

Report Warns Global Hunger is Imminent

A two-year study organized by the UK government suggests that urgent action is required to prevent global hunger by the year 2050. Four hundred experts from 35 countries worked together to examine things such as farming, climate, and population. The world's population is expected to grow to 8.3 billion people in the next 20 years. Science professor Sir John Beddington, the chief advisor in the study, says that in 20 years from now the world will need 40% more food, 30% more fresh water and 50% more energy. He said policy makers will need to address food production, climate change and water shortages as a whole rather than as separate problems. The report recommends that humans greatly reduce the consumption of foods that require a lot of energy to produce. Obesity and food waste are two of the major challenges that need to be tackled in industrialized countries. Currently about a billion people overeat, a billion people are hungry, and another billion are malnourished.

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Vocabulary

imminent - close at hand; could happen soon

urgent - requiring quick action or response

chief advisor - the person who is in charge of overseeing a project

policy maker - a person in the government who comes up with rules and regulations

tackle - to try to fix a problem

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