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FOOTPRINT FILM FESTIVAL

Penetration of digital platforms and consumption of audio-visual media has steadily increased over the past decade across demographics and regions. The COVID-19 crisis has now skyrocketed this trend to its zenith and forced any pockets of resistance that existed to submit to the force of this mega trend, rapidly pushing organisations and individuals further up the ladder of digital adoption, almost overnight. This mega trend also creates huge opportunities in the areas of digital entrepreneurship and employment. Digital entrepreneurship opens up new possibilities for anyone with entrepreneurial spirit or even seeking employment. Some opportunities require greater technical expertise, but most others are within reach of anyone with the basic skills of digital entrepreneurship such as finding new customers online, prototyping new business ideas, and improving business ideas based on data. Starting a new business, or launching a new product in the normal world is costly and risky for beginners. The digital world not just lowers the barriers for starting something new, but offers a variety of pathways to success. Hence, there is a need for Employability Enhancement & Digital Social Entrepreneurship Development of disadvantaged adolescents and young people through emerging skill development, mentorship and knowledge management programmes.

Footprint was launched in the year of the pandemic in 2020 when children were stuck indoors. We encouraged children to continue imagining and tell stories from within their four walls. In order to make this possible, since then, a team of filmmakers, storytellers & educators have been conducting digital storytelling online workshops and courses to make this a more concise and fruitful experience for the children.

From Delhi, Mumbai, Surat, Kolkata, Sundarbans, Bagdogra, Bangalore and Chennai, Footprint mentors Bidisha Roy Das and Priyanjana Dutta, both broadcast journalists and independent filmmakers supported by a team of sound educators like Dr Hema Ramanathan and Anuradha Sen, have travelled far and wide in the country to conduct Digital storytelling workshops for children in public and private school systems. Footprint has also partnered with UNICEF to help in capacity building in digital content making and dissemination thereof. Our aim is to provide a platform for children to learn to express themselves and build new age skills in digital content production.

FOOTPRINT FILM FESTIVAL is a one of a kind flagship event & a platform of Anjuman Leadership through Arts, FOR CHILDREN, BY CHILDREN & OF CHILDREN. We have screened over 230 films across geographies, We are now in our 4th year of the event. We will have an offline festival on 1st of July at the IGNCA, New Delhi. And on 2nd July on our <https://www.youtube.com/@FootprintFilmFestival> channel. It's FREE and open for children and young adults to send their films, participate in all activities and be a part of this growing community.

FootPrint Film Festival is an occasion to witness the work of young filmmakers, to discover new tendencies and new audiovisual languages from across the country and indeed several parts of the world. The festival also creates an opportunity for meaningful exchanges between young filmmakers, to stimulate co-production and enhance the understanding of various themes connected to the festival.

FESTIVAL DIRECTORS NOTE

4 years ago there were many uncertainties plaguing our world. We had started getting used to being within the four walls of our respective homes and it seemed almost apocalyptic. Nobody was sure when it would end. Would things go back to what it was? Were we headed for worse times ? Who knew !

4 years later and how the tides have turned ! We had not imagined an offline film festival so soon. But here we are with the 4th edition of the footprint film festival.

We couldn't have asked for a better offline start - collaborating with the Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts and the media entertainment skills council aiding in assessing the children in several parameters.

We have had 150 film entries this year, from across states and overseas as well. Our footprint is gradually but surely expanding to even smaller towns and cities, not limited to just metros. All this gives us great satisfaction because bringing the voices of children from the remotest corners to the mainstream and helping them share their stories is what drives Footprint.

These are truly exciting times for all of us at FootPrint. We would like to formally announce our partnership with The Peninsula Studio. It promises to be an enriching, fulfilling and engaging one and we look forward to this unique meeting of minds, thoughts and ideas. Footprint is also going places, quite literally. We will soon be travelling to a couple of cities in the country to bring your films to a wider audience - the travelling footprint film festival.

We would like to thank all the children who have participated whole heartedly for the festival. We look forward to hosting an even bigger one next year. Without you, dear children, it won't be possible. So, thank you and continue to tell your stories !

Bidisha Roy Das & Priyanjana Dutta

BLOGS

My experience of making a podcast by Aryan Ghosh

To be honest, I didn't quite know much about podcasts, leave alone podcasting. When I was selected for making a podcast for UNICEF project, from school, I was totally clueless ! How was I going to do it ?

Nonetheless, I started off. I began with choosing a topic. I chose the topic " Menstrual hygiene " , because it is an issue which is not very comfortably spoken about, openly especially. I believed that my podcast could cover a larger audience and hence make many people aware of this important issue. Next, I made a really cool cover for my podcast. This was my most favourite part, as I got to get creative by changing text styles, colours, etc... and making the cover attractive. Finally, I interviewed a gynaecologist, and recorded a few excerpts myself. I learnt that following menstrual hygiene was really very important for women, as not following menstrual hygiene could lead to the formation of many diseases, and even cancer in their body, which would adversely affect the overall health of a woman. I also learnt the ways which women could follow to practice menstrual hygiene, like using clean sanitary pads, avoiding usage of cloth napkins, etc... After finishing my editing, I let out a sigh of relief ! Aah ! Finally, my podcast was ready !

I would like to say a very big thank you to the entire Footprint team, for working tirelessly and relentlessly to help me improve my podcast. I'll finish by saying that any goal can be achieved by working dedicatedly to achieve it, and that my podcasting experience was actually really fun and entertaining ! Happy podcasting, to future podcasters !

Unpowered women by Ruthvika V.

Hey folks, its Ruthvika here, we all have shared our views about women empowerment for a long time now, but have you ever wondered what thoughts run in an unempowered women's head and their point of view and perspective towards the society. There are many girls and women who are denied and obstructed from even basic human rights ... Yes it's true.

