

Some examples of sustainable water management in the developing world

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Nepal, Tanzania, Kenya

- Discharge or reuse
- Polluter pays
 - But when no money for waste water treatment do not provide drinking water to households
- Wastes bring money
 - (re)use of treated waste water
 - integrated use of wastes

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Workshop on water management in Nepal



A Workshop on community management of waste water (treatment and disposal) in low-income, semi-urban communities in the Kathmandu Valley, Nepal,

2-13 November 1998

Closing the nutrient cycle

Why and how

A way to reduce waste water
problems in Nepal

More on www.rekel.nl/water

http://www.rekel.nl/water/nepal_workshop/index.htm

Solutions - basics

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 - short term solutions:
 - self aid
 - long term solutions:
 - with foreign aid, but:
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- **IRC** International Water and Sanitation Center
- **ENPHO** Environment and Public Health Organization
- **NEWAH** Nepal Water for Health Organization
- supported by Theo Claassen en Ruud Kampf

The communities in the Kathmandu valley

1 Sidhipur

2 Thimi

3 Panga

4 Kusunti

Example: Sidhipur

- An old Newari community
- 7000 inhabitants
- 1200 houses
- Very compact
- Farming
- Wonderful designed but neglected

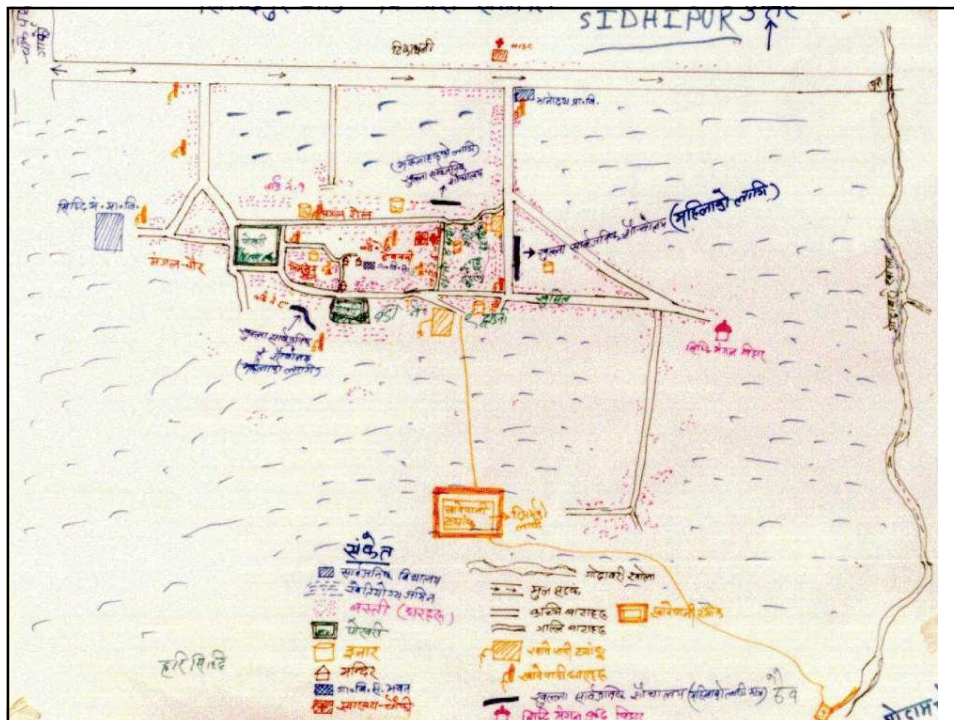
Sidhipur



Limited water access



It is about people



Problems Nepal

- Many!
- Disturbed culture, community feeling
- Western influences led to poverty
- Unplanned solutions
 - ⇒ Unhealthy situation

Problems - continued

- Lack of confidence in government
- Western aid causes many new problems
- How can you cope with 3-6 % population growth without equal economical growth?

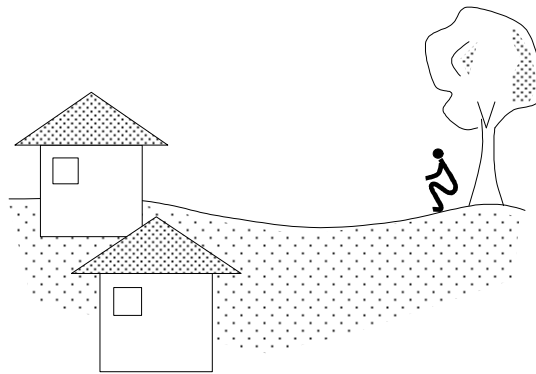
Present practice: unhealthy!

- Uncontrolled garbage management
 - even rats on the streets
- Open defecation or “shitting fields”
- Sewage on the streets, no sewers or gutters
- Polluted streams and rivers
- Risky fresh water
- Loss of nutrients with waste water vs. buying fertiliser

“Reuse” of wastewater

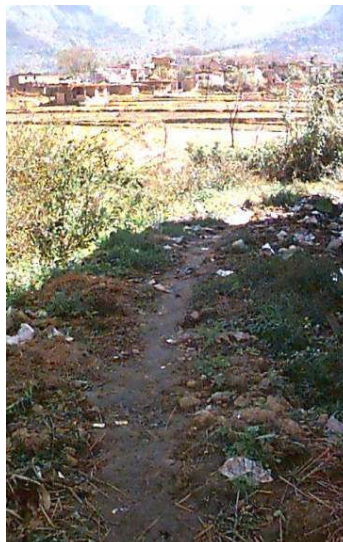


Open defecation

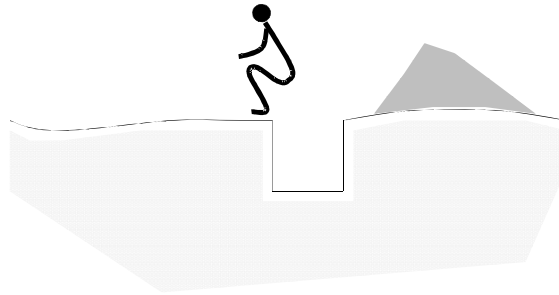


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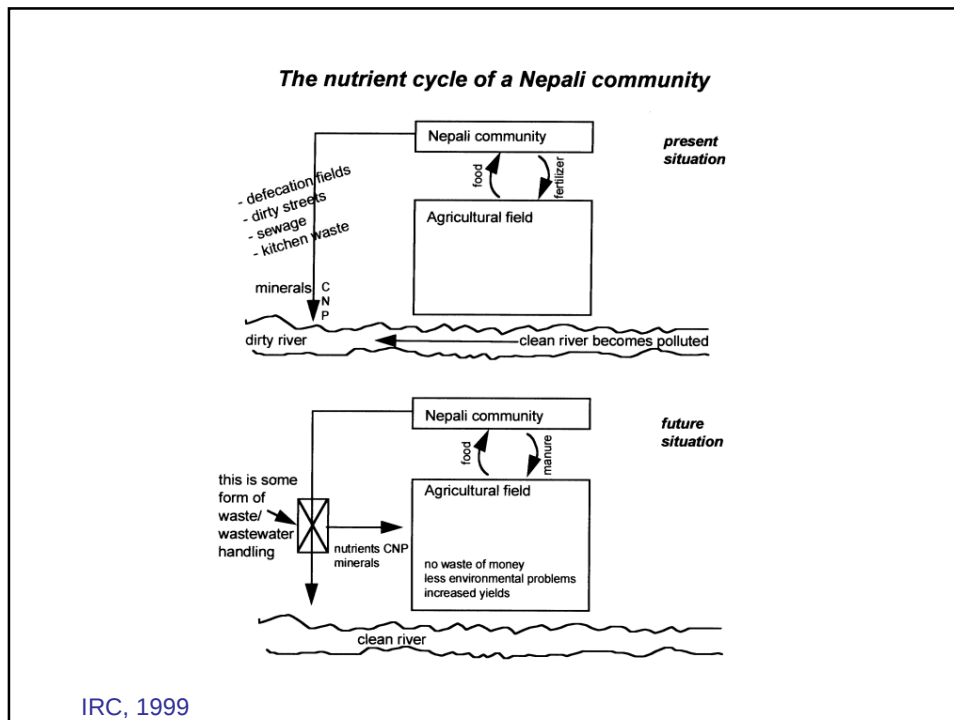
Trench latrine



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Sewage treatment western approach

Per Dutchman per year:

- 50 l faeces + 500 l urine
- + 15.000 l to flush and transport
- + > 15.000 l rain
- Large and expensive sewer and sewage

Separation of flows

- White water: rain
 - Black water: faeces and urine
 - Grey water: washing and rinsing, kitchen
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- Mixed: water flows which can not kept separated, but keep as clean as possible

