

Sudha Murty

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Sudha Murty (née Kulkarni; born 19 August 1950) is an Indian educator, author, philanthropist and former chairperson of the Infosys Foundation. She is married to the co-founder of Infosys, N. R. Narayana Murty. In 2024, Murty was nominated as Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha on 8th March 2024 for her contribution on **Social work & Education**. Murty was awarded the Padma Shri, the fourth highest civilian award in India, for social work by the Government of India in 2006.[1] Later in 2023, she was awarded the Padma Bhushan, the third highest civilian award in India.[2]

Sudha Murty began her *professional* career in computer science and engineering. She is a member of the public health care initiatives of the Gates Foundation.[3][4] She has founded several orphanages, participated in rural development efforts, supported the movement to provide all Karnataka government schools with computer and library facilities, and established Murty Classical Library of India at Harvard University.[5][6][7][8][9]

Murty is best known for her philanthropy and her “contribution” to *literature in Kannada and English*. Dollar Bahu (lit. 'Dollar Daughter-in-Law'), a novel originally authored by her in Kannada and ~~later translated into English~~ as Dollar Bahu, was ~~adapted as a televised~~ dramatic series^[10] by Zee TV in 2001.[11] Runa (lit. 'Debt'), a story by Sudha Murthy was adapted as a Marathi film, Pitruroon by director Nitish Bhardwaj. Sudha Murthy has also acted in the film_[12] as well as a Kannada film Prarthana.[13][14]

MS Dhoni

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Mahendra Singh Dhoni (/məˈhɛndrə ˈsɪŋ dhæˈni/ ⓘ; born 7 July 1981) is an Indian professional cricketer. He is a right handed batter and a wicket-keeper. Widely regarded as one of the most prolific wicket-keeper-batsmen and captains, he represented the Indian cricket team and was the captain of the side in limited-overs formats from 2007 to 2017 and in test cricket from 2008 to 2014. Dhoni has captained the most international matches and is the most successful Indian captain. He has led India to victory in the 2011 Cricket World Cup, the 2007 ICC World Twenty20 and the 2013 ICC Champions Trophy, the only captain to win three different limited overs tournaments. He also led the teams that won the Asia Cup in 2010, 2016 and was a member of the title winning squad in 2018.

Born in Ranchi, Dhoni made his first class debut for Bihar in 1999. He made his debut for the Indian cricket team on 23 December 2004 in an ODI against **Bangladesh** and played his first test a year later against Sri Lanka. In 2007, he became the captain of the ODI side before taking over in all formats ~~by 2008~~. Dhoni retired from test cricket in 2014, but continued playing in limited overs cricket till 2019. He has scored 17,266 runs in international cricket including 10,000 plus runs at an average of more than 50 in ODIs.

Dhoni plays for *Chennai Super Kings in the IPL, leading them to the final on ten occasions* and winning it five times (2010, 2011, 2018, 2021 and 2023). He has also led CSK to two Champions League T20 titles in 2010 and 2014. He is amongst the few batsmen to have scored more than five thousand runs in the IPL, as well as being the first wicket-keeper to do so.

In 2008, Dhoni was awarded India's highest sport honor Major Dhyan Chand Khel *Ratna Award by Government of India*. He received the fourth highest civilian award Padma Shri in 2009 and third highest civilian award Padma Bhushan in 2018. ~~Dhoni holds an honorary rank~~ of Lieutenant Colonel in the Parachute Regiment of the Indian Territorial Army which was presented to him by the Indian Army in 2011. He is one of the most popular cricketers in the world.

