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Veteran actress Shabana Azmi has revealed that she was initially unsure about being a part of her upcoming film "Chalk N Duster". The 65-year-old actress, who is sharing screen space with Juhi Chawla for the first time in the education drama, said her co-star encouraged her to take up the project.

"I was pretty unsure about the film because the makers of the movie are not familiar to me. I met Juhi and she convinced me to take up the project."

In the film, directed by Jayant Gilatar, Shabana plays a senior mathematics teacher of a Mumbai-based high school. "My role is very different. I play a middle class school teacher. So, I had to look very different from the way I am in real life. I had shopped on my own for my look."

"Chalk N Duster", released yesterday, highlights the problem of teachers and students where teaching way in the education system is changing day by day.

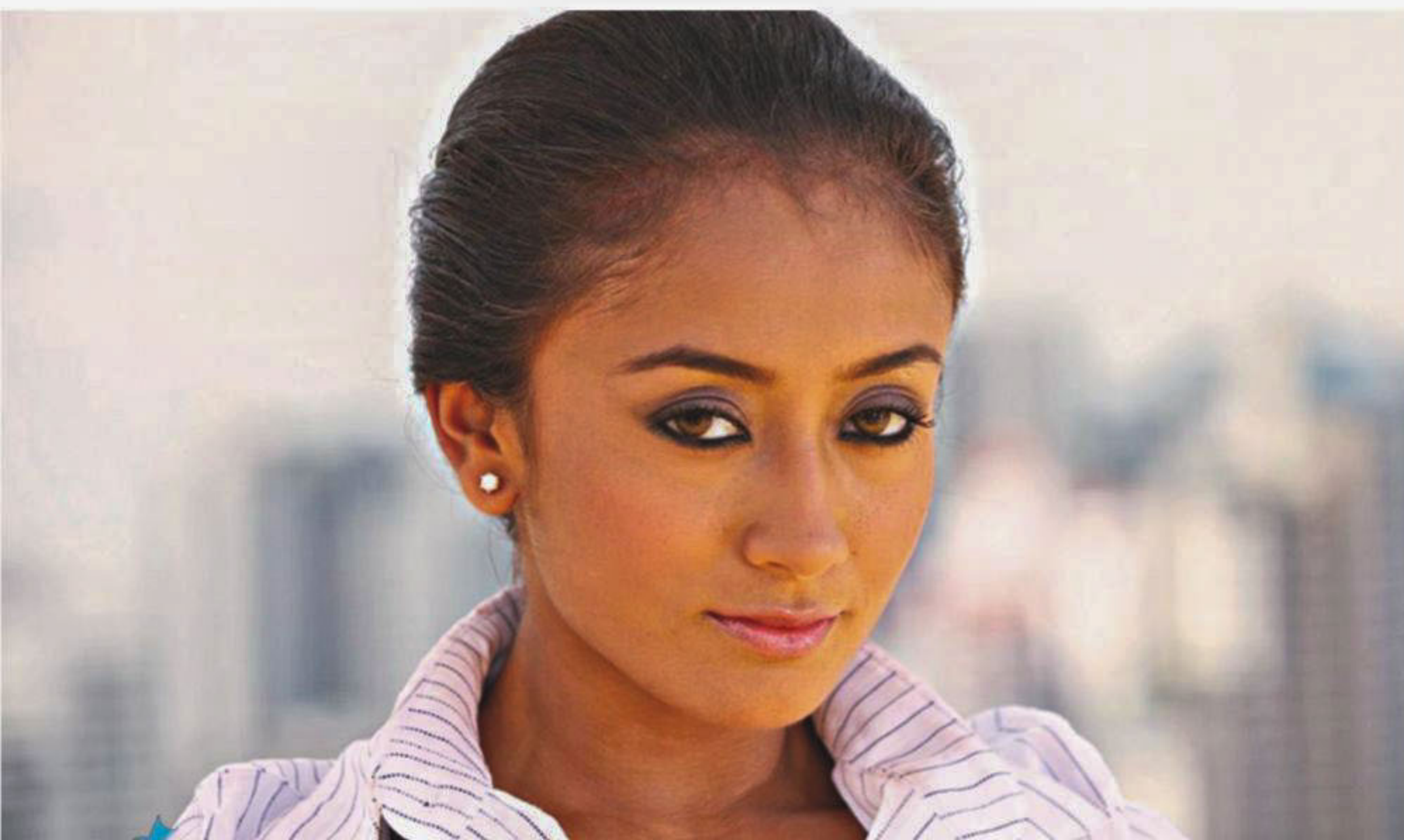


Raghu and I are each other's support system: ...SUGANDHA GARG

Actress Sugandha Garg, who has announced her split from her husband Raghu Ram after 10 years of marriage, says they are still each other's support system. Sugandha, who made her Bollywood debut in "Jaane Tu Ya Jaane Na", was married to TV producer Raghu of "Roadies" fame. "We are still each other's support system. Raghu and I have been on this together. I would have been all lost had Raghu not been the support that he has been

to me," Sugandha said.

She also said that he is her oldest friend and that is a fact nobody can change. Sugandha will be next seen in the upcoming film "Jugni", in which she plays a free-spirited music composer who goes to Punjab to break out of her monotonous life only to fall in love and face new complications, which is scheduled for release on January 22.



Trying to bring 'Adaalat' back:

...RONIT ROY

Actor Ronit Roy says the makers are trying to bring a new season of his popular TV court room drama series "Adaalat".

The show went on a season break last year. The 50-year-old actor, who played criminal lawyer Advocate Karan Divakar Pathak on the series, posted on Twitter, "To all those who are asking. Yes. We are working towards bringing Adaalat back."

Ronit is currently seen on Balaji Telefilms' romantic drama "Itna Karo Na Mujhe Pyaar".