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Harvesting Hunger

Bose, Krishnendu. *Harvesting Hunger*. New Delhi: Earthcare Films, 2000. MiniDV, 53 min. <https://youtu.be/vvOJZPKMT04>.

There are over 300 million people in India who do not have enough food to meet their basic nutritional requirements. With further intrusion of the market economy and increasing corporatisation of Indian agriculture, it is suspected that millions more will go hungry in the first decades of the new millenium. *Harvesting hunger* is a journey into this impending world of hunger and famine, an exploration of the deepening crisis of food security in the country. The film revolves around four case studies: Punjab for a study of the yellowing of the Green Revolution; Kalahandi for an investigation into the structural reasons of famine and impoverishment; Warangal for an examination of the debilitating effects of money lending—resulting in suicides—prompted by multinational pesticides enterprises; and Bellary for an understanding of the role of giant seed and food processing companies in destroying the very base of Indian agriculture. These are interspersed by insights into a movement in the Himalayas that may offer alternatives in the form of sustainable agricultural systems, which revive traditional agricultural practices (Beej Bachao Andolan). (Source: [Earthcare Films](#))

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- http://www.earthcarefilms.com/filming_development_debates_harvesting_hunger.html
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