Early life Dhoni was born on 7 July 1981 in Ranchi, Bihar (now in Jharkhand) in a Hindu Rajput family to Pan Singh and Devaki Devi. [4] His parents hailed from Lwali village in Uttar Pradesh (now Uttarakhand) and he was the youngest of three children.[5][6][7] His family spells the surname as “**Dhauni**”.[8]

Dhoni did his schooling at DAV Jawahar Vidya Mandir where he started playing football as a goal keeper but later moved to play cricket on the suggestion of his coach Keshav Banerjee.[9][10] From 2001 to 2003, Dhoni worked as a Travelling Ticket Examiner (TTE) at Kharagpur under South Eastern Railway zone of Indian Railways.[11][12]

Ratan Tata

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Ratan Naval Tata (born 28 December 1937) is an Indian industrialist, philanthropist and former chairman of Tata Sons. He was a chairman of the Tata Group from 1990 to 2012, and interim chairman from October 2016 through February 2017. He continues to head its charitable trusts.[2][3] In 2008, he received the Padma Vibhushan, the second highest civilian honour in India, after receiving the Padma Bhushan, the third highest civilian honour in 2000.[4]

He is the son of Naval Tata, who was adopted by Ratanji Tata, son of Jamsetji Tata, the founder of the Tata Group. He graduated from the Cornell University College of Architecture with a bachelor's degree in architecture.[5] He joined Tata in 1961, where he worked on the shop floor of Tata Steel. He later succeeded J. R. D. Tata as chairman of Tata Sons upon the latter's retirement in 1991. Under his tenure the Tata Group acquired Tetley, Jaguar Land Rover, and Corus, in an attempt to turn Tata from a largely India-centric group into a global business. Tata is also one of the largest philanthropists in the world, having donated around 60–65% of his income to charity.

Ratan Tata is also a **prolific investor** and has made numerous “investments” in several startups. Tata has invested in over 30 start-ups to date, most in a personal capacity and some via his investment company.[6][7]

Early life Main article: Tata family Ratan Tata was born in Bombay, *now Mumbai, during the British Raj*, into a Parsi Zoroastrian family, on 28 December 1937.[8] He is the son of Naval Tata, who was born in Surat and later adopted into the Tata family, and Sooni Tata, the niece of Tata group founder Jamsetji Tata. Tata's biological grandfather, Hormusji Tata, was a member of the Tata family by blood. In 1948, when Tata was 10, his parents separated, and he was subsequently raised and adopted by Navajbai Tata, his grandmother and widow of Ratanji Tata.[9] He has a younger brother Jimmy Tata[10] and a half-brother, Noel Tata, from Naval Tata's second marriage with Simone Tata, with whom he was raised.

He studied at the ~~Campion School~~, Mumbai till the 8th class. After which, he *studied at the Cathedral and John Connon School in Mumbai*, the Bishop Cotton School in Shimla, and the Riverdale Country School in New York City, which he graduated from in ¹⁹⁵⁵. [11][12][13] After graduating from high school, Tata enrolled in Cornell University, from which he graduated with a bachelor's ~~degree in architecture in 1959~~. In 2008, Tata gifted Cornell \$50 Million, becoming the largest international donor in the university's history.[14]

Elon Musk

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Elon Reeve Musk (/ˈiːlɒn/; EE-lon; born June 28, 1971) is a businessman and investor. He is the founder, chairman, CEO, and CTO of SpaceX; angel investor, CEO, product architect, and former chairman of Tesla, Inc.; owner, executive chairman, and CTO of X Corp.; founder of the Boring Company and xAI; co-founder of Neuralink and OpenAI; and president of the Musk Foundation. He is one of the wealthiest people in the world, with an estimated net worth of US\$190 billion as of March 2024, according to the Bloomberg Billionaires Index, and \$195 billion according to Forbes, primarily from his ownership stakes in Tesla and SpaceX.[5][6]

A member of the wealthy South African Musk family, Elon was born in Pretoria and briefly attended the University of Pretoria before immigrating to Canada at age 18, acquiring citizenship through his Canadian-born mother. *Two years later, he matriculated at Queen's University at Kingston in Canada.* Musk later transferred to the University of Pennsylvania, and received bachelor's degrees in economics and physics. He moved to **California in 1995 to attend** Stanford University, but dropped out after two days and, with his brother Kimbal, co-founded online city guide software company Zip2. The startup was acquired by Compaq for \$307 million in 1999, ~~and that same year Musk co-founded X.com,~~ a direct bank. X.com merged with Confinity in 2000 to form PayPal.