When I visited my hometown last month I found girls of my age not allowed to go out nor gain knowledge. The society wanted them to be and feel inferior. At first, it felt cruel and inhuman to me... I mean, denying someone from their basic human rights... I felt bad and sympathetic for the girls, but there was nothing I could do to help them out. I shared it with my mother but we felt pathetic seeing girls suffering infront of our eyes and felt useless.

I interacted with them about their thoughts. They were very eager to talk and ask about the outside world, they wanted me to teach them English and they were really good at math. They showed me how to stitch, how to do embroidering, cooking and art. Such talented young women who are suppressed, Breaks our hearts right.

Let's make them feel confident, get out of their bubble and make them feel empowered. They need our help, they need the optimistic youth's help to empower them and treat them fairly. Actually thinking about it now, I think it's not the girls we need to empower, it is **US**, It is **our society** we need to empower. It is **our mind, our acts, our thoughts** that we need to empower.

BLOGS

Best bag by Sidharth Arun

Almost all of us use bags every day. But do we ever think about which type of bag, material wise, would be best for the environment? Well let us see what makes a material the best material. The most common bags that are used today are easy to mass produce and satisfy the everyday consumer's needs, these are of course the small low density plastic bags. They are cheap and easy to produce but flimsy and cannot be disposed of in an eco-friendly manner.

Let's turn to paper bags, on one hand they are naturally decomposable, but to produce a paper bag is a labor intensive process. Paper bags are also more difficult to transport and store, and due to their "crushy" property often cannot be reused. "A paper bag would need to be reused 43 times to equal the LDPE's (low density polythene bag) environmental impact" -Columbia Edu

Cotton totes. Cotton bags are both durable and can be decomposed. "Producing 1kg of cotton in India consumes 22,500 litres of water" - The Guardian. But the production of this bag has by far the biggest carbon output, 272kgs per bag compared to 1.6kg per plastic bag.

Finally, we have the "good" plastic bag, ones that are durable, cheap to produce AND can be easily recycled, the high density polythene bags. The problem with this bag is that if it doesn't get reused it is just as bad as a regular plastic bag. Thus we can conclude that the number of times we use any bag and the manner in which we discard of it responsibly determines the best type of bag (material wise).

Good touch bad touch by Harini Pritiyanhira

Hello everyone. Am Harini Pritiyanhira here to share my view on good touch and bad touch.

The reason why I wanted to blog about this is that , this is something that everyone should know about it, includes all the adults too. My main worry is that , are people living in rural areas aware about this?

We hear a lot of cases on child abuse every single day and its so worryful that we cant do anything about it . But we can act as a catalyst to bring about the change and reduce child abuse. We hear about child line, all apps which can help during these situations but are they really being put into use? I don't think so. I feel that there should be an awareness to about this and that there is no need to feel insecure to talk about this. All the organisations can travel to rural areas and provide enough knowledge about this to the children there by visuals, speeches, drama and etc. Not only to children but to parents too. India has an illiteracy rate of over 37%

and the maximum is from rural areas . Them not being educated is the main conflict which leads to loss of their children. So parents should also be educated about it. Am not here to justify that there is no cases relating to child abuse in urban areas , there is but their parents do know how to react during these situations and fight for justice.

WE ESPECIALLY GIRL CHILDREN ,LETS ACT UPON IT, LETS FIGHT!

BLOGS

My baking nightmare by Sivaani S.

When I was around 11, I didn't particularly enjoy or like cooking but there was just one part of cooking that I was attracted to. It was baking. Growing up, I used to love cakes. I would cry for hours until my parents got me a piece. I was especially so addicted to chocolate truffle cake.

My mom is great at baking. Her cake is always near perfect, and she knows how to spice them up with frosting and other sweet additives. Watching her bake in the kitchen brings me so much happiness. Well my sister didn't like the idea of baking, I was glued to my mum whenever she baked and used to ask her many questions about the process.

When I was 12, I baked my first cake. I baked a classic carrot cake. I prepared the cake batter and everything. Suddenly, there was a burnt smell tickling my nose. When I went to investigate the origin of this awful smell, I was shocked; it was coming from the oven.

I switched off the oven and took the cake out. Well after seeing the cakes' condition, I would not call it a cake anymore. The cake was completely burnt. It was not a pleasant sight.

For a few days I didn't even go near the kitchen. After 2 months, I thought of giving it a try again. But this time I didn't want to bake a huge cake. I tried baking a mug cake. Well the final product was not that bad. It was not burnt, but instead I forgot to add the baking powder. It was so hard to chew. I literally cried.

Later my exams came and I was not so focused on baking. During my holidays, I wanted to try baking again. I tried baking a sponge cake. I literally took a glance of the recipe every single time when I was putting something in the mixing bowl.

I finally put it in the oven. I was just praying that it would not burn or be bad. I sat next to the oven and was constantly looking at it.

The timer finally went off and I let the cake cool down. I took a bite of it and it was not bad at all. It was actually pretty good. My family members gave me positive feedbacks. I was happy. My dad insisted me on making a cake for my cousin's birthday. I was not so confident but I thought of giving it a try.

On my cousin's birthday I baked her chocolate cake. It turned out amazing. I also put some frosting on it. She loved the cake. I was so happy. Later, I started baking cakes often, not only cakes but also brownies. I was so proud of myself that I could bake.

So this is how my baking nightmare ended. Baking was not a nightmare anymore. Even though I failed many times, I tried to be better. And now I'm a confident and a nice baker.

FILMS

A Day in Craftworld by Azeem Siddiqui

Duration: 2:04 min

This story provides a glimpse in the world of craft and craftsmanship.

