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Four decades after the Vietnam War the veteran American soldiers are still fighting for their rights. In October this year Veterans Affairs officials added three new illnesses to the list of diagnoses which are connected to Agent Orange. Agent Orange was the pseudonym for a host of herbicides used by the United States military in Vietnam to destroy the thick jungle canopy which concealed the guerilla fighters. In this issue Pankaj Jha highlights the effects of the usage of Agent Orange.

This issue also looks at India's earlier leadership in Biological and Chemical Weapons Convention and the need to play a proactive role in the ongoing UN Process for an Arms Trade Treaty (ATT). Ms Binalakshmi Nepram covers this issue while Sarita Azad has attempted to assess the impact of a Bio-terrorist Attack using the Mathematical Model.

This issue also features other regular sections like Country Profile, Kaleidoscope, Chemical and Biological News and Book Review.

With our reader's feedback, we wish to publish issues in the future that focus on a subject of particular concern.

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