Let's aim for more agroecological technologies

Mexico is working hard to reduce the use of chemical herbicides.



Glyphosate is one of the most widely used herbicides worldwide, mainly in soybean, corn and cotton crops. Its high effectiveness in eliminating wild herbs and weeds, as well as its low price, has made it an accessible product for the agroindustry and small producers.

In Mexico, it has been commercialized since 1970; however, considering its environmental impact, the Mexican Government published on December 31, 2020, a Decree establishing the gradual reduction of this chemical and its total replacement by 2024 through agroecological techniques.

To comply with this presidential instruction, Ministry of Agriculture and its institutions are working to make new technologies available to producers that contribute to the production of healthy and safe food for Mexicans, thus maintaining the high productive capacity and profitability of Mexican farms.

The agency presided over the 26th conference of the Food Self-Sufficiency and Technological Innovation cycle, in which it was emphasized that the Technical Support Strategy (EAT, in Spanish) is currently being developed in 500 municipalities in 27 states with the core support of agroecological technicians, as well as innovative and sustainable producers.

For more information, please visit: <u>Ongoing Government Efforts to Reduce Use</u> of Glyphosate.