

Climate refugees are not just humans but other living beings also: Greek Filmmaker Angelos Rallis

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Angelos Rallis, director of the Greek film ***Mighty Afrin: In the Time of Floods*** called for the urgent need to address the issues of climate change and the attendant threats it poses to the entire planet. He was addressing the media at IFFI 54 as his film was screened under the **Cinema of the World** category in the prestigious festival.



Angello Rallis emphasized that his film is the outcome of his interests in and knowledge of photography, ethnology and anthropology. "This movie is a road trip of over five years, where I had to wear lungi, walk barefoot, had to work with elders of the villagers to gain their trust and confidence," he said.

Angello Rallis expressed that the lead character Afrin represents the unwavering determination and courage of the marginalized people for survival. In the film, she was shown facing harsh consequences of climate change and the resultant displacement. Angello added that Afrin's unwavering courage and resilience shine through, providing a beacon of hope amidst the adversity she faces.

"Mighty Afrin: In the Time of Floods" chronicles the extraordinary tale of 12-year-old Afrin as she navigates the tumultuous waters of the Brahmaputra River and the challenges of a changing world. Set against the backdrop of the disappearing mud islands along the Brahmaputra River in Bangladesh, this moving narrative follows Afrin's journey as she embarks on a perilous voyage towards the bustling metropolis of Dhaka in search of her estranged father amidst the devastating floods that threaten to engulf her home.



Cast and Crew:

Director: Angelos Rallis

Cast: Afrin Khanom, Bonna Akter, Feroza Begum

Screenwriter: Angelos Rallis

Cinematography: Angelos Rallis

Editor: Nadia Ben Rachid, Angelos Rallis

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