A Journey to Qutub Minar by Aaditya Singh

Duration: 3:59 min

This movie basically talks about a journey through Qutub Minar it talks about when it was created what it is there and who made it.

A Journey To The Dustbin by Yashika

Duration: 1:22 min

The film points out that everybody needs to contribute in keeping our cities clean.

A kindness karma by Rohit Verma

Duration: 4:03 min

The film shows that a little kindness goes a long way.

A Monk's Life - journey to nirvana by Aaryansh Joshi

Duration: 6: 37min

The documentary is made to understand the life of monks at Thikse monastery in Ladakh. It reflects through a conversation held with Monk Chamba Tombey. He takes us through his life journey. His heart-touching message signifies the importance of meditation and upasana and showcases the real meaning of life.

A Short Drive by Sunny Kumar Pandey

Duration: 11:22 min

One day, Sk and Yash went for a short drive in Sk's papa's car. During that drive, Sk makes a huge mistake, He blows up a boy with his car, and despite the accident, neither of them thought it right to help the boy or take him to the hospital.

A stroke of pencil by Nilesh and Shramit

Duration: 6:47 min

A college going boy, Vijay drops out of his college to follow his passion for becoming an artist.

A trip to Qutub Minar by Ankit

Duration: 1:58 min

The film gives the viewer a virtual trip to Qutub Minar.

Above all by Apurva and Yukthi

Duration: 3:51 min

This story follows the life of an acrophobic student and the challenges she faces performing daily activities.

Ardhanareeshwara by Ridhima

Duration: 3:01 min

I address this short film as " ARDHANAREESWARA" as it is a form of lord Shiva and goddess Shakti also because the theme of the film is gender equality and lord ardhanareswara indicates that Shiva and Shakti are ONE.

Art and Artist by Suhana Prajapati

Duration: 1:32 min

Film is about an artist who is drawing a picture then he got fail at once... But then he drank something... Then he made a wonderful drawing....!!

Aschorjo by Diptangshu Ghosh and the team

Duration: 9:33 min

Four friends exploring Kolkata's heritage finding a thing that has high historic value.

B Step by Jahida Sheikh

Duration: 1:09 min

Small things, make big difference.

Best bag by Sidharth Arun

Duration: 3:36 min

The best bag is a short film explaining the two key factors which determine the best bag for the environment. We observe the journey of a boy who uses several types of bags.

FILMS

Bhavna by Nashima and Divyanka

Duration: 1:55 min

“ भावना ” is a story based on the misbehaviour faced by a helper in school.

Bhedbhav by Dimple Sharma and Harshit Mann

Duration: 2:04 min

This film is about the inequality of girls.

Bloody justice by Shivangi and Marleyn

Duration: 4:35 min

Shreya’s friends experience something weird during the past 3 days and decided to find out what is bothering them so much later they find out that there is a hidden truth behind it. And are liable for that truth.

Boond by Tanveer Singh

Duration: 2:02 min

In this short film, a little boy's vivid dream transports him to a world without water.

Botanical Facade by Shruti Sitaraman

Duration: 3:04 min

A seedling unravels the truth about life and comes to find out what it takes to be a true plant.

Boundless love by Mona and Ponalika

Duration: 4:58 min

This story is all about how much a parent sacrifice for that kid and work hard to fulfil all their wishes.

Bully and suicide by Hridi Gaine and Saranya Dutta

Duration: 3:42 min

A new student named Ani has been admitted to a school. A teacher introduces her and praises her for her good performance in her studies.

Case status unsolved by Adisha and Chinmayee

Duration: 3:43 min

As the children have been disappearing for the past two months the required prosecutions have been taken to find out the perpetrator let's see if he/she has been found.

Character artist by Sifat Rahman

Duration: 6:26 min

Life is all about a film. We are the characters. Specifically Method Actors / Character Artists.

Child labour by Anam Zia

Duration: 2.36 min

Safe childhood is every child's right.

Let's end child labour on this anti-child labour day!

Chup by Madhuakshi Mehta

Duration: 3:26 min

Loneliness is a shadow that changes its shape as the holder of the torch changes. A shadow that might look like solitude to one fire could be darkness and failure to another.

Coming together is a beginning by Ridhaan Bansal

Duration: 3:33 min

Some people look for a beautiful place others make a place beautiful” These words are true in our societies’ parks.

Covid 19 the silent killer by Nandlal Mehto

Duration: 4:37 min

The documentary titled ""COVID-19: The silent killer"" explores the experiences of individuals and communities affected by the global pandemic.

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Dand by Emmanuel Philip

Duration: 4:37 min

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Dark weapon by Vatsal Sonii

Duration: 2:19 min

The story revolves around a young girl who, along with her friends, innocently begins using an AI assistant called Aliza.

Dear Nithya by Innovative Film Academy

Duration: 9:33 min

Aadhi a successful filmmaker, who will be working in the film Industry for more than 10 years, marries his costume designer.

Discern by Ritik Maroo

Duration: 6:01 min

Uniqueness is something that makes us stand out from the crowd.

Disconnected by Deekshita,SreeRaksha and Vishishita

Duration: 3:55 min

The story recollects the memory of a character who lived in the golden years of life when there were no phones.

Ehesaas Ayushi Tiwari and Anweshita Das

Duration: 3:18 min

In this film, the father tries to overcome his loneliness and wishes he was closer to his son. He tries to reach his son to ask for help.

Ekaki by Anvesha Kashyap, Garima Das and Loling Tallang

Duration: 2:23 min

This story is about a teenage boy who struggles in his day-to-day life. He suffers mentally and suffers from depression.

