



NAVDANYA

EARTH JOURNEY TO THE GARHWAL
HIMALAYA (KEDAR VALLEY) 16TH TO 23RD
OCTOBER 2016

The Garhwal Himalaya, the source of the Ganga and her tributaries, is also called *Dev Bhoomi* the "Land of the Divine". For centuries these fragile mountains have been stable to the extent that in the *Geeta Krishna* says "among the steadfast I'm the Himalaya". Movements like Chipko emerged in the 70s to protect Himalayan forests and rivers. However in the last decade the severe impact of climate change, consumerism and mal development, including uncontrolled building of dams and mass tourism, have collectively contributed to serious ecological disasters. In 2013 the sacred Kedar valley witnessed floods with thousands of people washed away. For the last three decades Navdanya is working in Kedar valley with communities on conserving seeds, protecting biodiversity, promoting organic farming and local food culture. In 2013 we completely dedicated ourselves in rejuvenating homes and villages destroyed by the floods. We invite you to Navdanya's Earth Journey to Kedar valley to witness the magnificent beauty of our mountains, the richness of our biodiversity and biodiversity based local livelihood cultures of our local communities as well as witness what climate disasters mean on the ground. Join us in this journey of rejuvenation and resilience. Participate in the Living Democracy movement (*Jaiv Maha Panchayat*) to protect our earth and our communities.



Total costs - 550 Euro includes travel, accommodation and food from 16th October to 23rd October 2016. Please register at info@earthjourneys.in www.navdanya.org Please feel free to contact us for further information and questions.

