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## Film Production & Direction

DOCUMENTARY/ADVOCACY FILMS/OTHER (*Producer/director, research, script*):

★ *Buddhism, Gender & Sexuality*: Independent film on 'Gender and Sexuality in Buddhism in Early and Contemporary India and South Asia'. *Academic advisers: Dr. Alice Collett, York St John University, UK, and Dr. Uma Chakravarti, Delhi University (Ongoing)*

★ *Shooting D/P* for a film on *Reproductive, maternal, neonatal and child health in Uttar Pradesh* for the Surgo Foundation ([ww.surgofoundation.org](http://ww.surgofoundation.org)) in Uttar Pradesh (Sep. 2016-ongoing)

★ *Director/Producer* for a film on the *Development Justice Movement*. Locations: the "Civil Society Forum on Sustainable Development - Asserting People's Priorities for Development Justice" & the "UNESCAP Forum on Sustainable Development", Bangkok, Thailand for the Asia Pacific Forum for Women in Law & Development (APWLD) (March-April 2016)

★ *Natural Resource Management*: Scripted and edited an advocacy film (8 min.) for AFPRO (Action in Food Production) for the India-Africa Forum Summit 2015 (Oct. 2015)  
: <https://youtu.be/xWpcYRWyDPc> - *plus editing*

★ *HIV/AIDS*: An advocacy film on a PPP (public-private partnership) driven HIV/AIDS outreach centre in E. Maharashtra run by a PLHA (people living with HIV/AIDS) group (Avantha Foundation & NACO - National Aids Control Organisation) (8 min, April, 2014)

★ *Schools Show the Way, Ritu Suggests the Way, Boys Show the Way, Ballo's Tea Shop* : 4 short films for the 'We Can End Violence against Women Campaign', WeCan Secretariat, New Delhi (Oxfam GB & partner organisations: [www.wecanendvaw.org](http://www.wecanendvaw.org) & [www.teenagill.com](http://www.teenagill.com)) (8-10min films, 2009-2010)

★ *White Robes, Saffron Dreams* : (Independent film, 43 min, 2013) *plus camera*  
**Award**: First Prize: Documentary section, **Central Illinois Feminist Film Festival**, USA, March 2014

★ *Reaching for the Sky* - documentary on a primary education project run by the educational NGO, Pratham, in the *madarasas* (Islamic schools) of Kutch, Gujarat (28 min, 2006)

★ *Turning Life Around* - documentary on a development project in Gadchiroli district, Maharashtra (India), focusing on women's programmes, including a barefoot doctors programme and a women's cooperative bank and (28 min, 2008)

★ *Toward a Better Tomorrow* – on microfinance and livelihood programmes for tribal women in Koraput district, southern Orissa (India) (28 min, 2007)

★ *Young Hopes in Elderly Arms* : on the impact of HIV/AIDS on older people – for HelpAge International -(8 min, 2003) Plus camera

★ *Orange Alert* : An independent film on pesticide poisoning and the organic farmers movement in N. Thailand (Independent film, 2005)

**Award:** Juror's special prize, **Earth Vision**-15<sup>th</sup> Global Environmental Film Festival, Tokyo, 2007 - Plus camera

★ *Age and Image: Understanding Ageing and Development* : A multimedia interactive training DVD on the portrayal of older people in the media in the Asia-Pacific region, HelpAge International (2005) Plus camera

★ Short television features for *Young Asia TV (YA TV)*, Colombo, Sri Lanka, on the impact of the 1997 economic crisis in Thailand on migrant workers and on child drop outs, eco-tourism, origins of 'belly dancing', amongst others. (1998-2003) Direction, script & camera only

★ *Mail-Order Brides from Thailand* : a news documentary - The World This Week programme, NDTV, New Delhi (1992) – Research, direction & script

## Cinematography

★ *White Robes, Saffron Dreams* (2013)

★ *Young Hopes in Elderly Arms* (2003)

★ *Age and Image: Understanding Ageing and Development* (2005)

★ *Orange Alert* (2003-2005)

★ Shot for Rai TV and Tg1, Italy at the *Second International Meeting of Dam-Affected People and their Allies* at Rasi Salai, N.E. Thailand, and the *Nam Theum dam projects* in southern Laos (2003)

## Film Editor

*Natural Resource Management (AFPRO)* (2015)

*Orange Alert* (2005)

Trailer editor: *Turning Life Around, Toward a Better Tomorrow, Reaching for the Sky, White Robes, Saffron Dreams* (2010-13)

## Other Experience

- Conducted a workshop 'Films for Change' at the Asia Pacific Feminist Forum (APFF), Chiang Mai, Thailand, June 2014
- Workshop screening & discussant - of 'Orange Alert', a film by Teena Gill on pesticide poisoning at : Regional Workshop on "Communicating Sustainable Agriculture & Agro-biodiversity" – organised by Television Trust for the Environment (TVE) Japan, TVE Asia Pacific, Pesticide Action Network Asia Pacific (PANAP), Japan Fund for Global Environment (JFGE), Penang, Malaysia (March 2014).
- Conducted a regional (Asia-Pacific) video training workshop on gender and climate justice advocacy for the Asia Pacific Feminist Forum organised by Asia Pacific Forum for Women, Law & Development (APWLD), Chiang Mai, Thailand, Dec.2011

