

Black lies before NGT and an irrational order against pesticide industry

Feb 2020 : An activist from UP filed a petition before NGT alleging 7 lakh ha of agrl land in Aligarh division had turned barren because of pesticides use.

NGT heard the case during Covid lockdown, unmindful of the spin in the petition.

June 2020 : NGT passed order asking CPCB to take steps to abate harmful impact of pesticides.

Sept 2020 : In compliance, the CPCB came with most arbitrary environmental measures aimed at pesticides industry.

Let us talk facts

Can pesticides make the lands turn barren?

No.

Aligarh division has 7 lakh ha of agrl land.

The activist alleged the entire 7 lakh ha had turned barren because of pesticides. The NGT believed this black lie

Agrl statistics from UP show lands in Aligarh division to be highly fertlie and productive.

In the last five years in Aligarh division:

Wheat production increased from 12 lakh tons to 22 lakh tons,

Potato from 20 lakh tons to 24 lakh tons

Sugarcane from 8 lakh tons to 13 lakh tons

Clearly, agrl lands in Aligarh division remain most fertile.

Questions to NGT

In view of these hard facts, will your Lordship be pleased to review and reverse the order?

Will your Lordship be pleased to take action against the activist who misled you into believing his spin.

Indian industry can ill afford this kind of activism built on black lies.