

***Madgaon Express*** is a 2024 Hindi-language comedy film written and directed by actor Kunal Khemu in his directorial debut and produced by Farhan Akhtar and Ritesh Sidhwani under the banner of Excel Entertainment.<sup>[4][5]</sup> It stars an ensemble cast of Divyenndu, Pratik Gandhi, Avinash Tiwary, Nora Fatehi, Upendra Limaye and Chhaya Kadam.<sup>[6]</sup>

The film was theatrically released on 22 March 2024.<sup>[7]</sup> The film received positive reviews from critics and grossed ₹38 crore worldwide.<sup>[8]</sup>

## Plot

MADGAON EXPRESS is the story of three friends in trouble. In 1998, Dhanush Sawant aka Dodo, Pratik Garodia aka Pinku and Ayush Gupta of Mumbai are in Class 10 and they dream of going to Goa after their board examinations. Due to their parents' reluctance, they are unable to do so. In 2003, they once again planned the trip after their graduation. Sadly, the car meets with the accident as soon as they begin their journey. The plan is yet again put on the back burner. A few years later, Pinku moves to Cape Town while Ayush migrates to New York. Both succeed in life and their pay package also increases. Meanwhile, Dodo is not able to have a steady job. He keeps in touch with Pinku and Ayush on social media and sees that they have become stinking rich. Hence, Dodo uses Photoshop to paint a false picture that he resides in a penthouse and is having the time of his life. In 2015, Pinku and Ayush decided to fly down to Mumbai. They inform Dodo about it and also tell him that they'll stay at his 'penthouse'! Dodo gets tense and hence, he suggests that as soon as they land, the three of them should fulfil their plan of going to Goa. Pinku and Ayush agree. Since Dodo can't afford expensive flight tickets, he books three tickets in Madgaon Express under the pretext that they should travel like they would have, had they gone to the beach state in 2003! Pinku and Ayush hate the idea but give in. Sadly, for them, things go wrong even before they board the train and soon, they find themselves being confronted by dangerous criminals like Kanchan Kombdi and Mendonza Bhai.

## Cast

- Divyenndu as Dhanush (Dodo) Sawant

### Madgaon Express



Theatrical release poster

<b>Directed by</b>	Kunal Khemu
<b>Written by</b>	Kunal Khemu
<b>Produced by</b>	Farhan Akhtar Ritesh Sidhwani
<b>Starring</b>	Divyenndu Pratik Gandhi Avinash Tiwary Nora Fatehi Upendra Limaye Chhaya Kadam
<b>Cinematography</b>	Adil Afsar
<b>Edited by</b>	Anand Subaya Sanjay Ingle
<b>Music by</b>	<b>Songs:</b> Sharib-Toshi Ankur Tewari Kunal Khemu Sagar Desai Sameer Uddin Ajay–Atul

- Pratik Gandhi as Pratik (Pinku) Goradia
- Avinash Tiwary as Ayush Gupta
- Nora Fatehi as Tasha
- Kunal Khemu as drug peddler (Cameo appearance)
- Remo D'Souza as Dr Danny (Special appearance)
- Upendra Limaye as Mendonza Bhai
- Chhaya Kadam as Kanchan Kombdi
- Umesh Jagtap as Constable Santosh Sathe
- Raviraj Kande as Ganpat
- Sameer Patil as Dodo's father
- Vipul Deshpande as Police inspector
- Jewel Narigara as Young Pinku

	<b>Score:</b> Sameer Uddin
<b>Production company</b>	<u>Excel Entertainment</u>
<b>Distributed by</b>	<u>AA Films</u>
<b>Release date</b>	22 March 2024
<b>Running time</b>	143 minutes <sup>[1]</sup>
<b>Country</b>	India
<b>Language</b>	Hindi
<b>Budget</b>	₹20 crore <sup>[2]</sup>
<b>Box office</b>	<u>est.</u> ₹38.83 crore <sup>[3]</sup>

## Production

Principal photography commenced in August 2022<sup>[9]</sup> and wrapped in February 2023.<sup>[10]</sup>