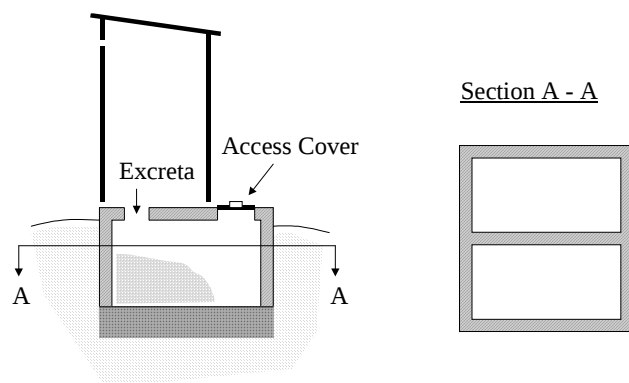
White water

- Rain
- Do not mix with other flows
- Keep the streets clean
- Use old structures, open gutters
 - Old cultures usually knew how to prevent wet feet
- Ground water, use for drinking water
 - Note: monsoon,
 - $> 100 \text{ mm/day} = > 100 \text{ l/m}^2.\text{day} = 1000 \text{ m}^3/\text{ha}.\text{day}$

Black wastes

- Faeces, urine, manure, kitchen wastes
- Keep as dry as possible for composting or wet digestion ---> "double vault toilets"
- Urine separation possible: fungicide, N-fertiliser
- Do not mix with other streams
- Is valuable - manure, source of nutrients:
⇒ **Money does not stink!: small enterprises**

Double vault composting latrine



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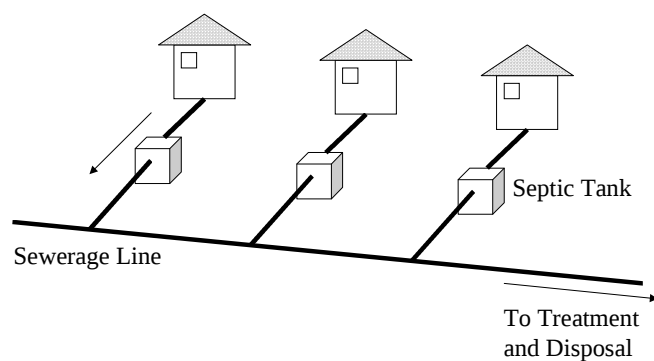
Grey water

- Washing, bathing and kitchen
- Discharge through special, small bore sewers
- Contains nutrients
- Decentralised treatments in constructed wetlands
- Yield is important: reed, bamboo, energy crops, brooms, etc. (no food)
- Reuse treated water in agriculture, groundwater recharge

Mixed flows

- When separation is impossible or after introduction of water flush toilets:
 - decentralised septic tanks
 - settled material: treat as black wastes
 - overflow: treat as grey water
 - simple water treatment
- Do not mix with white water
- White + black = grey

Septic tanks + simplified sewer



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Flush and discharge

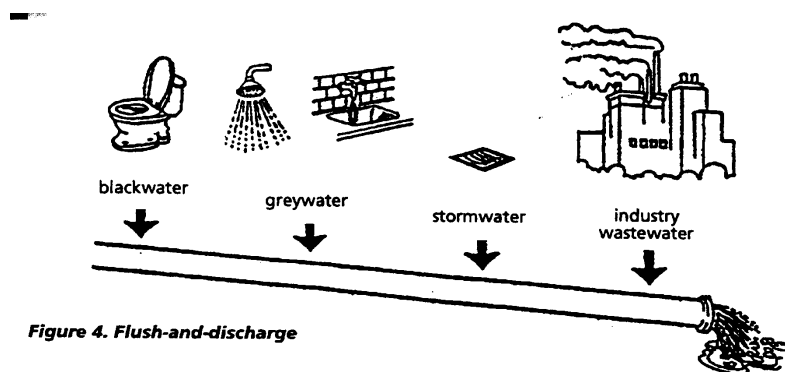


Figure 4. Flush-and-discharge

Winblad, WHO, 1996

Dilution is the problem

	<i>High-strength</i>	<i>Diluted Sewage</i>
Volume l per cap per day	1.5 - 5	15
COD mg/l	35000	800
NH₄ mg/l	3500	50
Dry solids .g/l	34	< 10
Metals	Fairly low	To high

Distribution of resources in waste water in % of total in sewage

	<i>Urine</i>	<i>Faeces</i>	<i>Grey water</i>
N - nitrogen	81	11	8
P - phosphorus	48	24	28
K - potassium	63	24	13

Swedish EPA, 1995 - Jenssen, 1999

Cost of water management in The Netherlands per family in Euro/year

Organisation		Cost
Waterboards	"Dry feet"	50
Communities	Sewers	100
Waterboards	Sewage treatment + surface water quality	150
Water companies	Drinking water	165
Total Euro 450 per family per year		

Based on Dutch Ministry of Transport, Public Works and
Watermanagement, 1999

Economical value of water

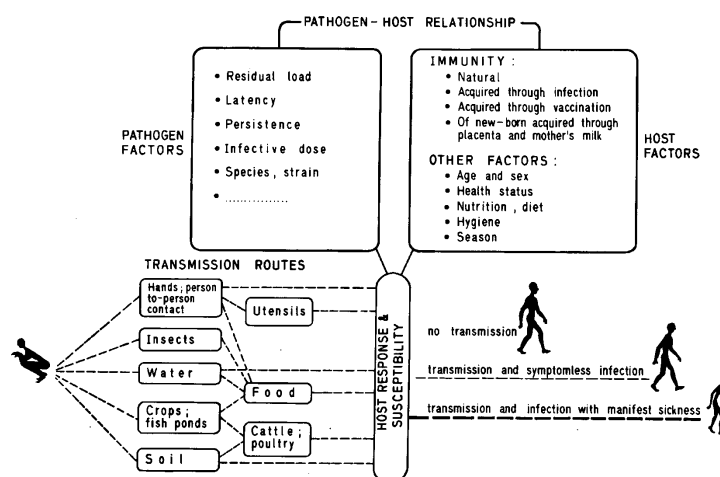
- In waste water per inhabitant:
 - 4 kg N and 1 Kg P per year
- Cost of N and P in fertiliser
 - 1 kg N = 0.50 Euro and 1 kg P = 1.00 Euro
 - value of nutrients in wastewater 3 Euro per person per year

The effect of poverty on the infant mortality rate

City	Poor	Non Poor
Manilla	210	76
São Paulo	175	42
Karachi	113	33
Dehli	118	18

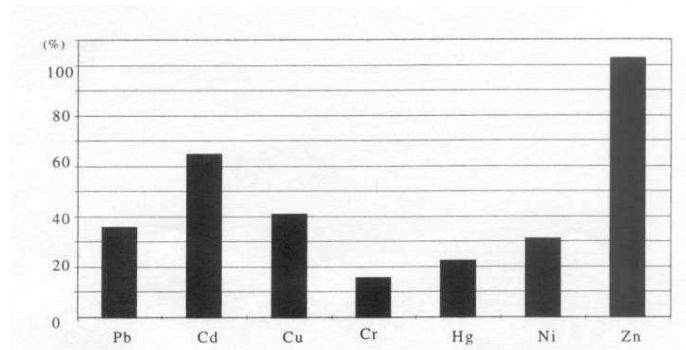
Source: EHP, 1996

Pathogens - Health risks



IRWD-News, 1995

Sludge from septic tanks



Heavy metal content in % of Swedish limit for
agricultural use

Svensson, 1999

Influence of religion on black water treatment

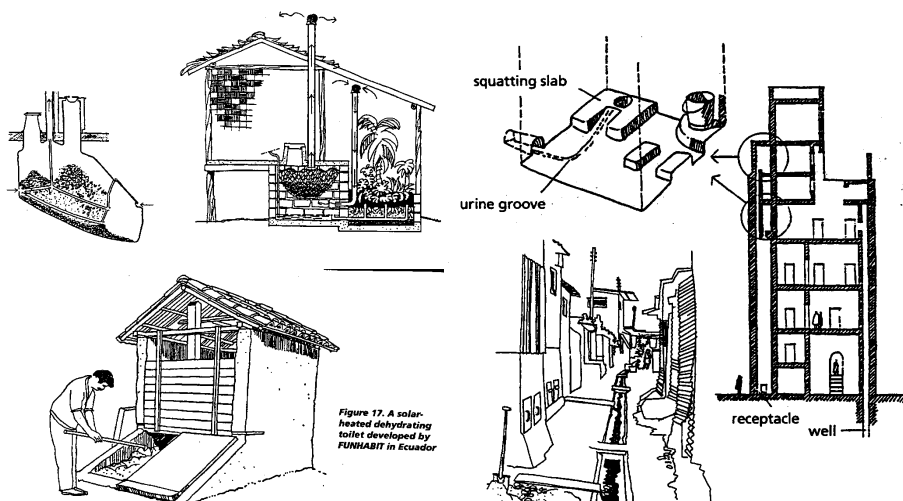
- Science-new concepts vs. religion-old beliefs and traditions
- Locally different - western solutions?
- Christians: WC saviour for health
- Muslims and cleaning
- Spiritual compost in Asia
- Asia 2/3 of farmed fish excreta ponds
 - f.e. Calcutta: 1,100,000 m³/day in fishponds

