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Café culture 2.0: Out of office, deep in work

Meet these young masterminds who love their work and enjoy every single minute they get to do it. Hailing from different industries and fields, they are bound together by their passion for working from cafés and coffee shops in Goa

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Not having to invest in an office space, meeting new people daily, uninterrupted Wifi, great food, and an invigorating cup of coffee are attracting these up-and-comers to serene cafes and coffee shops. Youngsters are spending hours and hours at these remote work havens. Reading ahead, in this piece, you will understand each of their job roles and how the cafes and coffeehouses are helping them make work fun and be the best at it.



AYUSH SONI, STARTUP FOUNDER

Ayush is a 20-year-old technology startup founder. He develops B2B applications for e-commerce businesses, helping them streamline operations and automate tasks to drive growth. This young founder's team works entirely remotely, and they are all against working from home and offices as it makes them lazy and unproductive to a huge extent. "For the last 4-5 years, I have been working from the cafes. I don't do café hopping. If I find a good café to work from, I stick to that," said Ayush. His priority when it comes to working from a café is comfortable seating and getting a proper parking space. Ayush added, "I like to spend time in crowded places. I find myself working at an excellent speed when I am surrounded by people. Good food and coffee also go without saying." Every café has its own unique vibe, and experiencing that while getting work done is the best part.



NEHA BANDODKAR, PHOTOGRAPHER

Neha Bhandodkar is a passionate photographer. Her specialty is maternity, pre-wedding, and wedding photography. Over the last 7 years, she has been running her own photography venture and has around 3-4 people working with her. But she has not invested a single penny in creating an office for this venture. "I work solely from cafes; all my work is done from these coffee shops," said Neha. She is delighted by the café work vibe and plans to continue with the same. "I use these cafes whenever I edit my photographs and attend calls. I would need my entire attention when I try to edit these pictures, and no better place than a café to do this," she said.

UTKARSH PHOOLI, MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS EXPERT

Utkarsh Phooli, who works on the Real Estate and Development team of a renowned hospitality group as a mergers and acquisitions expert, is an ardent fan of working from cafes. Being in this team, he is mostly on the road and is traveling in and out of India. Utkarsh said, "I am in Goa currently to visit a site, so when I am done with the site visit in Saligao, I immediately go to a café or a coffee shop primarily for, capturing my observations, formulating reports, attending meetings with owners as a follow up and to keep them posted on the site visits." Being in a café, all kinds of noise becomes white noise, and it automatically forces you to concentrate on the work at hand. Utkarsh added, "When you are at an office, a colleague might just barge in and make you stop your train of thought or interrupt you. But in a café, it's more like white noise; none of them will interrupt what I am doing." He was eager to suggest work from microbreweries as well. He said, laughing, "I am not drinking at work, but breweries offer a calm and peaceful setting for one to work, as people are also less frequent there."



DARSH CHAUHAN, AN ATTORNEY

Darsh is a skilled attorney specializing in civil cases involving monetary disputes, business conflicts, and industrial resolution matters. His major responsibilities of client meetings, drafting issues and notices, and more are all effortlessly carried out from cafes. "I am a very social person, and I love working when I get to work with new people every day who also enjoy working from cafes." It is relaxation and work happening together. However, Darsh also has his own priority facilities for him to pick a café as an ideal one for him to work from. "I choose a café based on how spacious and peaceful the café is, its seating arrangements, and the wifi connection," said Darsh.

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- 1) Good wifi connection
- 2) Comfortable seats
- 3) Spacious Parking lots
- 4) Great Food and coffee, and more

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Lady Gaga breaks crowd records at Brazil concert

Lady Gaga performed the biggest show of her career Saturday night, playing to an estimated 2.5 million fans at Rio de Janeiro's Copacabana Beach. The show, dubbed Mayhem on the Beach, broke the record for the highest attended concert by a female artist, according to the show's organizers. Madonna previously held the title for a show she performed at Copacabana Beach last year. Both events were free of charge. Gaga brought her buzzy five-act performance, which she debuted during her Coachella headlining set last month. The "Abracadabra" singer's show included her new album, Mayhem, along with several hits from her long career in pop, including "Paparazzi," "Born This Way" and "Judas." The 39-year-old singer just wrapped a performance of the show in Mexico City.



