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Recommendations of the Committee on the Rights of the Child

From 11 to 29 January 2016, the CRC Committee held its 71st session and reviewed the implementation of the Convention in Benin, Brunei Darussalam, France, Haiti, Iran, Ireland, Kenya, Latvia, Maldives, Oman, Peru, Senegal, Zambia and Zimbabwe. IBFAN submitted alternative reports on the situation of infant and young child feeding in Benin and France. Read IBFAN-GIFA full post-session report for the CRC session 71. The 72nd Session of the CRC Committee took place in Geneva from 17 May to 3 June 2016. The Committee reviewed the progress of the implementation of the Convention on the Rights of the Child in Bulgaria, Gabon, Nepal, Pakistan, Samoa, Slovakia and the UK. IBFAN submitted alternative reports on the situation of infant and young child feeding in 4 of the reviewed countries (Gabon, Nepal, Pakistan and UK). Read IBFAN-GIFA full post-session report for the CRC session 72.

Contribution to the Day of General Discussion on Children's Rights and the Environment

Infants and young children are the first victims of pollution and climate change. The negative impacts of pollution and climate change affect all people, but especially the world's most vulnerable population: newborns, infants and young children, whose immune and reproductive systems are still immature. Read IBFAN written contribution on Children's rights and the environment

Breastfeeding at the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

As the result of <u>IBFAN's advocacy</u> on the situation of breastfeeding in the <u>UK</u>, the CESCR Committee expressed its concerns about the lack of adequate measures adopted to increase the rates of breastfeeding in the United Kingdom and thus urged UK to develop a comprehensive national strategy for the protection and promotion of the right to adequate food which includes policies in support of breastfeeding in accordance with the resolutions of the World Health Assembly, including through breastfeeding breaks or breastfeeding facilities in educational institutions and workplaces. Read the <u>CESCR recommendations to the United Kingdom</u>.