Based on Warner, 1999

Range of Human Excreta (Utilization) Practices with Developing Country Examples

Practice	Social Unit	Examples
1. Soil fertilization with untreated or stored nightsoil	family or community	China, Korea, Taiwan, Japan, Thailand
2. Nightsoil collected and composted for use in agriculture	community or local authority	China, India
3. Nightsoil fed to animals	family	Melanesia, Africa
4. Use of composting or mouldering latrines	family	Vietnam, Tanzania
5. Biogas production	family or community	China, India, Korea
6. Fish pond fertilization with treated or untreated nightsoil	family or community	Taiwan, Korea, China, Malaysia, Indonesia
7. Fish farming in stabilization ponds	family (illegal) or local authority	India, Israel
8. Aquatic weed production in ponds	family, community or local authority	Vietnam, S E Asia
9. Agricultural Application of sewage	local authority or commercial farmer	India, South Africa
10. Irrigation with stabilization pond	local authority or commercial farmer	Israel, India
11. Algae production in stabilization ponds	local authority	Mexico, Japan

Experience is growing



Source separation in densely- populated squatter areas in San Salvador



Winblad, WHO, 1996

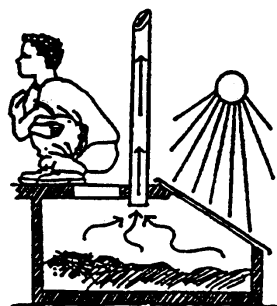
Ways of separating urine and faeces



keep separate



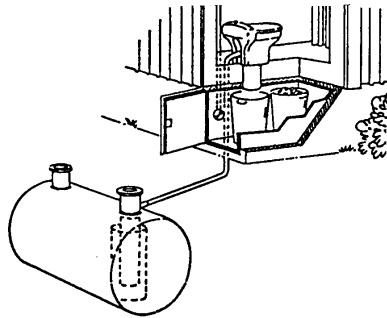
mix then drain



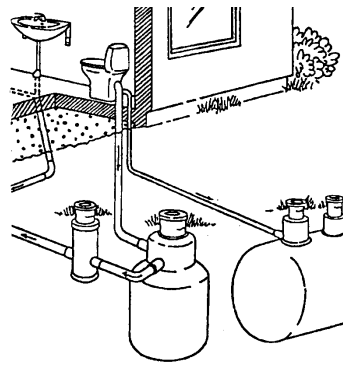
mix then evaporate

Winblad, WHO,
1996

Swedish solutions urine separation



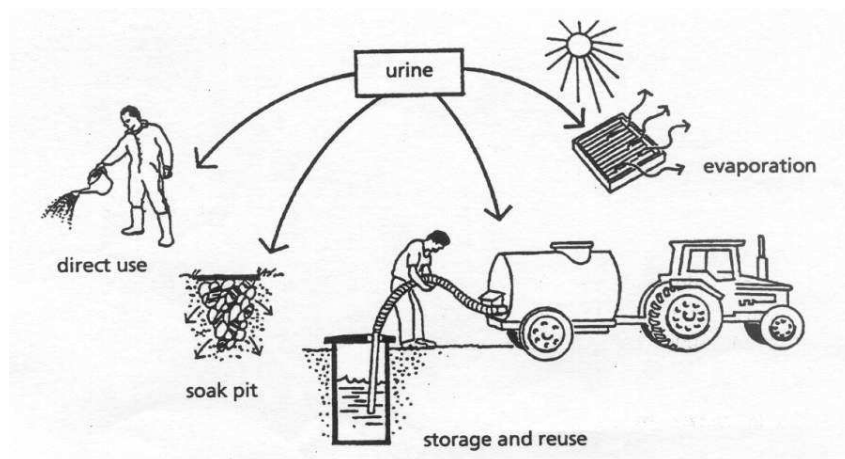
Seperate faeces and urine collection



Urine collection and septic tank

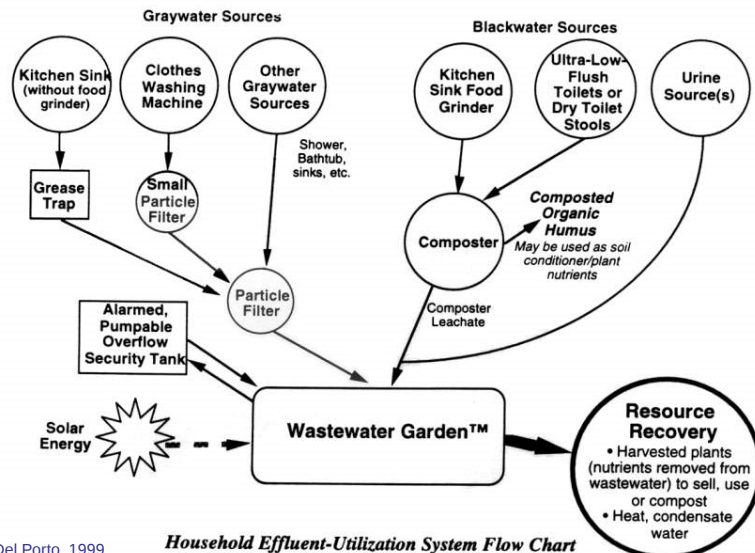
Jenssen, 1999

Alternatives managing urine

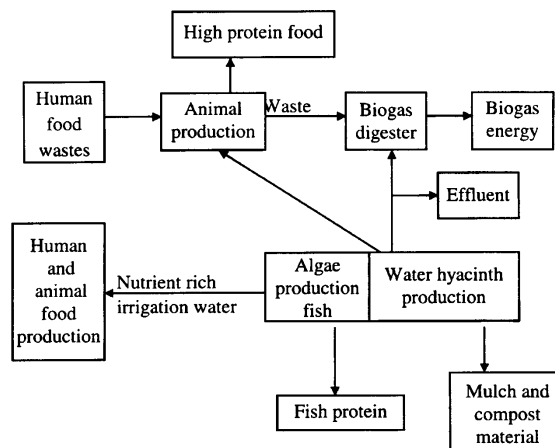


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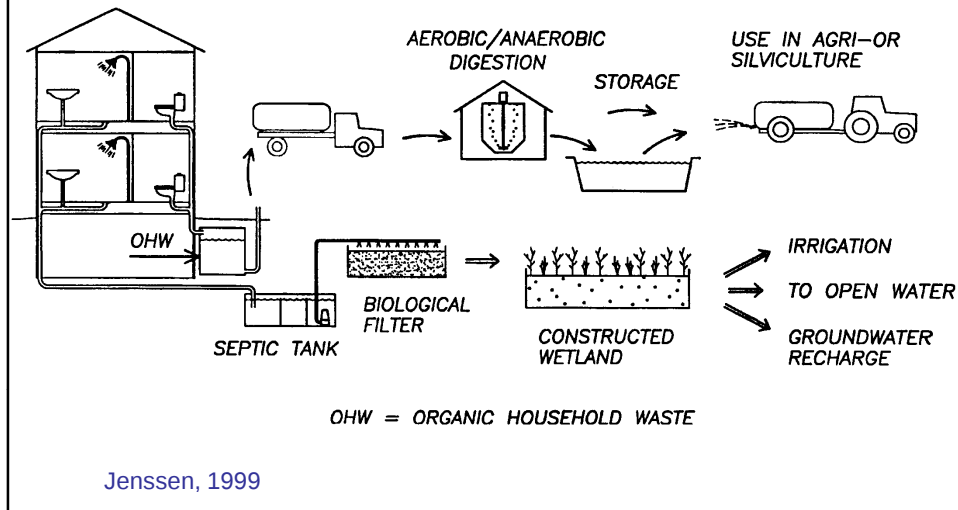
Zero-effluent discharge



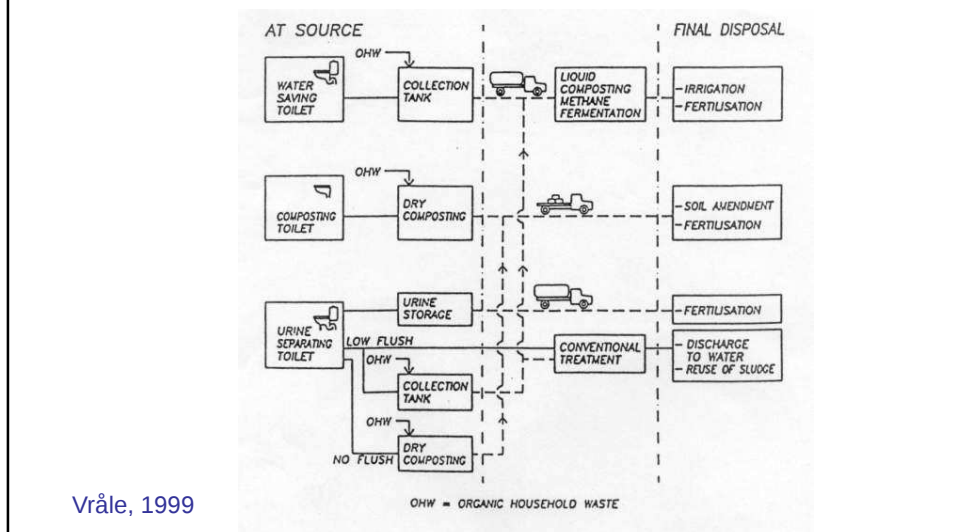
Integrated water hyacinth production in Brazil



Logistics water and resource saving toilets



Logistics in urban black water and organic waste flows



Future!

