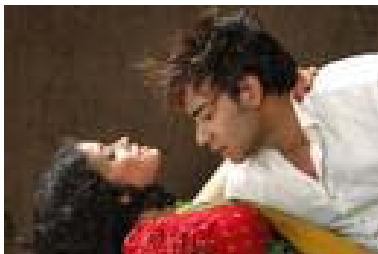


# MASALA & SPICE

## Mani Shankar's (BITS '78) Tango Charlie opens strongly finishing at the top of the box office as of March 31st

TANGO CHARLIE, a movie about the fight between the Border Security Forces and the militants within our country starring Ajay Devgan, Bobby Deol, Sanjay Dutt and Suniel Shetty is receiving good reviews at the box office. True to Mani Shankar's style, he enmeshes heavy gadgetry and stylized action adroitly.

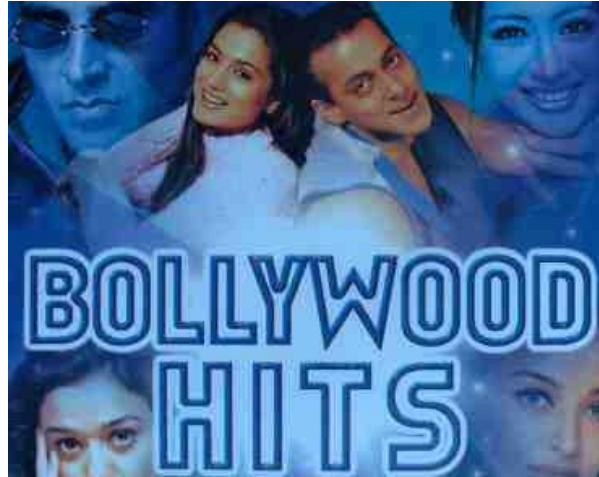
The story has a strong message to offer - that violence doesn't pay and that war is futile, eventually causing human loss. The intentions of the film-maker need to be applauded!



## Anu Hasan (BITS '88) turns producer and takes the Mumbai Express on April 14th

Tamil-Hindi bi-lingual 'Mumbai Express' starring Kamal Hassan, is the first movie that has Anu Hasan sharing production credits.

In Mumbai Express, produced by her family's production house, Rajkamal Studios, Kamal Hassan teams up with Singeetham Srinivas Rao of Pushpak fame. Giving Kamal company is Manisha Korala. Kamal who plays the character of Avinashi alias 'Mumbai Express' is a daredevil deaf motorbike rider who does stunts in deep wells and other difficult spots. It's a full length comedy taken in the backdrop of



Mumbai with the byline "Where Crime Meets Confusion!"

## Padmini Chettur's (BITS '87) World Premiere of Paper Doll!

After her successful UK premiere of 3 Solos where one writer called the performance a combination of "serene

elegance and exquisite detail, morphing fluid and lithe movement with the rich rhythms of the mridangam drum and saxophone," Padmini Chettur heads off to Netherlands for the World Premiere of her latest work, Paper Doll. In Paper Doll, performed by Padmini Chettur's company of five dancers she examines the chain of paper dolls we used to cut out when we were children. They represent perfection, but also two-dimensionality. After the Netherlands premiere, she takes the show to Berlin and Brussels