Kartik Aaryan or Vicky Kaushal: Who'll spearhead action flick?

Rajkumar Periasamy and Bhushan Kumar have started the process of casting for this high-on-content action film. According to sources close to the development, Rajkumar Periasamy is in talks with Vicky Kaushal and Kartik Aaryan for the yet-untitled action thriller. "Rajkumar Periasamy next is a high-concept actioner, in a space not seen before. The story is aided with strong emotions and warrants the presence of a young star, who is also a credible performer. The top two picks at the moment are either Vicky Kaushal and Kartik Aaryan," revealed a source close to the development.



Dua Lipa wows in a black leather minidress and lace up knee-high boots in New York

Viral Outburst: What happened to Babil Khan?



The internet is abuzz with speculations and questions surrounding Babil Khan. This is regarding his recent videos, where he was seen weeping and in dismay. The issue has raised serious questions about Babil Khan's dynamics with fellow actors and his own mental health.

On Sunday, the late actor Irrfan Khan's son, Babil, posted a few concerning videos on his Instagram Stories, where he was seen distraught, crying, and lashing out at Bollywood, leaving his fans concerned about his mental health. Later, the young actor's team came back to the platform with a clarification. Many expressed support, while others criticised his behaviour.

VIRAL VIDEOS OF BABIL KHAN

The young actor was seen crying in these videos, saying, "I just want you guys to know that there are people like Shanaya Kapoor, Ananya Pandey, Arjun Kapoor, Siddhant Chaturvedi, Raghav Juyal, Adarsh Gourav, and even... Arijit Singh? There are so, so many more names. Bollywood is so f****ed.



Bollywood is so, so rude." This video of the young actor has left the internet appalled and intrigued. He then went on to deactivate his account after the video went viral.

KHAN BREAKS THE SILENCE

Later, Khan returned to Instagram with a joint statement issued by his team and family, clarifying things for his fans and well-wishers. The statement read, "Over the past few years, Babil Khan has earned immense love and appreciation for his work, as well as for his openness about his mental health journey. Like anyone else, Babil is allowed to have difficult days, and this was one of them. We want to reassure all his well-wishers that he is safe and will be feeling better soon." The note further added, "His mention of artists like Ananya Pandey, Shanaya Kapoor, Siddhant Chaturvedi, Raghav Juyal, Adarsh Gourav, Arjun Kapoor, and Arijit Singh came from a place of genuine admiration — for their authenticity, passion, and efforts to



WHO IS BABIL KHAN?

Babil Khan is the elder son of the late actor Irrfan Khan. He made his acting debut with the Netflix original film Qala in 2022. He later appeared in films such as Friday Night Plan and Logout, and also featured in the web series The Railway Men.

restore credibility and heart in the industry." We respectfully urge media publications and the public to consider the full context of his words rather than concluding from fragmented video clips," the statement concluded.

THE ACTOR'S EMOTIONAL RESPONSE TO THE FILMMAKER

While many celebrities expressed support and wished Babil good health, filmmaker Sai Rajesh criticized the actor, posting a detailed note on his Instagram Stories. The story read, "To Babil Khan's team. Do you really think we're that naive to just walk away silently? What kind of attitude are we being subjected to? It feels like only those whose names were mentioned in his video

deserve respect — and the rest of us are just fools for standing by him all this while?" Babil was part of Sai's remake of his film Baby and had been rigorously working on the project, dedicating 500 days to the same. The filmmaker said, "A sincere apology is the least you owe us. Say it, and let's move on." Sai later deleted this post.

Taking to the comments section, Babil reacted to this, saying, "You really broke my heart. After everything I've given to you. @satis_naidu1982, 2 years of my life, complete physical atrocity to my body just so I can do justice to his character. I gave him my soul, rejected everything that came in my way for 2 years, anything and everything he needed, for 500 days of my life."