

## A STAR THAT SHINES, QUITE AND BRIGHT

Anil Thadani, founder of AA films, the largest single owner film distribution company in India which has released films across a range of languages such as Hindi, English, Telugu, Marathi and Tamil. He was born and brought up in suburbs of Mumbai. He loves spending quality time with his wife, parents and kids.

A completely filmy guy, who now really enjoys watching every single movie but there was a time when movies used to disturb him and he

disliked them.

He started his journey by distributing films made under Yash Raj Films banner, the first film he distributed was "*Yeh Dillagi*" and soon after he distributed "*Dilwale Dulhania Le Jayenge*" which rewrote history as one of the biggest blockbuster of Bollywood. Over the years since 1993 he has won credibility and has single handedly made AA films, one of the largest and most trusted house of distribution and exhibition.

*The Dirty Picture* was the first movie that he released Pan India, and the movie eventually was a block buster paving the way for a line of super hits to follow, like *Lage Raho Munna Bhai*, *Rang de Basanti*, *Don*, *Taare Zameen Par*, *Jodhaa Akbar*, *Ghajini*, *My Name is Khan*, *No One Killed Jessica*, *Agneepath*, *Ashiqui-2*, *Student of the Year*, *Ek Villain*, *Bahubali*, *Raees*, *Raazi* and many more. Recently, Anil Thadani's AA Films had also teamed up with Dhanush's Wunderbar Films and Lyca Productions to release Superstar Rajinikanth's *Kaala* in North India.

After his marriage to Bollywood diva Raveena Tandon – ever since he has been a doting father to four lovely kids and of course the most caring and loving husband. A disciplined family man that Anil is – even with his busy professional commitments, he had ensured that he gives quality and of





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course quantity time to his kids. A fitness freak – he has ensured that his kids grow up in a healthy and proactive physical activity oriented environment. Anil has also been Raveena's pillar of strength and source of limitless positivity. In fact in 2015, when she made a much awaited comeback to Bollywood in longtime friend Anurag Kashyap's magnum opus Bombay Velvet - playing a sultry jazz singer – which received a lot of positive response from critics – it is actually Anil's insistence and support that brought Raveena back in front of the camera - to her professional world again - doing what she loved doing the most.

Anil Thadani truly believes that people can be successful, if they put their mind and hard work into it. He also adds that honesty and sincerity takes one a long way ahead and that is something he is very particular about. He also believes one must respect the work that they do and take pride and most importantly do it for the right reasons.

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*For being the best known film distributor in India – across many languages, for his exemplary leadership in singlehandedly making AA Films one of country's most trusted film distribution and exhibition house and for uncompromisingly upholding the values of honesty and sincerity in his professional star-studded career.*