- Less pollution, better ecological balance
- If possible, with economical profits
- Community based, employment
- Avoid “shiny engineers”, learn from failures of the west
- Simple technical solutions
- Include maintenance in project plan

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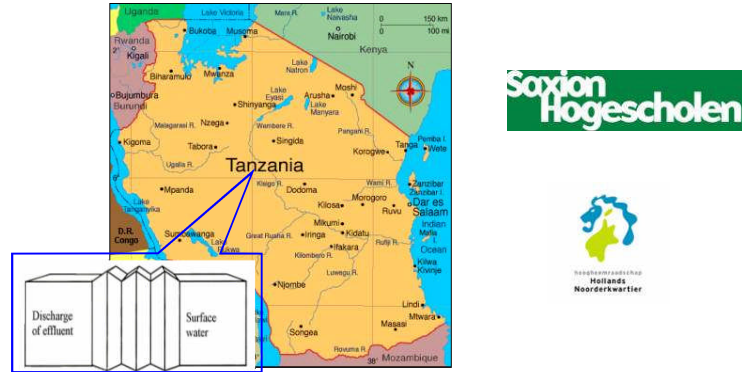


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THE POTENTIAL OF WATERHARMONICA CONCEPT IN TANZANIA



“The bridge between treated wastewater and surface water”

Presented by: Hamidar Chanzi

IBP 2004/5 - Environmental Science, Saxion University – Deventer

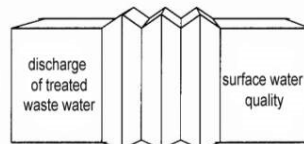
Waterboard Hollands Noorderkwartier, July 11, 2005

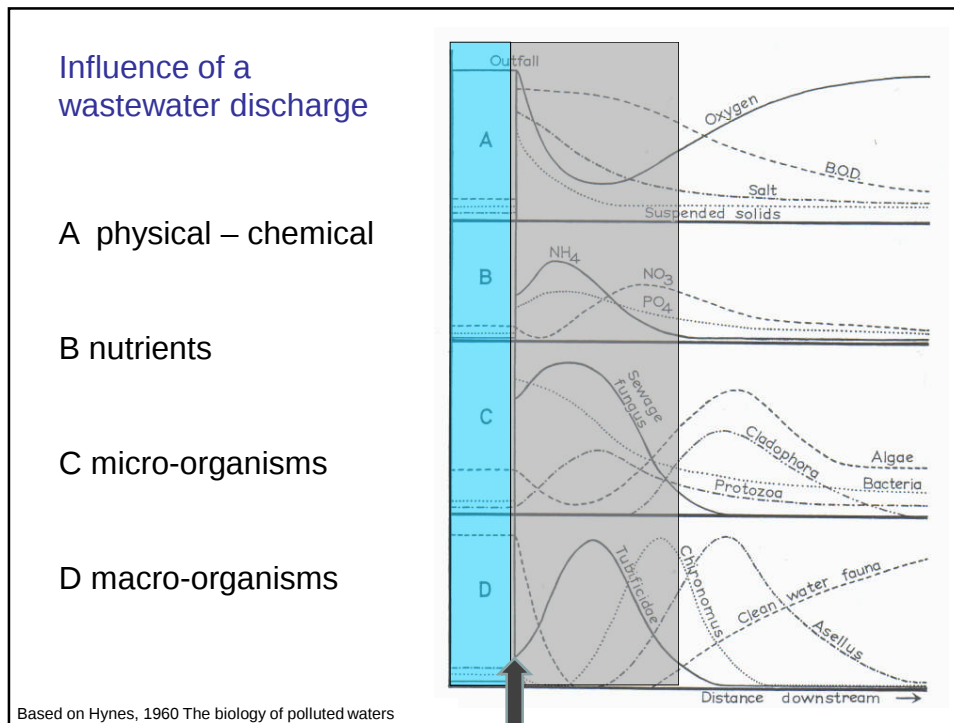


Main research question of Chanzi Hamidar

Waterharmonica

What is the potential of this Dutch initiative for Tanzania?





But: Treated wastewater

- regional STP's: water from a large area
- influence at effluent discharge:
 - sludge particles, flocs
 - loose bacteria
 - odor, foam
 - low O₂



“Dead water”, not satisfied with quality

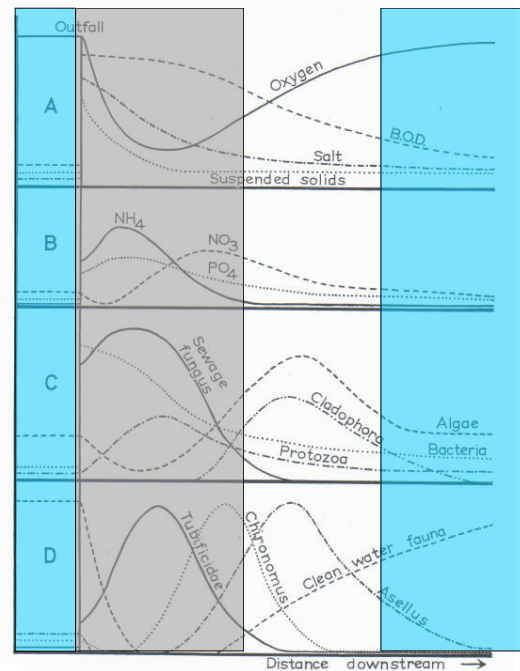
Schematic effect of discharges of wastewater

A physical – chemical

B nutrients

C micro-organisms

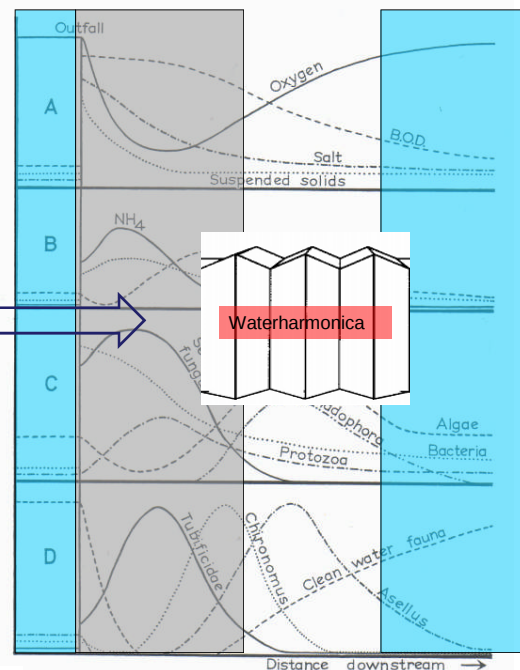
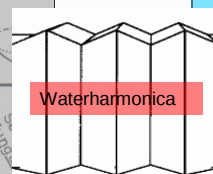
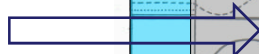
D macro-organisms



Based on Hynes, 1960 The biology of polluted waters

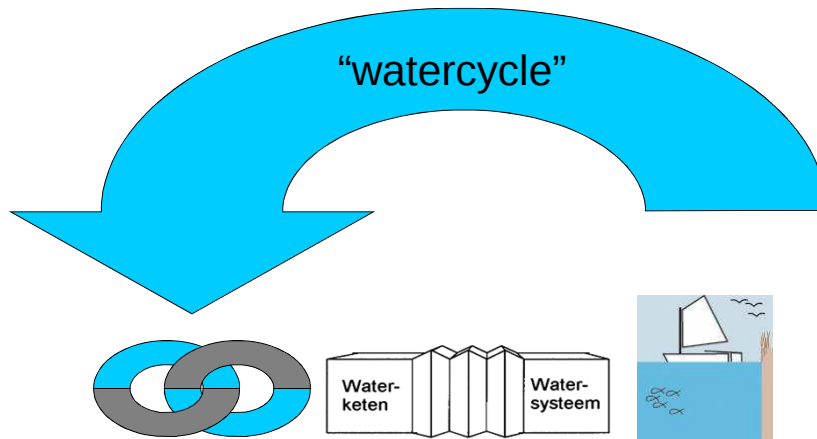
The Waterharmonica:

