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2016 TO BE YEAR OF BIOPICS & SEQUELS IN BOLLYWOOD

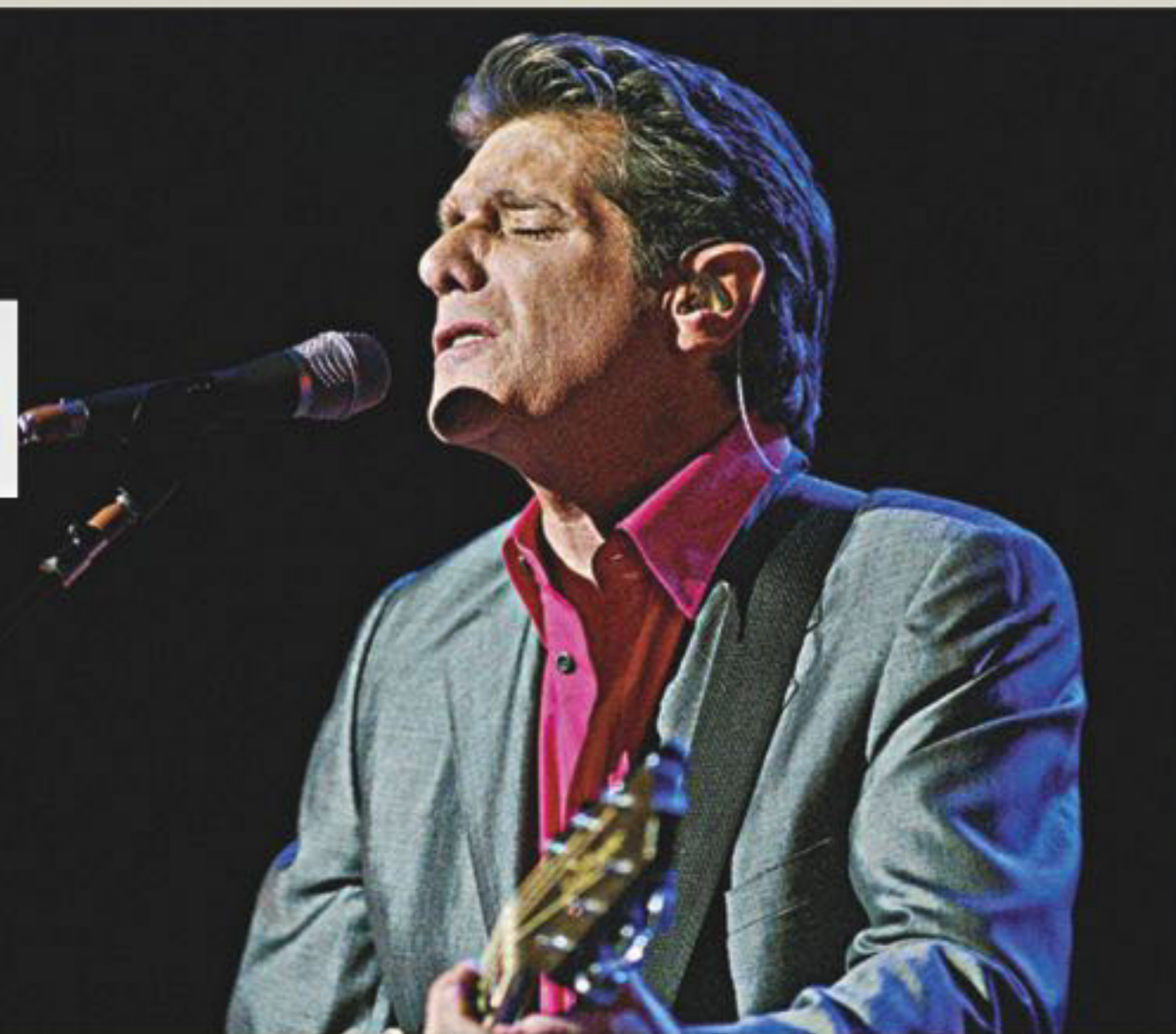
From multi-starrer big budget films to small independent cinemas, Bollywood will witness the release of various biopics, sports dramas, and sequels in the year 2016, a trend it chose to carry forward from last year. Actor R Madhavan's "Saala Khadoos" features

Madhavan as a hard task-master boxing coach and also stars kick boxer Ritika Singh. The next in line is superstar Salman Khan's "Sultan", who will be seen in a completely new look as a wrestler. While both "Saala Khadoos" and "Sultan" are fictional stories, there are

nearly four biopics on sports personalities lined up this year. Superstar Aamir Khan is currently shooting for "Dangal", where Aamir will play the role of wrestler Mahavir Singh Phogat, who taught wrestling to his daughters, Babita Kumari and Geeta Phogat. Biopics on

two cricket greats are also coming up with actor Emraan Hashmi featuring in "Azhar" while Sushant Singh Rajput in "Dhoni: The Untold Story". A movie on the life of ace Badminton champion Saina Nehwal has also been announced, which will be directed by Amole Gupte.

