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Fiction More Effective Than Documentary Sometimes In Portraying Reality

A Panel Of Directors Interact With Media

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USPA NEWS - The Directors, Lekal Sumi, Laurent Larvere, David Constantin, Julia Vargas, Michael Klette and Art Director, Rameses Benjumea Torres at a press conference, during the 46th International Film Festival of India (IFFI-2015), in Panaji, Goa on November 29, 2015.

Films speak about life and sometime become political statements. Raising the social issues through films is participating in people's life and flagging their concerns. This was observed by panel directors during media interaction at IFFI-46 on November 29.

The panel included directors Lekal Sumi from Taiwan, Laurent Lariviere from France, Julia Vargas from Spain, David Constantin from Mauritius, Michael Klette from Germany and art director Ramses Benjumea Torres from Columbia.

The films by these directors, being screened at IFFI 2015, raise issues such as diversion of farmers' land for commercial purpose, trafficking of dogs in Eastern Europe, dumping of toxic waste, survival issue of aboriginals and plight of sugarcane farmers in Mauritius. Responding to a query, they said that the very act of making films on such social issues was a form of activism. They also said that fiction is sometimes closer to reality, making it a superior form of story than documentary.

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