Empowering Rural Odisha by Sushanti

Duration: 10:01 min

Empowering Rural Odisha: Sushanti's Path to Becoming a Reporter" follows the inspiring journey of Susanti Bhuyan, a determined young girl from the village of Kinoda, Odisha.

Environmental our nature by Mansi

Duration: 2:10 min

This documentary drama is basically about the environment and this film is based on background music.

Epiphany by Mohd Akhtar khan

Duration: 6:26 min

A family drama where a father tries to connect with his teenage son after facing some harsh circumstances.

Esoteric by Ritisha Biswas

Duration: 9:56 min

A girl named Akriti, who is disconnected from society, yearns to find her place in this world.

Fallen piece by Mayank Bali

Duration: 2.04 min

The film aims at spreading awareness about keeping our cities clean.

Farishta by Pranjull Chauhan

Duration: 4:15 min

The story revolves around Rajesh, a 17-year-old boy who is addicted to smoking and spends his time indulging in such activities.

Finding a voice by Dhanya Shah

Duration: 2:30 min

This is a short film about a poor mute child who wants to study but his parents are not allowing.

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For the healthy tomorrow by Bhumi

Duration: 4:17 min

In the film, we have shown how development takes place when the environment is harmed & what the harm is causing for all of us, especially the old agers and kids.

Forget your troubles and Dance by Gauri

Duration: 1:16 min

One should forget their troubles and do what makes them happy.

Habit by Diksha Sharma

Duration: 3:02 min

This film is about healthy habits.

Har Aurat Ek Aurat by Sneha Mandal and Vibha Vinod Vadakkan

Duration: 2:55 min

The film "हर औरत, एक औरत" is about a girl who from childhood is viewed as a person who is undeserving of the opportunities that her male counterparts receive.

Hattu - one note many stories by Arundhati Sathish, Samarth Jhunjunwala, Sia Krishnamurthy

Duration: 2:08 min

I roam Bengaluru every day. From the delectable dosas at Vidyarthi Bhavan to the cool breeze at Cubbon Park, my days are filled with a variety of experiences and emotions.

Ignorance by Shubhal Kumar Sinha and Saptarshi Paul

Duration: 3:37 min

The story follows two boys who recognized the ignorance and struggles of street dogs and show how they became their refuge.

Inception of technology by Mehal Mohan and Akshita Gupta

Duration: 5:03 min

Our film is a thought-provoking exploration of how technology has come to dominate every aspect of people's lives.

Incident by Geetika pal

Duration: 2:08 min

This film is about a girl who gets late at night, boys tease her on the way, then a girl saves her and that girl is dead.

Invisible by Annyun Deka and Krishna Chetri

Duration: 2:26 min

The documentary "The Concealed Assistance" shows the role that workers play in the smooth functioning of daily schooling activities.

It is what it is by Suhana Prajapati

Duration: 2:33 min

The film is about a girl... Who is demanding a bike from her mother. Her mother refused her for buying any bike.

It's time to take a break by Arshia Dutta

Duration: 2:53 min

This film describes the thoughts of an average businessman and shows how mundane life has left him tired.

Joy of sharing by Prakash Chand

Duration: 1:52 min

This film depicts the sharing of happiness that can brighten up someone's life.

K 47 Vengeance of the elly by Vansh Preet

Duration: 11:33 min

It's a story about a child who got kidnapped because the terrorist organization wanted to avenge for his brother's death and how our main protagonist will gonna save the child and others are the story of this film.

का-Gaz by Debashis Hazarika and Ayan Mahanta

Duration: 1:55 min

The film is about keeping the environment safe and clean, we crib all day in our lives and say that India is not a clean country but we should ashamed to say that because we have never taken any steps to make it better.

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Kagaz by Kailash Dholiya

Duration: 2:27 min

Kagaz is a story riddled with mystery and horror.

Kalponik by Soham Rudra

Duration: 9:13 min

Aryan grapples with his mother's disappearance and his deteriorating mental state.

Khusia from unknown by Vikas Bhaskar

Duration: 11:13 min

Khusia from Unknown is a short film that tells the story of small kind acts.

Koi toh hai by Srishti Deshwal

Duration: 10:00 min

This film is about that how our own people never trust us but some strange people come into our lives and make us believe that trust still exists in this life.

Library by Anna and Keshav

Duration: 3:26 min

The story is about how a teacher helps a girl who struggles to focus on her studies and is confused about where her interests lie.

Life & time by Sharika and Spoorthi

Duration: 2:11 min

Riya hated college but dreamt of being a teacher, surgeon or scientist. Will she be able to fulfil her dreams?

Limbs at a construction site by Ujjal Pradhan

Duration: 3:01 min

It is about a boy whose heart changes after learning about the adversities/situations of others who are living in harsh conditions but they are still able to manage and live happily in such conditions.

Love beka guru by Innovative Film Academy

Duration: 10:32 min

Guru is a student who will be thinking about whether he should fall in love or shouldn't he, he sees a girl on a bus stand and proposes to her. The girl threatens him and calls her brother.

Love is in the air by Siddhi Singhal

Duration: 4:18 min

A girl who is a little bored, depressed and insecure because everyone constantly taunts her that she is fat and ugly that is why she complains about it to nature and then nature heals her and makes her calm and feel she is also very good.

Meow by Aayan Mukhopadhyay

Duration: 8:45 min

The film revolves around the theme of how favouritism or biases towards a particular thing can make a person selfish and result in adverse consequences.

Mera sapna by Aryan

Duration: 3:09 min

The story is all about having a dream. We can not measure someone's dream with the size, time, amount, and effort.

