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Story by	<u>Ranjit Kapoor</u>
Based on	<i>A Dangerous</i> <i>Game</i> by <u>Friedrich</u> <u>Dürrenmatt</u>
Produced by	<u>Anand Pandit</u>
Starring	<u>Amitabh</u> <u>Bachchan</u> <u>Emraan Hashmi</u> <u>Krystle D'Souza</u> <u>Siddhanth</u> <u>Kapoor</u> <u>Annu Kapoor</u> <u>Alexx O'Neill</u> <u>Samir Soni</u> <u>Raghubir Yadav</u> <u>Dhritiman</u> <u>Chatterjee</u>

Everyone coerces Sameer to play the game, and he agrees. Later, Joe Matthews (Siddhanth Kapoor), an ex-convict accused of murder, joins them. Jagdish tells Sameer that he had pronounced judgement in Joe's case as he was caught killing the person who sexually assaulted his sister, and now that he has served his sentence, they are all on good terms with him.

The game is basically a mock trial wherein they set up a court and argue about some famous cases. Sameer agrees to be their defendant as Anna has not prepared for a famous case Lateef had earlier asked her for. Jagdish tells Sameer his rights and tells him that he can meet his defence counsel, Bhullar, to discuss his case before the court starts. When they both meet in private, Sameer tells Bhullar that he has committed no crime so his case won't stand in court, but Bhullar opposes this, saying that going without any criminal charge in the mock court is dangerous since the prosecutor would then have complete freedom to charge him with anything. Sameer rejects this idea and says that he would go without any charge.

As the court starts, Lateef is able to extract intimate details of Sameer's professional life, to which Sameer naively answers all questions honestly in the beginning, but Lateef is able to correctly point that he had an affair with his boss's wife. On further inquisition, he concludes that Sameer colluded with his boss' wife to kill him and later advance to the position of the CEO. At this point, the mock trial becomes real and the judge notifies that charges are to be framed and the trial started. He then gives time to the defence to prepare for the trial.

During this break, Sameer learns that Hariya is a retired hangman and Joe is, in fact, Anna's brother. Scared, he tries to escape from the house, but Joe prevents that from happening. Sameer now realises he is completely trapped. As the trial starts, Lateef presents a video from Sameer's phone as evidence of his illicit relationship with Natasha (Krystle D'Souza), his late boss G.S. Oswal (Samir Soni)'s wife and their conspiracy to kill him. Bhullar and Lateef passionately argue in the court & finally a guilty verdict is pronounced & given capital punishment. Now everyone insist Sameer to go upstairs with Hariya, presumably to be hanged to his death. Sameer mocks them saying that they are real criminals who hang people for their petty game. Lateef replies that entire trial has been recorded by CCTV, and that either way, he would be punished in this court or a real court. Fearing dear life, Sameer pulls out a gun & threatens everyone at gunpoint, takes the DVR of the CCTV and runs out of the house with everyone else in pursuit. Sameer manages to destroy the DVR, but in a hasty move, accidentally falls off the cliff to his death, thus serving poetic justice to his crime.

	<u>Rhea Chakraborty</u>
Cinematography	<u>Binod Pradhan</u>
Edited by	Bodhaditya Banerjee
Music by	Score: <u>Clinton Cerejo</u> Songs: <u>Vishal–Shekhar</u> Gourov Dasgupta
Production companies	Anand Pandit Motion Pictures Saraswati Entertainment Private Limited
Distributed by	<u>Pen Marudhar Entertainment</u>
Release date	27 August 2021 ^[1]
Running time	139 minutes ^[2]
Country	India
Language	Hindi
Budget	₹25 crore ^[3]
Box office	₹8.26 crore ^{[4][3]}

A few days later, Natasha visits their place, telling them that she is here to collect Sameer's phone which is her company's property. The film ends with everyone convincing Natasha to play their game.

Cast

- Amitabh Bachchan as Adv. Lateef Zaidi, a renowned public prosecutor
- Emraan Hashmi as Sameer Mehra, a business tycoon
- Annu Kapoor as Adv. Paramjeet Singh Bhullar, a retired defence counsel
- Dhritiman Chatterjee as Justice (Retd.) Jagdish Acharya
- Raghubir Yadav as Hariya Jadhav, a retired hangman
- Krystle D'Souza as Natasha Oswal, Sameer's love interest and later partner
- Samir Soni as G. S. Oswal, Natasha's husband
- Rhea Chakraborty as Anna Mathews^[13]
- Siddhanth Kapoor as Joe Costa, an ex-convict accused of murder who is actually Anna's brother
- Alexx O'Neill as Richard Alexander

Production

Filming began on 10 May 2019.^[14] First schedule ended on 16 June with a fourteen minute long shot by Bachchan in one go.^[15] Kriti Kharbanda was initially selected to star in the film but left due to a fallout with the makers.^[5] She was replaced by Krystle D'Souza^[16]

Soundtrack

The music of film was composed by Vishal–Shekhar and Gourov Dasgupta while lyrics written by Farhan Memon and Rummy Jafry.

Track listing

No.	Title	Lyrics	Music	Singer(s)	Length
1.	"Rang Dariya"	Farhan Memon	Gourov Dasgupta	<u>Yasser Desai</u>	4:56
2.	"Chehre - Title Track"	Rummy Jafry	<u>Vishal–Shekhar</u>	<u>Amitabh Bachchan</u>	3:07
3.	"Rang Dariya" (Reprise)	Farhan Memon	Gourov Dasgupta	Raj Barman	4:57
4.	"Chehre - Title Track" (Reprise)	Rummy Jafry	Vishal–Shekhar	<u>Shekhar Ravjiani</u>	3:03
Total length:					16:03

Reception

Upon release, *Chehre* received mixed to positive reviews from the film critics.^[18] Taran Adarsh of *Bollywood Hungama* gave the film 3.5 stars out of 5 calling *Chehre* "Engrossing" and wrote, "Captivating screenplay + wonderful performances by the principal cast makes *chehre* an interesting watch."^[19] Shubhra Gupta of *The Indian Express* gave the film 1.5 stars out of 5 saying that "the film stodgy plot spoils the cast performance".^[20]

<i>Chehre</i>	
Soundtrack album by Vishal–Shekhar and Gourov Dasgupta	
Released	24 August 2021 ^[17]
Recorded	2020
Genre	Feature film soundtrack
Length	16:03
Language	Hindi
Label	Zee Music Company
Official audio	
Chehre - Full Album (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yn-Y9kfP_ME) on YouTube	

Renuka Vyavahare of *The Times of India* gave 2.5(out of 5) stars and said: "*Chehre* aims to make a social commentary on the state of criminal justice in India. The idea at the outset is interesting, but it stops at just that".^[21]

Archita Kashyap of *Firstpost* gave the film 2.5 out of 5 stars and wrote, "*Chehre* aims to cock a snook at the present-day fast-paced chasing of ambitions, money, and success but becomes too preachy at times".^[22]

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