

**Letter to the Editor****Control Rather Than Banish**

To all stakeholders:

The human health-related risks associated with exposure to environmental pollution have been a longstanding issue, recently brought to the fore. Notwithstanding, experts pointed out that factors such as cigarette smoking, the application of insecticides and pesticides, and inhalation of urban air quality are associated with a notable increase in the risk level of inducing severe lung diseases and cancers of several organs. The recommendations to implement safe and controlled use for all substances, natural or artificial, provides a far more realistic outcome that provides respect to both human health and environmental protection. The banishment of these substances is a mere simple way of not facing reality. Banishment is an easy way out that sweeps the whole issue under the rug instead of creating science based policy.

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