Metamorphosis soil to sky by Saksham Gulati

Duration: 3:02 min

My film is a heartwarming tale of a boy who nurtures a fallen seed into a towering tree, attracting a bird that builds a nest on its branches, showcasing the beauty of interconnectedness and the power of care in nature's cycle.

Missing by Divit

Duration: 3:06 min

It's the life of how a socially awkward girl lost her only friend, a dog.

Muskan by Rishabh Kapoor

Duration: 9:40 min

This film is based on the determined pursuit of a 16-year-old girl Muskaan belongs to an underprivileged social background to establish herself as a champion athlete despite the financial constraints and challenges faced by a single mother.

FILMS

Naija by Innovative Film Academy

Duration: 3:52 min

It shows the harsh reality of society, where people see art in pictures, not in reality.

No farming no future by Bharath and Sushanth

Duration: 4:08 min

There will be a farmer in which he takes his son to school. In the school Teacher will request the farmer to pay the fees as soon as possible, After that, the farmer will go back to his farm to irrigate his field.

One more life by Dhun Agarwal

Duration: 1:52 min

One More Life is a film about a child suffering from heart disease. After many days of waiting, she finally gets a donor.

Parabola by Harshad R

Duration: 2:16 min

The story begins with a very good morning as Surya Pratap, the protagonist of this story starts to argue with his dad.

Parallax seeing the seen by Vansh and Team

Duration: 9:54 min

It's about a girl who is the daughter of a great scientist, but in an accident where both mom and dad die and she has live alone without his parents.

Period by Vanshika Tiwari

Duration: 2:46 min

This film is about a little girl of about 12 years of age, living in a city, she is just like all of us, A little girl aspiring to get so much out of life and getting knowledge of things.

POV by Aam Naim

Duration: 1:49 min

The film is a metaphoric way of sending a message to the audience which is to create awareness against plastic, which is the reason behind the biggest environmental pollution.

Praamaan by Priyans Roy and Akshdeep

Duration: 4:15 min

A boy, living in a school hostel, wakes up in the middle of the night and strange occurrences follow him.

Radha by Rakesh Parida

Duration: 9:57 min

The film shares a life of a housekeeper.

Rescue of flash by Dhruv Bakshi

Duration: 1:45 min

A rescue of a kitten which was abandoned on the road.

Revisiting our Cultural Heritage by Daiwik Kaushik

Duration: 3:21 min

India is known for its rich cultural heritage from ancient times, there are art forms that are dying and disappearing hence extinct.

Sangharsh by Khushi Gupta

Duration: 3:14 min

Sangharsh talks about an average Indian family that gets stricken by the catastrophe that was the COVID-19 pandemic, where the breadwinner passes away from the deadly disease.

Save the earth by Amairah Ssahdev

Duration: 1:19 min

Climate change refers to long-term shifts in temperatures and weather patterns. Such shifts can be natural, due to changes in the sun's activity or large volcanic eruptions.

FILMS

School life na milegi dobara by Shubkarman, Lavanya and Deepanshu

Duration: 3:34 min

The movie "School Life Na Milegi Dobara" is about two friends who have completed their schooling years and revisit their school for one last time before starting a new phase of their life.

Socially antisocial by Dhairya Vishnani

Duration: 1:57 min

This is a film about a teenage boy who is addicted to social media and posters day-to-day life on it.

Song of nature by Akashleena Majee

Duration: 4:31 min

Song of Nature is about the birds who are the natural composer and singers. Music created by them brightens our world.

Stop littering by Harshmita Vardhan

Duration: 2:10 min

This film is an environmental category. This film talks about land pollution and we should clean the environment.

Student life by Mukhwinder Singh

Duration: 9:53 min

Choosing a right path for bright career is mandatory!

Sweet Poison by Nikhil Choudhary

Duration: 2:58 min

Dhruv, a young man encounters a group involved in the drug trade. Intrigued by the drugs in front of him.

Tech Harm by Komal

Duration: 4:09 min

The title of my movie is Tech Harm this film is related to the birds that how mobile technology is harmful to birds.

Teenage smoking by Hridi Gaine and Saranya Dutta

Duration: 2:24 min

A boy named Rayan goes on failing each year. So a teacher threatens him that if he fails again he won't be promoted to the next class with the head sir's permission.

That friend by Rachyita Chakraborty

Duration: 3:26 min

Arpan, who is a mediocre student is neglected by his friends. Due to his father's illness, their family's economical condition has fallen down drastically.

The bride by Sia Aggarwal

Duration: 1:35 min

17-year-old Aapti reluctantly gets married to an older man of her father's choice, soon discovering the vicious cycle of child exploitation and abuse in her community.

The bullies by Siya Bang

Duration: 2:03 min

It is a short film on school bullying. How a child is continuously bullied. He is a new child at school and faces the misbehaviour of his seniors.

The certificate of lies by Advika and Rajshree

Duration: 4:34 min

Two girls Sara and Rita live in the hostel while studying for their competitive exams and achieving their goals.

The changes by Sakshi Sharma

Duration: 2:19 min

My topic is environment and climate change starting with nature and garbage.

The great social evil by Yashika

Duration: 4:42 min

We have shown thoughts of people against caste discrimination or people who faced caste discrimination directly or saw someone else facing this discrimination.

FILMS

The hard reality by Prisha Goel

Duration: 1:32 min

Two siblings who are arguing start assuming that their gender suffers more than the other one but as the difficulties of both gender shows up they realise that both gender suffer in different ways.

The harsh truth about India by Aarav Dhingra

Duration: 3:45 min

The film showcases vehicular pollution as a major cause amongst other causes of climate change and its impact on the city.

The last day by Aarohi Joshi

Duration: 3:21min

It's said, that before death we are shown a live telecast of the best bits of our life. Remembering how much we polluted the earth, our souls will never rest in peace.

