

BAPPI LAHIRI



BAPPI LAHIRI The man

Bappi Lahiri was the pioneer of disco beats in India and his refreshing, vibrant, and rhythmic music had the entire nation dancing for decades. Bappi Lahiri is widely recognized throughout India as the sole originator of the disco beat in India. **He is widely known as the "Disco King" in India**, even today. Bappi Lahiri was the most popular music director in the 1980s due to his famous compositions for films such as Disco Dancer.

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BAPPI LAHIRI Biography

Bappi Lahiri was born in Calcutta, West Bengal in 1952 into a family with a rich tradition in classical music.

Bappi has his own unmatched personal style. He is the perfect blend of East and West, and his wardrobe ranges from the traditional Indian kurta and sherwani to the western sweatshirts and blazers. He is fond of wearing pieces of jewelry that represent significant symbols in his life. Bappi is famous throughout India for his trademark gold ornaments and sunglasses.

He has been known to sing duets with Mohammed Rafi and Kishore Kumar. He has also worked with renowned singers like Lata Mangeshkar and Asha Bhosle. Vijay Benedict and Sharon Prabhakar were launched into the Bollywood music industry by Bappi. He also paved the path to fame for Alisha Chinai and Usha Uthup through his compositions. Bappi Lahiri's reign over the Hindi music industry continued throughout the 1990s when he provided music for the Prakash Mehra produced 'Dalal' starring Mithun Chakraborty. The song 'Gutur Gutur' from the film was a big hit.

Even in the 2000s, Bappi Lahiri's reign and popularity with the masses remains as strong as ever. His album 'Bappi Magic - The Asli Baap Mix', featuring popular numbers such as 'Gori Hai Kalaiyan' and 'Jimmy Jimmy' was released in 2004 to great fanfare and attained great success and following. The following year he composed the background score for the Jahnu Barua film, 'Maine Gandhi Ko Nahin Maara'.

Bappi lent his voice to another composer for the first time with the song "Bombai Nagariya" in 2006 which he sang for Vishal-Shekhar for the movie Taxi Number 9211, which went on to become an instant success. Subsequently, he lent his voice for the title track of the Mani Ratnam film 'Guru', in which the music has been composed by A. R. Rahman, which also went on to become a super hit.

Having conquered the world of big screen Hindi films, Bappi turned his attention to reality shows on television. In 2006, he appeared on the popular television show 'Sa Re Ga Ma Pa L'il Champs' on Zee TV as co-judge with singers Alka Yagnik and Abhijeet. Bappi was also one of the celebrated judges for Zee TV's 'Sa Re Ga Ma Pa Challenge 2007,' along with fellow music composers: Himesh Reshammiya, Ismail Darbar, and Vishal-Shekhar. Bappi was also a judge for Sony Entertainment Television's 'K For Kishore' reality show that sought to find the 'heir apparent' to Kishore Kumar. All of these reality shows gained tremendous amount of worldwide popularity.

Currently, Bappi Lahiri is transcending the barriers between the East and West and is striving to make history once more with his new album: My Love. Over the decades and through years of well deserved fame and accolades, Bappi Lahiri remains the undisputed Disco King of India, and one of the most amiable celebrities in the Hindi film industry today.



BAPPI LAHIRI Social Snapshot



**11.1 Million
Views**



**2.7 K
Followers**



**733,616
Followers**

BAPPI LAHIRI Accomplishments

Disco King

Living legend of Bollywood, known as the “Disco King” who was India’s most successful music director of the 1980’s

Collaborations

Has worked with the biggest names in Indian music history including Mohammed Rafi, Kishore Kumar, Lata Mangeshkar, Asha Bhosle, Alka Yagnik, AR Rahman and Sonu Nigam

World Records

Entered the Guinness Book of World Records for recording over 180 songs for 33 films in 1986

Songs

Has composed over 5,000 songs in over 600 films over his 40 year career

Connector

Has introduced some of India’s biggest pop stars into the industry including Alisha Chinai and Remo Fernandes

TV shows

Helped popularize reality music TV shows in India in 2006 appearing as a judge on several “Sa Re Ga Ma Pa”TV series

Sampled

His music was the first to be sampled by urban artists from America and the UK, including Dr. Dre “Addicted” and MIA “Jimmy Jimmy” which sold millions of copies around the world

Voice Over

In late 2016, Bappi Lahiri lent his voice to the character of Tamatoa in the Hindi-dubbed version of Disney’s hit film “Moana” ; he also composed and sang a song in the film



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