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After Cannes, Indian Silent Film on Rape to Be Screened at Melbourne Fest

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Indian filmmaker Aneek Chaudhuri's silent film on rape, "White," has been selected to be screened at the 2018 Indian Film Festival of Melbourne. (photo provided)

After being screened at the 2018 Cannes Film Festival's Marche du Films section, Indian filmmaker Aneek Chaudhuri's silent film, "White," that talks about sexual assault on women, is now an official selection for the 2018 Indian Film Festival of Melbourne.

The festival is set for August 2018.

"Being a part of such an honorable event will fetch more credibility to the film," Chaudhuri said in a statement. "Since 'White' is an independent venture aiming at film festivals, of course we would like to earn more laurel leaves and the Melbourne inclusion in a huge booster for the team."

In "White," the Kolkata-based indie filmmaker attempts to tell stories of three women who have survived sexual assaults and are now fighting back to lead a stronger life.

"White" conjoins three tales based on a similar theme, however, each woman has her own life and a way of leading it. The film stars Kaushik Roy and Arjaa Banerjee.

"Rape is an issue that is universal; no verbal language is enough to decode the pain and suffering," Chaudhuri said. "Moreover, I wanted global approach and I believe that a silent film would take away any kind of language barrier from the film; this in turn, would make it approachable by a wider spectrum of audiences throughout the globe."