



2015



January 2015



"Give soil a life, it will pay giving us a life," by Anish Sapkota. The picture was taken in early 2014 at the Institute of Agriculture and Animal Science, Paklihawa Campus, Nepal. The whole world depends on the food and this is mostly grown on soils. Soil is that living part which aims to feed the entire world's population, and young people are the zealots who toil hard to feed the soil that will nourish the world.

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February 2015



"Different crops", by Mohammadreza Davari. The picture was taken in 2006 at the Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI) in New Delhi, India. The picture above shows different crops planted in the same condition and soil.

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March 2015



"Same Soil," by Mohammadreza Davari. The picture was taken in 2006 in Punjab State, India. The above picture shows an integrated farming system that includes grain crops, vegetables and trees. It indicates that we can cultivate different crops on the same soil to achieve biodiversity -flora and fauna macro and microorganisms-, as well as sustainable and economic production.

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April 2015



"From Vicinity to Zenith," by Rahul Archarya. The picture was taken in 2014 in Bhojard, India. Bhojard is a popular agricultural land of Bharatpur city. The above picture was taken at dusk. The tillage was done on this place previously and now wheat seeds are germinating, becoming green and tall.

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May 2015



“Picture 1,” by Luke Smith. The picture was taken on October the 16th, 2014 – World Food Day. The *photo above depicts the use of vermiculture in the enhancement and creation of fertile soils.*

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June 2015



"A little soil for survival," by Suhas Karkute. The picture was taken on November the 13th, 2014 in the riverbed of Ganga River, in Basharatpur, India. The picture above shows a riverbed cultivation of cucurbits on the sand. Only a small layer of soil -around 10 cm and 3-5 feet below the sand level- is sufficient for a plant to grow and yield without any irrigation. That's the power of soil.

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July 2015



"Tillage 1," by Longkai Yue. The picture was taken in August 2011 in Qiyang County, China. The picture above shows Chinese rice cultivation in a traditional way.

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August 2015



“White-Fluffy Way of Decomposition,” by Eren Taskin. The picture was taken in **November 2012 in Bari, Italy.** *Sometimes soil represents just a cycle of life under our feet and in the picture above it's a fungus that will soon decompose many things around it.*

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September 2015



“Learning hands playing with Soil,” by Prakash Paudel. Picture taken in November 2013 in Shantipur, Nepal. *The picture above shows children of secondary level school learning agricultural practices with practical skills on the field. These children study agriculture subject as part of the technical education in Nepal.*

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October 2015



"Soil through Youth's hand," by Luca Piccin. The picture was taken on **April the 30th, 2013** in a mandala urban garden in Réunion Island. *A fistful of soil and earthworms in a child's hand.*

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November 2015



“Green peppers and bed planting in Northern Ethiopia,” by Elise Monsieurs. The picture was taken in July the 29th, 2013 in Gedam, Ethiopia. *Green peppers are vulnerable to the heavy rains during the rainy season in Ethiopia for which they need extra care. All family members are working on the plot for weeding and bed planting. Latter is a technique for plant growth optimization in northern Ethiopia.*

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December 2015



"Emerging seedling of Corn at Freeman farm, Missouri," by Dinesh Panday. The picture was taken on June the 12th, 2014 in Missouri, U.S.A. Seed is the primary source of hope for production and soil, which gives foundation to the plant growth.

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