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NANHA SCIENTIST

28 JANUARY 2026 (MEGHDOOT)

Writer	: Mohit Jain
Design & Direction	: Mohit Jain
Group	: NSD, Theatre-in-Education Company.
Language	: Hindi
Duration	: 70 Min.



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Play

Nanha Scientist is an inspirational play that brings forth the curiosity, courage, and struggle hidden within children - qualities that inspire them to think differently, understand deeply, and accomplish the extraordinary. This play not only offers a glimpse into the life of the great scientist Thomas Alva Edison, but also becomes the voice of all those children who are unable to freely express their talents due to societal norms, educational systems, or family pressures.

The play shows how Edison was a child with an unusual way of thinking - dismissed by his school as incompetent and unfit. But his mother never lost faith in him. She guided, encouraged, and made him believe that his way of thinking was his true strength. Her inspiration, combined with the child's determination, gave rise to a scientist who lit up the entire world.

This play is dedicated to every child who dreams, who questions, who stumbles but rises again. It teaches us that failures are not the end of the path but experiences that make us stronger. Nanha Scientist is not just a story - it's a celebration of the fire that burns within every struggling child.

Director



Mohit Jain is a software engineer who, after receiving a technical education, chose to pursue his passion for theatre. He received formal training in acting from the Madhya Pradesh School of Drama and also participated in a year-long internship program, working across various places. Later, he earned a postgraduate degree (M.A.) in Theatre from Gwalior University, where he was awarded a gold medal.

For the past seven years, he has been actively associated with the National School of Drama's Theatre-in-Education wing, Sanskaar Rang Toli. During this time, he has worked extensively with children, directing numerous theatrical productions. He has also acted in many plays and contributed as a writer. His work reflects a fine balance of theatrical understanding, discipline, and creativity. Through the play Nanhe Scientist (Little Scientist), he has tried to portray children's curiosity, struggles, and confidence in a simple yet impactful way.



Director's Note

In directing *Nanhe Scientist*, Mohit Jain aimed to ensure that the play is not just a biography of a historical figure but also gives space to the mental and social struggles of today's children. The structure of the play is designed in such a way that children, while watching Edison, do not just see him as a character but also see a reflection of themselves. Mohit Jain's directorial vision focuses on how a child who thinks differently and is repeatedly rejected, can achieve greatness if given the right support and belief. In this play, Edison is not just a character but becomes a symbol - for all those children who ask questions, stumble, yet rise again. Through dialogues, scenes, and presentation, the director has attempted to ensure that the play not only inspires but also touches upon the emotional realities of children.

Group

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CAST & CREDIT

On Stage

Dr. S. Boominathan	: Edison's father, Jonathan & Galileo
Ms. Snigdha Paul	: Jasika (Student), Scientist
Ms. Rajeshwari Nandi	: Delay the Dhile
Ms. Meenakshi	: Edison's Mother
Mohd. Shanshah	: Young Edison
Ms. Bani Saikia	: Teacher
Ms. Shazia Batool	: Hen, Columbus
Ms. Pooja Vedvikhyat	: Christine
Ms. Snigdha Mondal	: Merion, Christine's Mom
Mohd. Nauman	: Elder Edison
Mr. Amaresh Kumar	: Student, Newton
Mr. Ashish Atrey	: Student
Mr. Kingshuk Das	: Apton, Bird

Contact

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Off Stage

Written, Design & Direction	: Mohit Jain
Stage Manager	: Snigdha Paul
Music Design	: Dipu Rabha
Song Composition	: Anita Bitalu
Lyricist	: Amit K. Kushwaha & Mohit Jain
Costume Designer	: Bani Saikia
Costume Assistant	: Meenakshi
Set & Props Design	: S. Boominatha & Md. Shahنشah
Props Making	: Sadhana, Dipanshu, Adamya, Vivek & Shivam
Light Design	: Dharendra Kumar
Sound Execution	: Amit K. Kushwaha
Octapad Player	: Daulat Kumar
Singers	: Rajeshwari, Amit K. Kushwaha, Iti Shree, Dipanshu, Vivek Admaya, Ridhika Singh
Poster & Brochure Design	: Amit K. Kushwaha
Costume Department	: Reena Kala
Sound Department	: Mukesh
Carpentry Department	: Brijesh Sharma
Attendants	: Sunil Kumar Md. Rashid
Administration / Production	: Darmiyan Singh Shailendra Kumar
TIE Coordinator	: Jayanta Rabha
TIE Chief	: Riken Ngomle





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