delhi, his training with Sahej Theatre Group and Motley Productions, including learning from Naseeruddin Shah, informs his disciplined approach to character, stillness and dramatic tension. From Onler Kom in *Mary Kom* to Krishna Pandit in *The Kashmir Files*, he gives contrasting characters a distinct inner life.

Selected screen credits include *NH10*, *Sarbjit*, *The Family Man*, *Aashram*, *Avrodh*, *Dhokha: Round D Corner*, *Kaagaz 2* and *The Bengal Files*.

Krishna Pandit



THE KASHMIR FILES

Darshan Kumaar plays Krishna Pandit, a young student whose understanding of his family history is challenged by accounts of the displacement of Kashmiri Pandits. The character becomes an emotional entry point into the film, confronting competing narratives, inherited memory and questions of identity.

The performance develops through disbelief, agitation and grief toward a personal reckoning. Kumaar combines vulnerability with mounting intensity, culminating in the campus speech that forms a central dramatic moment. His theatre training is evident in the sustained delivery, physical restraint and emotional transitions demanded by the role.

RECOGNITION

Filmfare Awards 2023 - Best Supporting Actor nominee

Zee Cine Awards 2023 - Best Supporting Actor (Jury) nominee

The Bengal Files



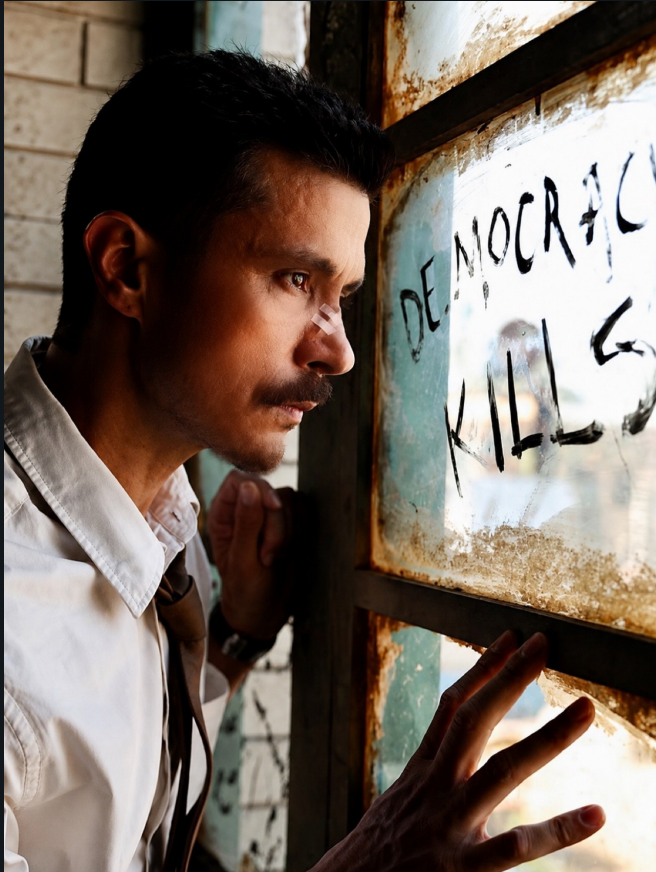
DARSHAN KUMAAR AS SHIVA PANDIT

A further chapter in his dramatic repertoire

In *The Bengal Files*, Kumaar takes on the role of Shiva Pandit. The film reunites him with director Vivek Ranjan Agnihotri in a story addressing partition-era violence in Bengal, following his portrayal of Krishna Pandit in *The Kashmir Files*.

Directed by Vivek Ranjan Agnihotri, the film opened on 5 September 2025 and was selected for Indian Panorama at the 56th International Film Festival of India, Goa.

From screen to festival stage



SHIVA PANDIT

A character still from The Bengal Files, extending Kumaar's work with stories of memory, displacement and personal conviction.



IFFI GOA 2025

With the film team at the 56th International Film Festival of India, Goa, where The Bengal Files featured in Indian Panorama.

His performance in The Bengal Files received a Best Actor honour at the Filmgiants Global Awards 2025, presented by the Governor. The award photograph appears in the recognition section.

Tenderness. Tension. Contrast.



MARY KOM

ONLER KOM

As Onler Kom, Kumaar brings warmth and quiet resolve to the husband of champion boxer Mary Kom, played by Priyanka Chopra. The role offers a tender counterpoint to the physical demands and ambition of her sporting journey.



DHOKHA

ROUND D CORNER

As ACP Harishchandra Malik, Kumaar enters a suspense-driven ensemble shaped by uncertainty and shifting perspectives. The performance adds an authoritative presence to the film's tense dramatic world.

