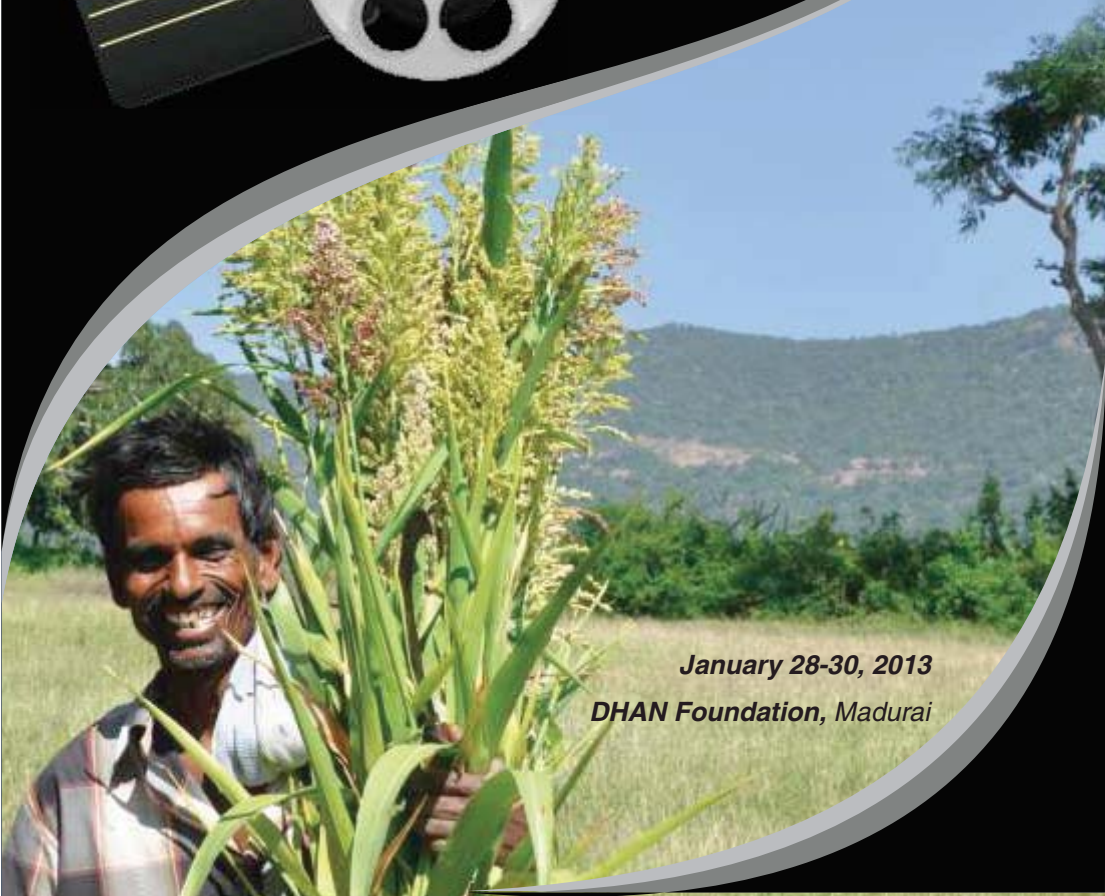


8th Development Film Festival

Climate Change and Food Security



January 28-30, 2013

DHAN Foundation, Madurai

About the Festival

The Development Film Festival is envisioned to be a creative platform for the film makers to showcase their works on the themes and issues concerning development of the poor and vulnerable communities. The Centre for Development Communication of DHAN Foundation organizes this Festival. The center feels raising the public awareness and political will is imperative to promote and sustain any development action. It requires multi-media strategies for promoting participation, creating ownership, involving in decision making and management of resources that could impact peoples' lives. The Festival organized every year on a selected theme in development intends to create a platform for the development film makers to screen their products and to promote the public view, debate and meaningful action around the issues.

Past festival

The past film festivals were organized at Madurai, the city well known as a seat of learning since the Sangam periods dating back to 4th century B.C, and famous for its cultural and scholarly pursuits. The First edition of the festival focused on poverty, from a larger perspective on water, environment, gender, education, health and culture. The second festival focused on Water and life. The third edition of the Festival was again focused on 'Water and People'. The fourth edition of the Festival focused on 'Culture and Heritage'. The fifth edition was on 'Fight Poverty: Connect and Commit for MDGs'. The sixth edition of the festival, held in 2010 focused on Democracy and Development. The theme of the seventh edition of the development film festival, was on "Livelihood and Poverty" The filmmakers from all over the world responded overwhelmingly in all these festivals. The films for screening were selected by a panel comprising of film makers, development practitioners and academicians. Films were screened to the public of Madurai, including school and college students.



Best films were awarded. Read more about the past festivals at www.dhan.org/dff



Eighth Development Film Festival: Climate Change and Food Security

Climate change is expected to increase the imbalance in food production, the temperature and rainfall variations (onset of monsoon, changes in duration, frequency and quantity of rains) and the tropical countries are the one which are going to be the most affected. In fact the climate change has already happened. Changes in temperature and water availability will drastically impact food production and food security of the people. The Millennium Development Goal aims to reduce the proportion of people suffering from undernourishment by half by 2015, which indeed is a difficult task considering the present situation of climate change, threat to agricultural productivity and increasing food demands over the years due to increasing population.

Ensuring nutritive food for all, is a challenge in the present circumstances. Food production in tropical countries is expected to be affected more and the resultant food crisis will affect the people in tropical developing countries especially the poor and vulnerable communities. Considering the issues and challenges in food and nutrition security to the poor and vulnerable communities, the theme for the eighth edition of Development Film Festival is fixed as “Climate change and Food Security”

The Center is placed to invite filmmakers to take part in the 8th Development Film festival on “Climate change and Food Security” to be held at Madurai, India from January 28-30, 2013. The film makers are invited to showcase their documentaries, short films and animation films made on any of the following themes

- ▣ Climate change and its impacts
- ▣ Climate change and agricultural productivity
- ▣ Food and Nutritional security
- ▣ Poverty and food security
- ▣ Mitigation of climate change
- ▣ Adapting to climate change

Procedure for entry

- ▣ The entries should be sent in DVD/VCD format along with the filled in Submission Form.



- ❏ The films can be in any of the Indian / foreign languages with English subtitle.
- ❏ A filmmaker can send in any number of entries.
- ❏ The films sent for competition should have been released within last five years and should have been produced with the own idea of the director.
- ❏ The details of awards won by the films and a copy of press releases about the film can be attached with the submission form.
- ❏ The director, producer or sponsoring organization can send in their products.
- ❏ The original copy of the film need not be sent & received films will not be returned.
- ❏ Each film should be sent with the filled in submission form. (Please make photocopies of the form if needed)
- ❏ The brochure and submission form can also be downloaded from the website.www.dhan.org/dff
- ❏ Complete the form making sure that the information is accurate and complete.
- ❏ Decision of the selection panel is the final.
- ❏ The film makers whose productions are selected will be invited to take part in the Festival and Dialogue sessions. The Festival is open for the public.
- ❏ Films and submission forms must reach us by 25 December 2012



Send the Films with filled in submission forms to

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