



Kharcha quick start

Your expenses, kept on your phone · kharcha.stroban.app

Know where your money goes, in eight steps

Kharcha is a simple expense tracker. Add what you spend in a few taps, and see each month's total and where it went. Your expenses are kept on your device, and it works offline. No account and no sign-up.

Lite

Free

- Add expenses with notes and dates; monthly total and where it goes
- Past months, PIN lock, five currencies, CSV backup, works offline

Pro

₹199 · pay once

- Sync across your phone and computer, through a private sync sheet we set up for you
- Your own categories, with colours

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1 Add an expense

1. Open kharcha.stroban.app and tap the green **+ Add expense** button at the bottom.
2. Type the **Amount**.
3. Tap a **Category**: Food, Groceries, Travel, Bills, Shopping, Health, Entertainment or Other.
4. Optional: add a **Note**, such as "lunch" or "auto fare". The **Date** is today unless you change it.
5. Tap **Save expense**.

The first time you open Kharcha, a **Get started** card offers what most people set up first: the currency, a PIN and Pro, plus a link to this guide. It goes away once you add your first expense.

Add expense

Amount

₹ 180

Category

Food Groceries Travel Bills Shopping Health Entertainment Other **Unlock Pro**

Note (optional)

Lunch

Date

10/28/2026

Save expense

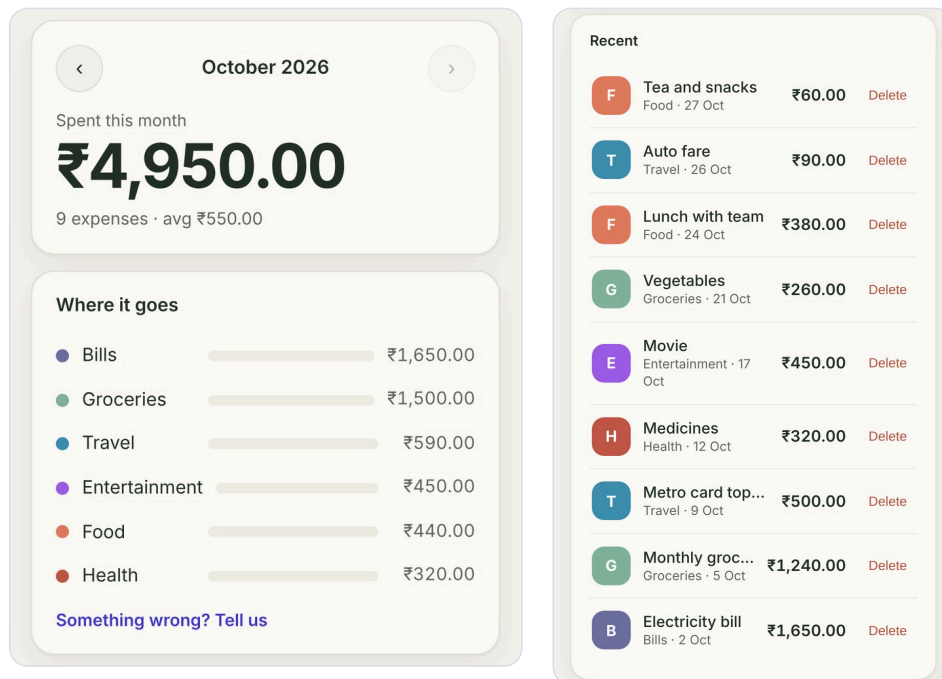
Amount, category, an optional note, and the date.

Spent it on another day? Change the date before you save. Kharcha files the expense in that month and shows you that month.

2 See where it goes

- The top card shows **Spent this month**, with the number of expenses and the average.
- **Where it goes** lists the month's categories, biggest first, with a bar for each.
- **Recent** lists the month's expenses, newest first.
- Use < and > next to the month to look at earlier months.

To remove an expense, tap **Delete** on its row. It goes straight away, with no undo. To change one, delete it and add it again.



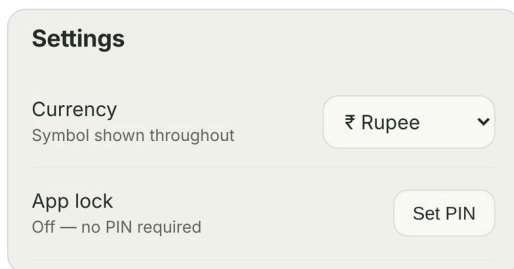
A sample month.

