



Arvind Shankar ('91) scores again!

Arvind Shankar ('91) who wrote the score for one song in *Aye Nee Romba Azhaga Rukkey* is back with the score for the Tamil movie *Kadhal FM*. The movie is about a young radio jockey who falls in love with a girl. But his family prohibits him from expressing his love for her. However, wouldn't you guess, the couple finally ties the knot! The story, screenplay, dialogues and direction are by Jayaprakash and Arvind produced the score for the movie. The audio of *Kadhal FM* has been received well by movie buffs and music critics alike.

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Anu Hassan ('88) wins best character artiste for *Run*

Anu Hassan ('88 Phy MMS) won the Tamil Nadu Government's Best Character Artiste (Female) award for year 2002 for her role in *Run* – a story of a bold young man who faces and deals with adversity that is

a consequence of his love for a ruffian's sister! Anu Hassan plays the role of Madhavan, the protagonist's, sister. The TN government announced a backlog of film awards for the years 2001 through 2003 this year.

Mani Shankar ('78) does a tango!

Ajay Devgan plays a paramilitary trooper in **Mani Shankar's ('78 Chemical)** *Tango Charlie*.

Accompanying him are Bobby Deol, Tanisha and Nobel Laureate Amartya Sen's daughter Nandana



Sen.

Mani says the film generous dollops of comedy, romance and drama too.

"People think action is just people firing at each other," says Mani Shankar. "But it is more than that. I had to do a lot of research, learn the tactics of the Bodos (rebels in Assam) and the PWG (the Naxalite People's War Group). I had to know more about the people who constantly fight them. We think terrorism (in India) is restricted to Kashmir, but it is really not."

The movie will be completed in September and is scheduled for a December release. It is the second action film from Mani after an outstanding Hindi action film, *December 16* which was a hit last year. ♦