



# Salman Rushdie Attacked

- By Ankit Agrawal

# Salman Rushdie Stabbed In Neck At New York Event, Taken To Hospital: 10 Points

Salman Rushdie's writings, such as 'The Satanic Verses', have in the past led to death threats, though details of the attack are scarce

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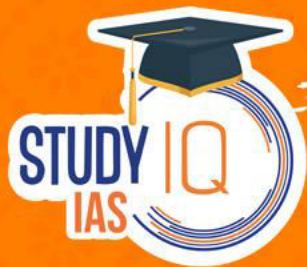
**Shashi Tharoor** ✓

@ShashiTharoor

Utterly horrified & shocked by the stabbing of @SalmanRushdie. Wish him a speedy & complete recovery from his wounds, even though, with a sinking heart, I recognize that life for him can never be the same again. A sad day, worse if creative expression can no longer be free & open.

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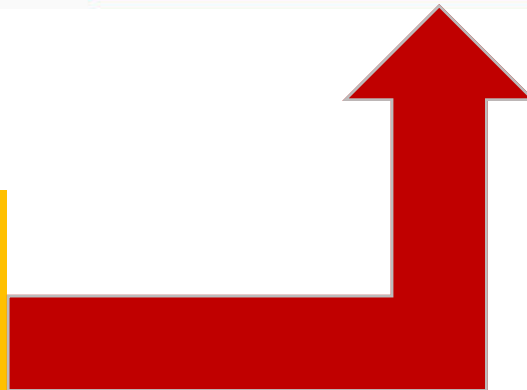
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## WHAT HAS HAPPENED?

On Friday, as he waited to deliver a lecture at the Chautauqua Institution in western New York, on the importance of the US offering asylum for artistes in exile, author Salman Rushdie, 75, was attacked by a man who stabbed him onstage.

The Chautauqua Institution, where the attack took place, is located in a rural part of New York.

It is known for its summertime lecture series.  
Mr Rushdie has spoken there before.





# Salman Rushdie On Ventilator, May Lose An Eye After Attack: Report

Salman Rushdie Attacked: Author's agent said that Salman Rushdie nerves in his arm were severed; and his liver was stabbed and damaged after being attacked on Friday at an event in New York.

