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Abbreviations:

- VO - Voice Over
- WS - Wide Shot
- MS - Mid Shot
- GV - General View
- I/V - Interview
- CU - Close Up

00:03 I/V with Salil Shetty, Secretary General, Amnesty International (English):

“I think the first 50-years have been remarkable, the achievements are there to see – Amnesty won the Nobel Peace Prize not for nothing; it is real achievements on the ground. But, looking ahead to the next 50-years, there are big human rights challenges that are still facing the world on issues of poverty, on issues of discrimination, on torture, on the death penalty and the only way we can tackle these is if we have millions more people joining Amnesty, adding their voice, putting their weight behind Amnesty, and standing together to fight injustice and make human rights a reality for millions of people.”

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“The thing about Amnesty is that it’s been evolving and changing right through the 50-years, for example, when we started we were very much focusing on issues of torture and prisoners of conscience and over the years we are now working on issues of poverty and discrimination and the rights of women or people who are excluded.”

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“If you take the issue of poverty and economic, social and cultural rights denial that is a big problem. We’re talking about at least 2 billion people who are living below \$2 per day and that’s fundamentally a violation of human rights in our perspective.”

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“I’ve been working on issues of justice for 20 to 30-years now. I come from India and my father was a journalist, my mother was a lawyer working on women’s rights issues so I think it’s a little bit in my DNA, but, the work I have been doing essentially over the years is focused on the issue of holding governments and companies accountable. I believe that the problems in the world today are mainly because abuse of power and that those who are holding power are not accountable. And, I think Amnesty presents probably the most credible way in which the process of holding governments and leaders to account can actually happen in very real terms as human rights offers a framework to do that. The beauty about Amnesty is that it brings together the human rights analysis - the legal framework - with people power. That combination is what attracted me to Amnesty.”

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“It’s only when you have millions of people coming together and the hard research and evidence that Amnesty brings to bare – that combination is what is going to crack the challenges of the future.

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