

Thank You for Coming

Thank You for Coming is a 2023 Indian Hindi-language sex comedy film directed by Karan Boolani and produced by Rhea Kapoor and Ekta Kapoor.^{[5][6]} Written by Radhika Anand and Prashasti Singh, the film stars Bhumi Pednekar, Shehnaaz Gill, Dolly Singh, Kusha Kapila and Shibani Bedi.^{[7][8]}

The film premiered at the 48th 2023 Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF) in the Gala Presentations section on 15 September 2023 and was theatrically released on 6 October 2023 to mixed reviews from critics.^{[9][10][11]} The film failed at the box office.^[12] At the 69th Filmfare Awards, Pednekar received a nomination for Best Actress for her performance in the film.

Plot

The film follows Kanika Kapoor on a quest for love and sexual pleasure. Kanika, a 32 years old single woman, lives with her mother , Dr. Bina Kapoor, and her grand mother, Kishori Kapoor. She has affairs with a college friend, a professor and later with Rahul. Despite trying hard she has never had an orgasm. After every break up and at her birthdays, when she is very depressed for being alone, she is warmed up by her best friends Pallavi Khanna and Tina Das.

At her 32nd birthday she has an epiphany and decides to get married to Jeevan Anand, a businessman, who has been courting her for long time however they have never been physical. Her mother and friends warn her about the shy and simple Jeevan Anand. But given her mother did not get marry to her father and raised her as single mother, Kanika is terrified of the idea of being alone and facing the society. Waking up next morning after her engagement ceremony, she has a vague recollection of having an orgasm last night. But she could not recall who it was. All three friends went on an adventure to find out the person.

They visit Jeevan Anand and Professor, and later are called by Rahul who appears as a drag queen and admits Kanika encouraged him to be himself. While none of her old fling were with her the night before, her old school mate tells her that she saw, Karan, Pallavi's husband coming out of Kanika's

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Theatrical release poster

Directed by	<u>Karan Boolani</u>
Written by	<u>Radhika Anand</u> <u>Prashasti Singh</u>
Produced by	<u>Shobha Kapoor</u> <u>Anil Kapoor</u> <u>Ekta Kapoor</u> <u>Rhea Kapoor</u>
Starring	<u>Bhumi Pednekar</u> <u>Shehnaaz Gill</u> <u>Dolly Singh</u> <u>Kusha Kapila</u> <u>Shibani Bedi</u>
Cinematography	<u>Anil Mehta</u>
Edited by	<u>Shweta Venkat</u> <u>Matthew</u> <u>Manan Ajay Sagar</u>
Music by	Songs: <u>QARAN</u> <u>The Jamroom</u> <u>Hanita Bhambri</u> <u>Vishal Mishra</u>

room in hotel. Kanika is devastated and drives back with flashes of the night with Karan. She gets a call from Rabeya Das, Tina's daughter, whom she earlier advised to lose virginity as soon as possible. Rabeya's boyfriend made a video of their sex and released on internet. Kanika has a minor accident after which she breaks her engagement with Jeevan.

As she arrives home, she is attacked by both of his friends but is recused and consorted by her mother and grandmother. After a long talk with her mother, Kanika recalls the night. Karan had tucked a drunken Kanika in bed and left, after which she masturbates and gets orgasm. She runs off to Rabeya's school where she is preparing for a public apology. Kanika get the mic and encourages women to not be ashamed of their sexual desires. Rabeya follows and refuses to apologise. Pallavi also realizes her mistake and all three friends make up.

Movie ends with Kanika being single and happy.

Cast

- [Bhumi Pednekar](#) as [Kanika Kapoor](#)
- [Dolly Singh](#) as [Pallavi Khanna](#)
- [Shibani Bedi](#) as [Tina Das](#)
- [Shehnaaz Gill](#) as [Rushi Kalra](#)
- [Kusha Kapila](#) as [Neha](#) alias "The Queen"
- [Natasha Rastogi](#) as [Dr. Bina Kapoor](#), [Kanika's mother](#)
- [Dolly Ahluwalia](#) as [Kishori Kapoor](#)
- [Pradhuman Singh](#) as [Jeevan Anand](#)
- [Karan Kundrra](#) as [Arjun Malhotra](#)
- [Gautmik](#) as [Karan](#), [Pallavi's husband](#)
- [Sushant Divgikar](#) as [Rahul/Anjali](#)
- [Saloni Daini](#) as [Rabeya Das](#), [Tina's daughter](#)
- [Anil Kapoor](#) as [Professor](#) (special appearance)