The painter by Aritra De

Duration: 4:49 min

The film is based around a young boy who loves to paint. However, his passion is not recognized by his family.

Parallel universe by Dhriti and Hemanth

Duration: 3:09 min

Romania and Riash, two sisters, discovered a door in the forest. They discovered a passage through it and proceeded inside, but nothing was visible because it was completely black.

The proof by Chhavi Jain

Duration: 2:00 min

The girl who proof her innocence.

The shades of a giant tree by Yashraj Singh Pahwa

Duration: 3:10 min

This film is about the bonding of a father and his son, wherein the son replicates what his father had done for him several years down the line.

The sight by Kaustav Banerjee and Sujoy Pramanik

Duration: 2:41 min

A boy who is dedicated to his noble pursuit of playing chess, his friend who himself went to his own noble pursuit inspires him to take the chance & he fills out the form for a chess academy in Jharkhand but something happens which left him wondering about his uncertain future.

The stalker by Shifa and Adita

Duration: 3:08 min

A girl named Shreya of age gets a request from a guy named Aadarsh. They chat and talk for a few days and eventually get together.

The world is your oyster by Aradhya Bhola

Duration: 3:26 min

This is a film about India holding the G20 presidency.

The world of opportunities by Chaitanya

Duration: 2:30 min

The film is based on the topic of educational pressure so my story focuses on a boy who fails his exam and he is extremely discouraged but his father gives him confidence and then he succeeds in what he wanted to.

Think by Rachana Yadav

Duration: 2:23 min

This story is about a girl who doesn't want to live in her country, she wants to go abroad, she believes that her country has only a population and pollution poverty corruption etc.

This eternal regret by Raaghava Prashanth

Duration: 6:56 min

We are imperfect beings expected to live up to perfection, thus bound to carry regrets.

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Time a tear slips from the eyes by Sureshbhai Gohel

Duration: 9:26 min

It's basically a depressed boy story. How he faced a sad environment in their life.

Titli by Shreya Singh and Babli Kumari

Duration: 2:21 min

The story is about a butterfly. She comes across many difficulties in a day but still manages to survive.

Tyag by Parag Singh and Team

Duration: 2:06 min

The movie opens with a woman preparing a lunchbox for her daughter, Lavanya as she will be leaving for school.

Ummeed - A Ray of Hope by Pari Gupta

Duration: 4:31 min

Two girls, desolate and helpless. Ummeed is a story of two children in an urban slum in India, where they face the horrors of domestic violence and the passing of their parents.

Unapologetic silence by Charvi Aggarwal

Duration: 2:01 min

18-year-old Ishika, is pampered and loved, but what is happening in her teenage life? She is into herself, not focused on her studies or her family.

Unrelated by C Shravya

Duration: 1:46 min

The storyline is based on the question "What if one day I found out I was adopted?"

Vexation by Alexander Philip , Arshbeer and Basir Pourganji

Duration: 6:51 min

A teenager gets angry after losing a chess match to a boasting opponent.

Virtual tour to Jantar Mantar by Arun Atri

Duration: 1:55 min

My film is a virtual tour of Jantar Mantar which was built in 1724 by Maharaja Jai Singh II of Jaipur, Jantar Mantar is one of the five astronomical observatories built by the king in Northern India.

Visit To National Museum by Mehar Singh

Duration: 1:56 min

The film is about the various artefacts kept at the National Museum.

Walk in my shoes by Aranyo Dey Majumder

Duration: 5:19 min

A typical insubordinate teenage boy and a quiet and studious girl, by some freak of nature, end up in each other's bodies.

'We rise by lifting others' by Raghav Aggarwal

Duration: 2:41 min

Throughout the film, we observe a small child who is homeless and lacking in basic essentials. With no support or help, he eventually opts to sell newspapers as it is the only option he has.

Wings with shackles by Manjistha Anand

Duration: 5:41 min

Overworking Women of India is a poignant documentary exploring the often-overlooked toll of women's empowerment in India.

Yes maybe no Agnibrata Biswas and Anand Sharma

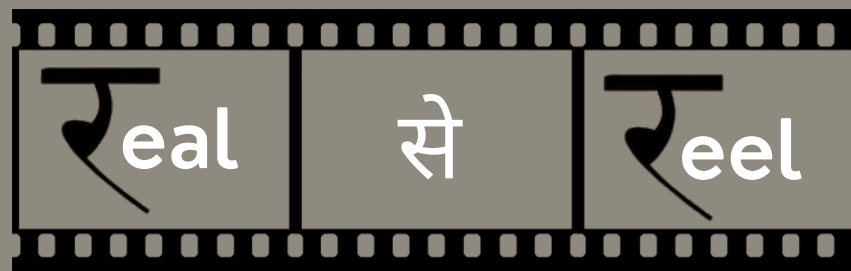
Duration: 3:12 min

The film is about a boy named Anirudh, and his journey from being a hopeless romantic to a heartbroken but concerned child.

Zindagi ka सफ़र by Niyati Khandelwal

Duration: 1:36 min

This story is about everyone running on the same competitive path instead of seeking passion.



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DM by Ahona Dhar and Sumana Das

Duration: 1.49 min

Sia was what everyone could only dream of becoming. Comments and likes always flooded her posts and subscribers were too many to count. She was the ultimate social butterfly. But her perfect life turned upside-down all after that one dm to which she replied. Now all she was , was a shell of herself. A broken winged butterfly. The sweet little 'ding' which once brought her tremendous joy had now become the cause of her sleepless nights. Even blocking or reporting did not help, the texts always found its way through a new account . The number of texts only grew, to the points where she had deleted all her accounts. On revealing this to her friend, Shreya , she only laughs it off as a silly prank , but Sia knew otherwise. Eventually, after some convincing from her friend, once again enters the world of social media and opens new accounts. But the past is bound to be repeated. As Sia advances towards a new beginning, her past follows closely .