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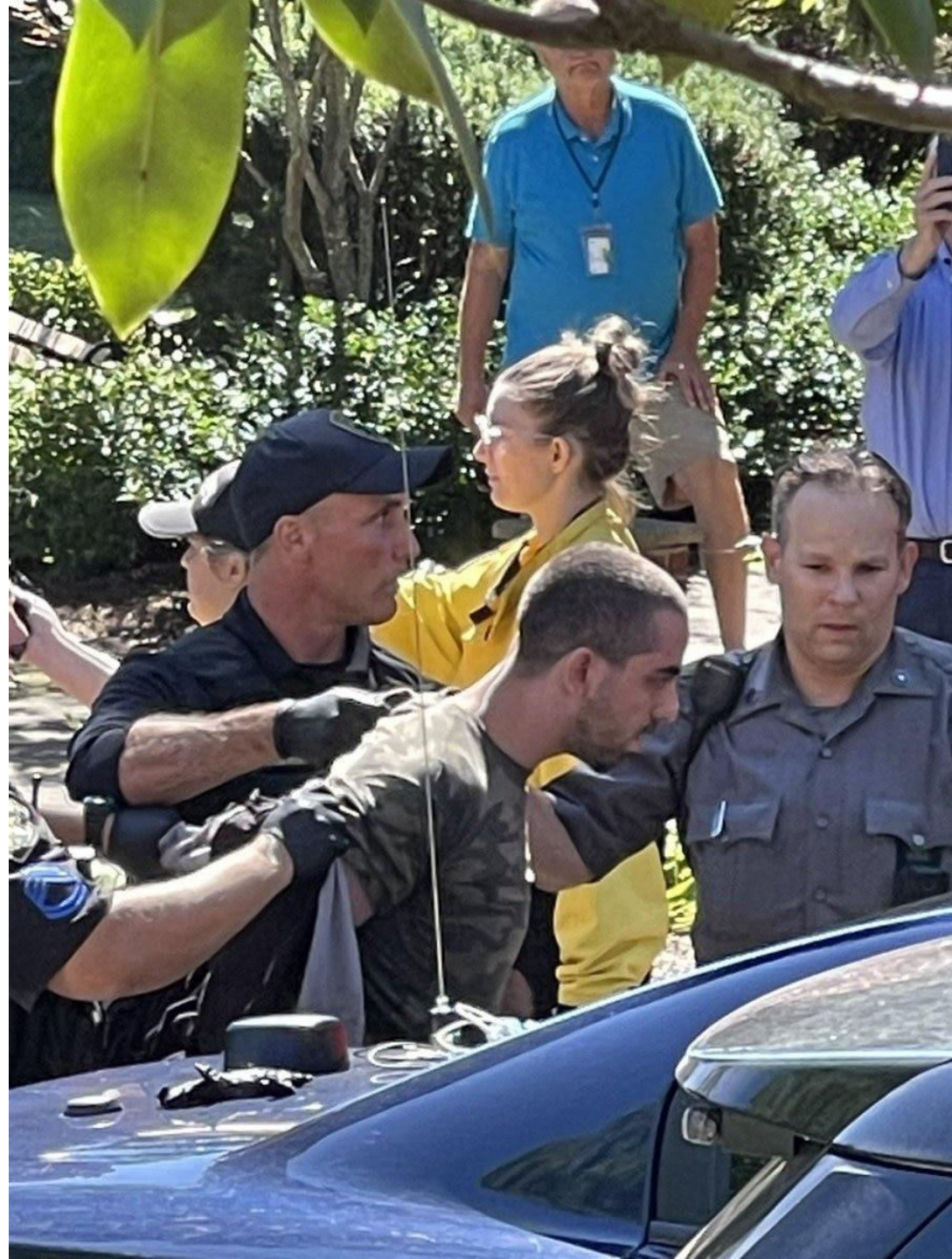
## WHO WAS ATTACKER?

Moments after author Salman Rushdie was attacked on Friday, **authorities arrested the man who stabbed the author.**

New York Police identified the suspect as Hadi Matar (24) **from Fairview, New Jersey.**

Hadi Matar, jumped on the stage soon after Rushdie was introduced and “**stabbed him at least once in the neck and at least once in the abdomen**”.





## DEATH THREATS TO SALMAN

Since the publication of *The Satanic Verses* in September 1988, the British-Indian writer who won the Booker Prize for his *Midnight's Children* (1981) **has faced innumerable threats to his life.**

On February 14, 1989, Iran's religious leader Ayatollah Khomeini pronounced a fatwa on Rushdie for "insulting Islam" with **his novel.**

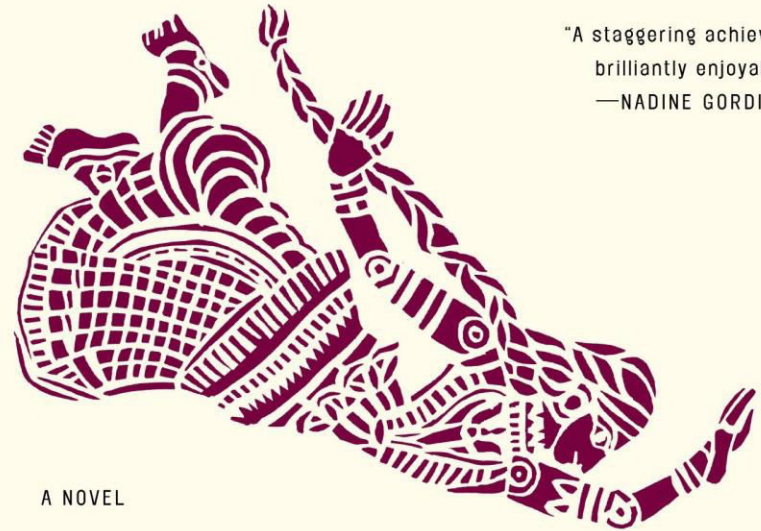
**The repercussions of this would continue to be felt for decades to come.**



