

Heidi Kuhn Receives Prestigious Mother Teresa Award in India

World Food Prize 2023 Laureate Restores Peace Through Agriculture Worldwide



Mumbai, Maharashtra Nov 30, 2023 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - On 26 November 2023, the Harmony Foundation in Mumbai presented the prestigious Mother Teresa Memorial Award for Social Justice to Ms. Heidi Kuhn, Founder, Roots of Peace, in tribute to her work as a global peacemaker, replacing the explosive remnants of war caused by landmines with sustainable agriculture.

Dr. Abraham Mathai, Chairman of the Harmony Foundation, commented, “Heidi Kuhn’s work through Roots of Peace perfectly embodies the spirit of the Mother Teresa Memorial Awards. Her commitment to replacing the scars of war with the seeds of hope is a remarkable example of ‘Humanity in Action.’ We are honored to acknowledge her dedication to creating a more peaceful and prosperous world.”

Upon receiving the Mother Teresa Memorial Award, Ms. Kuhn took immediate action by calling forth a Roots of Peace Garden Campaign to cultivate peace through agriculture—leading with the ‘shovel’ not the ‘sword’. She quoted the words of Saint Mother Teresa, “Not all of us can do great things, but we may do small things with great love.”

“Removing a landmine and planting a fruit tree is an act of peace,” stated Heidi Kuhn. “Our Roots of Peace Garden campaign goes one step further by planting millions of fruit trees worldwide, restoring the

lungs of Mother Earth.”

Against a backdrop of escalating conflict worldwide, Kuhn called forth all to join her in an act of peace that may ripple worldwide. “We as humans must fall to our knees, kiss the ground, and plant a flower, a tree or even an orchard, in an act of solidarity to heal the wounds of war.”

Frank Yih, Founder of HuaQiao Foundation embraced this idea, joining hands with Heidi to plant Roots of Peace Gardens in India and China.

She will travel this week to Kolkata to meet with Past Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta and visit the home of the Missionaries of Charity established by Mother Teresa. She recalled the words of Rotary President Gordon McInally, who said that “Peace is the soil where hope takes root”.

ABOUT ROOTS OF PEACE

Roots of Peace is a humanitarian organization dedicated to the removal of landmines and the subsequent replanting and rebuilding of war-torn regions, founded in 1997 by Heidi Kuhn.

<https://rootsofpeace.org/>

ABOUT THE HARMONY FOUNDATION

The Harmony Foundation was founded in 2005 by Dr. Abraham Mathai to establish social cohesion and work towards the benefit of all without any discrimination as to religion, caste, creed or gender.

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