

Hansal Mehta finds himself in a scam

The filmmaker is to direct a series on the 1992 Securities Scam

National Award winning director Hansal Mehta, who has charmed audiences with his phenomenal work in films like *Shahid*, *CityLights*, *Aligarh* and the web series *Bose: Dead/Alive*, will direct a new web series for Applause Entertainment. His chance meeting with media veteran Sameer Nair, CEO of Applause Entertainment, and their mutual fascination for the book *The Scam*, authored by Sucheta Dalal and Debashish Basu, got the series its director. In the first season of this investigative drama, the 10-part series unfolds one of the biggest financial scams in the Indian stock market.

"*The Scam* is an intriguing and gripping story. I've loved reading it. I'm extremely glad that meeting Sameer led to this association and I can't wait to begin shooting!" says Hansal.



Sameer added, "Having Hansal on-board is very exciting as we couldn't have asked for a better director. Set in a very colourful period of Indian history, *The Scam* is one of the many stories that needs to be told to a wider audience."

Applause Entertainment recently

announced an exciting line-up of shows including *Criminal Justice* and *The Office* with BBC and *City of Dreams* with Nagesh Kukunoor. Ace casting director Mukesh Chhabra, along with Hansal, will now begin their hunt for the apt lead for the role of Harshad Mehta in the series.



Hansal Mehta; Sameer Nair (left)