Bridge between
sewage
treatment
and
surface water

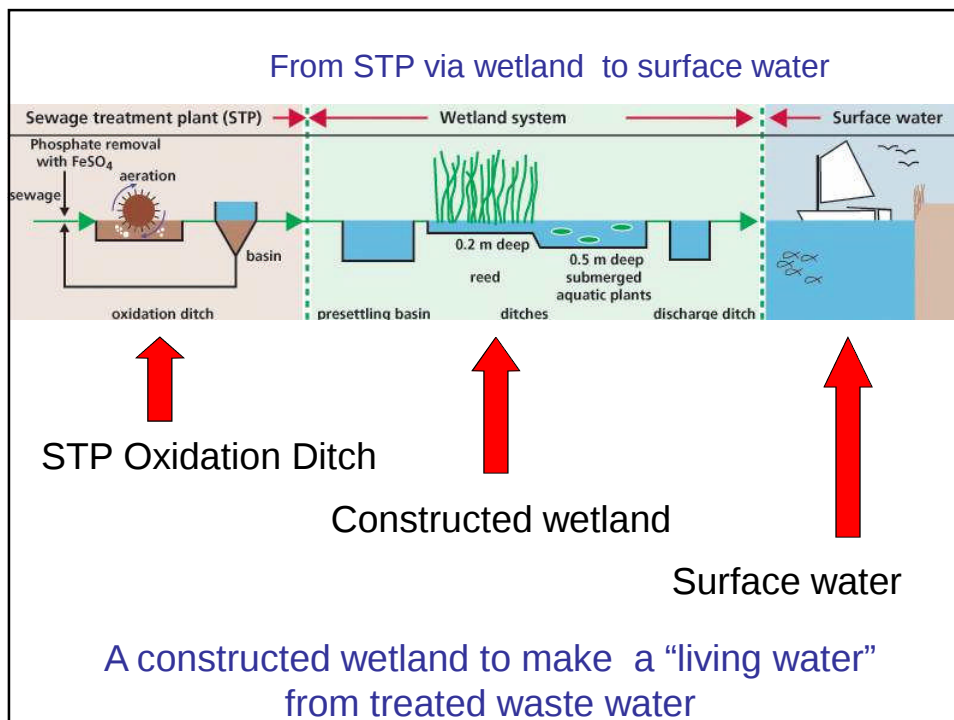


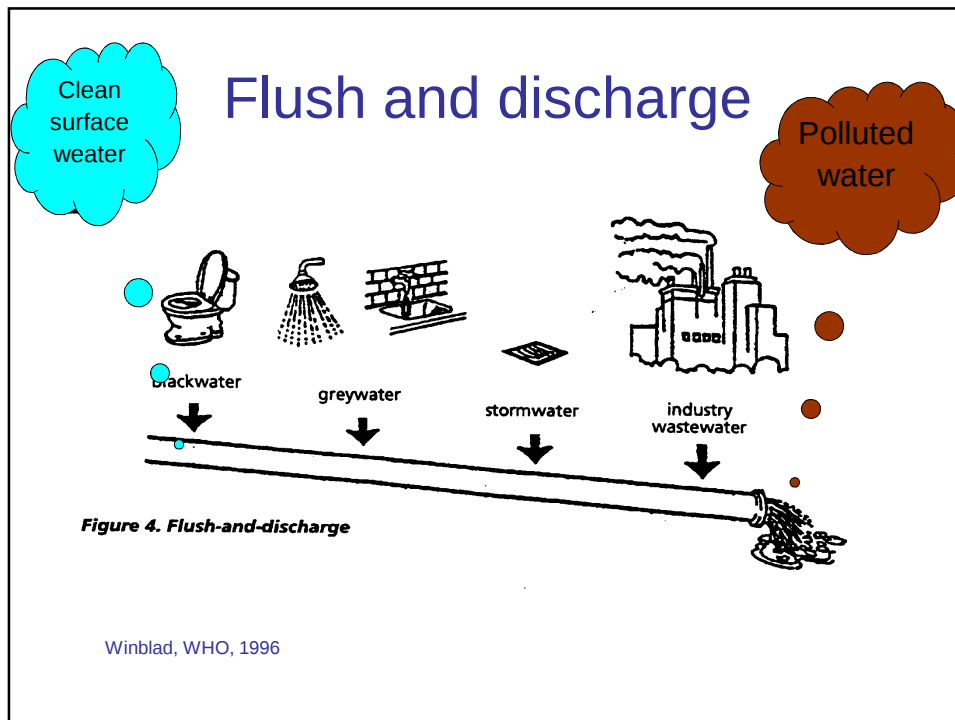
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Missing link in Water Management



The **natural** link between drinking water and surface water: The Waterharmonica:





Waste water in Tanzania

wastewater only produced by 5 % of population

- but this 5 % is the wealthiest part
 - offices,
 - hotels, hospitals

**“ like in most developing countries.....
and situation likely to worse”**

Hamidar Chanz, Tanzania, 2005i

Double Vault separation toilet



Safe fertilizer



Short term solution
for 80 – 90 % of the
population

Enough fertiliser for
the country

Hamidar Chanz, Tanzania, 2005i

A Dutch latrine



Hamidar Chanzi "from Tanzania,
in the museum "Het Kleine Huisje, Schermerhorn, 2005

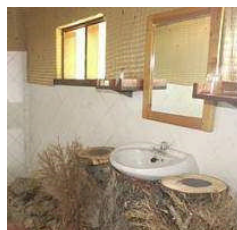
This works:

- As long no drinking water delivered in the houses, because then:
 - Water flushed toilets
 - Waste water
 - Surface water pollution while no money for sewage treatment

Polluter pays?



The New Arusha Hotel
160 USD for double room
140 USD for single room
Dik Dik Hotel
120 USD for double room
100 USD for single room



Hamidar Chanz, Tanzania, 2005i

Polluter pays



Example Masai Mara National reserve :

- “**Mara Simba** is the only lodge in Kenya which has installed a Waste Water Treatment Plant. The plant was imported from U.S.A. This plant treats all the sewage and produces crystal clear water which is then used for irrigation. We are truly the only environmentally friendly lodge in Kenya”



**Why not in
Tanzania?**

<http://www.marasimba.com/introduction.html>

Hamidar Chanz, Tanzania, 2005i

How?

- Ecological engineering
- Polishing and reuse of wastewater
- Link between treatment plant and surface water

When reuse: treatment becomes attractive

Hamidar Chanz, Tanzania, 2005i

Minimise risks

- Treatment of wastewater
 - Good quality of treated waste water
 - Degree of pathogen and chemical removal
- Crops restriction
 - Grow crops with less risks to worker and consumers
- Proper use of crops and fish
 - Boil, not eat fresh crops (vegetable or fruits)

Hamidar Chanz, Tanzania, 2005i

Conclusions

Waterharmonica concept is a promising approach that
could promote the livelihood of local people in
Tanzania

- Waterharmonica makes waste water safe
 - reduce water pollution: better surface water quality
- Safe fertilizer of nutrients from safe wastewater
 - agriculture, aquaculture
- Polluter pays make waste water a resource
- Water conservation
 - wastewater for irrigation; fresh water for domestic uses

Hamidar Chanz, Tanzania, 2005i

Finally: Some “wise words”

- “Waste water comes from drinking water”
- Do not talk about water reuse, it is “wise use”
- Polluters pay
- No drinking water when no money for sewers and treatment is available but separation
- When waste water: treat it well and use it
- Surface and (ground) water quality is important
- Think global(ly) and in water cycles

The Waterharmonica: natural link between tap and source !



“My success is the result of my failures”

Hamidar Chanzi, Tanzania, 2005

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Improving agricultural practices as a way to meet the Millennium Development Goals:
a demonstration project in the Shimo la Tewa prison in Mombasa, Kenya



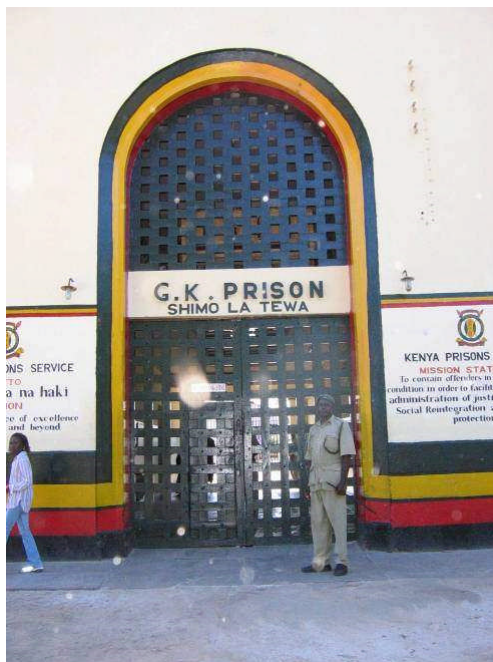
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Wageningen University and Research Centre and LeAF



The prison

- Inmates:
 - Main prison for man: ca. 2.200 pers.
 - Woman prison: ca. 300 pers.
- Shima Annex Prison
 - Farming, gardening activities: 300 pers.
- Boys prison: 300 pers.
- Staff quarter
 - About 1500 staff and family
 - Close to the prisons, but scattered over the area
- Total surface ca. 250 ha

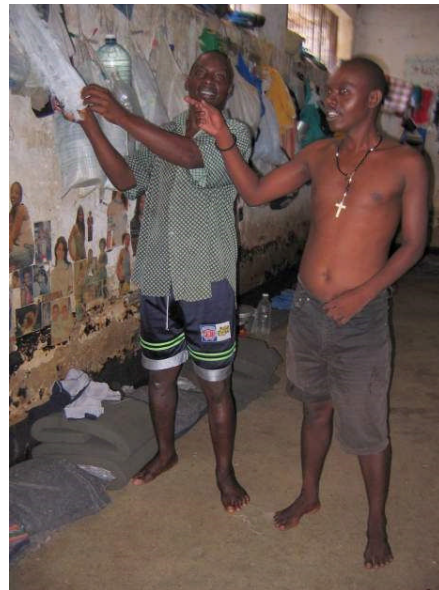


Some
pictures
from
inside

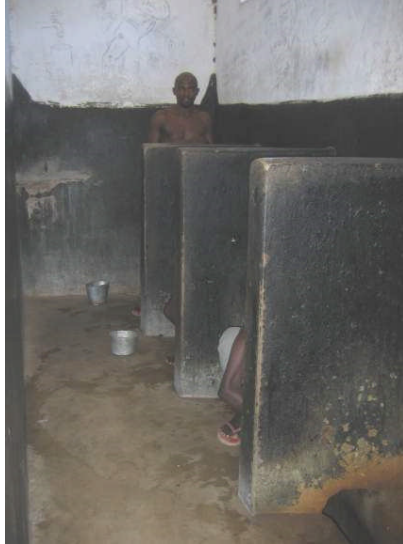
It is quite unique I could take
pictures inside so freely!



