On 37th Anniversary of World’s Worst Industrial Disaster in Bhopal, Survivors Demand Justice from Dow: International Campaign for Justice in Bhopal to host virtual press conference, launch global call to action

Survivors of the Union Carbide disaster in Bhopal will conclude 37-day campaign seeking compensation from Dow Inc. with a Torch Rally Procession to Sindhi Colony-Union Carbide Factory, where they will hold vigil honoring activist survivors who have died in recent years. A press conference will follow.

WHAT: Virtual Press Conference.

WHO: Survivors of the Union Carbide disaster in Bhopal, hosted by the International Campaign for Justice in Bhopal.

WHEN: December 2nd, 10am ET, (8:30 pm Indian Standard Time).

WHERE: https://meet.google.com/bff-jyyn-qyp. To RSVP, email rachnya@gmail.com.

WHY: In 1984, a poorly designed and recklessly maintained Union Carbide pesticides factory gushed 27 tons of poison gas into the Indian city of Bhopal. In a few hours, thousands were dead, and tens of thousands injured. 37 years later, Dow Inc.—who now owns Union Carbide—has yet to adequately compensate survivors, and refuses to show up in court. Today, more than a half-million people in Bhopal have suffered injuries, illnesses, disability and death due to the cost-cutting decisions of Union Carbide. Survivors have been demanding answers in a 37-day campaign targeting Dow CEO Jim Fitterling, the US government, and the state and central governments of India. Among their demands, they call on Dow to appear in the Bhopal District court that has been summoning it for 7 years, pay a minimum of $8,000 to each Bhopal survivor, and compensate victims for health damages including congenital malformations in children of gas-exposed parents. Survivors will launch a global call to action at the press conference.

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