

# Children in Kasaragod

living around the plantations where Endosulfan was  
sprayed for 24 years since 1976

Even as the world community led by the  
World Health Organisation talks about

**Safe Environment for Children**

we wish to bring you these pictures

**We apologize to you in advance for showing the images that could cause pain. The children are victims of the legacy that bad decisions of the agriculture scientists and administrators caused to their villages. Their parents, the community and activists have tried all their level best to stop the poison from continuing this killing.**

**But, by bringing these pictures into the public forum, we also bring forth our failure to stop the pesticides.**

**Endosulfan, contrary to medically proven evidence, continues to be used in India and many other countries in the world.**



These two children were born blind. They do not have any other physiological problems, including the eyes, but cannot see due to a disorder of the optical nerve.

He is 25 years and suffers stunted growth. We have more such children in the Endosulfan affected villages.





All these children are either mentally or physically challenged.



Two children from two villages in the affected area - both suffer from Cerebral Palsy.



Three Children - all mentally challenged with physical deformities.



Woman of 25 years - Cerebral palsy, physical deformities and bed ridden since she was four.



Boy - born with physical deformities of the limbs



Boy, born with deformed hands and fingers. The village has many more such children.



Girl Child, Swelling of the  
Lymphs



Sainaba, a case of hydrocephalus. Many children were found with this disorder. Sainaba died soon after being operated upon.



Balakrishnan, Diagnosed with malignant tumour in the brain. Lived close to the plantation. Died in 2002.

Boy, Cerebral Palsy





Sruthi, the little girl who inspires all with her smile. She was born with stag horn limbs and a deformed leg. Many individuals in the community and generous support from Francois ( PAN-Europe) has helped her walk with artificial limbs.



Children of the Vaninagar School - where NIOH confirmed what the locals always knew - that their children were affected by the chemical endosulfan.

If you feel something should be done for this  
community, locally or globally  
or that you need to support the struggle  
to ban Endosulfan

then get in touch with us at

**[ipenpwg@thanal.org](mailto:ipenpwg@thanal.org)**

**[thanal@vsnl.com](mailto:thanal@vsnl.com)**

**[panap@panap.net](mailto:panap@panap.net)**