From emotional support in a biographical drama to authority under pressure in a thriller, these roles reflect the contrasting registers within his screen work.

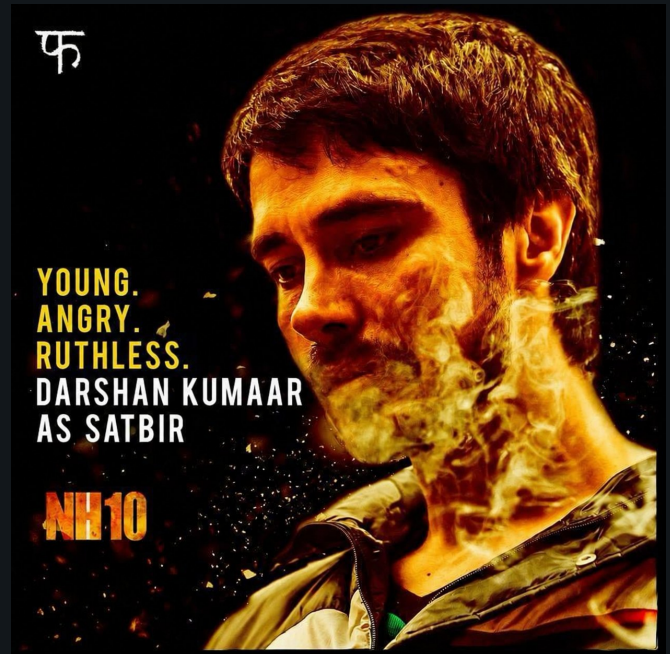
Conviction. Conflict. Character.



KAAGAZ 2

UDAY NARAYAN SINGH

Kumaar appears alongside Anupam Kher, Satish Kaushik, Neena Gupta and Smriti Kalra in this ensemble drama. As Uday Narayan Singh, he contributes to a social drama concerned with individual rights and the consequences of public disruption.



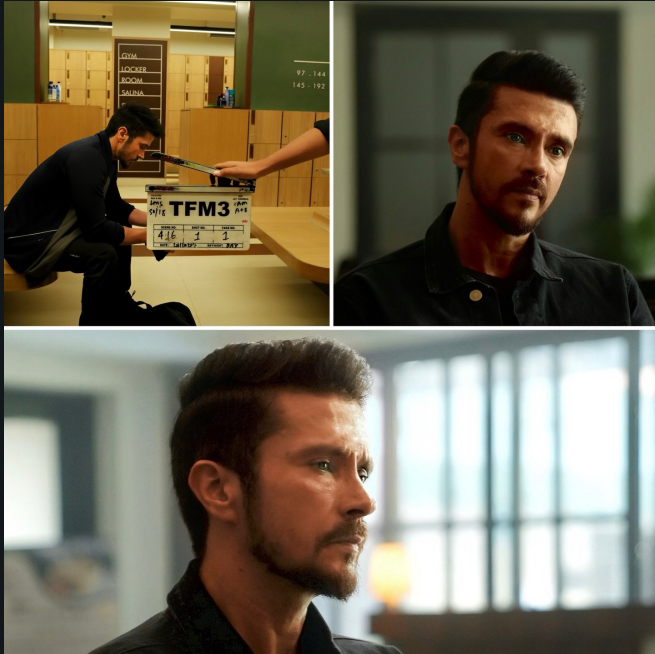
NH10

SATBIR

As Satbir, Kumaar projects a threatening, volatile presence. The role marked a striking contrast to Mary Kom and earned him the IIFA award for Best Performance in a Negative Role.

Contrasting characters, a consistent commitment to performance.

Two series. Distinct identities.



THE FAMILY MAN

Season 3 / Prime Video

Major Sameer

Kumaar returned as Major Sameer in the third season, released on 21 November 2025. His controlled, strategic presence continues within the series ensemble.



AASHRAM

Season 3 Part 2 / Amazon MX Player

SI Ujagar Singh

Released on 27 February 2025, the new chapter brings back his determined investigator within the series directed by Prakash Jha.



THE FAMILY MAN SEASON 3 TRAILER LAUNCH

Duty. Resolve. Humanity.



THE FAMILY MAN

Major Sameer

Strategic menace and controlled intensity in an ensemble thriller. The performance earned the 2021 Indian Telly Streaming Award for Best Supporting Actor (Jury).

SARBJIT / 2016

Awais Sheikh

Kumaar brings controlled advocacy and humane resolve to the role of the lawyer, adding a compassionate register to his body of work.



AASHRAM

SI Ujagar Singh

A determined investigator whose persistence provides a moral counterweight within the series. The returning role combines professional resolve with the pressures of a difficult investigation.

AVRODH / 2020

Major Raunaq Gautam

A military role built around duty, operational focus and ensemble discipline, extending his range into a mission-led streaming drama.

