

Dial 100 (2021 film)

Dial 100 is a 2021 Indian Hindi-language thriller drama film directed by Rensil D'Silva and produced by Sony Pictures Films India, Siddharth P.Malhotra and Sapna Malhotra.^[2] The film stars Manoj Bajpayee, Neena Gupta and Sakshi Tanwar in the lead roles.^{[3][4]} The film premiered on 6 August 2021 on ZEE5.^[1] it was loosely inspired from the Danish film *The Guilty*.

Plot

Nikhil Sood is an overworked and underpaid police officer who one night gets a call on the emergency helpline number 100 from a woman who is threatening to commit suicide. Nikhil asks for her details and says he needs that in order to help her but the woman firstly hesitates and then refuses saying she is going to die soon anyway.

Nikhil's wife Perna phones to alert him that she thinks their son Dhruv could be back to his old habits of being a drug peddler. She continues to tell him that Dhruv leaves home late at night same as when he leaves for his late night shift. Nikhil rings his son and somehow makes him understand and return home quickly. But before that the mysterious women who called Nikhil threatening suicide reaches his house and holds Perna captive. The woman forces Perna to sit in her car and calls Nikhil after having a second conversation he realizes that she is Seema Palav whose son died in hit a run case and a rich spoilt brat Yash Mehra's car was the one that hit him. The case got shut down due to pressure from the city's big wigs and the woman thinks Dhruv also had a hand in it. Seema's motive is only revenge by killing Yash, hence the reason she has kidnapped Perna. She wants Dhruv to get Yash to her. Dhruv brings Yash to the car where Seema is waiting for him. Nikhil also reached the place.

In the final scene, Seema shoots both Yash and Dhruv while Nikhil shoots Seema. Yash survives but Dhruv is dead. In the end, similarly, Yash's parents are seen offering money to Nikhil to close the case. Nikhil returns to his Control Room to report the entire case, not falling for the money and the story ends.

Cast

- Manoj Bajpayee as Senior Inspector Nikhil Sood

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Release poster

Directed by	<u>Rensil D'Silva</u>
Written by	<u>Rensil D'Silva</u>
Screenplay by	<u>Rensil D'Silva</u>
Produced by	<u>Sony Pictures</u> <u>Films India</u> <u>Siddharth</u> <u>P.Malhotra</u> <u>Sapna Malhotra</u>
Starring	<u>Manoj Bajpayee</u> <u>Neena Gupta</u> <u>Sakshi Tanwar</u>
Cinematography	<u>Anuj Rakesh</u> <u>Dhawan</u>
Edited by	<u>Asif Ali Shaikh</u>
Music by	<u>Raju Singh</u>
Production companies	<u>Sony Pictures</u> <u>Films India</u> <u>Alchemy Films</u>
Distributed by	<u>ZEE5</u>
Release date	6 August 2021 ^[1]
Running time	104 minutes
Country	India

- Neena Gupta as Seema Paalav
- Sakshi Tanwar as Prerna Sood, Nikhil's wife
- Nandu Madhav as Chandrakant Paalav aka Chandu, Seema's husband
- Abhijeet Chavan as Inspector Gharat
- Urmila Mahanta as Gayatri
- Vikram Bham as Najeeb
- Madhur Arora as Suresh Nayak
- Deepanshu Titoriya as Avi
- Girish Dixit as Ashish Deshmukh
- Virandra Giri as Sangha
- Svar Kamble as Dhruv Sood, Nikhil's son
- Ivan Sylvester Rodrigues as Gautam Mehra
- Nilesh Mamgain as Gulam Ahmed
- Aman Gandotra as Yash Mehra, Gautam's son

Language	Hindi
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Production

The Principal photography commenced on 1 December 2020 in Mumbai.^{[5][6][7]}

Reception

Rahul Desai of Film Companion wrote, "Even though Dial 100 gets its nihilistic messaging on point, the gimmicky execution ensures the film is about as surprising as a traffic jam in Andheri East."^[8]

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