



## NATIONAL PLATFORM FOR SMALL SCALE FISHWORKERS

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The Coordination Committee,  
Samyukta Kisan Morcha,  
Delhi border.

### Letter of Solidarity

Dear Farmer Brothers and Sisters,

We, the representatives of National Platform for Small Scale Fish Workers (NPSSFW), in visiting the agitating farmers at Delhi border, reiterate our support for the demand to repeal the three anti-farmer laws. The Government of India's design to fully hand over our agriculture to the corporate houses must be defeated.

The ongoing peaceful struggle of farmers has no parallel in the history of Independent India. It is certainly going to instil our countrymen with a new hope and self-confidence.

National Platform for Small Scale Fish Workers (NPSSFW) represents groups and organisations of small scale fishers, fish farmers, fish vendors and allied fish workers from 18 states of India.

The fishing communities live together with farmers as part of the natural resources dependent rural populace of our country. Good fish needs good water. The fishing communities are subjected to untold hardships to earn their livelihood leading to evictions because of rabid pollution in and massive encroachments on our water bodies. Uncontrolled diversion of water from rivers and lakes are telling on their eco-systems.

Corporatisation of agriculture has snapped the umbilical cord that sustained and developed it through ages by inseparably connecting it to the eco-climatic situations prevailing in different regions of our country. Industrial agriculture entailing chemical fertilisers, pesticides, hybrid varieties of crops requiring huge quantity of water have not only ruined the farmers compelling them to incur massive and increasing costs of production, these have also degraded our soil and water. The fishing communities are partners of the farmers in suffering from the corporate woes. Less and less water in the water bodies and massive pollution have killed the fish. Fishers are starving.

Farming and fishing communities must come together to defeat corporatisation. We must protect nature to protect us.

We look forward to the mighty movement of the farmers to usher in a new era of development in harmony with nature. NPSSFW vows to join the struggle of the farmers and fight shoulder to shoulder with farmers.

We would be happy to be part of the Samyukta Kisan Morcha (SKM).

**Victory to the farmers' movement led by Samyukta Kisan Morcha.**  
**Farmers and Fishers are twin children of Mother Nature.**  
**Long live the unity of farmers and fishers.**

**SAVE WATER, SAVE SOIL, SAVE FARMERS, SAVE FISHERS**

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