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# SALMAN RUSHDIE



Even as Rushdie went into hiding following the fatwa, book bans, book burnings, fire bombings **and death threats continued unabated for years to come,**

Raising important questions about freedom of expression **in the arts around the world.**



## WHAT'S THE CONTROVERSY?

In an interview to Channel 4 in 1989, soon after the publication of *The Satanic Verses*, Rushdie had responded to the rising criticism of the book by making **a case for freedom of expression.**

“If you don’t want to read a book, you don’t have to read it. It’s very hard to be offended by *The Satanic Verses* — it **requires a long period of intense reading. It’s a quarter of a million words.**”

**But the author had not bargained for the backlash his novel would bring.**

Told through a framework of magic realism, **The Satanic Verses** tells the story of **Gibreel Farishta and Saladin Chamcha**, actors of Indian Muslim origin, whose **miraculous escape from, and transformation after, a plane crash** forms the basis of the satire.

On its release, the book received favourable reviews in the West, **winning the 1988 Whitbread Award for novel of the year and becoming a 1988 Booker Prize finalist.**



## BANNING OF THE BOOK

In India, however, nine days after its publication, the book was banned by the Rajiv Gandhi government for hurting **religious sentiments**.

In the UK, too, **protests took shape**.

By the end of the year, the book was banned in a number of countries, including **Bangladesh, South Africa, Sudan, Kenya**.

**Other countries would soon follow.**

Iran, though, initially, was not among the countries **protesting the book.**

But as the clamour against the book – and Rushdie – grew, a **group of clerics read out sections of the book to Khomeini, including a portion featuring an imam in exile that was suspiciously like a caricature of him.**

**The rest, as it goes, was history.**



## LIFE IN HIDING

Even as a bounty of more than \$3 million was offered **for the assassination of the writer, for the next nine years,**

Rushdie would remain in hiding, moving from place to place, **guarded heavily by bodyguards and security services.**

In his poignant 2012 memoir *Joseph Anton*, Rushdie wrote about **adopting the pseudonym** (taken from Joseph Conrad and Anton Chekhov's first names) **to avoid scrutiny and turning into**  
**“an invisible man in a whiteface mask”.**

He would issue clarifications explaining his position, even as the novel, a bestseller in some countries such as the US, would have to be withdrawn from shops around the world because of vandalism.

The Iranian government would eventually distance itself from the fatwa in 1998.



## RE-EMERGENCE IN PUBLIC LIFE

It was only after 1998 that Rushdie re-emerged in public life, becoming an advocate of free speech and **artistic freedom**, while continuing to write bestselling novels.

He returned to India in 2000 for the first time since the fatwa with his son Zafar for the announcement **of the Commonwealth Writers' Prize for Best Book**.

## CONCLUSION

In 2012, after an Iranian religious outfit "renewed" the bounty on him, he dismissed that threat, **saying there was "no evidence" of people being interested in the reward.**



**Q. In which field 'Saraswati Samman' award is given?**

A) Music

B) Literature

C) Journalism

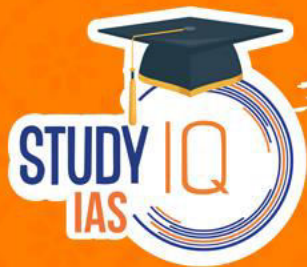
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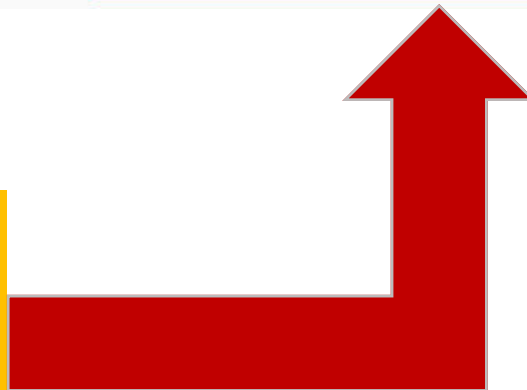
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