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# END GAME

Designed & Directed by **S. M. Azhar Alam**  
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## Synopsis:

Samuel Beckett's Endgame is considered a masterpiece of modernist absurdity, which tells the story of four distinctive characters confined to a single room as they try to make sense of life in the aftermath of an unidentified apocalyptic disaster. In typical Beckett style, Endgame is a bleak and tragicomic examination of joy and cruelty, stasis and change, devotion and neglect, life and death. Nothing in ENDGAME and matters Nothing....

## Director's Note:

"Me-to play" –

To live is to play a game; it is also to play a role  
No link to the past, no hope for the future  
Bosh, tosh, nonsense, stupidity, absurdity  
'End' and 'Finished'

We did not have experience of World War, but we have spent 3 months in total lockdown during COVID-19; and more or less still suffering; no communication; loneliness; dependency, no purpose; absurdism etc. etc.. Language has failed to express the essence of human experience.

In fact in this play plot is important not the gender so I have turned the male characters Hamm & Clov into female characters as Hukmarani Aurat (Hamm's character), who always rules & Ekantika (Clov's character) who is born to follow Hukmarani Aurat's orders. The character of old man and old woman has been played by male actors.

## Cast & Credits:

### On stage

1. Hukmarani Aurat : Uma Jhunjhunwala
2. Ekantika: Chandreyee Dutta Mitra
3. Old Man: Intekhab Warsi
4. Old Woman: Priyanka Singh

### Off Stage:

Playwright: Samuel Beckett  
Translation: Uma Jhunjhunwala  
Light & Set design: S. M. Azhar Alam

Music Design: Murari Raychoudhury  
Production Manager: Manohar Kumar Jha  
Assistant: Intekhab Warsi

Light execution: Joydeep Roy  
Music operation: Sabyasachi Pal  
Set installation: Chanchal Halder

