

# WATCH FILMS TO SAVE TIGERS

THE GUIDE FINDS THAT FOCUS OF THE KIRLOSKAR VASUNDHARA INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL THIS YEAR IS ON SAVING THE EARTH AND THE NATIONAL ANIMAL



A still from the film *The Truth About Tigers* that is part of the festival

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THE KIRLOSKAR Vasundhara International Film Festival comes back to the city for the fourth time and this year the organisers are keen on making you more environmentally conscious. The theme of the festival is 'Preserve. Protect. Save the earth for generation next' with special attention towards the Save Tiger campaign.

In keeping with the theme of the festival, the films that have been short listed for the festival deal with environmental problems in some way or the other. Meaningful films and audio-visual media that can make an impact on the audience have been given priority. Virendra Chitrav, festival director, says, "Our target audience is the young viewer because they can take action after being inspired by films. Last year, we had 5,400 registrations and this year we are expecting 10,000 delegates. So we hope to spread the message to a larger audience."

The Vasundhara Film Festival is an innovative attempt to explore nature and analyse topical issues relating to environment, wildlife, energy, air and water. "It presents an opportunity to evolve a common platform to work towards providing effective, meaningful communication material for preserving our great natural heritage," explained Vijay Varma, chairperson of the organising com-

mittee. Arti Kirloskar, the convener of the festival, adds, "Punekars also feel strongly about these issues. They want to know what they can do or how they can participate."

The week-long festival will showcase more than 100 works including short films, feature films, and documentaries from different countries. In addition to the films, the festival will have open forums, interactions with directors, nature walks, cultural programs and more.

*The 4th Kirloskar Vasundhara International Film Festival is a Kirloskar and Club Vasundhara initiative.*

At: Yashvantrao Chavan Auditorium Campus

Till: February 21

Time: 7 am to 10 pm

Entry: Free

For more details log onto [www.clubvasundhara.com](http://www.clubvasundhara.com)

## FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

February 15 to 20 - Nature Walk (7 am to 9 pm), Audio-Visual Lecture (9 am to 10.30 am), Films (10.30 am to 1.30 pm), Open Forum (1.30 pm to 3 pm), Films (3 pm to 5 pm), Cultural Activities (5 pm to 6.30 pm), Audio-Visual lecture (6.30 pm to 7.30 pm), Films (7.30 pm to 10 pm)

February 21 - The Young Changemakers - Pune Conference, Closing Ceremony + Films (9 am to 12 noon)

## MUST WATCH

**The Kingdom of the Tigers** by Bruce Neibaur. Based on the life of writer, activist Jim Corbett, this film discusses how the tigers became an endangered species and what is being done to protect them. On: February 19, 6 pm



**The 11th Hour.** Co-written and co-produced by Hollywood heartthrob Leonardo DiCaprio, this is film that warns about environmental disasters. It takes the debate of global warming into a whole new orbit. On: February 20, 10.30 am



**The Green** by Patrick Rouxel. The film presents the devastating impact of logging and land clearing for palm oil plantations, the choking haze created by rain forests fires and the tragic end of rainforest biodiversity. On: February 18, 3 pm