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I Matter (Eu Contez), a multilingual drama written and directed by acclaimed filmmaker Alina Şerban, will have its Indian Premiere as the Mid-Fest film at the 57th International Film Festival of India (IFFI). A co-production of Romania, Germany and Belgium, the 101-minute film explores identity, family, belonging and the pursuit of a future beyond the circumstances of one's past. Featuring dialogues in Romanian and Romani, the film brings a distinctive European cinematic perspective to the festival.

The film follows Rebeca, a young Roma woman preparing to leave the orphanage she has called home. With her father's impending release from prison, she hopes to find the family she has always longed for and begin a new chapter in her life. Her admission to university to study acting brings fresh hope and the possibility of shaping her own future. However, as she navigates an unfamiliar world, unresolved experiences from her past resurface, confronting her with difficult choices.