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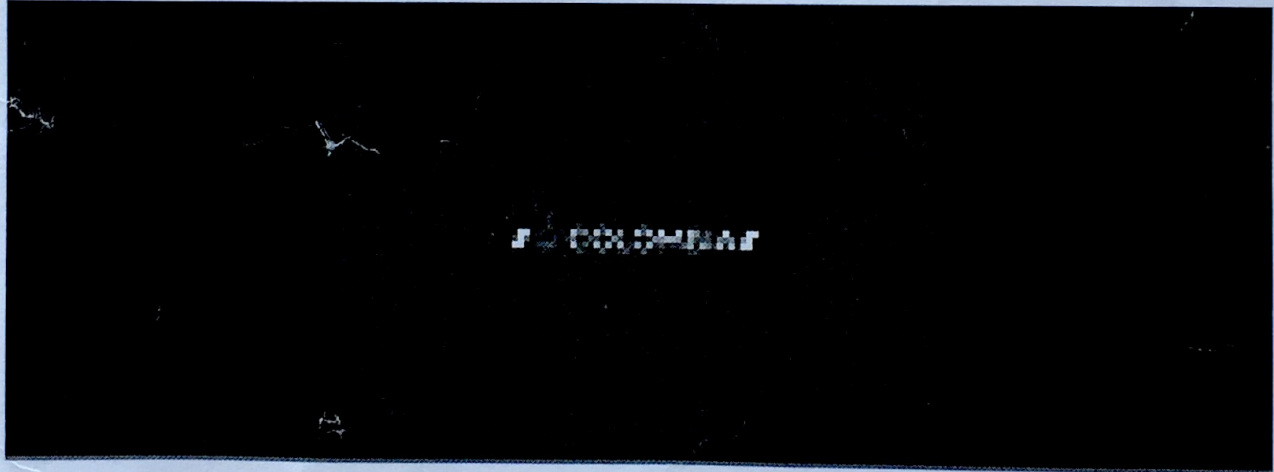
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Zoya Akhtar spotted at a jewellery store in Bandra yesterday

The colour of hope

SPACE 118 and Sakshi Gallery have decided to put up their current show online, given the immense success it has seen. Curator Saloni Doshi selected the works of these 20 young artists as, having followed their practice very closely, she believes they have shown incredible talent and resilience over the years. The show titled 'All Is Not Lost 20:20:20' is the artists' "response to the uncertainty of the times we live in, and our very human, but futile attempts to hold on to experiences and memories," she writes in her curatorial note. In the list of participating artists, your diarist was delighted to spot Purvai Rai, renowned photographer Raghu Rai's daughter, and Namrita Bachchan, Ajitabh Bachchan's daughter. Some of the other artists who are part of this super successful show are Parul Gupta, Ayesha Singh, Chinmoyi Patel, Tarini Sethi, Roshan Chhabria and Soham Gupta, who was selected for the Venice Biennale last year. Not only were the artworks snapped up by collectors, almost 15 out of the 20 artists now also have gallery representation because of the show.



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Recipe for a hit

IT'S no secret that most of the goodies at Kainaz Messman's cafés fly off the shelves. Regulars, in fact, pick up snacks for their afternoon cravings first thing in the morning. But who would have thought that Messman's book would be such a hot seller, too. 'Baking a Dream', the story of how she grew her business is now a bestseller, something that Messman puts down to her honest approach. "I haven't dramatised anything. It's just a true story, one that offers some insight into running a family-owned business that later found private equity investors. It's about what goes on behind building this kind of a business," says Messman. And here we thought the book sales were driven by Messman sharing her recipes, including that of her oh-so-yum chocolate brownies and red velvet cupcakes.

Tailpiece

HARRY Houdini could have learned a trick or two from this uber-rich industrialist, who claims to have lost the shirt off his back after deciding to divorce his wife. Ironic, considering his company's origins. A well-known travel buff and vintage car collector, he insists he has been reduced to penury and can't afford to give his wife anything more than a stipend towards maintenance. Of course, out of the courtroom, the man's lifestyle continues to tell a different story. Predictably, the timely dip in his income has come after a midlife crisis led him to a paramour, a woman whose designs we don't care to comment on. What really gets our goat, though, is that he's even refusing to pay for his child's education.