Soundtrack

The music of the film is composed by [QARAN](#), [The Jamroom](#), [Hanita Bhambri](#), [Vishal Mishra](#) and [Aman Pant](#) while lyrics are written by [QARAN](#), [IP Singh](#), [Siddhant Kaushal](#), [Raajesh Johri](#), [Hanita Bhambri](#), [Kumaar](#) and [Farmaan](#).^[13]

The song *Pari Hoon Main* is remake version of the famous [Suneeta Rao's](#) song *Paree Hoon Main* from the album [Dhuan](#) (1991).^[14]

Track listing

No.	Title	Lyrics	Music	Singer(s)	Length
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	<div>Aman Pant</div> <div>Score:</div> <div>Aman Pant</div>
Production companies	<div>Balaji Motion Pictures</div> <div>Anil Kapoor Films & Communication Network</div>
Distributed by	<div>Pen Marudhar Entertainment</div>
Release dates	<div>15 September 2023 ^(TIFF)^[1]</div> <div>6 October 2023</div>
Running time	<div>117 minutes^[2]</div>
Country	<div>India</div>
Language	<div>Hindi</div>
Budget	<div>₹45 crores^[3]</div>
Box office	<div>est. ₹9.64 crores^[4]</div>

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Soundtrack album by [QARAN](#), [The Jamroom](#), [Hanita Bhambri](#), [Vishal Mishra](#) and [Aman Pant](#)

Released	<div>6 October 2023</div>
Genre	<div>Feature film soundtrack</div>
Length	<div>22:16</div>

1.	"Desi Wine"	QARAN, IP Singh	QARAN, Nikhita Gandhi, The Rish, Arjun	2:51
2.	"Haanji"	QARAN, Siddhant Kaushal	QARAN, The Rish	3:13
3.	"Pari Hoon Main"	Raajesh Johri	The Jamroom Sunidhi Chauhan, Sushant Divgikr	3:19
4.	"Pari Hoon Main" (Jazz Version)	Raajesh Johri	Aman Pant Devashree Manohar	1:41
5.	"Chehra 2.0"	Hanita Bhambri	Hanita Bhambri	4:07
6.	"Duniya Farzi"	Kumaar	Vishal Mishra, Nikhita Gandhi, Hansika Pareek	3:30
7.	"Nach Nach"	Farmaan	Aman Pant, Rashmeet Kaur	3:05
Total length:				22:16

Language	Hindi
Label	Saregama
Official audio	
Thank You for Coming (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WN5C8OTUr5I) on YouTube	

Release

The film premiered at the 48th 2023 Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF) in the Gala Presentations section on 15 September 2023 and was theatrically released on 6 October 2023 to positive reviews from critics.^{[9][10][11]} It released on the streaming platform, Netflix on 1 December 2023.^[15]

Marketing

The marketing of the film involved a month long promotional tour with Pednekar, Gill, Singh, Bedi and Kapila that included many fan events and the 2023 Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF).^{[16][17]}

Reception

Critical reception

On the review aggregator website Rotten Tomatoes, 79% of 14 critics' reviews are positive, with an average rating of 6.5/10.^[18]



Bedi, Singh, Pednekar, Kapila and Gill at the trailer launch of their film *Thank You For Coming*

Shubhra Gupta of *The Indian Express* gave the film 3/5 stars stating, "Bhumi Pednekar film is a heartfelt slap in the face of the zillions of movies that are about privileged boys and their putrid toys".^[19] Marya E. Gates of *Indie Wire* gave the film a B– stating, "Anand and Singh's script tries to tackle too many thematic issues, ultimately short-changing most of them. However, it's hard to deny Pednekar's irrepressible charm."^[20]

In a more positive review, Meera Navlakha of *Mashable* stated, "If its purpose is to serve as a feminist romp for modern India, it succeeded – and executed with fun. This is a welcome addition to the genre, reinforcing that female stories deserve to be told with humor, light and meaning".^[21]

Box office

Thank You for Coming had an opening day gross of ₹0.8 crore with an average occupancy of 67.52%. The film witnessed a 44% growth gross on day two, grossing ₹1.15 crore but continuously showed decline since.^[22]

As of 29 November 2023, *Thank You for Coming* grossed ₹8.73 crore in India and ₹0.91 crore overseas for a worldwide gross of ₹9.64 crore.^[4]

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