



12th Darbhanga International Film Festival

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The [12th Darbhanga International Film Festival 2025 \(DIFF\)](#) was organised in Darbhanga district of Bihar from 7th to 9th February, 2025.

Key Points

▪ About the Film Festival:

- The festival was **organised in the premises of Delhi World Public School, Darbhanga.**
- 45 films from India and abroad **were screened in this festival**, providing a **global platform to cinema lovers and filmmakers.**
- **Youth cultural presentations and cinema quiz competitions** were also organized in which students from various schools of Darbhanga participated.
- **65 awards were presented in various categories** at the closing ceremony of the festival.
- The closing film of this three-day prestigious film festival was the film "**Dada Lakhmi**" directed by **Bollywood actor Yashpal Sharma.**

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Darbhanga district

- It is located on the banks of the **Bagmati River** in the **Mithila region of Bihar.**
- **Madhubani is to the north of Darbhanga, Samastipur to the south, Saharsa to the east and Muzaffarpur and Sitamarhi district to the west.**
- The word Darbhanga is the result of the localization of the Sanskrit word 'Dwar-Bang' or the **Persian word 'Dar-e-Bang'** meaning the **gate of Bengal into the Maithili language** over many years.
- It is said that the city was founded by Darbhangi Khan during the Mughal period.
- The total area of Darbhanga district is 2,279 square km.

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