



Grand Prize

Vandana SHIVA

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Environmental Philosopher and Activist (Director, the Research Foundation for Science, Technology and Ecology)

Born November 5, 1952 (aged 59)

BIOGRAPHY

- 1952 Born in Dehra Dun, Uttarakhand, India
- 1973 M.Sc. (Physics), Punjab University, Chandigarh, India
- 1976 M.A. (Philosophy of Science), the University of Guelph, Canada
- 1978 Ph.D. (Foundations of Quantum Theory), the University of Western Ontario, Canada
- 1979-82 Conducted the research in the Indian Institute of Science and the Indian Institute of Management in Bangalore, India
- 1982- Founder and Director of the Research Foundation for Science, Technology and Natural Resource Policy (the current Research Foundation for Science, Technology and Ecology) in Dehra Dun
- 1987- Launched a seed saving movement and named "Navdanya (nine seeds)" in 1991, leading the national and international movement for biodiversity conservation and integrity of living resources
- 1993 Received the Right Livelihood Award
Received the Global 500 Award of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
Received the Earth Day International Award of the United Nations
Awarded the Order of the Golden Ark of Netherlands
- 1994- Founding member and board member of the International Forum on Globalization
- 1997 Received the Golden Plant Award
- 2001- Initiated Bija Vidyapeeth, an international college for sustainable living in Doon Valley, the UK
- 2007- Founding Councilor of the World Future Council
- 2009 Received the Save The World Award
- 2010 Awarded the Sydney Peace Prize
- 2010-11 Wayne Morse Chair of Law and Politics, the University of Oregon, the U.S.
- 2011 Awarded the Calgary Peace Prize
Received Thomas Merton Award by Thomas Merton Center for Peace & Justice
Honorary Doctor, the Universities of Oslo, Norway

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Vandana SHIVA

Staying Alive: Women, Ecology and Survival in India, New-Delhi: Kali for Women; London: Zed Books, 1988. (Translated into 6 other languages)

The Violence of the Green Revolution: Third World Agriculture, Ecology, and Politics, London: Zed Books; Penang: Third World Network, 1991. (Translated into Japanese)

Ecology and the Politics of Survival: Conflicts Over Natural Resources in India, California: Sage Publications, 1991.

Monocultures of the Mind: Perspectives on Biodiversity and Biotechnology, New Delhi: Zed Books, 1993. (Translated into Italian and Japanese)

Ecofeminism (co-author), New Delhi: Kali for Women; Halifax, N.S.: Fernwood Publications; London: Zed Books, 1993. (Translated into Portuguese)

Biopolitics: A Feminist and Ecological Reader on Biotechnology (co-author), London: Zed Books, 1995.

Biopiracy: The Plunder of Nature and Knowledge, Boston: South End Press, 1997. (Translated into Spanish, Italian and Japanese)

Stolen Harvest: The Hijacking of the Global Food Supply, Boston: South End Press, 2000. (Translated into Japanese)

Tomorrow's Biodiversity, London: Thames and Hudson, 2000. (Awarded the Environment Book Prize by the German Foundation for the Environment)

Protect or Plunder?: Understanding Intellectual Property Rights, London and New York: Zed Books, 2001. (Translated into Japanese)

Patents: Myths and Reality, New Delhi: Penguin Books India, 2001.

Water Wars: Privatization, Pollution, and Profit, Boston: South End Press, 2002. (Translated into Japanese, Awarded the Ken Saro Wiwa Prize, a special international literary prize by Acaui ambiente, Italy)

Earth Democracy: Justice, Sustainability and Peace, Boston: South End Press, 2005. (Translated into Japanese)

Soil Not Oil: Environmental Justice in an Age of Climate Crisis, Boston: South End Press, 2008.

Notes: All written in English.