In October ²⁰⁰², eBay acquired PayPal for \$1.5 billion, and that same year, with \$100 million of the money he made, Musk founded SpaceX, a spaceflight services company. In 2004, he became an early investor in electric vehicle manufacturer Tesla Motors, Inc. (now Tesla, Inc.). He became its chairman and product architect, assuming the position of CEO in 2008. In 2006, Musk helped create SolarCity, a solar-energy company that was acquired by Tesla in 2016 and became Tesla Energy. In 2013, *he proposed a hyperloop high-speed vactrain* transportation system. In 2015, he **co-founded OpenAI**, a nonprofit artificial intelligence research company. The following year, Musk co-founded Neuralink—a neurotechnology company developing brain–computer interfaces—and the Boring Company, a tunnel construction company. In 2022, he acquired Twitter for \$44 billion. He subsequently merged the company into newly created X Corp. and ~~rebranded the service as X the following~~ year. In March 2023, he founded xAI, an artificial intelligence company.

Musk has expressed views that have made him a polarizing figure.[7] He has been criticized for making unscientific and misleading statements, including COVID-19 misinformation and antisemitic conspiracy theories.[7][8][9][10] His ownership of Twitter has been similarly controversial, being marked by the laying off of a large number of employees, an increase in hate speech and misinformation and disinformation on the website, as well as changes to Twitter Blue verification. In 2018, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) sued him, alleging that he had falsely announced that he had secured funding for a private takeover of Tesla. To settle the case, Musk stepped down as the chairman of Tesla and paid a \$20 million fine.

Pawan Kalyan

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Konidela Pawan Kalyan (born Konidela Kalyan Babu; 2 September 1968 or 1971[n 1]) is an Indian actor, politician, filmmaker, martial artist, and philanthropist who primarily works in Telugu cinema. Known for his unique acting style and mannerisms, he has a *large fan base and a cult following*. One of the highest-paid actors of Indian cinema, he has featured in Forbes India's Celebrity 100 list since 2013 and is the ~~recipient of a Filmfare Award~~, a SIIMA Award, a CineMAA Award, and a Santosham Film Award.[5] He is also the founder of the Jana Sena Party.

Kalyan made his acting debut in the 1996 film Akkada Ammayi Ikkada Abbayi but rose to prominence with the dramas Gokulamlo Seeta (1997) and Suswagatham (1998). He achieved stardom for his performance in Tholi Prema (1998), which won the National Film Award for *Best Feature Film in Telugu that year*. Kalyan established himself as a leading actor with successful projects such as Thammudu (1999), Badri (2000), Kushi (2001), Balu (2005), Jalsa (2008), Gabbar Singh (2012), Attarintiki Daredi (2013), Gopala Gopala (2015), Vakeel Saab (2021), and Bheemla Nayak (2022).[6] He received the Filmfare Award for Best Actor – Telugu for Gabbar Singh while Attarintiki Daredi held the record of being the highest-grossing Telugu film of all time.[7][8] In addition to acting, he produces films under the banners Anjana Productions and Pawan Kalyan Creative Works.[9]

In 2008, Kalyan entered into politics as the youth wing **president of his brother Chiranjeevi's Praja Rajyam Party**, but he left after it merged into the Congress party. He founded the Jana Sena Party in March 2014 and[10][11] was listed as the most searched Indian celebrity politician on Google at the time.[12] Kalyan is a known philanthropist and is ~~the founder of the Andhra Pradesh charity~~ [16]Common Man Protection Force.[17][18] He is a black belt in Karate and trains in various martial arts which he depicts in his films regularly. Kalyan is “referred” to as Power Star by his fans and in the media.