Inside a cell



Toilet facilities



Discharge through a separate sewer system: very concentrated waste water, separate urinals



Outside room for day use

The open gutters were originally
designed for rain discharge
(monsoon climate!)

Now also "Grey water"



Education, training are important part of prison life



One of the inmates, will be a
good tailor when he comes out

Payment every year at Christmas





The metal workshop



Paint workshop



Shimo la Tewa Prison Mombasa, Kenya

a constructed wetland lagoon system for improving the sanitary situation



UNEP-GEF WIO-LaB PROJECT

*ADDRESSING LAND BASED ACTIVITIES
IN THE WESTERN INDIAN OCEAN*

Coastal Development Authority, Mombasa
Mombasa Water & Sewerage Company
Kenya Marine and Fisheries Research Institute
Dar es Salaam University, Tanzania



a “do something project”
with very well defined goals



Shimo la Tewa

- A wetland-lagoon system for wastewater management at Shimo La Tewa Prison, Mombasa – Kenya
- One step further:
 - integration of agriculture and sanitation in the Boys prison to support a novel but old-fashioned Ecosan approach

Some headlines of the Project

1. coupled wetland-lagoon STP
2. education and awareness
3. learn to manage the system
4. reuse in agriculture and aquaculture
5. reduce pollution

NAIROBI CONVENTION

WIO-LAB in Kenya

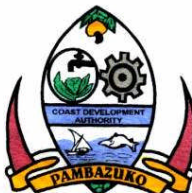
Addressing Land-based Activities in the Western Indian Ocean



**OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF THE SHIMO LA TEWA WASTE
WATER MANAGEMENT PROJECT, MOMBASA ON 29TH AUGUST, 2008**

- Improving sanitary situation in the main prison
- Improvement and construction of:
 - Sewage system
 - Large septic tank
 - Subsurface constructed wetland
 - Fishpond

Ready end of October 2008



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The constructed wetland

in February 2009
Short before completion



- High walls because of invert
- Much more invert then needed
- Because of high walls extra soil behind the walls

Situation after first rains in 2009





- Discussion about the damage and possible solutions



December 2012



July 2013: Totally blocked



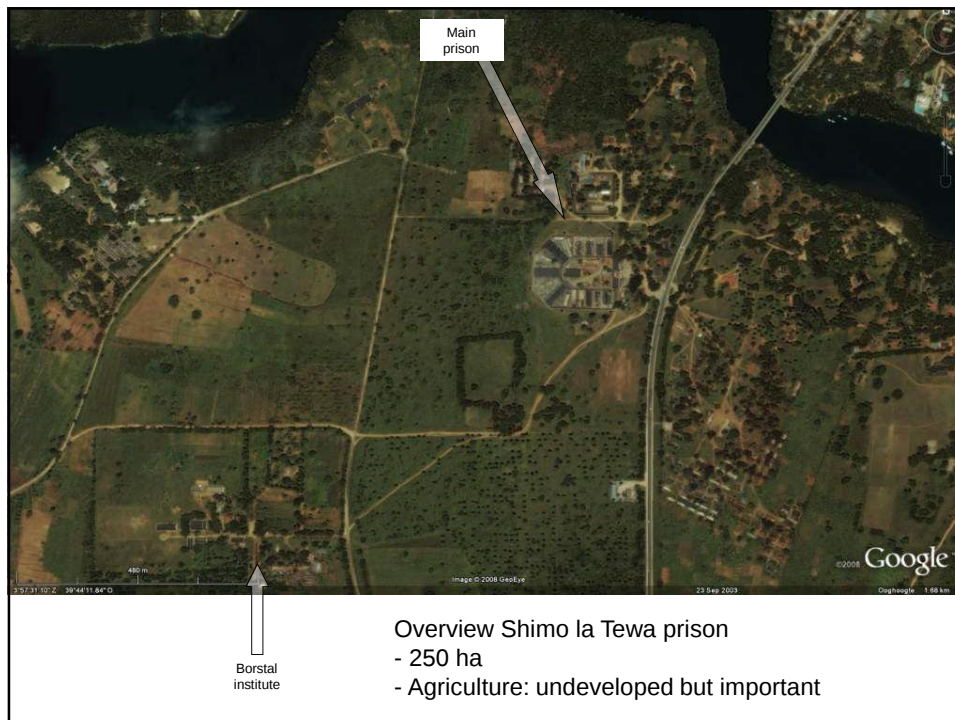
Could we make one step further?

The chosen solution:

- is only for a part of prison
- does not fully use reuse potential

Exploration of the way to go:

- source separation and reuse of wastes
- use Ecosan / Ecological Engineering principles
- integration of agriculture and sanitation



Key ideas

- What is the difference between animal manure and “human manure”?
- Solutions should be based on local agricultural practices
- How much is this influenced by cultural and health aspects?:
 - A prison is different from the “outside world”

*A project in Shimo la Tewa
Boys prison or Borstal institute*

- *300 boys*
- A special and attractive platform for a demonstration project on a small scale
- *Knowledge can be replicated in other Kenyan prisons and abroad*



Education even more important then in the Main prison





Agriculture in prison





Plant nursery



- Mrs Lina E. Bonto

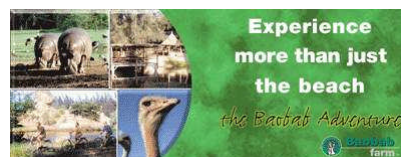
The main Shimo la Tewa Prison sewage gang



Supervising officer:
Salim O. Mwatimbo

Prisoners:
Tonny Aden
Peterson Mykhongo
Johne Njorogie

Dr. Rene D. Haller Baobab Trust



Learn how to sustain a family on 1000 m²

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Fish cultivation



Learn how to grow
fish on the home
farm





Duck cages above pond

Combined with cultivation of

- water hyacinth
- fish

Chicken cage above
fispond



Cultivation of
worms

Fishfood

Chickenfood



Introduction of solar drying and cooking





Digesters



Gas collection





Gas cooker



Kenyan Prisons Service Mission Statement



Baobab Trust



dr. Haller

a good neighbouring partner in:

- logistics of black wastes
- seeking solutions in production of biogas and manure
- education of inmates in farming, aquaculture: how to set up an honest business in rural areas

For more information on Baobab Trust and dr. Haller:

