

HDFC Life Click 2 Protect Plus
A Non-Linked Non-Participating Term Insurance Plan

Insure today & get life cover of ₹1 crore at ₹17/day*!

HDFC Life Insurance

PLAN NOW

*T&C Apply

ARN: ED/10/20/21055

CHANGE LANGUAGE English

WATCH LIVE TV

DOWNLOAD NEWS18 APP

FOLLOW US ON

NEWS18 MOVIES

BATTLE FOR BIHAR ELECTIONS 2020

ASSOCIATE PARTNER

Latest Lifestyle Movies Bihar Seat-Wise LIVE Party Tally ByPoll Results Gossip #RestartRight US Elections Diwali 2020 MISSION पद्मी

Dabur LAUHASAVA AN AYURVEDIC DRINK TO MAKE ANAEMIA SHRINK! **BUY**

BIHAR ASSEMBLY RESULT TALLY					BY-POLL RESULTS			
243/243 SEATS (122 SEATS TO WIN)					ALL SEATS			
ALLIANCE	NDA	MGB	LJP	OTH	BIHAR	INC	JDU	OTH
WINS . LEADS	125	110	01	07	BY-POLL(1/1) LOK SABHA	0	1	0
					TOTAL(40/40)	1	1	23

NEWS18 » MOVIES

1-MIN READ

At Tokyo Film Festival, 'The Old Town Girls' Fails to Rise Above the Mundane

NEWS18



The Old Town Girls by debutant director Shen Yu talks about a parent-child relationship, where a wayward mother pays a heavy price, before she realises what a gem of a daughter she has.

- NEWS18.COM
- LAST UPDATED: NOVEMBER 11, 2020, 15:52 IST
- FOLLOW US ON: Facebook Twitter Instagram Telegram Google News



Gautaman Bhaskaran

Insure today & get life cover of ₹1 crore at ₹17/day*!

HDFC Life Click 2 Protect Plus
A Non-Linked Non-Participating Term Insurance Plan

PHOTOS HEALTH TRACKER

*Online Premium for Life Option, Non-Smoker Male Life Assured, 25 years of Age, Sum Assured 1 Cr. Policy term of 30 years, Regular pay, Annual Frequency, Exclusion of Tax (Annual Premium of ₹6119/365 days= ₹16.7/day)

*T&C Apply

ARN: ED/10/20/21

Get the best of **NEWS18** in your Inbox

SUBSCRIBE NOW

LIVE TV

CW NEWS18

The Old Town Girls

Director: Shen Yu

Apple WATCH
SERIES 6

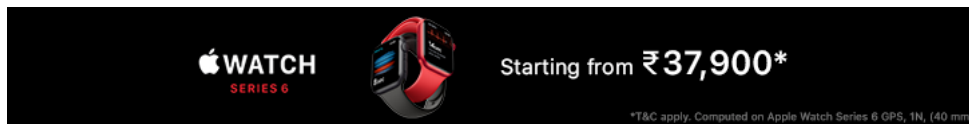


Starting from ₹37,900*

*T&C apply. Computed on Apple Watch Series 6 GPS, 1N, (40 mm)

Cast: Wan Qian, Li Gengxi, Zhou Ziyue, Shi An, Pan Binlong

We have seen dozens of movies on parent-child relationship, and Tokyo Film Festival premiere, The Old Town Girls, does not, therefore, come with any great novelty, except that here you have a wayward mother who pays a heavy price before she realises what a gem of a daughter she has.



Writer-director, Shen Yu, in his debut work weaves a rather sad story of a teenager, the shy Shui Qing (Li Gengxi), who having grown up with her father is both excited and scared when her mother, the hot-tempered Qu Ting (Wan Qian), returns home after many years. The girl gets all the more uncomfortable when she realises that her mother has come back with a heavy baggage – which is both emotional and financial. Obviously, there is gnawing tension that the movie underlines exceptionally well.

There may not be many surprises in The Old Town Girls, but what is remarkable is Shui's innocence which keeps her hoping that her mother has but noble intentions. And the teenager is desperate for some kind of stability, harmony and joy, especially after the kind of raw deal she gets from her stepmother. There is a poignant scene in which we see a famished Shui returning home from school, but her stepmother asks her to stay out of the family meal.



In the midst of lurking sorrow, the director uses daylight and bright imagery for relief, and we are taken through a labyrinth of emotions which finally bind the mother and the daughter. Shui's factory-worker father's life is no less complicated, and this presents a third dimension to the plot and also serves as a reason for his placid neglect of his daughter.

The Old Town Girls is gripping in parts, but fails to rise above the mundane most of the time.



Rating: 2.5/5

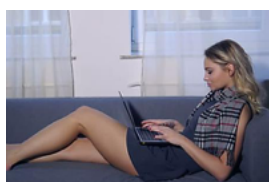
(Author, Commentator and Movie Critic Gautaman Bhaskaran has covered the Tokyo International Film Festival for several years)

• **TAGS:** LI GENXU | PAN BINLONG | SHEN YU | SHI AN | THE OLD TOWN GIRLS | TOKYO FILM FESTIVAL 2020 | WAN QIAN | ZHOU ZIYUE

