Film Screening "Bitter Seeds"

A movie about the dramatical suicide rate amongst Indian farmers

Film & Discussion

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Free Entrance

Original language with Vietnamese Voice-Over and English subtitles

"Films like this can change the world." Alice Waters, owner of Chez Panisse, author and activist

Bitter Seeds is a 2011 documentary film exploring the relationship between escalating rates of suicide among Indian farmers and the crippling cycle of debt, crop failure and dispossession brought about by the

introduction of genetically modified cotton seeds.

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This beautifully done and emotional documentary film portrays the critical aspects of genetically modified seeds for India's cotton farmers and their families, and invites the audience to deeper reflections about the ways we are cultivating our lands.

The film is presented by the Goethe Institute in collaboration with the 'Working Group on Sustainable Agriculture and Natural Resources Management' under the Hanoi based 'VUFO-NGO Resource Centre'. Members of the working group include organizations like

VECO, BftW, VSV-SVA, Seed to Table, CARE, CGFED, SRD, CSEED and others.

At the end of the film the audience will have the possibility to get into a conversation with Mrs. **Le Thi Phi Van**. Being an expert in rural development and food security she works as a scientist at the Institute of Policy & Strategy for Agriculture & Rural Development (IPSARD).

In addition, the head of our partnerorganisation "Centre for Research and Development of Agriculture" **Dr. Dang Vu Thi Thanh** will be willing to answer the audience's questions.

More information: www.goethe.de/vietnam

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