Inaugural of Festival of Indian Films at Yugoslav Kinoteka

**Bollywood in Belgrade**

The Festival of Indian Films, marking one century of world’s greatest cinematography, was inaugurated last night in the new Yugoslav Kinoteka building. The Festival, which lasts until September 22, was inaugurated with the screening of Raj Kapoor’s 1949 film "Rain".

“We hope this Festival will inspire local distributors to include Indian films in the regular cinema repertoire and make them accessible to the wider Serbian audiences”, said Ambassador of India to Serbia Narinder Chauhan. At the inaugural ceremony, Ambassador Chauhan said Indian film producers were already invited by the representatives of the Serbian film industry to come to Serbia to shoot films, as Serbia offers excellent production and post-production capacities, technology and highly skilled creative talent.

Director of the Yugoslav Film Archives (Kinoteka) Radoslav Zelenović also addressed the audience at the inaugural – he said the Indian Film Festival is a unique opportunity for the local audience to see films produced by famous Indian directors decades ago, of a diverse range of genres and ideas, manifesting all the diversities of India.

The remaining films, of both classic and modern production, including "Jodha Akbar" (2008), "The Father" (2009) and "Three idiots" (2009) and others, will be screened at the Kinoteka Museum, Kosovska street. All films are subtitled in Serbian and English.
One century of Indian cinema

India is the world’s largest producer of films, producing over one thousand films per annum. Festival of Indian Films, marking 100th anniversary of Indian cinema, was inaugurated last night at the Yugoslav Kinoteka.

The 6-day Film Festival will feature eight films (made 1949-2009).

‘The film repertoire goes excellent with our slogan – ‘Encounters between Past and Present Film’, and Kinoteka is an important venue in presenting the diversities of Indian cinema’, Yugoslav Kinoteka Director Radoslav Zelenović said.

Inaugurating the Festival, new Ambassador of India Narinder Chauhan thanked the Yugoslav Kinoteka for the long lasting cooperation.

Coincidentally, but symbolic of last night’s rainy weather, Raj Kapoor’s 1949. film "Rain" was shown at the inaugural. Subhash Ghai’s 1999 film ‘Rhythm’ will be screened this evening at 7 p.m. The Indian Film Festival lasts until September 22.
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The inaugural ceremony was attended by the new Ambassador of the Republic of India to Serbia Ms. Narinder Chauhan. Ambassador of India said she hopes this festival will inspire Serbian film producers and distributors to start showing Indian films in the local cinemas.

The famous Raj Kapur's 1949. film "Rain" (Barsaat) was shown at the inaugural last night, while the remaining films, in both classic and modern film work, including "Jodha Akbar" (2008), "The Father" (2009) and "Three idiots" (2009), will be screened at the Kinoteka Museum, Kosovska street, until September 22. All films are subtitled in Serbian and English.
Svečanom otvaranju prisustvovala je nova ambasadorka Republike Indije u Srbiji Narinder Čauhan. Koja je istakla da se nada da će ovaj festival inspirisati filmske producente u Srbiji i distributere da počnu da prikazuju indijske filmove u domaćim bioskopima.


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Otvoren Festival indijskog filma

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