

Mee Raqsam

Mee Raqsam is an Indian drama produced and directed by Baba Azmi.^[1] Written by Safdar Mir and Husain Mir, the film tells the story of a young Muslim girl who wants to become a dancer.^[2] It stars Naseeruddin Shah, Aditi Subedi, Danish Husain, Shraddha Kaul and Rakesh Chaturvedi Om in lead roles.^[3] *Mee Raqsam* was released on ZEE5 on 21 August 2020.^[4]

Plot

The film shows a moving bond between father-daughter. Classical dance is the love of the girl's life and also becomes a weapon that defeats restrictive forces of society. The courage of a traditional Muslim who chooses his daughter's desire over obedience to his traditional minded elders. *Mee Raqsam* was filmed in Kaifi Azmi's native village of Mijwan in Azamgarh district.^[5]

Cast

- Naseeruddin Shah as Hashim Seth
- Aditi Subedi as Mariam
- Danish Husain as Salim
- Shraddha Kaul as Zehra Khala
- Rakesh Chaturvedi Om as Mr. Jai Prakash
- Vikas Kumar Yadav as Chandu Bhaiya

Reception

Shubhra Gupta of *The Indian Express* called it an "important film, whose heart is firmly in the right place, lighter on its feet."^[6] Shruti Shiksha of Zee News wrote: "*Mee Raqsam* seems contended being functional while telling its story and putting a rather simplistic message across."^[7] Soumya Srivastava of *Hindustan Times* mentioned that "It's heart is in the right place" and some parts of the movie are going to stay with us for a long time."^[8] Nandini Ramnath of Scroll.in mentioned that "even though the conflict isn't particularly novel, Azmi's interpretation has given it layers".^[9]

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Promotional poster

Directed by	<u>Baba Azmi</u>
Written by	Safdar Mir Husain Mir
Produced by	Baba Azmi
Starring	<u>Naseeruddin Shah</u> Aditi Subedi <u>Danish Husain</u> Shraddha Kaul Rakesh Chaturvedi Om
Cinematography	Mohsin Khan Pathan
Edited by	Pooraj Kapoor
Music by	Ripul Sharma
Production company	AZMI Pictures Pvt Ltd.
Distributed by	<u>ZEE5</u>
Release date	21 August 2020
Running time	95 minutes
Country	India
Language	Hindi

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