

## INTERNATIONAL CORPORATE CAMPAIGN ON AGENT ORANGE

# DOW AND MONSANTO:

**DO THE RIGHT THING — COMPENSATE VIETNAM'S AGENT ORANGE VICTIMS!**

### Where is the Corporate Responsibility that Dow and Monsanto promise?

Dow Chemical advertises itself as “*the human element*” and Monsanto promises to bring “*growth for a better world.*” But their product, Agent Orange, containing dioxin, *the most toxic substance known to science*, causes human and ecological destruction lasting more than 3 generations.



### Dow and Monsanto's Responsibility for Agent Orange

Millions of liters of Agent Orange and other poisonous chemicals were sprayed over Vietnam during the U.S. war. The chemical companies knew then that the defoliant was toxic to humans, yet they refused to take measures to eliminate dioxin in order to protect their profits. From 1961-1971, Dow and Monsanto (and 35 other chemical companies who are also culpable) made billions of dollars by raining death and environmental destruction on Vietnam.

### Dow Chemical: *The Inhumane Element*    Monsanto: *Poison for a Sicker World*



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### The Inhumane Results – A Sicker World

- More than 3 million Vietnamese have been killed, sickened or disabled by Agent Orange.
- Agent Orange causes death, cancers, heart and lung problems, reproductive illnesses and serious birth defects for 2nd and 3rd generations of children of those sprayed.
- Agent Orange has poisoned the environment and ecosystems in many parts of Vietnam.
- Dow also produced the napalm bomb which burns human flesh.
- Dow is responsible for the suffering of many thousands of people in Bhopal, India, because it refuses to clean up toxic chemicals in land and water from an industrial accident in 1984.
- Monsanto spreads toxins through the use of “Roundup,” an insecticide, and endangers food sustainability for the world's poorest people through its seed policies.
- Dow and Monsanto have poisoned the land and water around many of their manufacturing sites in the U.S. and around the world.

### Join Us - Demand Dow & Monsanto meet their responsibility to the victims:

- Tell Dow & Monsanto: Heal the wounds of war by providing compensation and assistance to Vietnam's Agent Orange victims.
- Require Dow & Monsanto to clean up the toxic *hot spots* caused in Vietnam where their deadly chemicals remain in the environment.
- Tell Dow & Monsanto they must compensate the people of the US, Cambodia, Laos, South Korea, Australia, New Zealand and Canada affected by Agent Orange.
- Tell Dow to clean up the environment in Bhopal.

**Vietnam Agent Orange Justice committees are forming in the U.S., and across the world:**

To join and find out more, contact [www.vn-agentorange.org/](http://www.vn-agentorange.org/)