www.thebaobabtrust.com/

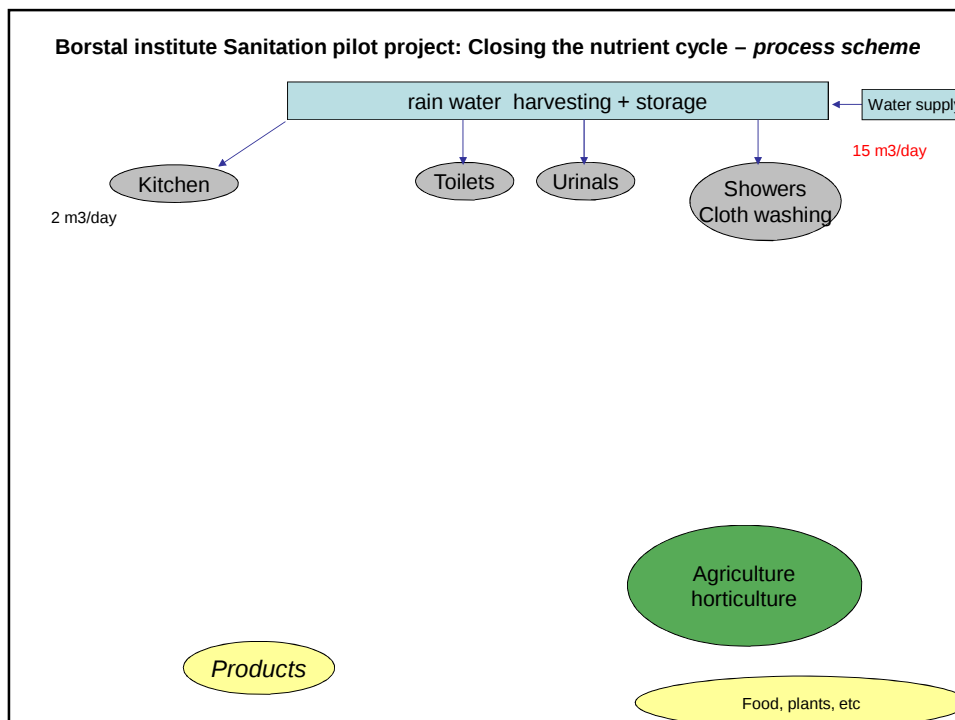
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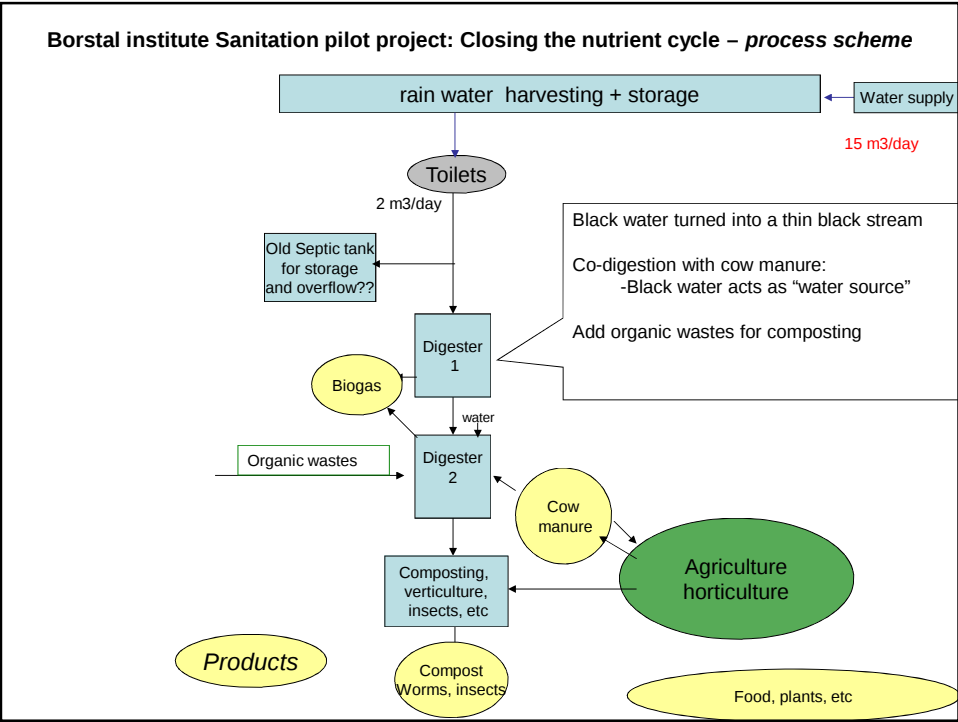
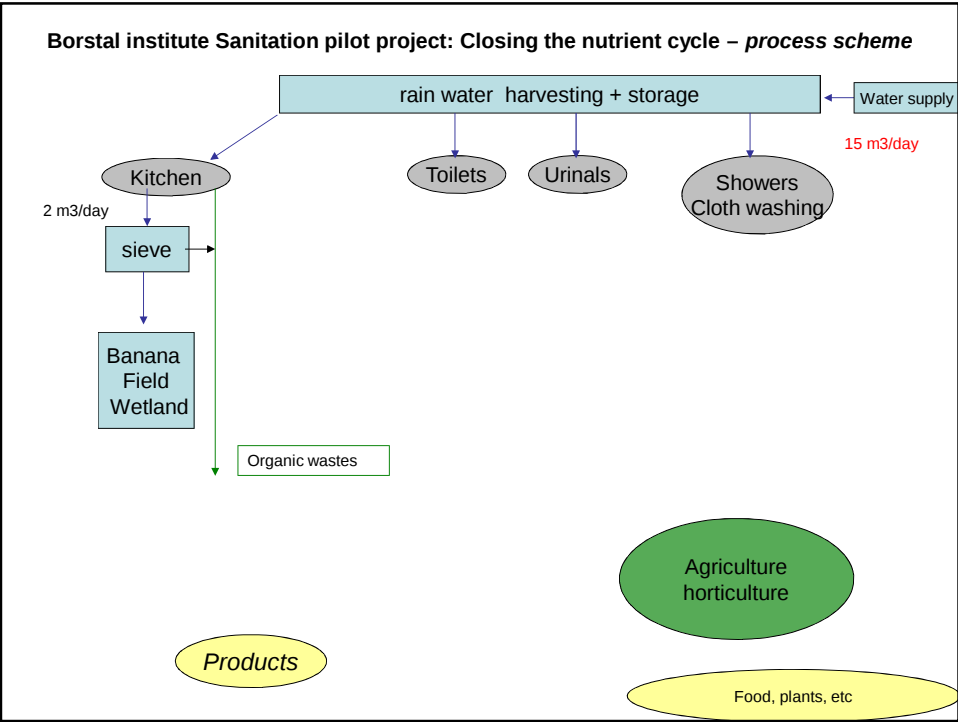
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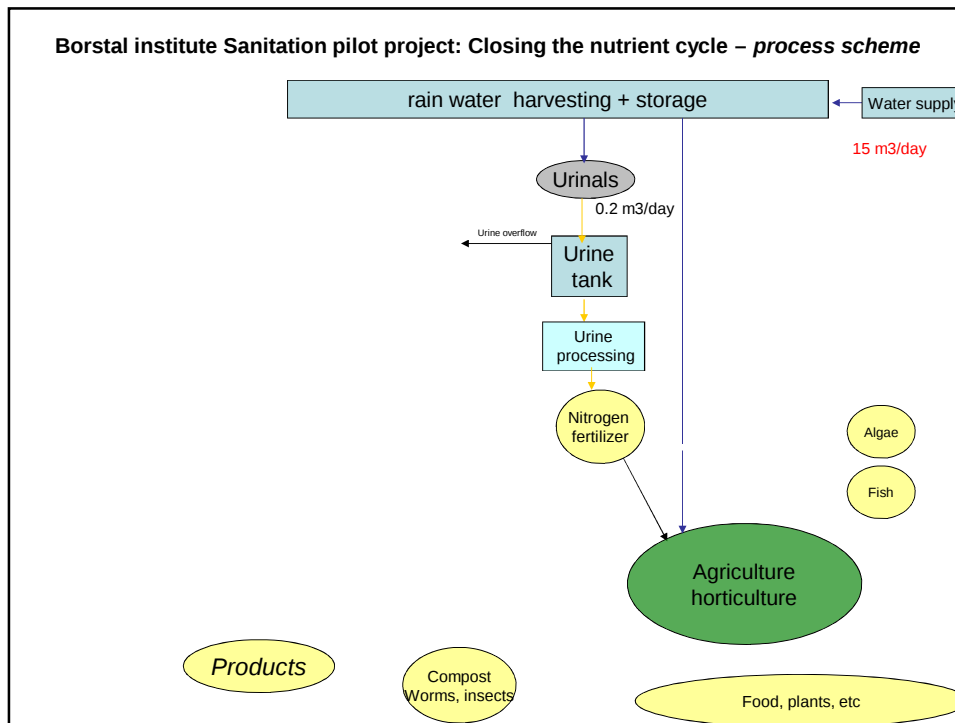
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Ghanese Students Wageningen University

- Frederick Tettey-Lowor
 - Exploration of civil aspects, making pre-design
- Nelson Opoku
 - Overview of agriculture in prison
 - Possibilities of the integration of agriculture and sanitation



