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VICE NEWS WINS DUPONT-COLUMBIA AWARD FOR REPORTING ON RISE OF NATIONALISM IN INDIA



VICE News earns its second duPont-Columbia Award for investigation into an ongoing human rights crisis in India

BROOKLYN, NY (FEBRUARY 9) – Columbia Journalism School honored VICE News today at the 2021 Alfred I. duPont-Columbia University Awards with the organization's second duPont-Columbia Silver Baton for excellence in journalism for "India Burning," a VICE on SHOWTIME report.

The groundbreaking VICE News piece examines the rise of Hindu nationalist rhetoric from India's ruling party and the growing fear that the nation's Muslim population is being systematically targeted. Reported by Emmy®-winning VICE News senior correspondent Isobel Yeung, the piece includes <u>disturbing video</u> and an account from a security officer who witnessed students at an Islamic University harassed and beaten during a police raid.

"A duPont-Columbia Award is one the highest honors in journalism and we are incredibly proud of the team behind "India Burning" for this vital reporting," said Subrata De, senior executive producer for *VICE* on *SHOWTIME* and Executive Vice President of VICE News. "Some very brave journalists in India helped us tell this story but must remain anonymous for fear of retaliation. This award is as much theirs as it is ours tonight."

The segment appeared on the first season of the Emmy®-nominated documentary series *VICE on SHOWTIME*, which returns for its second season Sunday, March 7 at 8 p.m. ET/PT on SHOWTIME. Known for delivering immersive reporting from the frontlines of global conflicts, civil uprisings and more, the season will consist of 15 episodes, eight of which will air weekly on Sundays leading to a midseason finale on April 25. The remaining seven episodes will air this fall.

The team behind "India Burning" include Isobel Yeung, Senior Correspondent; Jackie Jesko, Producer; Angad Singh, Producer; Ahmer Khan, Field Producer; Greg Wright, Supervising Producer; Zachary Caldwell, Director of Photography; Siddarth Bokolia, Camera Operator; Supreet J. Bargi, Camera Operator; David Talukdar, Associate Producer; Andrew Pattison, Editor; Jessica Potter, Editor; Beverly Chase, Executive Producer; Subrata De, Executive Producer; Craig Thomson, Co-Executive Producer.

Produced by VICE News, Beverly Chase is the executive producer and showrunner for *VICE* on *SHOWTIME*. Craig Thomson is co-executive producer, and Subrata De is the senior executive producer for the series and Executive Vice President of VICE News. Jesse Angelo is President of Global News and Entertainment, VICE Media Group.

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