## Music

The music of the film is composed by Sharib-Toshi, Ankur Tewari, Kunal Khemu, Sagar Desai, Sameer Uddin and Ajay–Atul. Lyrics are written by Kumaar, Kalim Sheikh and Kunal Khemu.<sup>[11]</sup>

The song *Baby Bring It On* was remake version of same title song which was composed by the same composer from the 2016 Marathi film Jaundya Na Balasaheb.<sup>[12][13]</sup>

### Track listing

No.	Title	Lyrics	Music	Singer(s)	Length
1.	" <u>Baby Bring It On</u> "	<u>Kumaar</u>	<u>Ajay–Atul</u>	<u>Ajay Gogavale</u> , <u>Nikhita Gandhi</u>	3:36
2.	" <u>Raaton Ke Nazaare</u> "	<u>Kalim Sheikh</u>	<u>Sharib-Toshi</u>	<u>Sharib-Toshi</u> , <u>Benny Dayal</u>	3:33
3.	" <u>Not Funny</u> "	<u>Kalim Sheikh</u>	<u>Sharib-Toshi</u>	<u>Shaarib, Akasa Singh</u>	2:42
4.	" <u>Hum Yahin</u> "	<u>Kunal Khemu</u>	<u>Ankur Tewari</u> , <u>Kunal Khemu</u>	<u>Kunal Khemu</u> , <u>Nathan D'Souza</u>	3:21
5.	" <u>Bohot Bhaari</u> "	<u>Kunal Khemu</u> , <u>D'Evil</u>	<u>Sharib-Toshi</u>	<u>Toshi Sabri</u> , <u>D'Evil</u>	2:24
6.	" <u>Who's Your Mommy</u> "	<u>Sameer Uddin</u> , <u>Abhishek</u>	<u>Sameer Uddin</u>	<u>Srushti Tawade</u> , <u>Sameer</u>	2:18

<i><b>Madgaon Express</b></i>	
<b>Soundtrack album</b> by <u>Sharib-Toshi</u> <u>Ankur Tewari</u> , <u>Kunal Khemu</u> , <u>Sagar Desai</u> , <u>Sameer Uddin</u> and <u>Ajay–Atul</u>	
<b>Released</b>	13 March 2024 <sup>[11]</sup>
<b>Recorded</b>	2022
<b>Genre</b>	<u>Feature film soundtrack</u>
<b>Length</b>	20:20
<b>Language</b>	Hindi
<b>Label</b>	<u>Zee Music Company</u>
<b>Official audio</b>	
<u>Madgaon Express - Full Album</u> ( <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=scudktjApzU">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=scudktjApzU</a> ) on <u>YouTube</u>	

	Nailwal, Srushti Tawade		Uddin, <u>Nora Fatehi</u>	
7. "Mamo Chitte"	Sagar Desai	Sagar Desai	Sagar Desai	2:26
Total length:				20:20

## Release

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The film was theatrically released on 22 March 2024.<sup>[14]</sup>

## Reception

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### Critical response

On the review aggregator website Rotten Tomatoes, 78% of 9 critics' reviews are positive, with an average rating of 6.2/10.<sup>[15]</sup> Mayur Sanap of Rediff.com rated 3/5 stars and applauded "*Madgaon Express* understands that its charm lies in its inherent silliness and then works around as pure unadulterated entertainment, which makes it imminently watchable".<sup>[16]</sup> NDTV's Saibal Chatterjee rated the film 3/5 and wrote "*Madgaon Express* is a wild and wacky comedy of errors that rarely, if ever, pauses for a breather. The film is deliriously funny as it moves effortlessly and incessantly between slapstick and sparkling silver-tongued wit."<sup>[17]</sup>

Conversely, Shubhra Gupta of The Indian Express gave 1.5 stars out of 5 and stated that "Too many of the jokes end in a clunk. A song line about not having fun attempts to spice up a scene when the bad guys are sleeping and the good men are trying to get away. That may have served as a summary of the entire movie."<sup>[18]</sup>

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