

Ashutosh Gowarikar to direct UTV's next

Ashutosh Gowarikar and UTV Motion Pictures are reportedly all geared up to work together on a film based on the best seller book *Chankya Chant* by Ashwin Sanghi. A source informed us that UTV had bought the rights of the book sometime ago. And so, now the production house has brought Ashutosh on-board to direct the film.

The source said, "Chankya Chant was released on January 26, last year and became a national best seller within two months. UTV recently bought the rights and after giving it much thought they decided that Ashutosh Gowarikar would be the best person to direct the film. UTV and Ashutosh



previously worked together in *Swades*, *Jodhaa Akbar* and *What's Your Rashee*. The officials of the production house have already met with Ashutosh, who loved the book. As of now, the technicalities are being worked out. The rest of the details are yet to be finalised."

When contacted both Ashutosh Gowarikar and officials at UTV remained unavailable for comment.

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