Don't give up by Rajat Shubhra Roy

Duration: 3.16 min

Every project teaches us something new. And likewise, this project also taught me a lot. I learned how to present a story beautifully. I was able to learn different camera shots and angles. I comprehend how to edit a film. The companionship of respected teachers has helped me to make all my activities more beautiful. After all, the cooperation of my friends in making this film will always be remembered by me.



Editing in real life by Anjaneya Gajendra Singh

Duration: 2.33 min

This short film is about two people, Red Guy and Green Guy. In this film, Red Guy discovers the Power of Editing! He uses this power for many Noble causes like making Fart Noises and playing Party Music. He tries to refuse to give the secret of its power to Green Guy but is ultimately convinced by an Irresistible offer and reveals the Horror that is Its secret. What is the secret? What offer did Green Guy make to convince Red Guy to give away such tremendous power, find out now by picking up 'Editing in Real Life LOL' from your nearest Trash Can.



F.R.I.E.N.D.S by Ruthvika V.

Duration: 2 min

This film is all about educating young people about inclusiveness

Homework by Debsingha Sirkar

Duration: 4.12 min

After stumbling upon a grade 2 student's striking artwork depicting his abuse, a teacher is motivated to take action against the father even at the behest of the school principal.



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Knock!! by Bhavya Agarwal

Duration: 1.49 min

This is the story of a girl who is left alone at night. She tries to sleep but in vain. She finds a book that does not belong to her. As she starts reading, the lights start blinking. Out of nowhere, marbles started falling. Her blanket gets snatched, the lights go off and there is a knock on the door. When she goes to open it a man is standing outside who runs towards her to kill her. She screams and wakes up. It is then she realizes it was a dream. But she finds the same book she saw in the dream beside her.



Loop by Gurvansh Singh Chadha

Duration: 3.50 min

The film is about a boy who somehow manages to travel back in time and change his future but will he stop after correcting his first mistake or he will stay in the loop?



Nawazish by Madhuakshi Mehta

Duration: 3 min

Maya, a teenager who struggles with academic pressures in university caused by her dyslexia, fails to complete an assignment due to her inability to read quick enough. Even after asking for help from various avenues she is left alone trying her best to complete her work on time, only to find herself an act of kindness by a boy who helps her with unconventional ways that Fastrack her learning.



Making a difference by Suhit Data

Duration: 3 min

Making A Difference is the story of a young, irresponsible boy in his teens, taking his health as a joke. Living like nothing less than a spoilt brat; the boy was deep down in a swamp of inappreciable habits, ranging from waking up till late in the night, to not worrying a single bit about what went through his mouth every time he felt hungry. Of course, he was lazy too and felt lethargic almost every hour of the day. Things continued the way they were until one fine day, when the boy, out of boredom decided to watch Virat Kohli's interview wherein he was talking about health, physical fitness and its significance. He was amused by every word that come out of the great man's mouth. On watching more and more of Virat Kohli speak on the issue, the boy was deeply influenced. Virat's words touched his heart and left an ever-lasting effect. He decided- that it was it. Enough was enough. Having reflected upon himself after a tough night, he did no further delay to try and change, so that he could Make A Difference. From only the next day onwards he left no stone unturned to try and incorporate good habits, change his norms and replace bad addictions with better ones. Exercising becomes routine over the next few weeks. And moreover, he abolished laziness to become a better version of himself. A version better than ever.



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One step forward by Aanya Jain

Duration: 2.04 min

One Step Forward is a short film which shows a teenager fighting through the battle of depression and finally overcoming it. As the film starts we see a teenager who is trying to study but can't concentrate. She finds out that her friends had a small get-together to which she was not invited. Later in the morning, she decides to skip her breakfast and leave for school. There, it can be seen that she has no friends at all and she's not interactive in class at all. She even gets bullied in class. Later this one girl approaches her and gives her her phone number just in case she wants to talk to someone. Later at home, when she's trying to study; she once again can't concentrate due to her parents fighting. She sits by the window, feeling completely helpless. She finally calls Sam and opens up to her. Talking to Sam, made her feel delightful and found comfort in her.



Rozgaar by Jhanvi Rathore

Duration: 1.28 min

A father of three kids is unable to make ends meet due to the growth of machinery in industries. After failing to even survive from hand to mouth, the father miserably goes to beg for any kind of work, but only in vain....



Small steps by Ankana Ghosh Dastidar

Duration: 3.01 min

.Agni, a closeted boy hopes to find a safe space outside of his homophobic family. It isn't until he finds the school gender and sexuality alliance that he finds himself comfortable with both his identity and his stance on the LGBTQIA+ community.



The article by Harini Pritiyanhira

Duration: 2.03 min

The article is a film which stresses the point of saving water. Students are playing Kho-Kho on the ground and one of the girls falls down. One of her friends helps her by washing the hurt area with water. The girl when washing the hurt area with water throws the bottle in a hurry and the bottle falls down and the water gets wasted. After playing they go to fill their water bottle. The bell rings and the girls take their bottles away and keep the water flowing. After school, the girl reaches home and reads an article about water scarcity and realises her mistake. The next day she goes to fill her water bottle in school, the bell rings and she leaves the tap open, and realises she has left it open and comes and closes the tap.