• **FIRST PUBLISHED:** NOVEMBER 11, 2020, 15:52 IST

PROMOTED CONTENT

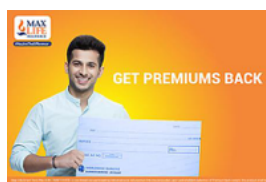
Recommended by **Outbrain** | ▶



Mac User Warning: The Only Providers You Should Trust To...
My Antivirus Review



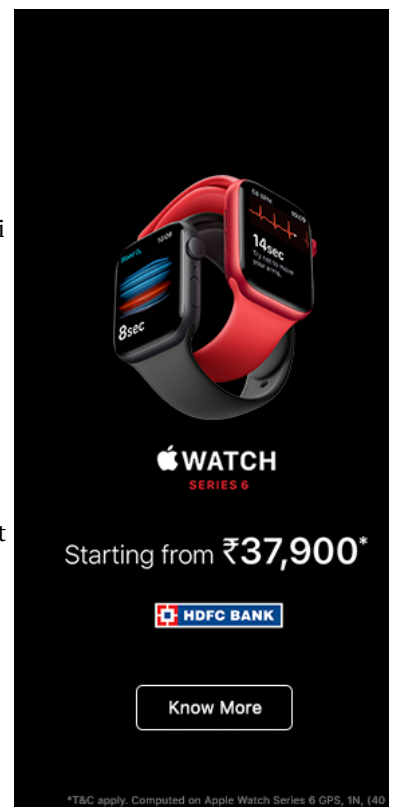
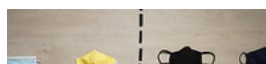
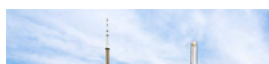
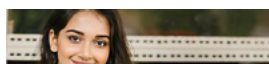
I Want To Live For My Daughter. Please Save Me From Cancer
Ketto



Term plan that returns your premium at the end of policy*
Max Life Insurance



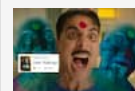
Why You Should Rush to the Stores for This New Smartwatch
FitX Pro VI



RECOMMENDED FOR YOU



List of Diwali Discounts or Sedans in India: Maruti Suzuki, Tata Motors, Honda and More



'Laxmii' Flooded With 1-star Ratings on IMDb as Akshay Kumar Film Gets Panned Online



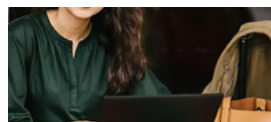
EXPLAINED: Here Is How You Can Buy The Best Face Masks To Protect Against Pollution



Laxmii Beats Dil Bechara to Become Biggest Movie Opening Ever for Disney+Hotstar



How to Pre-Order Apple's New M1-Powered 13-Inch MacBook Pro: All Configurations and EMI Options



Become A Data Scientist. No Technical Background Required.

Great Learning



Want to work and live in Canada in 2020? Canada is looking fo...

BetterPlace Immigration



Not all face masks are created equal — 7 things to consider to...

CNA Insider

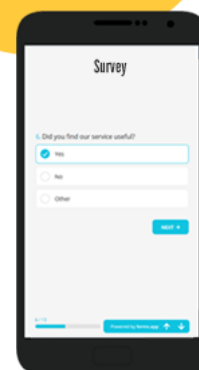


The cost of hearing aids in Chennai might surprise you

in.cdn.hear.com

**50% DISCOUNT
FOR 1 WEEK**

23 - 29 November



SAVE NOW

 **forms.app**

[Next Story](#)

PHOTOGALLERY



IPL 2020: Mumbai Indians Celebrate Their Record Fifth IPL Title Victory; See Pics

9
PHOTOS



Kajal Aggarwal & Gautam Kitchlu's Romantic Honeymoon Pictures

6
PHOTOS

PROMOTED CONTENT 

If I don't arrange Rs 30 lakh my daughter will i
survive
Ketto

Mac Antivirus (2020) - Top 10 Most Trusted
Antivirus For Mac Users
antivirustop-10.com

1 Crore Life Cover + Regular Monthly Income
490/month*.
Term Life Insurance - Get Free Quote!

Loading...

TRENDING TOPICS

- US Elections 2020
- Karwa Chauth
- Bihar Assembly Elections 2020
- Gold Price Today
- Donald Trump
- Kamala Harris
- World Tsunami Awareness Day
- Virat Kohli
- Coronavirus Vaccine
- Joe Biden
- Aditya Narayan
- Kareena Kapoor
- IPL 2020
- Coronavirus in India
- Sushant Singh Rajput

HOT ON SOCIAL

- Tense Typo in Michigan
- The Squad
- No-Shave November
- Taimur Ali Khan
- Bernie Sander Spot on
- Virat Kohli's Phone Number
- Wait for US President
- Desi Twitter on US Elections
- Milind Soman's Beach Run
- Kangana Ranaut
- Kids 'Playing' in Metro
- Unseen Photos of Virat Kohli
- Bizarre Prayer for Trump
- Suresh Raina's Karwa Chauth Tweet
- Apple iPhone 12

POPULAR CATEGORIES

- Latest
- India
- Politics
- Entertainment
- Tech
- Auto
- Buzz
- Videos
- Photos
- Health
- IPL 2020
- Movies
- Bihar Election 2020
- Lifestyle
- Gossip

LIVE TV

CNN NEWS18 

NEWS18 GROUP SITES

Hindi News	Marathi News	Gujarati News	TopperLearning	CricketNext	Moneycontrol
Bengali News	Tamil News	Telugu News	Firstpost	CompareIndia	CNBCTV18
Kannada News	Malayalam News	Punjabi News	History India	MTV India	Clear Study Doubts
Urdu News	Assam News	Odia News	Education Franchisee Opportunity	CAprep18	



About Us	Privacy	Cookie	Disclaimer
	Policy	Policy	Contact Us
Sitemap	Complaint	Advertise	
	Redressal	with Us	



CNN name, logo and all associated elements ® and © 2020 Cable News Network LP, LLLP. A Time Warner Company. All rights reserved. CNN and the CNN logo are registered marks of Cable News Network, LP LLLP, displayed with permission. Use of the CNN name and/or logo on or as part of NEWS18.com does not derogate from the intellectual property rights of Cable News Network in respect of them. © Copyright Network18 Media and Investments Ltd 2020. All rights reserved.