In China about 70% of the river and lakes are contaminated by 2.5 billion gallons of wastewater produced by the textile industry.

Tanneries in Hazaribagh discharge about 22,000 cubic meters of untreated liquid toxic waste into the rivers daily.

In 2015, the fashion industry consumed nearly 80 billion cubic meters of water, which is enough to fill 32 million Olympic size swimming pools.

The polluted water causes about 75% of diseases and over 100,000 deaths annually in China.

We recommend that all dyeing houses, tanneries and manufacturers that use dyes switch to eco-friendly dyes and treat the polluted water before releasing it. This change will decrease freshwater contamination and pollution, two factors that greatly affect communities surrounding dyeing plants.

The price to install a small water treatment process can cost anywhere from $250,000 - $2 million and a large one can cost $25-50 million. Clothing retailers and manufacturers need to be held accountable for their impact for this change to happen.