

## **Not Just a Photo**

The award-winning PHOTO directed by Utsav Gonwar received a heartwarming response from the viewers of St Joseph's University after it was screened at the college.

'Not just a PHOTO' was a film screening and panel discussion event conducted by a 8 member group of 1st MA MCJ as a part of their video production skills final project on 20 April 2023.

PHOTO is a political bioscope that speaks about migrant workers on the backdrop of Covid-19 lockdown. The movie, which premiered at the Bangalore International Film Festival, bagged third place in Best Kannada Cinema. The event 'Not Just a PHOTO' started with felicitation of the team including the director, the director of photography, associate director and associate cinematographer of the movie, out of which, three of them were alumnus of St Joseph's University.

The following panel discussion was an introspection into the themes and visual style of the movie, along with the team sharing their personal experiences. The panelists included the director Utsav Gonwar, director of photography Dinesh Divakaran, associate director Goutham Soratoor, and associate cinematographer Omkar Garde. The director of ICMS, Rev Dr Richard Rego was the moderator for the discussion.

The event was organised under the coordination of assistant professor Nevil D'Souza and technical faculty Ajay Chandran. It was conducted in collaboration with Rushes Film Club and sponsored by Lenzipire Media.

For the Images of Not Just a Photo, kindly refer to the Photo Gallery:  
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