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REPORTING FROM INDIA: REFLECTIONS ON A DECADE WITH THE WSJ AND NYT

a talk by

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Geeta Anand has worked as a journalist for the past 27 years, most recently as a foreign correspondent for The New York Times and the Wall Street Journal in India. Her passion has been investigative reporting and narrative non-fiction. She was part of the team at the Wall Street Journal that won a Pulitzer Prize in 2003 for reporting on corporate corruption. She has written extensively about almost everything in India from the sudden government decision to render most of the cash in circulation worthless, and introducing readers to colorful characters like the truant officer who went after teachers who skip school. In addition to the Pulitzer, she won a Gerald Loeb award in 2006 for reporting on the causes and consequences of the high price of medicine. More recently, she investigated the land buying of the Gandhi family son-in-law Robert Vadra; how tuberculosis became totally drug resistant in India (for which, in 2013, she was recognized by the International Consortium of Investigative Journalists); how a stock market analyst got arrested by a big real estate firm for writing a negative research report. She has traveled to Bangladesh, the Maldives, Sri Lanka, Kashmir and around the region to report on terrorism, health and education. Ms. Anand started in journalism at small newspapers on Cape Cod and Vermont, and worked her way up to the Boston Globe, where she covered politics. Geeta Anand is the author of *The Cure: How a Father Raised \$100 Million — and Bucked the Medical Establishment — in a Quest to Save His Children* (2006). The book was made into “Extraordinary Measures,” a movie starring Harrison Ford.

Anand holds a B.A. from Dartmouth College. She began her journalism career at the Cape Cod News, a free weekly newspaper in Massachusetts, and later made the leap to The Boston Globe as a political reporter following city and state politics. Currently, Geeta Anand is the Nirupama Chatterjee Teaching Fellow for 2018 at UC Berkeley’s School of Journalism.

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