- Honorary judge for the Asian Rice Film Award 2009. Organised by Pesticide Action Network – Asia Pacific (PANAP), Public Media Agency (PMA – Malaysia) and Television Trust for the Environment - Asia Pacific (TVEAP)
- Development feature print journalist (1990-2005) for Inter Press Service, Panos Features, Gemini News Service, The Thailand Environment Institute, The Changemakers (Asoka Foundation, USA), New Internationalist magazine, amongst others

## Screenings & Awards

### 1. **Young Hopes in Elderly Arms**

- ★ Global Premiere, 2004 AIDS Film Festival, organised by the **XV International AIDS Conference (IAC 2004)** and Television Trust for the Environment (TVE) – Asia Pacific, Bangkok, July 2004
- ★ Screenings organised by the Health and Development Network (HDN), UK, Asia-Pacific office, Chiang Mai, Nov. 2003
- ★ Posted on **OneWorld** website – July 2006

### 2. **Orange Alert**

**Award:** Juror's special prize, **Earth Vision - 15<sup>th</sup> Global Environmental Film Festival**, Tokyo, April 2007

#### **Screenings:**

- ★ Premiere Screening, **Foreign Correspondents Club of Thailand (FCCT)**, Bangkok, June 2005
- ★ **Vatavaran Film Festival**, New Delhi, Nov. 2005
- ★ **International Women's Film Festival (IWFF)**, Kolkata, Dec. 2005
- ★ Encore screening, **Foreign Correspondents Club of Thailand (FCCT)**, July 2006
- ★ **Quotes from the Earth 2006**, organized by Toxic Links, New Delhi, Nov. 2006
- ★ **Earth Vision - 15<sup>th</sup> Global Environmental Film Festival**, Tokyo, April 2007
- ★ **ViBGYOR International Film Festival**, Thrissur, Kerala, India, May 2007
- ★ **Viva Gaia! Film Festival** – at Filmstudio, Roma. Organized by Eva D. Toklas Produzioni, Government of Rome & Eco-radio. Rome, 2-15 November 2007
- ★ **International Campaign for Justice in Bhopal Film Festival**, organised together with Alliance Francaise, April 2009, Chennai
- ★ **5<sup>th</sup> Development Film Festival - Dhan Foundation** : Fight poverty: connect and commit for Millennium Development Goals, Sep.2009, Chennai
- ★ **CultureUnplugged** - selected for competitive online film festival, 2011 ([www.cultureunplugged.com](http://www.cultureunplugged.com))
- ★ **'Regional Workshop on Communicating Sustainable Agriculture & Agrobiodiversity'**, TVE Japan, TVE Asia Pacific, Pesticide Action Network Asia Pacific (PANAP), Penanag, Malaysia, March 2014

### 3. **White Robes, Saffron Dreams**

**Award:** First Prize: Documentary section, **Central Illinois Feminist Film Festival**, USA, March 2014

#### **Screenings:**

- **London Feminist Film Festival**, World Premiere, November 2013
- **Central Illinois Feminist Film Festival**, USA, March 2014 (First Prize: Documentary section)

- **Berlin Feminist Film Week**, Jan. 2014
- **VIBGYOR Short & Documentary Film Festival**, Thrissur, Kerala, India, Feb. 2014
- **Asia Pacific Feminist Forum (APFF)**, Chiang Mai, 29th May 2014
- **Informal Northern Thai Group**, Alliance Francaise, Chiang Mai, 3rd June 2014
- **Documentary Arts Asia**, Chiang Mai, 7th June.2014
- **Women's Studies Centre, Chiang Mai University**, 19th June 2014
- Private screening - **Kathmandu Photo Gallery**, Silom, Bangkok, 9th June 2014
- **India International Center (IIC)**, Delhi Premiere (Main Auditorium), 5th Sep. 2014
- **SNDT Women's University**, Research Center for Women's Studies, Juhu, Mumbai, 9th Sep. 2014
- **Sophia College**, Social Communications Media Dept (SCM), Mumbai, 10th Sep.2014
- **Tata Insitute of Social Studies (TISS)**, School of Media and Cultural Studies (ADDA Film Club), Mumbai, 10th Sep.2014
- **Lady Shri Ram College** (Sociology Dept), Delhi, India, 17th Jan.2015
- **Women's Studies Department**, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), Delhi, India, 25th August 2015
- **Paris International Lesbian and Feminist Film Festival** (27th edition), Cineffable, Paris, France, 31st Oct., 2015
- **International Film Festival Colombo 2015** :Documentary section: Seeking Justice, Sri Lanka, 7-10th Nov. 2015

### Linguistic Skills

English, Hindi, Thai, German, Punjabi

### Geographical Coverage

Nepal, India, Burma, Thailand, Malaysia, Laos, Cambodia, the UK and the Republic of Ireland.

### Education:

**MPhil, Sociology**  
1989-92

Sociology Dept., Delhi School of Economics,  
Delhi University, India

**MA, Gender & Development**  
1987-88

Institute of Development Studies (IDS),  
Univ. of Sussex, Brighton, U.K.

*Received ODASSS award (Overseas Development Administration's  
Shared Scholarship Scheme)*

**BA, Development Studies**  
1983-86

University of East Anglia,  
Norwich, U.K.