

All India Rank

All India Rank is a 2023 Indian Hindi-language coming of age comedy drama film directed and written by Varun Grover and produced by Matchbox Shots. The film stars Bodhisattva Sharma in a lead role alongside Shashi Bhushan, Samta Sudiksha, Geeta Agarwal, and Sheeba Chaddha.^[2] It was the closing film at the 52nd IFFR.^[3] The film released theatrically on 23 February 2024.^[4]

Plot

Cast

- Bodhisattva Sharma
- Samta Sudiksha
- Shashi Bhushan
- Geeta Agrawal Sharma
- Sheeba Chaddha
- Kailash Gowthaman
- Ayush Pandey
- Vidit Singh
- Ananyabrata Chakravorty

Production

Development

Director Varun Grover announced the film on 13 April 2022, revealing that it is produced by Sanjay Routray and Sarita Patil. Cinematography is done by Archana Ghangrekar, and editing is done by Sanyukta Kaza.^[5]

Release

All India Rank had its world premiere on 5 February 2023 at the 52nd International Film Festival Rotterdam, as the closing film.^[6] It released theatrically on 23 February 2024 in India.^[7]

Soundtrack

The music of the film is composed by Mayukh-Mainak while lyrics are written by Varun Grover.^[8]

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Theatrical release poster

Directed by	<u>Varun Grover</u>
Written by	<u>Varun Grover</u>
Produced by	<u>Sanjay Routray</u> <u>Sarita Patil</u> <u>Diksha Jyoti Routray</u>
Starring	<u>Bodhisattva Sharma</u> <u>Shashi Bhushan</u> <u>Samta Sudiksha</u> <u>Geeta Agarwal</u> <u>Sheeba Chaddha</u>
Cinematography	<u>Archana Ghangrekar</u>
Edited by	<u>Sanyukta Kaza</u>
Music by	<u>Mayukh-Mainak</u>
Production company	<u>Matchbox Shots</u>
Release dates	4 February 2023 (<u>IFFR</u>) 23 February 2024 (India)

Track listing

No.	Title	Singer(s)	Length
1.	"Noodle Sa Dil"	<u>Aditi Paul</u>	2:52
2.	"Sab Achhi Baatein Hain"	<u>Araham Khan</u> , <u>Bodhisattva Sharma</u>	3:00
3.	"Choice Hi Nahin Hai"	<u>Sumit Roy</u>	2:53
4.	"Thehar Zara"	<u>Vishal Bhardwaj</u>	4:07
5.	"Haq Hai"	<u>Shahid Mallya</u>	3:43
Total length:			15:55

Running time	94 minutes ^[1]
Country	India
Language	Hindi

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Soundtrack album by <u>Mayukh-Mainak</u>	
Released	14 February 2024
Genre	<u>Feature film</u> <u>soundtrack</u>
Length	15:55
Language	Hindi
Label	<u>Matchbox Shots</u>

Reception

Critical response

On the review aggregator website Rotten Tomatoes, 67% of 9 critics' reviews are positive, with an average rating of 6.4/10.^[9] Shubhra Gupta of The Indian Express scored the film at 3 out of 5 stars and said, "Varun Grover's debut feature is a deftly-drawn, affectionate portrait of a young man who is being blown along by the force of his father's dreams."^[10] Saibal Chatterjee of NDTV gave film 4 stars out of 5 and wrote, "*All India Rank* abounds in wonderfully striking touches that elevate it above the sum of its parts and turn it into a perceptive, holistic testament to a time of flux. Watch it because it takes you where Hindi films rarely do - a zone where ideas, feelings and barely stated dilemmas take precedence over the exigencies of plot and exposition."^[11] Mayank Shekhar of Mid-Day gave 3 stars out of 5 and reviewed the film, describing it as "a sweet, sincere, personal film".^[12]

Sana Fardeen of India Today gave the film 3 out of 5 stars, and wrote, "*All India Rank*, passes most of the criteria needed in a good film and yet, it falls short on entertainment value".^[13] Shilajit Mitra of The Hindu reviewed film and wrote, "This coming-of-age drama about the IIT-ian dream is humorous and observant, yet hardly stands out in a sea of similar-minded content."^[14] Nandini Ramnath of Scroll.in in her review, wrote, "The film's low-energy hero and fatalistic mood – the promise of the 1990s notwithstanding – are difficult to sustain over the 101-minute runtime. Grover's screenplay has a collection of finely written episodes that compensate for Vivek's feeble, familiar coming-of-age experience."^[15]

Box office

The film collected ₹15 lakh (US\$19,000) – ₹20 lakh (US\$25,000) on its opening day.^[16]

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