

What is the Oscar reminder list?

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In news—The Kashmir Files and other Indian films have appeared on the “Reminder List of Productions Eligible for the 95th Academy Awards”, which includes movies that can officially compete in various categories.

About reminder list-

- **The ‘Reminder List’ is brought out by the Academy ahead of the final nominations.**
 - It is the **list of films that have been watched by the Academy members**, and can be considered eligible to be qualified for nominations in various categories.
- **The List makes up the larger pool of films out of which the final nomination list emerges.**
- However, being included in the Reminder List is **no guarantee that a film will appear in the nominations**, or even that it will get a leg-up in the process.

Eligibility criteria for Oscar consideration-

The Academy has very broad eligibility rules for movies to be considered for Oscars. To be eligible-

- **A feature film must open in a commercial motion picture theatre** in at least one of six U.S. metropolitan areas: Los Angeles County; the City of New York; the Bay Area; Chicago, Illinois; Miami, Florida; and Atlanta, Georgia.
- They must have screened between January 1, 2022 and December 31, 2022 and complete a minimum qualifying run of seven consecutive days in the same venue, and
- Feature films must have a running time of more than 40

minutes.

Other Indian titles are there on this 2023 list-

- There are RRR, Kantara, Gangubai Kathiawadi, and Pan Nalin's Chhello Show (Last Film Show; Gujarati), which is India's official Oscar entry in the category of Best International Feature Film.
- Also on the List are the Marathi titles Me Vasantao and Tuzhya Sathi Kahi Hi, R Madhavan's Rocketry: The Nambi Effect, Iravin Nizhal (Tamil), and Vikrant Rona (Kannada).
- The Gray Man, an American action thriller that features Tamil actor Dhanush in a prominent role, has also made it to the Reminder List.

Have any Indian titles been shortlisted?

- Four titles have made it to shortlists in four different categories. The shortlist is the stage before the nominations.
- Shaunak Sen's All That Breathes has been shortlisted in the Documentary Feature Film category. Kartiki Gonsalves' The Elephant Whisperers is on the Documentary Short Film shortlist.
- Chhello Show (Last Film Show) is on the International Feature Film shortlist, and the 'Naatu Naatu' number from RRR is in the Music (Original Song) shortlist.
- On January 10, the song won the Golden Globe for the Best Original Song for its composer MM Keeravani, along with singers Kaala Bhairava and Rahul Sipligunj.

Note:

- The Golden Globe Awards are accolades bestowed by the Hollywood Foreign Press Association starting in January 1944, recognizing excellence in both American and international film and television.
- The annual ceremony at which the awards are presented is

normally held every January and has been a major part of the film industry's awards season, which culminates each year in the Academy Awards, although the Golden Globes'.

- The eligibility period for the Golden Globes corresponds to the calendar year (from January 1 through December 31).