



**56<sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL OF INDIA - IFFI GOA 2025**

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## **BEST DEBUT NOMINEES**

SL. NO.	TITLE	DIRECTOR	COUNTRY	YEAR	LANGUAGE	DURATION
1	Fränk	Tõnis Pill	Estonia	2025	Estonian	109'
2	Fury	Gemma Blasco	Spain	2025	Spanish, Catalan	107'
3	Karla	Christina Tournatzés	Germany	2025	German	104'
4	My Daughter's Hair	Hesam Farahmand	Iran	2025	Persian	109
5	The Devil Smokes (and Saves the Burnt Matches in the Same Box)	Ernesto Martínez Bucio	Mexico	2025	Mexican	97'
6	Shape Of Momo	Tribeny Rai	India	2025	Nepali	114
7	Now Don't Stop (Ata Thambaycha Naay)	Shivraj Waichal	India	2025	Marathi	144



**I) Title: Fränk**

**Director :** Tõnis Pill

**Country:** Estonia

**Language:** Estonian

**Runtime:** 109'

**Cast:** Derek Lehest, Oskar Seeman, Tõru Kannimäe

**Synopsis:** Following a domestic violence incident, 13-year-old Paul arrives in an unfamiliar town where in his pursuit of happiness he makes one bad decision after another. His seemingly inevitable downfall is thwarted, however, by a strange disabled man.



## II) Title: Fury

**Director:** Gemma Blasco

**Country:** Spain

**Language:** Spanish, Catalan

**Runtime:** 107'

**Cast:** Judit Cortina, Marta Bessa, Ángela Cervantes

**Synopsis:** After being raped at a party, Alexandra isolates herself when her brother Adrian doubts her story. While she copes through theater, playing Medea, Adrian spirals into darkness seeking revenge.



**III) Title: Karla**

**Director:** Christina Tournatzés

**Country:** Germany

**Language:** German

**Runtime:** 104'

**Cast:** Elise Krieps, Rainer Bock, Imogen Kogge, Torben Liebrecht, Katharina Schüttler

**Synopsis:** Set in Munich in 1962, the film tells the true story of 12-year-old Karla, who presses charges against her father, seeking protection from his years of abuse.



**IV) Title:** My Daughter's Hair

**Director:** Hesam Farahmand

**Country:** Iran

**Language:** Persian

**Runtime:** 109

**Cast:** Shahab Hosseini, Ghazal Shakeri, Zoha Esmailifar, Arman Mirzaee, Hadi Eftekharzadeh, Mohammad Reza Samian, Mahni Mehrpour

**Synopsis:** Raha is a teenage girl who is studying animation, but when she is about to submit her university project, her laptop is stolen and she is forced to cut her hair and sell it to buy a new laptop. Her father buys a second-hand laptop with the money from her hair, but the new laptop plunges Raha's family into a mysterious adventure.



**V) Title:** The Devil Smokes (and Saves the Burnt Matches in the Same Box)

**Director:** Ernesto Martínez Bucio

**Country:** Mexico

**Language:** Spanish

**Runtime:** 97'

**Cast:** Mariapau Bravo Aviña, Rafael Nieto Martínez, Regina Alejandra, Donovan Said, Laura Uribe Rojas, Carmen Ramos

**Synopsis:** The fears of five stoic young siblings abandoned by their parents mix with those of their schizophrenic grandmother who now looks after them, blurring and gradually dissolving the boundary between reality and imagination.



**VI) Title: Shape Of Momo**

**Director:** Tribenay Rai

**Country:** India

**Language:** Nepali

**Runtime:** 114'

**Cast:** Gaumaya Gurung, Pashupati Rai, Shyamashree Sherpa, Rajul Mukhia, Sonam Bomzon

**Synopsis:** Bishnu, 32, returns to her ancestral Himalayan village after quitting her city job, only to face mounting family pressures and rigid societal expectations. Awaiting her are her grandmother, who hopes her son will return from Dubai; her mother, eager to see Bishnu settled and married; and her pregnant sister Junu, who has come seeking refuge due to tensions at her in-laws' home. As old conflicts resurface with Junu's arrival and a tentative relationship develops with Gyan, a "suitable" local architect, Bishnu is caught between tradition and her desire for independence. Navigating this fragile web of expectations and defiance, she must choose whether to conform or forge her own path.



**VII) Title: Now Don't Stop/Ata Thambaycha Naay**

**Director:** Shivraj Waichal

**Country:** India

**Language:** Marathi

**Runtime:** 144'

**Cast:** Ashutosh Gowariker, Bharat Jadhav, Siddharth Jadhav, Om Bhutkar, Parna Pethe, Prajakta Hanamghar, Kiran Khoje, Pravin Dalimbkar, Shrikant Yadav, Deepak Shirke & Rohini Hattangady

**Synopsis:** Ata Thambaycha Naay is an inspiring Marathi film based on a true story from Mumbai. It follows a group of BMC sanitation workers in their 40s and 50s who make the extraordinary choice to return to school and appear for their 10th standard exams. Balancing demanding jobs, family responsibilities, and societal ridicule, they embrace courage over compromise, proving that it's never too late to reclaim self-worth and dignity. Beyond exams, the film celebrates resilience, determination, and the transformative power of education. It is a heartfelt tribute to ordinary people achieving extraordinary feats, highlighting that learning and personal growth have no age limit.