Honours on the national stage



2025

THE BENGAL FILES

Best Actor honour

Filmgiants Global Awards 2025

Presented by the Governor.



2022

THE KASHMIR FILES

Best Actor honour

Recognition for his performance in the film, presented by the then Governor of Maharashtra at the Global Wellness Day Awards.

An international honour



BEST ACTOR MALE

The Kashmir Files

Dadasaheb Phalke Icon Award Films International 2022
Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Honoured in Dubai for his performance as Krishna Pandit, the role that also earned him Filmfare and Zee Cine nominations.

A defining award moment



IIFA 2016 / NH10

Winner - Best Performance in a Negative Role
Darshan Kumar as Satbir



IN CONVERSATION

A candid moment from film promotions, alongside Anushka Sharma in a radio studio.

Celebrating the performance



TYCOON GLOBAL

Achievers Awards 2023

Best Actor of the Year
The Kashmir Files



ICONIC GOLD AWARDS

Best Actor honour

The Kashmir Files

Krishna Pandit remains a defining role in Kumar's screen career, connecting his dramatic work with recognition across award platforms.

Presence beyond the screen



ROLBOL YOUTH CONCLAVE 2026

KEYNOTE SPEAKER / RAIPUR

Beyond his screen work, Darshan Kumaar brings a lived perspective on the discipline, persistence and handling rejection behind an acting career. His appearance as a keynote speaker at ROLBOL Youth Conclave 2026 connects that journey with a young audience.

Alongside award ceremonies and film promotions, this speaking engagement broadens his profile for cultural programmes, youth conversations and events centred on creative careers.

Selected credits & recognition

2014	MARY KOM	Onler Kom	Film
2015	NH10	Satbir	Film
2016	SARBJIT	Awais Sheikh	Film
2019–25	THE FAMILY MAN	Major Sameer	Series
2020	AVRODH	Major Raunaq Gautam	Series
2020–25	AASHRAM	SI Ujagar Singh	Series
2022	THE KASHMIR FILES	Krishna Pandit	Film
2022	DHOKHA: ROUND D CORNER	ACP Harishchandra Malik	Film
2024	KAAGAZ 2	Uday Narayan Singh	Film
2025	THE BENGAL FILES	Shiva Pandit	Film

RECOGNITION

2016 / IIFA Awards

Winner, Best Performance in a Negative Role / NH10

2016 / Stardust Awards

Winner, Best Actor in a Negative Role (Readers' Choice) / NH10

2021 / Indian Telly Streaming Awards

Winner, Best Supporting Actor (Jury) / The Family Man

2022 / Lions Gold Awards

Extraordinary Performance of the Year / The Kashmir Files

2022 / Dadasaheb Phalke Icon Award, Dubai

Best Actor Male / The Kashmir Files

2022 / Global Wellness Day Awards

Best Actor honour / The Kashmir Files

2023 / Filmfare Awards

Nominee, Best Supporting Actor / The Kashmir Files

2023 / Zee Cine Awards

Nominee, Best Supporting Actor (Jury) / The Kashmir Files

2023 / Tycoon Global Achievers Awards

Best Actor of the Year / The Kashmir Files

2025 / Filmgiants Global Awards

Best Actor honour / The Bengal Files

Iconic Gold Awards

Best Actor honour / The Kashmir Files

The Academy eligibility record



THE KASHMIR FILES / 2023

The Kashmir Files appeared on the Academy's 2023 Reminder List of productions eligible for consideration. Inclusion meant the film could be considered by Academy voters.

The film did not receive an Academy Award nomination. Its inclusion on the eligibility list should not be described as an Oscar shortlist selection or an individual acting nomination for Darshan Kumar.

Working with Darshan Kumaar

10+

Film and series credits since 2014

Recognition

Including IIFA and Filmfare

2M

Instagram followers, @darshankumaar

Theatre

Trained with Sahej Theatre Group and Motley Productions

AVAILABLE FOR

SCREEN AND STAGE

- Feature films and streaming series
- Television and reality shows
- Live stage shows and theatre
- Award ceremonies and film festivals

BRANDS AND LAUNCHES

- Product launches and store openings
- Brand endorsements and ambassadorships
- Instagram and digital campaigns
- Corporate events and annual days

TALKS AND CAUSES

- Keynotes, youth conclaves and college festivals
- Fitness and wellness campaigns
- Patriotic and social-impact programmes
- Cultural festivals and celebrations

WHY BRANDS AND ORGANISERS BOOK HIM

A recognisable face from *The Kashmir Files*, *The Family Man* and *Aashram*, 2M Instagram followers, and real experience speaking to large audiences at award nights and youth conclaves.

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