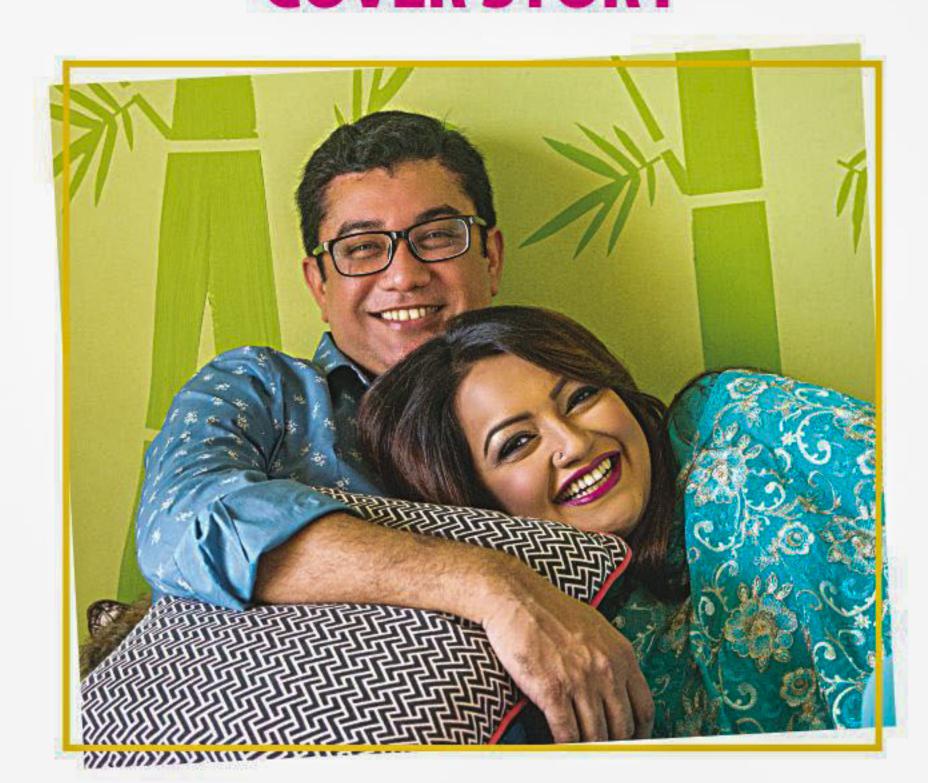




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Love, despite being quite difficult to precisely describe, stems from a combnation of trust, happiness, friendship and sacrifice. At least, what's what Nowshin and Hillol, one of the most romantic couples both on and off-screen, believe! People make mistakes and these mistakes eventually pave the way to building a meaningful married life. Believing in each other and understanding each other's strengths and weaknesses have turned the marriage of Nowshin and Hillol into a successful one. In the occasion of Valentine's Day, Star Showbiz presents to you a conversation with this love duo regarding their philosophy on love, life, relationships and marriage!



You two have been together for seven years. How has this long journey been so far? Hillol: Nowshin and I have been together for quite a while. We knew each other before we got married and spent a lot of time together during shooting and rehearsals. Sometimes I dropped her home after a whole day of work. That is how we got to know each other better. Both of us were thinking of resettling our lives. Since I used to live alone back then, we decided to decorate our home with new furni ture. And thus, our journey of togetherness began. Nowshin: At one point of our relationship we involved our

guardians in it. Even after their approval, we took some time and

thought about the future of this new beginning. I wanted to set my work according to my new lifestyle. Since we decided to marry right after we approached each other, our family members also had the scope to exchange their emotions.

Life after marriage goes through various ups and downs. How do you handle the sourness that derives from the unmet expectations? Nowshin: There are times in life when we feel like giving up. Marriage, family, responsibility these things become trivial when we go through rough phases. Even I became indecisive about my marriage at times. But on the other hand, there have been thousands

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Nowadays, people from media opt for separation more than before. Why do you think that

is the case? Nowshin: I don't think it's only the media people who opt for separation now. Many of my relatives and friends are also going through the same hardships. It's just that social media, newspapers and TV shows have made an easy access to every one's lives and now it doesn't take a second to spread news from one corner to another. For example, people have more access to my personal information than they have to my sister's.

We have recently witnessed

celebrated couples. Why do There have been thouyou think these marriages did not work out even after they have been idolized and admired by people? Nowshin: I don't know about the media but I can tell you about some of the reasons behind separations. I will not take any names, we all are human beings, and we all have our own complications to deal with. But two things that have been making us impatient are our ego and career. We live in a different era now. We can't act as compromising as our mothers were. They have always valued their marriage first. But time has changed and so has the situation. We are more focused on our career and self-development now.

> Hillol: The time and generation we are passing through are truly very unstable. When foreign countries are trying to make family members homebound, we Bangladeshis are showing cold shoulders to each other. Another very crucial reason behind this apathy is the financial authorization that both men and women have to earn. After both the partners achieve a sort of financial independence, they find fewer reasons to compromise their ego. Instability and intolerance are the two main reasons behind breakups

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