



## UTV Motion Pictures goes solo in Hollywood launches first solo production 'Ex-terminators'

*Film Stars Heather Graham, Jennifer Coolidge, Matthew Settle directed by John Inwood*

May 13 2008- Mumbai: UTV Motion Pictures sets another benchmark for the Asian film industry with its first solo Hollywood film production titled '**Ex-terminators**'. Presently being shot in Texas, the film stars **Heather Graham, Jennifer Coolidge, Matthew Settle, Joey Lauren Adams and Amber Heard**. It marks the directing debut of veteran cinematographer John Inwood from the popular US award winning TV show '**Scrubs**'.

UTV Motion Pictures has tied up with Michaelson Films for this project, which started shooting in April 2008. Ronnie Screwvala will produce the film along with Jay Michaelson, Lawren Sunderland, and scriptwriter Suzanne Weinert.

Says **Ronnie Screwvala, CEO UTV** *"Over the last few years, we have forged some great working relationships with the leading studios in Hollywood and with top acclaimed international talent. This has led to some unique projects such as The Namesake; I think I Love My Wife and The Happening. We are now proud to announce our first independent production in the US. It's a great script coupled with great talent behind the camera & front of it."*

*"Ex-terminators"* is a dark comedy centering on Alex (Graham), a lonely accountant whose one act of rage results in her being sentenced to court ordered therapy. There she meets Stella (Coolidge), the owner of a small extermination business who uses her car as a weapon; and Nikki (Heard), a dental technician with the face of an angel and the mind of a sociopath. Together these women will form their own "silent revolution", wrecking havoc on the abusive men in their lives.

Says the gorgeous **Heather Graham**, *"The script made me laugh! I could relate to feeling angry as a woman. I loved that it was a story about friendship. I have definitely never seen this movie before!"*

Quotes director **John Inwood**, *“It's such a privilege to be Directing Suzanne Weinert's excellent script, with such an immensely talented cast! Heather, Jennifer, Amber and Matt are such a force and such a pleasure to work with. Every scene exceeds my highest expectations. I tried to follow the essential principle of directing - that more than half the job is casting well. I think we have done just that.”*

UTV Motion Pictures is the only Indian studio to have projects with major Hollywood studios like Walt Disney; Fox Searchlight and Will Smith's company Overbrook Entertainment. In 2007 UTV had a successful run with its two Hollywood co-productions ‘*The Namesake*’ & ‘*I think I Love my Wife*’, co-productions Fox Searchlight. This year would see the release of its 57 million USD co-production with 20<sup>th</sup> Century Fox, M Night Shyamalan’s ‘*The Happening*’ starring Mark Wablberg that releases worldwide on Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> June 2008. The film is the most high profile Hollywood co-production by an Asian studio.

#### **About UMP Plc**

*Established in 1995, as a division within UTV Software Communications, UMP Plc has arrangements with a number of major Hollywood studio including Walt Disney, Fox Searchlight and, Will Smith's company Overbrook Entertainment. Listed on at the London AIM market, UMP Plc has played an active role in bringing the studio model to the Indian film industry, where it is able to leverage script development, budget and time management and international distribution. Having become a strong player in Indian and international cinema with the success of movies like 'Rang De Basanti', 'Khosla Ka Ghosla', 'Life in a... Metro', 'The Namesake' & 'I Think I Love My Wife'. UMP Plc has also distributed movies like Aamir Khan's directorial debut 'Taare Zameen Par', Anees Bazmee's 'Welcome' in the international markets and co-produced movies like Ashutosh Gowariker's 'Jodhaa-Akbar', which is the biggest blockbuster of 2008 and distributed Abbas Mustan's 'Race'. . It's list of forthcoming slate includes M. Night Shyamalan's 'The Happening' Madhur Bhandarkar's 'Fashion', Rakeysh Omprakash Mehra's 'Dilli 6'. UMP Plc is also working with a talent pool of directors that include Vishal Bhardwaj, David Dhavan, Shyam Benegal and Iranian director Majid Majidi amongst others. For more info log onto [www.utvmotionpictures.com](http://www.utvmotionpictures.com)*

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