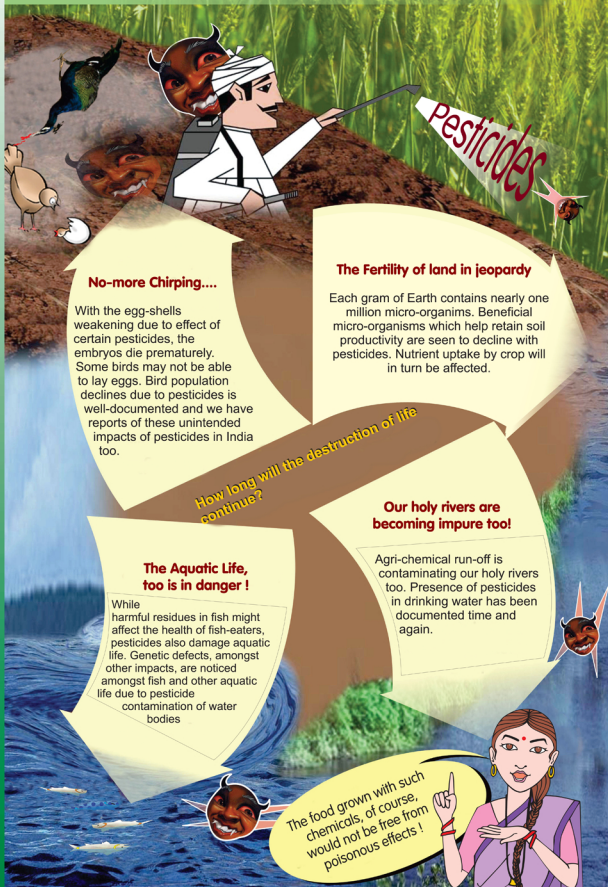


The Environment in the Clutches of Chemicals



No-more Chirping....

With the egg-shells weakening due to effect of certain pesticides, the embryos die prematurely. Some birds may not be able to lay eggs. Bird population declines due to pesticides is well-documented and we have reports of these unintended impacts of pesticides in India too.

The Fertility of land in jeopardy

Each gram of Earth contains nearly one million micro-organisms. Beneficial micro-organisms which help retain soil productivity are seen to decline with pesticides. Nutrient uptake by crop will in turn be affected.

How long will the destruction of life continue?

The Aquatic Life, too is in danger !

While harmful residues in fish might affect the health of fish-eaters, pesticides also damage aquatic life. Genetic defects, amongst other impacts, are noticed amongst fish and other aquatic life due to pesticide contamination of water bodies

Our holy rivers are becoming impure too!

Agri-chemical run-off is contaminating our holy rivers too. Presence of pesticides in drinking water has been documented time and again.

The food grown with such chemicals, of course, would not be free from poisonous effects !