

But, there is something!

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IT takes a lot to deal with something controversial and looks like Bangalore boy, Siddhanth K S, has all it takes to face the challenge. His short film — *A Little Less Something* — deals with the emotions and sentiments that concern the gay community of our society.

Siddhanth says, "The film is a dark grey drama. It talks about the gloomy tale of a homosexual and his emotions. He comes out of his closet and falls in love with another man, who later dumps him." This 47-minute film is shot entirely in Bangalore and it's Siddhanth's fourth film.

But what's with the name, we want to know. "There is something less in the movie and it's for you to watch out," he laughs. Inspired from Pedro Almodovar's *Bad Education* and the Chinese film, *Happy Together*, the whole idea came up when he met a gay person in Delhi, who shared his traumatic experi-



SCENE THAT: A scene from *A Little Less Something*

ences. Sanjeev Nair, who plays the protagonist, says, "Though I have a background in theatre, playing the role of a gay man was difficult. We had to do quite a bit of research to develop my character."

Siddhanth, being a huge fan of director Mani Ratnam, informs us that this film is a tribute to his favourite director. "I've been

a hard-core fan of Mani sir. As a matter of fact, we have tried out a few of his movie-making techniques in this film," he says. The film has Sanjeev Nair, Arvind Balakrishnan and Naveen Kumar in the lead.

Due to release in October, the film is going to be screened at various film festivals around the globe.

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Bangalore-based independent film-maker, **Siddhanth K S** is all set to take his short-film, *A Little Less Something*, to Berlin and Cannes...