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The choice by Tanya Saluja

Duration: 2.01min

'The Choice' is a movie about a girl who is forced to choose science as a career when she actually wants to pursue literature as a career. She faces pressure from her parents and society. The girl sits and imagines what the outcome would be if she gave in to her parents' demand and chose science. She sees herself studying day and night, but she isn't able to score well because her interest lies elsewhere. Her parents, noticing this, take away all her novels and literature textbooks. She eventually falls into depression and decides to give up on her life. She is seen staring at a sharper. She wakes up from her imagination, gasping. She then visualises what her life will be like if she chooses arts. She again sees herself working hard but now, she seems happy. She is working on her novel and the last scene reveals the first chapter of her novel. She wakes up from her dream and selects the art option smiling.



The letter by Agrima Kumar

Duration: 1.58 min

A girl had just gotten accepted into her dream college. Whilst she was in her room celebrating, her parents were fighting as usual. The mother got mad and stormed off from the room and found her younger child(male) doing his homework. The mother checked the homework and found some mistakes. The mother, already in a bad mood started yelling at him. The father heard the screaming and soon joined them and also started yelling at the poor child. The girl came out of her room to show her parents the acceptance letter but seeing the scene taking place she grabbed her brother and took him to her room. Around midnight she had to get back to the college to proceed further. But if she'd leave for college, who would save her brother from the parents' constant nagging? She finally decides to stay for her brother and closes her laptop.



The hope by Aditya Pawar and Aditya Sharma

Duration: 2.40 min

Aditya is a boy who has just given the last exam of his 10th boards. He is great at coding and wants computer science in 11th as his subject. After the results come out, Aditya is denied to study computer science as his subject due to his low marks. After feeling lost and useless he decides to make a change. He reaches out to his teachers, headmaster and school authorities hoping they can help him get computer science only to get rejected again. Even after all the hardships and problems he doesn't give up and keeps working towards his goal finally resulting in him getting to study comp science.



The strain by Habiba Khatun

Duration: 2.12 min

Rini is a girl who experiences her first period in school and she was lack knowledge about menstrual hygiene. She was criticized by her classmates. Her biology teacher also feels shy to explain this matter. But the story turns its path when a boy named Rohan from the same class helps Rini.



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The wish by Abhimanyu Dhali

Duration: 2.59 min

A boy who loves drawing wanted to make his career in the drawing field. But his father after the 10th results imposes his personal dreams on his son. After that in the 12th result, he failed and got depressed.



A helping hand by Dharit Pancholi

Duration: 2.42 min

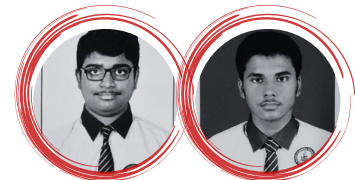
This film revolves around the struggle of poor people and how a small help can change someone's life. At the beginning of the movie, Sagar tries to donate money to charity. During this process, his friend asks him why he wants to do that. On hearing this Sagar is teleported back to his childhood days when he would have to struggle hard to earn some money. He sold newspapers and polished shoes to earn money. But one day while he was polishing shoes, he met a very generous man who had recognized his sorrows and decided to give him money so he could continue his studies. Sagar buys books with this money. When he was studying, his father interrupts him and asks him to take a walk. While they were walking at night, Sagar sees a very happy and rich family passing him by. He contrasts the luxuries of the rich with his daily struggles and tears emerge from him. Now Sagar snaps back to the present when he has become like the family he saw due to the aid of the generous man. He does not forget his past and gives money to donate funds so he could lend someone a helping hand.



An outrage by Ayushmaan Chakraborty and Sayan laskar

Duration: 2.36 min

Malini is a girl who is studious and wants to study while Raj is a boy who has a crush on Malini and disturbs her all-time on Whatsapp. Being very irritated she blocks him. Feeling insulted, Raj plans to harass Malini in front of the school. When they were harassing Malini, her friend came and rescued her from the situation and insulted Raj in front of everyone. Later they planned to take revenge on Malini as she was the reason for getting insulted by her friend and they plan to throw acid on Malini. While returning from school they succeeded in their plan. After that, all the people blame Malini for her situation.



Be you by Radhika Khaitan

Duration: 2.05 min

My film is about an unhealthy girl who gets affected by people teasing and taunting her. Just because of teasing and taunting, she feels insecure about her body and she started exercising and not eating a day. When she was exercising she felt dizzy and a girl helped her and motivated her that you perfect the way you are.



PODCASTS

Boys don't cry by Ashwanth

1.47 min

Hello everyone!!

I'm Ashwanth, aged 15, and this blog is about my experience making a podcast. Making the podcast **"Boys don't cry"** was fueled by curiosity as I've had barely any experience with podcasts, but I've always been intrigued by the idea of a podcast and making one has been a lovely experience. I've also heard phrases like "boys don't cry" or "man up" and feel strongly about them as they seem to state that being vulnerable is reserved for women. Emotions are supposed to be felt and are not supposed to be taught. It is alright for anyone to be sad and we should not try to stop it, but try to cure it.

Thank you for reading!!



Menstrual Hygiene Aryan talks by Aryan Ghosh

2.04 min

There are many issues which are not very comfortably spoken about, openly, especially. One of them is menstruation. This podcast is about the promotion of menstrual hygiene which is not just for sanitation, but also a step towards empowering women.



The unconcerned threat by Sivaani S.

2.35 min

This podcast is a live conversation of a real life victim of alcoholism.



The world today by Sri Saindhavi S.

2.07 min

Body shaming is a real issue in today's world. This podcast shares the effects of body shaming through a story



That's me by Divyanshi Rastogi

2.21 min

This podcast is for all the parents of the teenage children who struggle to relate to each other.



“Photography is truth.
Cinema is truth 24
frames per second.”

-Jean-Luc Godard

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