

## ENTREPRENEUR: PRIYA PAUL



**PRIYA PAUL** receives the award from tennis veteran **NARESH KUMAR** and actress **JUNE THE STAR HOTELIER**: Having taken up the reins of The Park hotels almost overnight after losing her father, she has made it a hospitality brand to be proud of.

**Q:** Your proud mom (Shirin Paul) is here to see you receive the award. What would you like to say to her?  
**A:** “I wouldn’t be who I am without my mother. She has been really a fantastic person in my life. While I am here, I do want to thank my family who are all here in full support... (*hoots and cheers from the Paul clan fill Pala!*)... the family has really been my fantastic support that kept me going. I want to thank the people of Calcutta, and Calcutta the city itself. That’s really what I carry with me. That’s really what has formed me.”