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Director Kaun? Apna Shah Rukh!

Yes people, you heard right. SRK's production company, Red Chillies Entertainment, has announced that King Khan will be taking on the role of director along with Karan Johar for the latter's next venture. BTW, SRK is also supposed to star in it along with Hrithik, Preity and Priyanka.

Zinda rehti hai unki Mohabbatein

Aditya Chopra has decided to take up directing after a number of recent Yash Raj movies went kaput at the box office in 2007. SRK and Hrithik Roshan are supposed to be a part of it, as, of course, is Adi's ladylove, Rani. I'm sorry, but this formula is getting a little boring. Really folks, can we have a little variety now? How about using some different people? Like Akshaye Khanna or Akshay Kumar (though he will be in Tashan with Saif), or Sanjay Dutt, or Vidya Balan?

Material Girl, Desi Style

Madonna came for a whirlwind visit to Mumbai and Rajasthan earlier this month with hubby and kids in tow. She's keen on doing an album that incorporates Indian beats and back-

grounds. Hmm ... I don't know, people. Just because Madonna thinks it's cool, suddenly we'll have a plethora of things from the Rajasthan store in the US. I guess that's a good thing?

One Night in Bangkok

Nagesh Kukunoor is back with a comedy, of all things, starring Shreyas Talpade of Om Shanti Om fame. Shreyas is a blundering thief in Bombay to Bangkok who gets in trouble with the local mafia and manages to hitch a ride to Bangkok with a relief organization. And then the real fun begins ... watch it to find out what happens!

Dil bhi hai khaali ghar bhi hai khaali

Soojit Sircar (Cheeni Kum director) is keen on making a 50+ yr old love ishtory with apna Amitabh ... however, Roop Mahal Prem Gali Kholi # 420 is currently unoccupied. They need an older heroine to fit the bill. Why not try Dimple or Shabana, Mr. Sircar? They've hardly been paired with Aby Baby ... I think they would look lovely together!

Awaara Paagal Deewana

Aftab Shivdasani is being mentored by Sanjay Dutt's bosom buddy, San-

jay Gupta. Aftab's been trying to break away from his "lover boy" image and wants to play more hardcore gangster types. So Gupta has him in a remake of the Denzel Washington movie, Training Day. Arjun Rampal is being groomed along with Aftab. According to Gupta, they've both been making wrong film choices, which is why we never see them as front liners. Hopefully fate will smile upon them now!

Tauba main pyaar kar ke pachtaya

For those of you who haven't seen Pyaar ke Side Effects, rent it!! Apparently the sequel is in the offing ... but the actors are not. Neither Rahul Bose nor Mallika Sherawat seem interested in reprising their roles. Producer Pritish Nandy is not concerned. He very nonchalantly stated that if people aren't interested, they can be replaced. For the movie's sake, I hope Rahul reconsiders!

Pati pati hai ek pati

No, not Rimi Sen, but Rani Mukherjee. Miss Queen Bee will be assaying the role of (brace yourselves!) an angel! Yes ... she'll be playing nanny cum guardian angel to Saif Ali Khan's cherubic children. That's all I know right now ... I'm curious to know how this is going to work!



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