Eagles guitarist
**GLENN
FREY**
passes away at 67



The founding member of the US rock group had been suffering from intestinal problems for several months and had surgery in November.

Frey was born in Detroit in 1948, moved to Los Angeles in the late 1960s and began writing songs. After meeting Henley in 1970, the pair formed Eagles and released their self-titled debut two years later. The band was wildly successful in the 1970s, selling some 100m albums in the US alone, and a further 50m worldwide.

Frey co-wrote and sang some of the Eagles' best-known songs, including

Heartache Tonight, Take It Easy, and Lyin' Eyes, and co-wrote Hotel California and Desperado with Don Henley.

"Glenn was the one who started it all," Henley wrote. "He was the spark plug, the man with the plan. He had an encyclopaedic knowledge of popular music and a work ethic that wouldn't quit. He was funny, bull-headed, mercurial, generous, deeply talented and driven." Frey and Henley later became estranged and that rift kept the band apart in the 1980s. Henley had vowed Eagles would reunite only when "hell freezes over", which became the name of the subsequent 1994 album.

Katrina Kaif, Aditya Roy Kapoor recreates 'Silsila' magic at Lodhi Garden

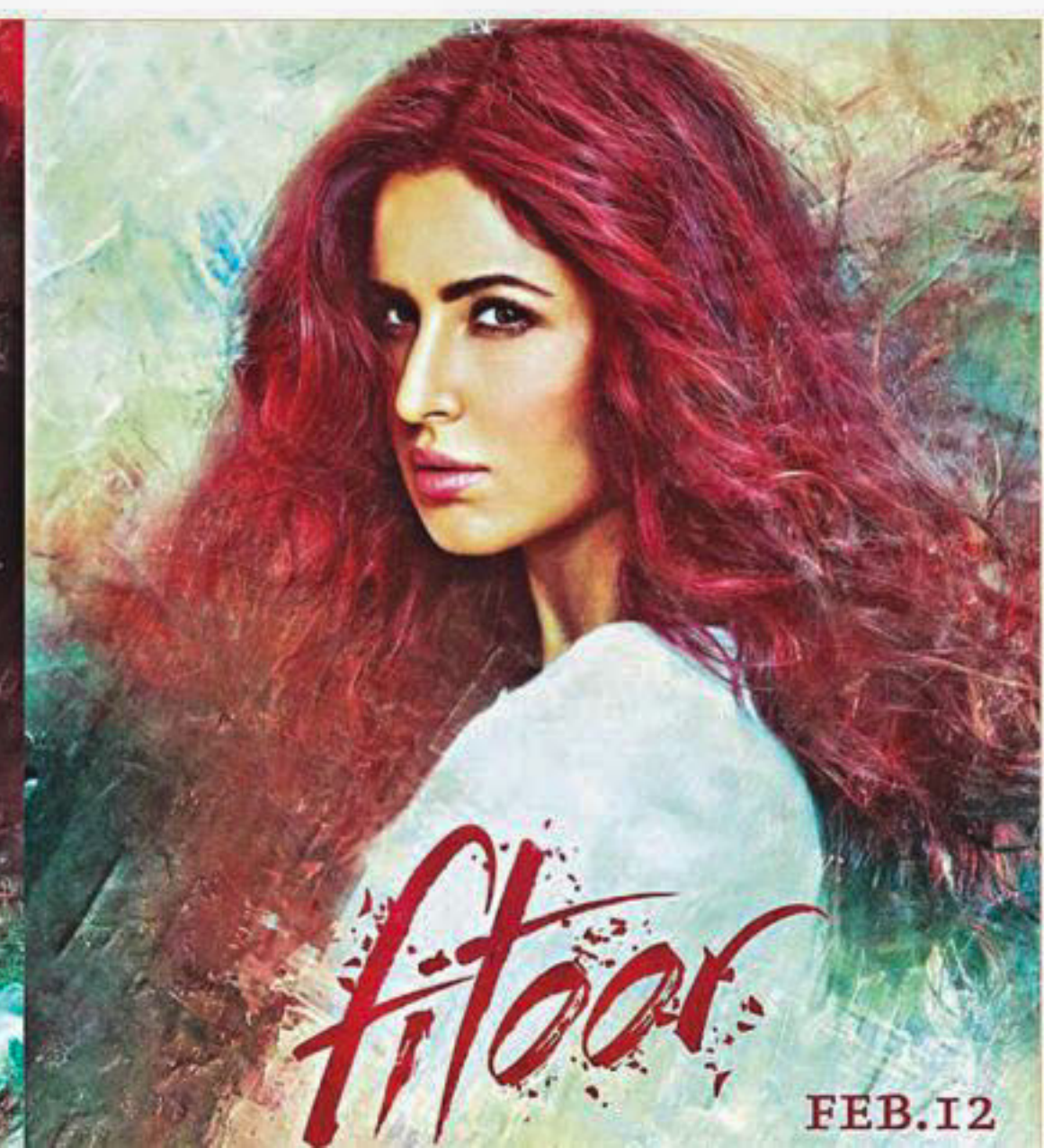
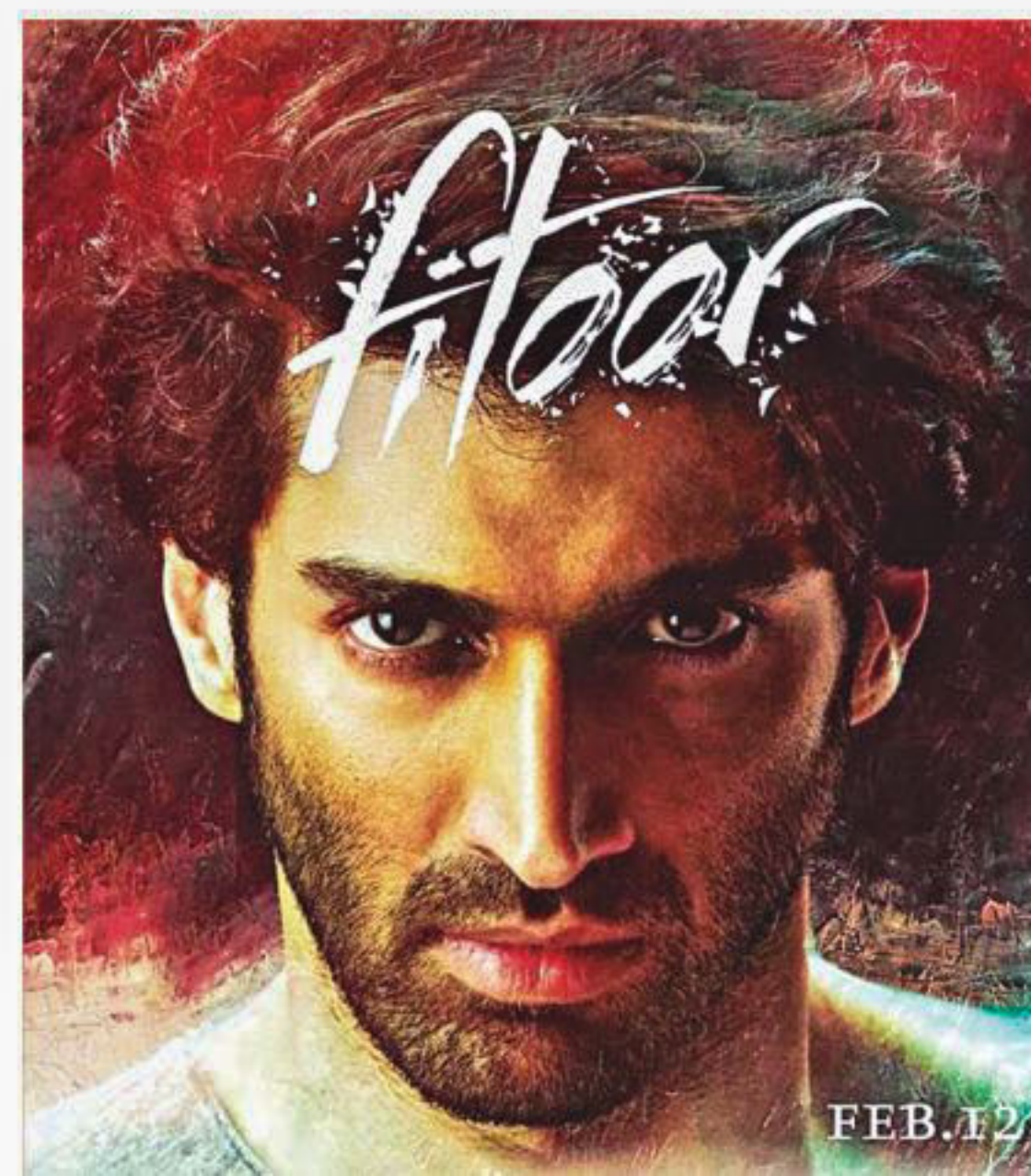
Aditya Roy Kapoor and Katrina Kaif, lead pair of the upcoming film "Fitoor", launched the second song "Pashmina" at the Lodhi garden.

The serene ambiance of the garden, where a romantic song from "Silsila" featuring Amitabh Bachchan and Rekha was shot, made the perfect setting for launching the song.

"When we were booking the venue, the authorities mentioned

how Amitabh and Rekha had shot a few portions of their film with Yash Chopra at Lodhi Gardens. The entire team is looking forward to visiting the garden," spokesperson of the film said in a statement.

Amit Trivedi has given the music for the song "Pashmina". "Fitoor", directed by Abhishek Kapoor, is based on Charles Dickens' "Great Expectations" and will release on February 12.



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