

Shirdi Ke Sai Baba actor Sudhir Dalvi, hospitalised; family seeks financial help. Ranbir Kapoor's sister offers her support but gets trolled

Synopsis

Veteran actor Sudhir Dalvi is in Mumbai's Lilavati Hospital battling severe sepsis. His medical bills have exceeded Rs 10 lakh, with an estimated total of Rs 15 lakh. His family is appealing for financial support. Riddhima Kapoor has contributed, responding to a troll's comment with grace. Dalvi is known for his roles as Sai Baba and Guru Vashishta.



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Sudhir Dalvi is famous for his role as Sai Baba in Shirdi Ke Sai Baba, is hospitalised. (Agencies/Instagram)

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Baba in Manoj Kumar's 1977 classic Shirdi Ke Saibaba, has been

hospitalised at Mumbai's Lilavati Hospital since October 8, 2025. The 86-year-old actor, celebrated for his calm expressions and gentle screen presence, is currently battling severe sepsis — a life-threatening infection that demands intensive medical care.

According to reports, Dalvi's medical expenses have already exceeded Rs 10 lakh, leaving his family struggling to keep up with the mounting bills. Doctors estimate that the total treatment cost may reach around Rs 15 lakh. His loved ones have now appealed to fans, colleagues, and members of the film fraternity for financial support to help with his recovery.

After spotting a post about Dalvi's condition shared by celebrity photographer Viral Bhayani — which also included details for donations — Ranbir Kapoor's sister, [Riddhima Kapoor](#), quietly stepped in to contribute. She left a simple comment on the post saying "Done 🙏," suggesting that she had sent monetary aid for the veteran actor's treatment.



However, her thoughtful gesture soon drew an unnecessary comment from a troll who questioned her intentions and accused her of seeking attention. Riddhima didn't stay silent. She replied with grace, writing that not everything in life is about optics and that helping someone in need, in whatever capacity one can, is a blessing in itself.

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A post shared by Viral Bhayani (@viralbhayani)

About Sudhir Dalvi

Sudhir Dalvi is one of the most respected actors in [Indian cinema](#) and television. He rose to prominence as Guru Vashishta in Ramanand Sagar's Ramayan and earned widespread acclaim for his role as Sai Baba — both in the iconic TV portrayal and in Manoj Kumar's [Shirdi Ke Sai Baba](#), which remains one of Bollywood's most memorable devotional films.

Dalvi also appeared as Nana Nagarkar in the hit 1990s television series Junoon and as the elderly Shah Jahan in Shyam Benegal's historical series Bharat Ek Khoj. Later, he became a familiar face to modern audiences with his role in Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi. He has also starred in many movies, Khal Nayak, Tirangaa, Toofan, Khudgarz and many others.

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