

Sach Productions invites you to join us for the Premiere Film Screening

A Little Revolution- A story of Suicides and Dreams, follows the journey of filmmaker Harpreet Kaur, who travels from the rural villages of Panjab to the capital of India with children of farmers, who've committed suicide. She confronts Sharad Pawar, the Minister of Agriculture with the hope that he and his government will understand the effects of their policies and avail the opportunity to help these children.

Vast areas of rural India are currently facing a crisis that few outside of the subcontinent are aware is even occurring. Yet, whether or not the world watches, the crisis deepens. At the center of this emergency are the thousands of Indian peasant farmers who have taken their own lives. Like many other crises currently facing the world at this moment there is no one single, complete solution to the farmer suicides in India. However, the general consensus is that a farmer takes his own life due to high interest loans, taken to cover India's pro-industrial agricultural policies where expenses far exceed his farming income.

However, Kaur forces the audience to not limit the dialog to the economic, environmental or political side of the issue but to adjust the lens and focus on the plight of the farmer's children who are left behind carrying this burden. This is a story of hope, empowerment and simple dreams. Kaur takes the viewers from the picturesque countryside of rural Punjab into the homes of these families where the children have accepted their fate but aspire for an opportunity for a better future. She gives them the opportunity to share their stories with the world and confront the Government with their personal letters that offer a raw, humanistic and honest portrait of what impact their parents suicides have had in their lives.

Manmeet Singh, the producer of the film feels that title of the film is not limited to what is presented in the film but what he is expecting from his audience. According to Singh, we need advocacy on the issue, pressure on the Government with the help of media and the diaspora and immediate rehabilitation and relief to the families waiting on Baba Nanak Educational Society's list. He is hoping that the audiences don't just watch, but join - A Little Revolution.

Program
March 11, 2011 11:00 AM
Chandigarh Press Club
Sector 27-B

Film Screening - 11 AM
Panel Discussion - 12:30 PM
Refreshments- 12:45 PM

Sach Productions is a leading media organization that focuses on pressing South Asian issues. Director Harpreet Kaur, founder of Sach Productions is a US based award winning filmmaker. Her earlier work, The Widow Colony received international claim and was the first film on the Sikh massacre of 1984 to be screened at the UK Parliament.

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Sach Productions' crew in the villages of Sangrur.



Endorsements
Inderjit Singh Jaijee,
Gurdas Mann, Pammi Bai,
Dr. Vandana Shiva, Colin
Gonsalves, have endorsed
our film work



Baba Nanak Educational Society BNES's efforts have been focused on educational and rehabilitation of families in rural Panjab.