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PAD YATRA: A Green Odyssey weaves ancient Buddhist spiritual traditions, global environmentalism, and Tibetan and Himalayan culture into an award-winning documentary that spotlights the ways a community-based movement can begin to solve one of the most pressing problems of our time. Viewers are invited to join the adventure of 700 people, trekking across the Himalayas with a call to save the planet's "3rd Pole," a glacial region now devastated by the climate chaos associated with global warming. Led by His Holiness the Gyalwang Drukpa, these brave trekkers commit themselves to taking responsibility for the land they tread upon, collecting plastic litter, helping sick animals, and investigating areas devastated by "natural" disasters along the way. Barely surviving injuries, illness, and starvation, the trekkers emerge with new tools to combat climate change, modeling for students how to address alarming global trends at the local level.

This monumental trek has already begun to inspire other communities around the globe to initiate their own PAD YATRA treks across cities and rural areas, joining an international movement to re-connect to the Earth. Shot with solar power by Himalayan monk Ngawang Sodpa, **PAD YATRA: A Green Odyssey** gives unprecedented access into religious communities rarely seen on film. An inspiring model of personal and collective responsibility for our planet for viewers everywhere.

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