

Policies for Pesticide Industry in China

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1. Introduction

Pesticides play an important role in agricultural development. Aim to solve the problems of pesticide industry, pesticide policies focus on all aspects of pesticides such as registration, production, business, environmental protection, pesticide residue and so on.

Some problems faced by pesticide industry in China include environmental pollution, overuse of pesticides, counterfeit and inferior pesticides and others. Chinese government has formulated detailed policies to solve those problems. Those policies of pesticide industry that are worth paying attention to in 2017 are given in this report.

Scope of the report

Region scope: China

Time scope: 2017

Product: pesticides

Aspects: Pesticide registration administration policies, pesticide business policies, pesticide production policies, environment protection policies related to pesticides, pesticide residue policies, restricted pesticide policies and other pesticide policies.

2. Approach for this report

Research methodologies

- Desk research from various publications, government organizations and associations related to China's pesticide industry
- CCM's database
- Interviews with experts with good knowledge of factors influencing China's pesticide policies

Data source

- CCM's database
- Published articles from periodicals, magazines, journals and third-party databases
- Statistics from governments and international institutes
- Telephone interviews
- Comments from industry experts
- Professional databases
- Information from the Internet

The data have been combined and cross-checked to ensure that this report is as accurate and methodologically sound as possible. Throughout the process, a series of discussions was held within CCM to systematically analyse the data and information and draw appropriate conclusions.

List of abbreviations

- MOA: the Ministry of Agriculture of the People's Republic of China
- MEP: the Ministry of Environmental Protection of the People's Republic of China
- CFDA: the China Food and Drug Administration

3. Executive summary

Pesticides play an important role in agricultural development. Aim to solve the problems of pesticide industry, pesticide policies focus on all aspects of pesticides such as registration, production, business, environmental protection, pesticide residue and so on.

Some problems faced by pesticide industry include:

- Environmental pollution: Production and use of pesticides can lead to serious environmental pollution. Base on environmental protection and control in 2016, the Ministry of Environmental Protection of the People's Republic of China (the MEP) has intensified efforts to protect the environment in 2017. After the MEP announced the key works, work programs were introduced by local governments in succession. This will have significant influence on pesticide industry. Pesticide enterprises are facing more and more environmental pressure in 2017.
- Overuse of pesticides: Overuse of pesticides can bring about some problems, such as excessive pesticide residues in agricultural produce, crop injury and environmental pollution, which have always been the concern for people from all walks of life. Therefore, in recent years, the Ministry of Agriculture of the People's Republic of China (the MOA) has formulated detailed policies on pesticide residue standard, prohibition of high toxicity pesticides and zero growth of pesticide usage, which will remain effective in 2017. What's more, some new policies on excessive pesticide residues were formulated in 2017. It's likely that the issue of overuse will be well solved in the future.
- Counterfeit and inferior pesticides: Counterfeit and inferior pesticides have plagued the entire pesticide industry and restricted the development of pesticide industry. The new *Regulations on Pesticide Administration* focuses more on market order monitoring with stricter punishment on illegal behaviors, which will help to improve the problem of counterfeit and inferior pesticides and contribute to the healthy development of domestic pesticide market. In the meantime, policies on the production and circulation of pesticides have also been strengthened with stronger regulation.

Except for the above, other issues and policies of pesticide industry that are worth paying attention to in 2017 are given in this report.

4. What's in this report?

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1 Industrial policies for pesticide industry

1.1 2017 No.1 Central Document: deepen advancement of agricultural supply side structural reform

On 5 Feb., 2017, the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party and the State Council jointly issued the *Opinions about Advancing the Supply Side Structural Reform of Agriculture and Accelerating Cultivation of New Development Force of Rural Agriculture* (the No.1 Central Document of 2017). This was the 14th No.1 Central Document for issues of agriculture, farmers and rural areas.

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Table 1.1-1 Themes of No.1 Central Document, 2004–2017

Year	Major theme of the No.1 Central Document
2017	XXX
2016	XXX
2015	XXX
2014	XXX
2013	XXX
2012	XXX
2011	XXX
2010	XXX
2009	XXX
2008	XXX
2007	XXX
2006	XXX
2005	XXX
2004	XXX

Source: No.1 Central Document of 2004–2017

1.2 New Regulations on Pesticide Administration

On 1 April, 2017, the new *Regulations on Pesticide Administration* were released and it came into force on 1 June, 2017, which differ a lot from the old ones and were the strictest regulations on pesticides yet. It reflects the government's determination to further regulate the pesticide market, and will help to curb illegal activities in the pesticide market from registration

to production and from operation to application, so as to better protect the interests of the producers and dealers.

- Main content

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Table 1.2-1 Contrasts between the old and new versions of the *Regulations on Pesticide Administration* by chapter

Chapter	New version	Old version
1	XXX	XXX
2	XXX	XXX
3	XXX	XXX
4	XXX	XXX
5	XXX	XXX
6	XXX	XXX
7	XXX	XXX
8	XXX	XXX

Source: *The old and new versions of the Regulations on Pesticide Administration*

Table 1.2-2 Contrasts between the old and new versions of the *Regulations on Pesticide Administration* by content

No.	Content	New version	Old version	Effect	Comment & Prediction
1	Registration of pesticides	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
2	Pesticide production	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
3	Waste recycling	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
4	Pesticide business	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
5	Use of pesticides	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
6	Recall of pesticides	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
7	Supervision and management	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
8	Legal liability	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX

Source: *The old and new versions of the Regulations on Pesticide Administration & CCM*

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