

Syngenta position on "Seeds of Debt" film

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The allegation that Syngenta is involved in money lending schemes at high interest rates as portrayed in the film "Seeds of Debt" is entirely untrue. This has been confirmed by an independent investigation.

We have been in regular contact with the filmmaker, Jens Pedersen, over a number of months and have repeatedly made clear that the allegations made in his film are false.

It is therefore extremely disappointing that the film has been released containing false allegations and other serious inaccuracies about Syngenta's seed production activities in Andhra Pradesh, India.

By making such false claims, this film does not help address India's labor challenges, whereas Syngenta and partners such as the Fair Labor Association are helping build a more ethical supply chain in India, while adding to the quality of life of growers, their families and communities.