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Press Note

A rare opportunity to watch classic Marathi Comedy films at NFAI

Humor has always been a part of Maharashtrian culture and Marathi cinema has reflected it over the past century. While Ram Ganesh Gadkari, CV Joshi, PK Atre, DM Mirasdar, SN Navare and other renowned writers set an example in comedy cinema, the baton was advanced by the likes of Master Vinayak, Raja Paranjape, Dada Kondke, Sachin, Kedar Shinde and plenty more.

To take a retrospective look back at some of the most iconic and hilarious Marathi films, National Film Archive of India, in association with Aashay Film Club and DM Mirasdar Pratishthan have organised the Marathi Comedy Film Festival at NFAI, Prabhat Road between June 22-26.

This Festival will feature eleven popular films from different eras of Marathi cinema. The selected films are: Bramhachari, Pedgaoche Shahane, Avaghachi Sansar, Songadya, Gulacha Ganpati, Varhadi Vajantri, Dhoom Dhadaka, Savat Majhi Laadki, Ek Daav Bhutacha, Kaay Dyacha Bola and the recently released popular film Chi Va Chi Sau Ka.

The opening ceremony of the Marathi Comedy Film Festival will be held on June 22 at 5:30 pm and will be attended by popular comedy actor Makarand Anaspure and director Chandrakant Kulkarni.

The Festival's closing ceremony will be held in the presence of DM Mirasdar on June 26 at 5:30 pm. On his occasion, renowned filmmaker Paresh Mokashi (director of Chi Va Chi Sau Ka), screenwriter Madhugandha Kulkarni and actors Lalit Prabhakar and Mrunmayee Godbole will also be present for an interaction with the audience.

Entry for this festival is free and seating is on first come first served basis.

The Schedule for the festival is as follows:

Thursday, June 22:

3:00 pm - Bramhachari

5:30 pm - Opening Ceremony

7:00 pm - Kaay Dyacha Bola

Friday, June 23:

3:00 pm - Pedgaoche Shahane

6:00 pm - Avaghachi Sansar

Saturday, June 24:

10:00 am - Songadya

3:00 pm - Gulacha Ganpati

Sunday, June 25:

10:00 am - Dhoom Dhadaka

3:00 pm - Varhadi Vajantri

6:00 pm - Savat Majhi Laadki

Monday, June 26:

3:00 pm - Chi Va Chi Sau Ka

5:30 pm - Closing Ceremony

7:00 pm - Ek Daav Bhutacha