Each row shows the note, the category and the date.

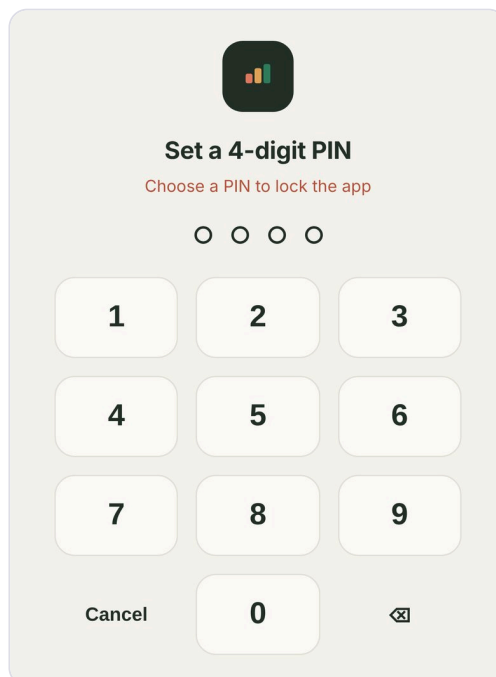
3 Currency and PIN lock

Tap ⚙ at the top right to open **Settings**.

- **Currency:** choose ₹ Rupee, \$ Dollar, € Euro, £ Pound or AED Dirham. This changes the symbol shown everywhere; it doesn't convert the amounts.
- **App lock:** tap **Set PIN**, type a 4-digit PIN, then type it again. Kharcha now asks for it each time it opens. **Change** and **Turn off** are in the same place.



Currency and App lock, at the top of Settings.



Setting a PIN.

Don't forget your PIN. There is no PIN reset. The only way back in is to clear Kharcha's data in your browser, and that deletes the expenses on that device. A CSV backup (step 5), or Pro sync, keeps a copy safe.

4 Install it on your phone

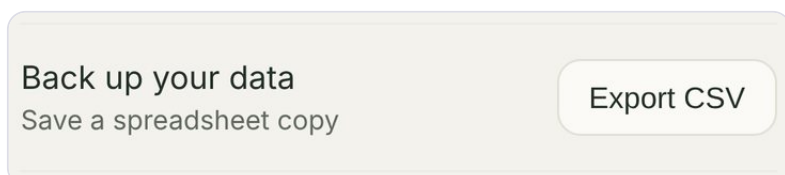
Installed, Kharcha opens from its own icon like any other app, and it works without the internet.

- **Android and computers (Chrome or Edge):** tap **Install** on the bar at the top of Kharcha, or in **Settings** → **Install Kharcha**. If you don't see it, use your browser's menu: **Install app** or **Add to Home screen**.
- **iPhone and iPad (Safari):** tap **Share**, then **Add to Home Screen**.

Your expenses stay with that browser. A different browser on the same phone starts empty. On an iPhone, the home-screen app may keep its own storage, separate from Safari, so install it before you start adding expenses, or use Pro sync.

5 Back up with a CSV

In **Settings** → **Back up your data**, tap **Export CSV**. Kharcha saves a spreadsheet file of every expense, with the date, category, note and amount. It opens in Excel or Google Sheets.

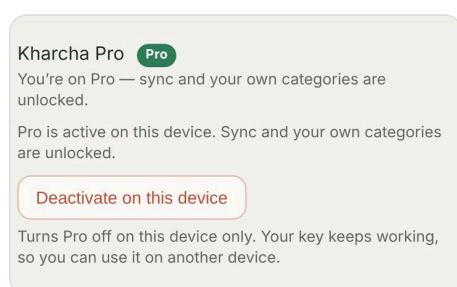
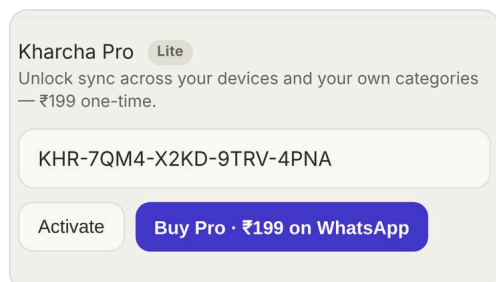


Do it now and then, and keep the file somewhere safe. Settings also shows your **All-time total**.