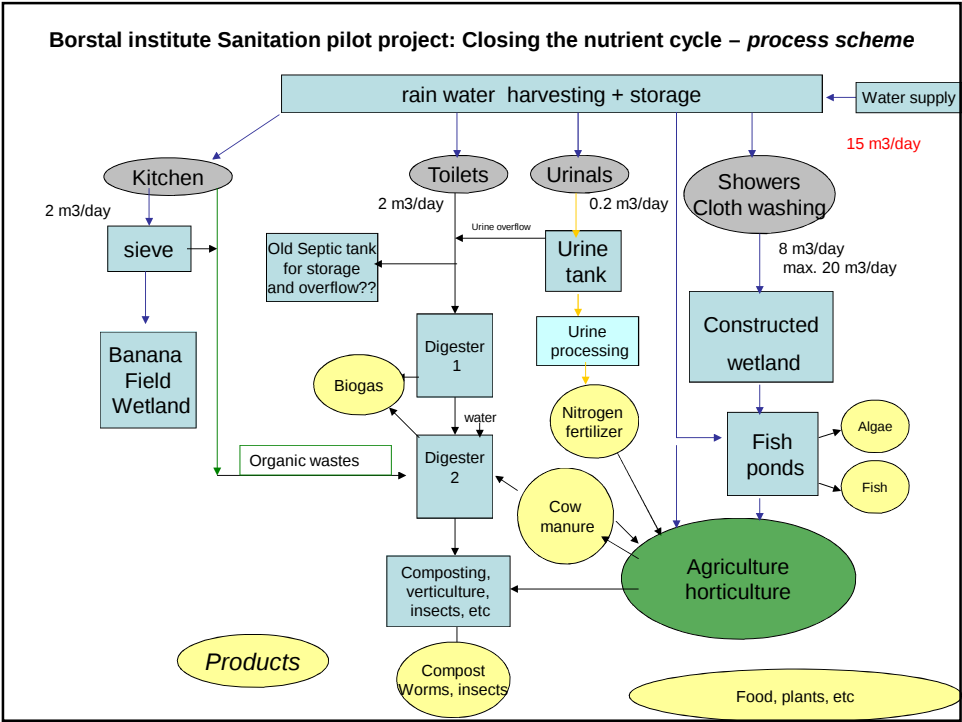
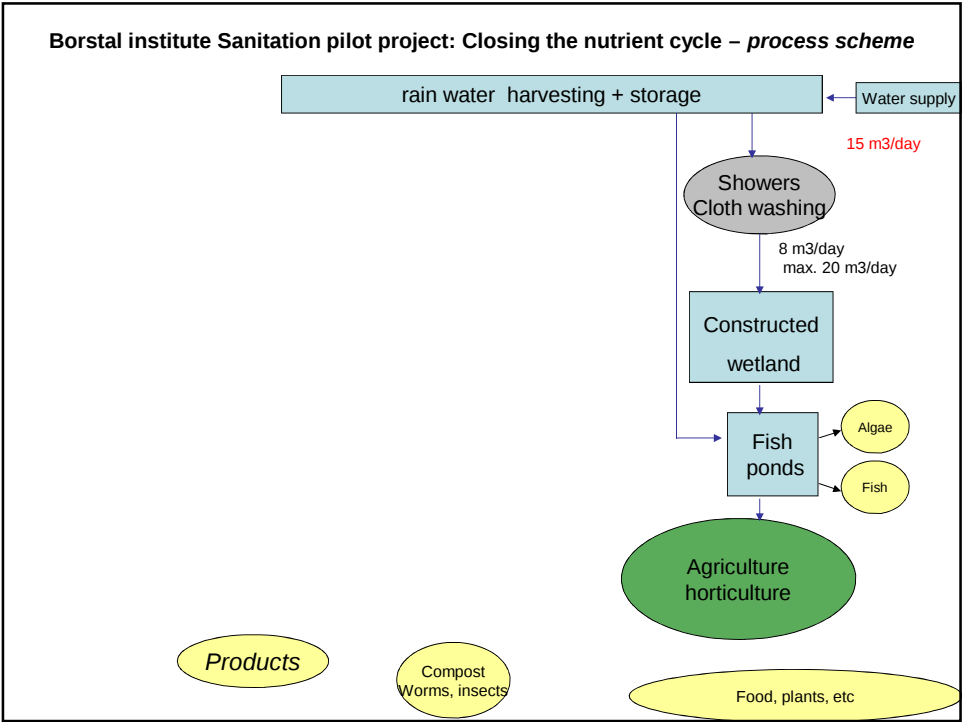




Storage of urine on ash Sidhipur Nepal



- Simple
- Cheap
- Durable



Borstal institute project started by work on extansion of the gardens





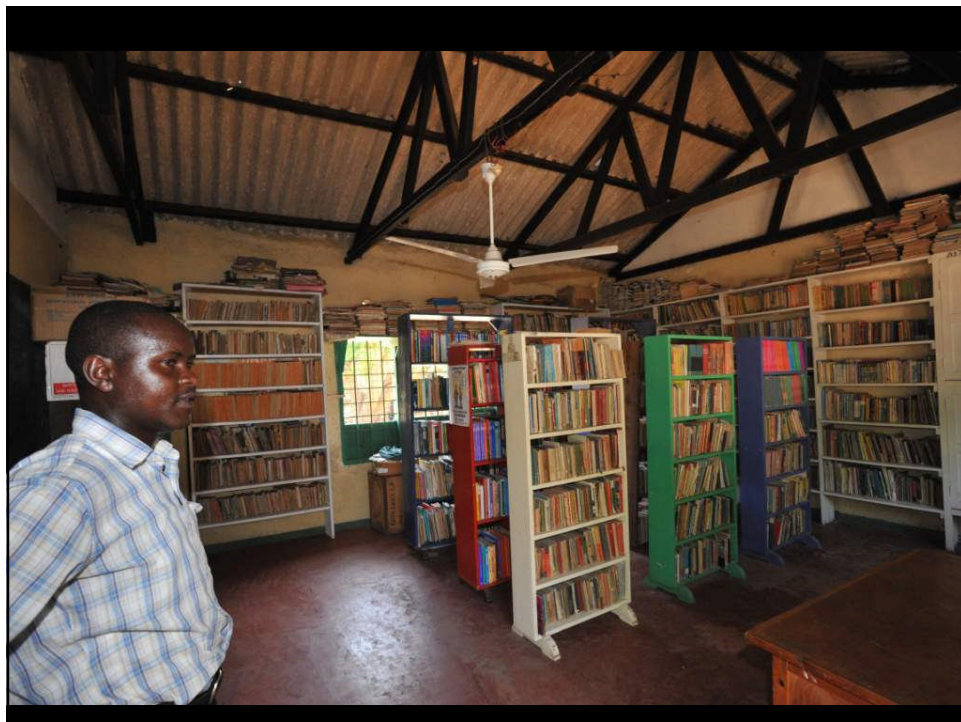




Quantities

- Rainwater harvesting
 - 2 tanks of 50 m³. Why no bigger underground storage?
 - One third of water need
- Sanitation
 - 4 Ecosan toilets, amount black wastes:
 - 1700 l/d (design 2000 l)
 - ? Urinals, 50 % of urine separated
 - 200 l/d (design max 400 l/d)
- Grey water
 - Shower plus cloth washing 42 l/person.day = 42 m³/day
- Kitchen
 - 6 l per person per day: 2 m³/day





Status of the Borstal institute project

- Project set-up has been approved
- There is money:
 - € 59.162 funded by Aquaforall
 - plus expert cost, etc.
- A good local team
 - Coastal Development Authority
 - Kenyan prison systems
 - Mombasa Water & Sewerage Company
 - Ministry of Agriculture
 - Baobab Trust
 - Local companies Green Water, JuaNguvu Ltd
- Through several reasons:
 - Project start slow
 - Project management
 - Phasing of the project
- **But:**
 - **New project approach: do something central**
 - **Learn by doing**
 - **No large project plans, but small steps!!**

This presentation

Some practical aspects of water management in the developing world

- Nepal: "closing the nutrient cycle"
- Tanzania: Waterharmonica: "reuse water from rich part of the country (5 % of population)"
 - Polluter pays???
- Kenya: optimized agriculture instead of waste water treatment
- **Conclusions, discussion**



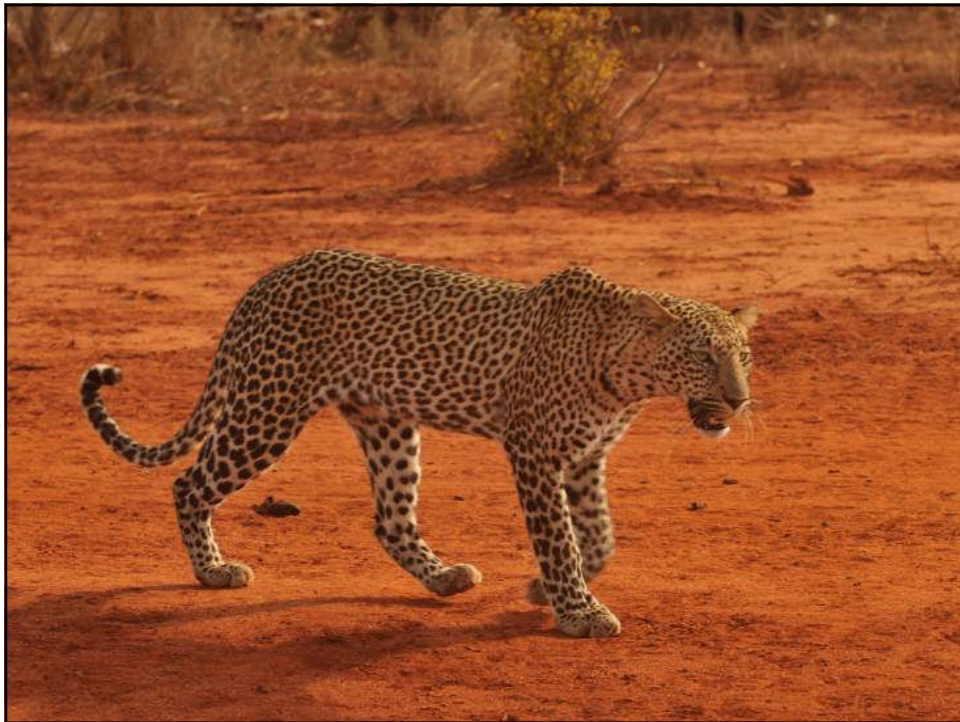
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Conclusion of this presentation

- Get the water out of the waste
- Use this in a clever way



Your reactions, please