About Pure Earth 2026 Impact Report

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How does a government build a lasting response to lead poisoning? It takes several gears working in sync.

Pure Earth's new 2026 Impact Report tracks five signals of systemic change for addressing lead exposure. Check out some highlights from the report, showing how each signal connects to our lead prevention work around the world:

1.) Government ownership: Bangladesh's Department of Environment has taken enforcement action at 57 informal used lead-acid battery recycling facilities.
2.) Regulatory advancement: Ghana has set its first legal limit on lead in cookware.
3.) Measurable exposure reduction: In Labanchora, Bangladesh, a cleanup reduced soil lead by more than 99%, and 700 people no longer live and study on contaminated ground.
4.) Evidence activating policy: In Indonesia, blood lead data from more than 1,600 children unlocked Ministry of Health budget commitments.
5.) Durable institutional capacity: Kyrgyzstan now has its first national heavy metals reference laboratory thanks to Pure Earth' support.

Read the full report to learn more: **pureearth.org/2026-impact/**

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With Australia being the world's largest lead exporter and the Minerals Council of Australia (MCA) having saturation media advertising of the job and lifestyle benefits of mining, and a Voluntary Stewardship policy for exploration and mining member companies, our Australian governments have to prioritise global lead-safety, a lead circular economy and intergenerational equity (let future children grow up unleaded and therefore smart enough to solve the climate and AI existential crises) in order to, for instance, prevent or quash all new lead mine approvals by short-term thinking state governments here. Thank you to everyone who helped The LEAD Group charity help the Mudgee community and NSW Nature Conservation Council by submitting an Objection to Bowdens Silver Project lead mine being approved, to help stop an extra 95,000 tonnes of lead being unleashed on the world which

clearly can't manage all the lead that's been mined already in the last 6,000 years. Submissions to the Independent Planning Commission of NSW closed at 11:59pm Sydney-time on 11th November 2026 and the decision is pending. Follow the case at https://www.ipcn.nsw.gov.au/cases/2022/12/bowdens-silver

