

Food and Agriculture Organization

Sponsors : Israel

Signatories :

Topic : Reduce food waste

Question focuses on : How can we help companies and farms to manage their productions with the objective of reducing food waste ?

The FAO commission,

Aware of the severe worldwide issue of food waste influencing farming methods,

Acknowledging the FAO's role in reducing food waste and the importance of sustainable agriculture in minimizing overproduction,

Alarmed by the fact that between 691 and 783 million people in the world faced hunger in 2022. Considering the average (about 735 million), 122 million more people faced hunger in 2022 than in 2019, before the global pandemic,

Noting with regret that the prevalence of child overweight is at risk of increasing with the emerging problem of high consumption of highly processed foods,

Taking past UN decisions on sustainable agriculture into consideration,

1. Advises FAO member nations to adopt sustainable agricultural practices, including crop rotation and precision farming, to prevent producing more food than is required.
2. Requires FAO member nations to avoid producing more food than is needed by using sustainable agricultural techniques including crop rotation and precision farming. Farmers may raise the ideal quantity of crops without wasting resources by using sustainable farming practices.
3. Suggests the establishment of a cooperative FAO platform for the exchange of effective inventory management best practices. Justification : By exchanging ideas, nations may figure out how to better manage their food resources and avoid wasting food.
4. Suggests FAO-funded farmer education initiatives that emphasize sustainable practices and to develop a better inventory management. Farmers with higher levels of education are more likely to implement environmentally friendly and waste-reducing methods.
5. Encourages FAO member nations to collaborate with food banks to donate the excessive production, in order to help underprivileged areas. Justification : Rather than wasting extra food, nations may collaborate with food banks to provide it to people in need.
6. Pursues regulations supported by the FAO that encourage sustainable agricultural methods and penalize excessive waste. Justification : Policies that penalize waste and promote ethical farming may encourage nations to embrace more environmentally friendly methods.

7. Suggests FAO funding for studies on food preservation technology to increase perishables' shelf life and cut down on wastage. Justification : By putting money into technology, food waste may be decreased and food might stay fresher for longer.