

Guide for facilitating community screenings of films on the effects of pesticides

This guide is intended for community facilitators who organise screenings of awareness-raising [videos on the risks associated with pesticide](#) use. It provides suggested questions to stimulate discussion after the screening. These suggestions can be adapted to suit the local context, audience profile and level of engagement of the participants.

Opening remarks

Thank you for joining us today for this screening. Together, we are going to watch a two-part film that addresses the experiences of families using pesticides in their daily environment. We follow the story of a family in a cocoa-producing community. This film highlights the health impacts, good spraying practices, and the choices that parents and adults involved in spraying must make to protect their children.

We will take a break at the end of today's film screening and would be interested to hear your impressions, comments, or thoughts.

Once again, thank you for coming to this screening, and we hope you enjoy the films!

After the screening of the videos

We have finished screening the films and now invite you to share your impressions, comments or thoughts, whether positive or negative.

At this point, there may be many comments or none at all, so we have provided some questions below to get the conversation started, as needed. Ideally, these questions will spark constructive reflection and conversation among the audience. If the facilitators notice short answers or a certain reluctance, it may be helpful to choose another question to see if it generates more interest.

General questions

- *How did you feel when you watched these films?*
- *Did the film teach you anything new?*
- *Do these stories remind you of experiences you have had in your own life?*
- *Have you ever faced these issues or thought about them?*

Specific questions

- *What did you take away as the main message from these films?*
- *What steps do you take to prevent people in your community from entering sprayed fields?*
- *What do you usually do with empty packaging after using pesticide products?*
- *How can parents better protect their children from exposure to pesticides?*
- *Do you think you will change any of your practices after seeing these films?*
- *What practices are you considering changing?*