## **OPPORTUNITY CARD**

## Public sectors need to stay in control of water sources and water supply to make sure that everyone has fair access to this resource.



## SIGNIFICANCE OF ISSUE

The lack of federal and provincial regulation with regards to groundwater extraction has made it very easy for big companies like Nestle to swoop in and monopolize groundwater resources. Giving control of one of the most valuable resources to private economic companies would give them enormous power over governments and customers to enforce higher prices and profits. As access to clean water is one of the UN's human rights, everyone should be able to afford it.

Investor owned utilities typically charge 59 percent more for water service than local government utilities. In Nigeria one litre of water is more expensive than one litre of gasoline.

Also the huge amount of plastic used for PET-Bottles is polluting sea and environment.

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