

Woh unki jaan bachatein hain, jo desh pe jaan lutatein hain

This Independence Day, COLORS salutes the spirit of service that beats at the heart of India's armed forces with '108 Base Hospital – Uri'

~ Starring Erica Fernandes, Gashmeer Mahajani, Nikkhil Khurana, Smita Bansal, Ayoshi Talukdar and Hiten Tejwani the first-of-its-kind army hospital drama premieres on 15th August and thereafter airs Saturday-Sunday at 8:00 PM only on COLORS and JioHotstar ~

Mumbai, 12th August: *The freedom we celebrate today is the legacy of countless acts of courage - some won on the battlefield, others in the corridors of army hospitals, where the mission is to save every soldier who fights for the nation. This Independence Day, COLORS celebrates the unsung bravery of army doctors with '108 Base Hospital – Uri' - the first-ever army hospital series and a one-of-its-kind finite series. Continuing its legacy of bringing compelling and unconventional narratives to audiences, COLORS turns the spotlight on a battlefield where the weapons are Seva, Saahas and Samarpan for the doctors. Set in an Indian Army base hospital in Uri, the show follows the extraordinary doctors, nurses and medical personnel who selflessly fight a war against time, giving wounded soldiers another chance to return to the frontlines and to their families. Produced by the Epic Company and co-produced by A-Game Entertainment, the show features Erica Fernandes as Dr. Major Naina, Gashmeer Mahajani as Dr. Major Aniruddh and Nikkhil Khurana as Major Sameer Dixit, Ayoshi Talukdar as Dr. Captain Mili Banerjee, Hiten Tejwani as Dr. COI Suryakant Thakur and Smita Bansal as Lt COI principal Matron Kavita Jha, '108 Base Hospital – Uri' premieres on 15th August and thereafter airs Saturday-Sunday at 8:00 PM only on COLORS and JioHotstar.*

Speaking about the show, Alok Jain, Head - Hindi & English Entertainment (Streaming, TV & Studios), JioStar says, *"At COLORS and JioHotstar, we believe the most impactful stories are those that challenge conventions and expand the boundaries of entertainment. We embrace a screen-agnostic philosophy, offering audiences a wide variety of content for every mood and preference - from path-breaking fiction to iconic non-fiction properties; from comedy and rooted emotions to edge-of-the-seat drama; from finite series to the enduring spirit of long-running shows. This diverse approach allows content to find its audience across platforms, ensuring viewers can choose what they prefer for a cohesive and fulfilling viewing experience. With 108 Base Hospital – Uri, we bring to viewers a rarely explored world that celebrates the extraordinary courage, compassion and resilience of the medical heroes serving within the Indian Armed Forces. As we continue to build a diverse and compelling content slate, our endeavour is to bring audiences stories that are not only entertaining, but also deeply inspiring and emotionally resonant."*

At the heart of 108 Base Hospital – Uri is Dr. Major Naina, played by Erica Fernandes - a fierce, unflinching Army doctor who remains calm under pressure as she treats every patient with unwavering commitment and without prejudice. Standing alongside her is Dr. Major Aniruddh, portrayed by Gashmeer Mahajani, whose compassion is matched by his clinical precision and steadfast sense of duty. While their past has left behind unresolved differences, their commitment to their profession remains stronger than any personal conflict. Adding another dimension to the story is Major Sameer Dixit, played by Nikkhil Khurana, known as Tiger among his peers and respected for his unmatched courage on the battlefield. As a soldier accustomed to facing danger head-on, Sameer brings the same grit and determination to every mission. Drawn to Naina's intelligence and humility, Sameer finds himself developing feelings for her, creating an intriguing emotional dynamic between the three as their personal equations unfold. But when duty calls, every disagreement, every emotion and every personal battle take a back seat, as they come together with one unwavering mission to save the lives of the soldiers.

Essaying the role of Dr. Major Naina, Erica Fernandes says, *"The very first thought that crossed my mind when I read this script was the kind of positive impact a character like Dr. Major Naina could have. I genuinely believe that every single time we see a strong, fiercely empowered woman on screen, it's a massive win for all of us. What makes Dr. Major Naina even more inspiring is that she wears two uniforms in one; she carries the responsibility of a soldier and the compassion of a doctor. She isn't just protecting lives; she's also healing them, and that sense of duty makes her incredibly special. It is incredibly fulfilling to celebrate these modern, unsung heroes who bring hope, light, and healing to the most challenging corners of our country. Jai Hind!"*

On playing Dr. Major Aniruddh, Gashmeer Mahajani says, *"What an absolute honour it is to have the show premiere on Independence Day! 108 Base Hospital - Uri is an emotional outlet for everything I've learned about duty, survival, and family; playing Dr. Major Aniruddh is an immense responsibility. My character is someone whose daily job is to save the lives of those brave individuals who willingly lay down their lives for our nation. It is a noble privilege to shed light on these unsung warriors through the craft that means everything to me! In the show, courage is not a typical display of gallantry; here it is the daily practice of being a nurturer for those who are at their most vulnerable. Here's hoping the show leaves the nation with a deeper appreciation for the countless heroes whose service to us all often goes unnoticed."*

Samar Khan, Producer, Epic Company says, *"From the very beginning, our vision for 108 Base Hospital – Uri was to tell an authentic story that brings to light a world rarely seen by viewers. When Chandani Arya approached me with the concept, I was immediately drawn to the world she wanted to explore. We have always held each other's creative sensibilities in high regard, and we were both excited to come together and take this forward as a creative partnership. While stories of the frontline are often told, we wanted to bring forth the journeys of extraordinary Army doctors, nurses and medical teams who work relentlessly to save the lives of those protecting our nation. Bringing this world to life required months of research, drawing from the real-life experiences of Army doctors and officers, filming in authentic locations, and working closely with military and medical consultants to ensure every detail felt true to life. I'd like to thank COLORS for believing in the vision of 108 Base Hospital – Uri and giving us the opportunity to bring this real and untold story to audiences."*

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About 'COLORS':

COLORS is a prominent Hindi general entertainment channel within the JioStar network. Launched on July 21, 2008, the channel offers a rich blend of emotions and variety, delivering content that resonates deeply with its viewers. From fiction and format-based shows to reality TV and blockbuster movies, the channel offers varied 'Jazbaat Ke Rang'. COLORS is dedicated to promoting cohesive viewing, through shows such as Tu Juliet Jatt Di, Mannat Har Khushi Paane Ki, Dr. Aarambhi, Seher Hone Ko Hai, Bareilly Ke Bacchan, Mahadev & Sons, Juhi Mui, Naagin, Dhamaal with Pati Patni Aur Panga, Laughter Chefs Unlimited Entertainment, Bigg Boss, and Khatron Ke Khiladi amongst others.