

- Clean air / soil / water
- Forests
- Biodiversity
- <1,5 Celsius



- Impunity
- No access to justice and remedy for victims
- Power imbalance between Dutch companies and local communities / indigenous peoples

- Dutch companies operate in Global South
- No compliance with UNGPs
- No due diligence on human rights & environment and climate

- Human rights violations against local communities / indigenous peoples
- Pollution of air/ soil / water
- Deforestation
- Loss of biodiversity
- Land grabbing
- > 1,5 Celsius

Access to justice and remedy

ISSUE

- Unequal information position
- Heavy burden of proof
- High cost of litigation
- Lack of organizational transparency in corporate structures of Dutch companies
- Lack in available legal assistance
- Issue with competence Dutch court
- Issue with applicable law
- Lack of available resources at prosecuting authorities (in case of criminal law)

IMPACT

- No proper access to justice and remedy for victims of human rights violations and environmental damage
- Impunity

RECOMMENDATION

- Ensure enforcement and effective remedies and remove legal and practical obstacles to holding accountable companies domiciled in the Netherlands, for violations of human rights, resulting from their operations in the Netherlands or abroad, such as reversal of the burden of proof, transparency regarding corporate information, and establishing a financial fund to support victims for the costs of legal proceedings
- Fully map which legal avenues and regulations are in place to hold Dutch companies liable for damage caused. Assess whether these avenues are sufficient and easily accessible, and mend where needed