

# Toolsidas Junior

**Toolsidas Junior** is a 2022 Indian Hindi-language sports film written and directed by Mridul Mahendra, who based it on his own life and childhood. Produced jointly by Bhushan Kumar and Krishan Kumar under T-Series Films along with Sunita Gowariker and co-screenwriter Ashutosh Gowariker in his first production-only venture under Ashutosh Gowariker Productions, the film stars Sanjay Dutt, Rajiv Kapoor, Dalip Tahil and debutante Varun Buddhadev in the lead roles, while Ankur Vikal, Chinmai Chandrashuh, Tasveer Kamil and Sara Arjun play supporting roles.<sup>[1]</sup> The film marks the posthumous and final film appearance of Rajiv Kapoor who died in February 2021, shortly after completing filming.<sup>[2]</sup>

*Toolsidas Junior* was initially scheduled to release in cinemas on 4 March 2022.<sup>[3]</sup> Eventually, it was released on television and digital platforms.<sup>[4]</sup> At the 68th National Film Awards, it won the National Film Award for Best Feature Film in Hindi, and Buddhadev was awarded the National Jury Award — Special Mention.

## Synopsis

When an ace snooker player, who 'only plays for his son', loses an important tournament to arch-rival Jimmy Tandon, his son decides to fulfill his father's dream. Along this journey, guidance comes from the most unlikely source in former snooker national level ex-champion Mohammad Salaam, a.k.a. Salaam Bhai, who now trains lowly players.

## Cast

- Sanjay Dutt<sup>[5]</sup> as Mohammed Salaam a.k.a. Salaam Bhai
- Rajiv Kapoor<sup>[5]</sup> as Toolsidas
- Dalip Tahil as Jimmy Tandon
- Varun Buddhadev as Midi
- Chinmai Chandranshuh as Gautam "Goti", Midi's elder brother
- Tasveer Kamil as Mrs. Toolsidas, Midi and Goti's mother
- Ankur Vikal as K. K. Burman, professional snooker player

### Toolsidas Jr



Theatrical release poster

<b>Directed by</b>	Mridul Mahendra
<b>Written by</b>	Mridul Mahendra
<b>Screenplay by</b>	Mridul Mahendra <u>Ashutosh Gowariker</u>
<b>Produced by</b>	<u>Bhushan Kumar</u> <u>Krishan Kumar</u> <u>Ashutosh Gowariker</u> Sunita Gowariker
<b>Starring</b>	<u>Sanjay Dutt</u> <u>Rajiv Kapoor</u> <u>Dalip Tahil</u> Varun Buddhadev
<b>Cinematography</b>	Kamaljeet Negi
<b>Edited by</b>	Chandrashekhar Prajapati

- Sara Arjun as Pia, Midi's friend

<b>Music by</b>	Daniel B. George
<b>Production companies</b>	Ashutosh Gowariker Productions <u>T-Series</u>
<b>Distributed by</b>	<u>AA Films</u>
<b>Release date</b>	25 May 2022
<b>Country</b>	India
<b>Language</b>	Hindi

## Release

Due to its non-starter status at the box office, *Toolsidas Junior* had a direct-to-television world release, a rare instance at the time, on Sony Max, premiering on 23 May 2022. On 25 May 2022, just two days after its television premiere, the film was made available for streaming on Netflix.<sup>[6]</sup>

## Music

The film has only one song, composed by Daniel B. George, who also wrote the background score. Titled "Udd Chala", the song is sung by Sachet Tandon and Ujjwal Kashyap, with lyrics by Swanand Kirkire.

### Track listing

No.	Title	Singer(s)	Length
1.	"Udd Chala"	<u>Sachet Tandon</u> , Ujjwal Kashyap	2:34

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