6 Activate Pro

Buy Pro from ♦ **Get Pro** or **Buy Pro · ₹199 on WhatsApp** and pay by UPI. Your key arrives by email from **hello@stroban.app** (check spam the first time). It looks like `KHR-XXXX-XXXX-XXXX-XXXX`.

1. Open ⚙️ **Settings**.
2. Under **Kharcha Pro**, paste the key into the box and tap **Activate**.
3. The badge next to Kharcha Pro changes from **Lite** to **Pro**.



Before and after activating.

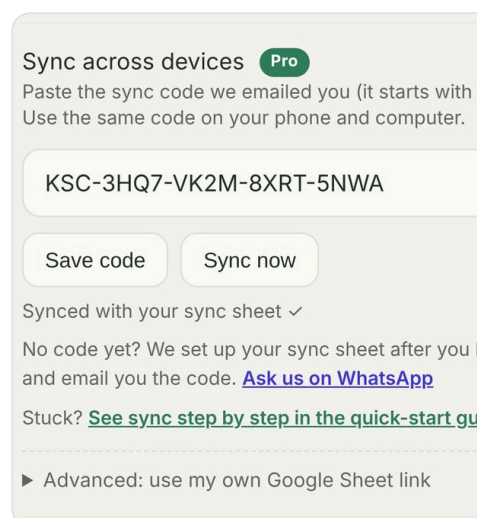
To use Pro on another phone or computer, paste the same key there.

7 Sync across devices Pro

After you buy Pro, we set up a private **sync sheet** for you and email you a **sync code** from hello@stroban.app. It looks like `KSC-XXXX-XXXX-XXXX-XXXX` and comes in a separate email from your key.

1. Activate Pro first (step 6).
2. In ⚙️ **Settings** → **Sync across devices**, paste the sync code and tap **Save code**.
3. Tap **Sync now**. The status reads "Synced with your sync sheet ✓".
4. On your other phone or computer, open kharcha.stroban.app, activate the same key, and paste the same sync code.

New expenses are sent to your sync sheet as you add them, when you are online. Each device catches up when you open Kharcha on it, or when you tap **Sync now**. Expenses you add offline are sent the next time you sync.



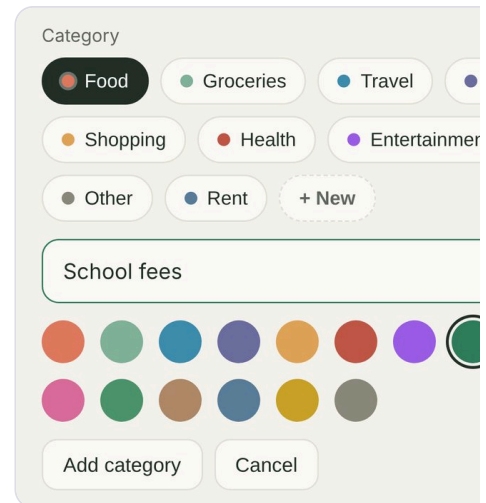
The same code goes on every device you use.

Your sync sheet is yours to see. The sync-code email has a link to view and download it. Keep the code private: anyone with it can add to your sheet. To stop syncing and have the sheet deleted, reply to that email. No code yet? Tap **Ask us on WhatsApp** under Sync across devices.

8 Your own categories Pro

1. Tap **+ Add expense**, then the **+ New** chip at the end of the categories. (In Lite, this chip reads **✦ Unlock Pro.**)
2. Type a name, such as "Rent" or "School fees", and pick a colour.
3. Tap **Add category**. It is ready to use straight away.

To remove one you added, tap **×** next to it in **⚙ Settings → Your categories**. With sync on, your categories reach your other devices too.



A name and a colour.

✓ Good to know and help

- **Private by design.** Your expenses are kept in this browser on your device. Only these ever reach Stroban: your licence key when you activate it, your expenses if you use Pro sync, and a feedback message if you choose to send one.
- **Clearing your browser's data deletes your expenses** on that device, and so does **⚙ Settings → Start over → Clear all**. Export a CSV first.
- **Removing a category** on one device doesn't remove it from your other devices.
- **Shared phone or computer?** Use **⚙ Settings → Deactivate on this device**. Your key keeps working on your own devices.

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Found a bug or have an idea?

Tap **Send feedback** in the app. If we use it, Lite users get Pro at 50% off.