

## Lingaa's performance fizzles out despite massive pre-release business

Lingaa, the latest release starring the South India superstar Rajinikanth, being released in Dec 2014. After Eros International bought the film from Rockline Venkatesh for INR200 crore (US\$31 million), which includes theatrical and overseas rights for all languages, Lingaa made pre-release business history, but its box office performance has not been as good as expected, largely since it could not grab enough number of screens owing to Amir Khan's "PK" release. But 10 days after its release, the distributors of the film seem to have a different story to tell. A distributor claimed that Lingaa was a disaster of epic proportions at box office and he, including several other distributors, has lost a huge sum due to Lingaa's poor performance. In fact, the distributor went on to say that Thalaivar's film has failed to collect even 20% of their investment. Lingaa is directed by K.S. Ravikumar. The film stars Rajinikanth playing dual role, Jagapati Babu, Anushka Shetty and Sonakshi Sinha in lead roles.



## Gemma Atkinson Reportedly in Talks for Supergirl Role

British actress Gemma Atkinson is reportedly one of the young actresses in talks to appear as Supergirl in Greg Berlanti's upcoming CBS series based on the heroine. According to the British tabloid The Sun - which is by no means an always trustworthy source on these matters - Atkinson is eager to break into the States with the comic book role. Their source, who also previously revealed she was up for a role on British soap opera Emmerdale, stated: Gemma is a huge fan of comic books so this is something she'd jump at. It will make her huge Stateside. Of course, this news is unverified and even if it is true, it only states Atkinson has been auditioning for the role. Atkinson's previous credits involve roles in various British shows, such as Hollyoaks and Casualty, while she also appeared as Barbara in Night of the Living 3D Dead. Atkinson is also well-known as a model for various 'lads mags' magazines. Gamers might recognize her from Red Alert 3, where she played the role of Lt. Eva McKenna.

