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**Films Division salutes Father of Indian Cinema, Dadasaheb Phalke**

The Father of Indian Cinema, Dhundiraj Govind Phalke, popularly known as ***Dada Saheb Phalke*** introduced the art of cinema in India and opened the door of unlimited imagination before our countrymen. His visionary ambition laid a strong base for today's flourished Indian entertainment industry. Paying tributes to the legend on his 77<sup>th</sup> Punyathithi and also as part of the on-going 150<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary Celebrations, Films Division is screening select documentary and animation films on 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2021 on its website and You Tube channel.

The films being screened are ***Dream Takes Wings*** (16Mins/English/1972/Gajanan Jagirdar), a biopic on the Dadasaheb Phalke, ***Phalke Children***(20Mins/English/1994/Kamal Swaroop) which traces his life and career through the reminiscence of his surviving children and family photographs, ***The Pea Plant Legacy*** (11 Mins/Music/2015/Ram Mohan) an animation film on Dadasaheb Phalke and ***Rangbhoomi*** (90Mins/Hindi/2013/Kamal Swaroop) a part fiction, part documentary that attempts to trace the contours of Phalke's life in Varanasi after he withdrew, disillusioned, from the world of cinema and decided to take up theatre. ***Rangbhoomi*** won many awards including the National Film Award for the Best Non-feature Film in 2013.

The films will be streamed throughout the day on 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2021 on <https://filmsdivision.org/> Documentary of the Week and on <https://www.youtube.com/user/FilmsDivision>.

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