

Towards Strong Actions to Phase Out Highly Hazardous Pesticides



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URGENT ACTION NEEDED TO PHASE OF HHPS

- Human poisonings continue unabated – recent study shows 385 million farmers and workers are poisoned by pesticides each year (UNEP REPORT)
- 70 percent of 2000 farmers and workers interviewed in 7 countries said they suffered acute pesticide poisoning.
- Pesticides are omnipresent in the environment-affecting biodiversity, soil, air and water.
- Illegal trade
- Double standards in exporting banned pesticides
- The failure of pesticide management at the national level in all countries
- The power of the pesticide industry and now
- FAO and CROPLIFE Alliance



For Our children

Double Standards

- This double standard is rampant at the country level and with big transnational corporations.
- PAN Germany found that as of 2017, Germany exported nine pesticides which are not approved for use in the EU, including the pesticides cyanamide, acetochlor, and tepraloxydim, which are listed by the EU as carcinogenic and toxic to reproduction. It also exported 59,616 tons of pesticide ingredients (excluding inert gases). This exceeds total domestic use of pesticide ingredients by 1.7%.
- In another study by Public Eye, according to estimates, in 2017, 51 of the 120 pesticide active ingredients in Syngenta's portfolio are not authorized for use in its home country, Switzerland.



Way forward

- **Global Mechanism to Phase Out and Ban HHPs**
- **Strong support for Agroecology**
- **Based on human rights approach - proposal by UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food, Hilal Elver and Backed by UNSP on Toxics Basket Tuncak**
- **Ensuring Corporate accountability**
- **End Double Standards**
- **Specific Target: that by 2030, the use of highly hazardous pesticides is eliminated from agriculture**



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Support Small Food Producers

- Protecting the health and environment of small food producers and their communities as well as consumers
- Ensuring their livelihoods with agroecology



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