What’s in ‘Emilia Perez’?

Adriana Paz, Carla Sofia Gascone, Selena Gomez and Zoe Saldana – these four won the Best Actress award at the Cannes Film Festival last year. They won the award for Jacques Andier’s ‘Emilia Perez’. The film was praised after its premiere at Cannes, but who would have thought that this musical comedy would be so well received later! After receiving the highest nominations at the two major award ceremonies, it seems that the discussion about ‘Emilia Perez’ will increase even more.

The 82nd Golden Globe Awards will be given tomorrow morning Bangladesh time. The film surprised everyone by receiving the maximum 10 nominations at this year’s ceremony. It has received nominations in all important categories including Best Picture in the Musical or Comedy category, Best Actress, and Best Supporting Actress. Critics believe that the film can also take home the highest award like the nomination.

Meanwhile, the BAFTA nominations were announced last Friday night. The film has received the maximum 15 nominations here as well. Another piece of good news came the same night. The film’s director and cast won the Vanguard Award at the festival. But what’s in this acclaimed film?

The film was made in Spanish by acclaimed French director Jacques Andier. It is the story of four established women in Mexico who want to be happy in their own way. Among them is a notorious drug lord who fakes his own death and seeks the help of a lawyer to start a new life. The story progresses with what happens next.

The film received widespread critical acclaim upon its release for its screenplay, acting, and production. The film has an average rating of 76 percent on Rotten Tomatoes. Most critics have judged Carla Sofia Gascone’s performance in the film to be one of the best of the past year. According to Time

magazine, ‘It’s a smash hit, undoubtedly the best musical of the year.’ Not only professional critics, but last year the film was highly praised by actresses Meryl Streep, Emily Blunt, Eva Longoria, singer Madonna, producers Guillermo del Toro, and Michael Manera. Various magazines including Time, Sight & Sound included ‘Emilia Perez’ in the list of the best films of last year.

The film has not been without controversy. Especially in Mexico. The director faced widespread anger on social media for highlighting various negative aspects of the country. Many film critics in the country also feel that the film takes Mexican issues too lightly. In addition, although the film is set in Mexico, almost all the actresses are from other countries, which has also been criticized.

Despite the criticism, so much praise, awards, and nominations after its release are additional achievements for Andier. In this regard, in an interview with IndieWire, the director said, “It’s a very timely work, it speaks to various contemporary issues. It’s a work that I couldn’t have made 10 years ago if I wanted to.”