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### Water Security in Small and Medium Towns Due to Climate Change

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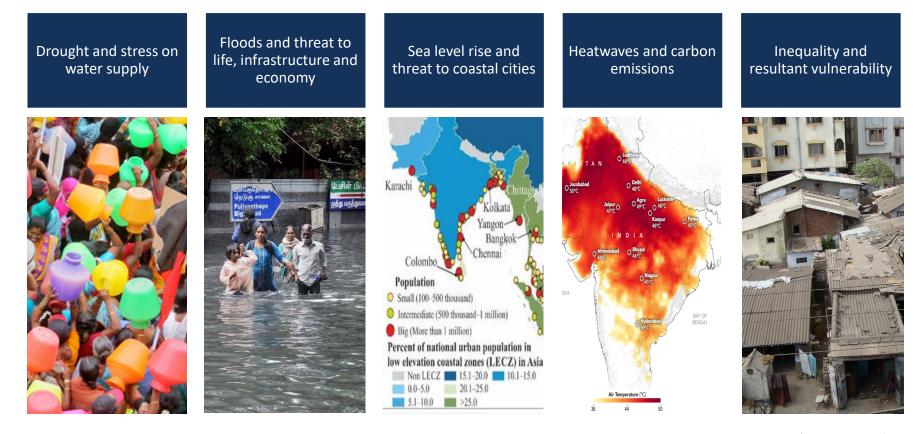




# **Factors affecting water security**

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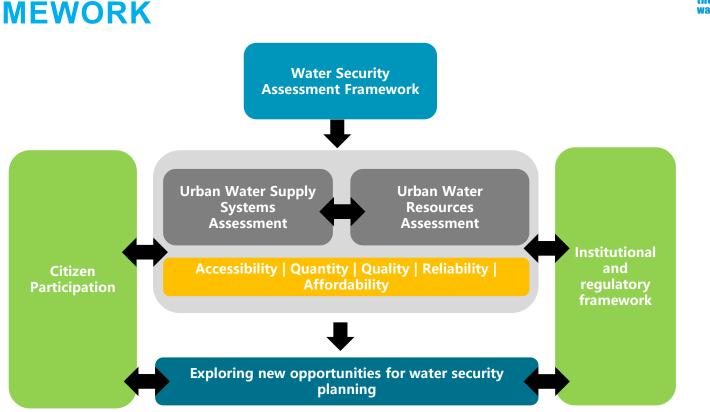
# WATER SECURITY A PRIORITY ON INTERNATIONAL AND NATIONAL AGENDAS

• **SDG 6 goal** with all its targets emphasizes to ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all

- The Water & Climate issued at COP28 stressed on water
  resilience to build climate and socio-economic resilience
- Government of India has put a strong emphasis on water security – The Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation 2.0 (AMRUT 2.0) has water security as the central theme



# URBAN WATER SECURITY ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK



Source: Adapted from CWAS Urban water security Planning toolkit

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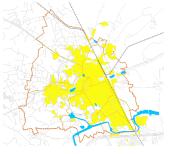
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# **ANJAR AND GANDHIDHAM IN KACHCHH** (ARID REGION) OF GUJARAT STATE, INDIA



#### Anjar – 109, 238 population



Households



26.036

25% slum population



Gandhidham- 410,000 population





87,280 Households (2021)



30.50 Area (sq. Km)

17% slum population



#### 406 km coast line



17.81

Area

(sq. Km)

# THE REGION HAS HISTORICALLY FACED WATER CRISIS



Chronically drought prone region with a frequency of once in every 2.5 years

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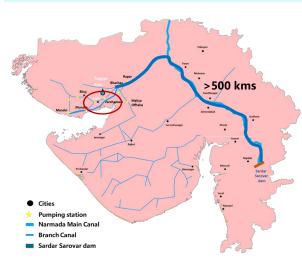
In Kutch, history has a habit of repeating itself Rutam V Vora L Bhui, March 28 L Undated On: Mar 28, 2019

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The region is witnessing its worst drought in 30 years; 16 of its 20 dams have gone dry; there is drinking water but nothing for cattle; and yet, its people remain resilient

- Over exploitation of ground water, which is further aggravated by salt water intrusion
- Dependent on distant source



#### Frequent **Urban flooding** scenario in **major parts** of the cities

#### Printed from THE TIMES OF INDIA

Rains pound Gandhidham, Anjar towns in Kutch

Rajkot: Heavy rain lashed Kutch's commercial city Candhidham and Anjar on Saturday evening causing severe water-logging in many areas. However, the people welcomed the rain that gave them some respite from the humid heat.



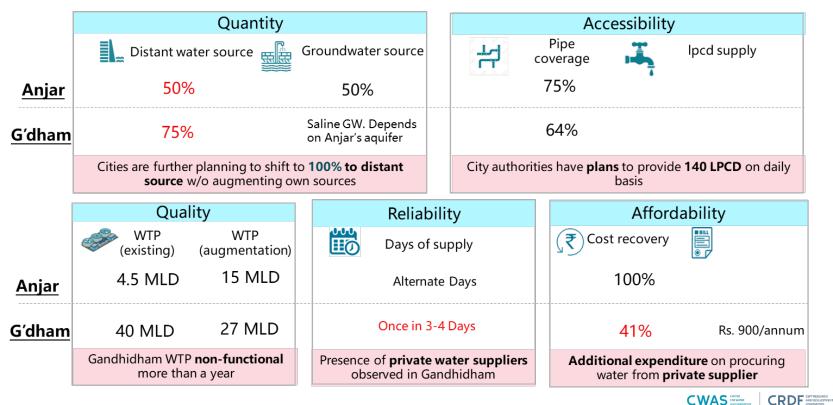
Gujarat Braces for a Wet Weekend; Heavy Rain Alerts Issued over Kachchh, Jamnagar, Sabar Kantha, Surendranagar, Mahesana



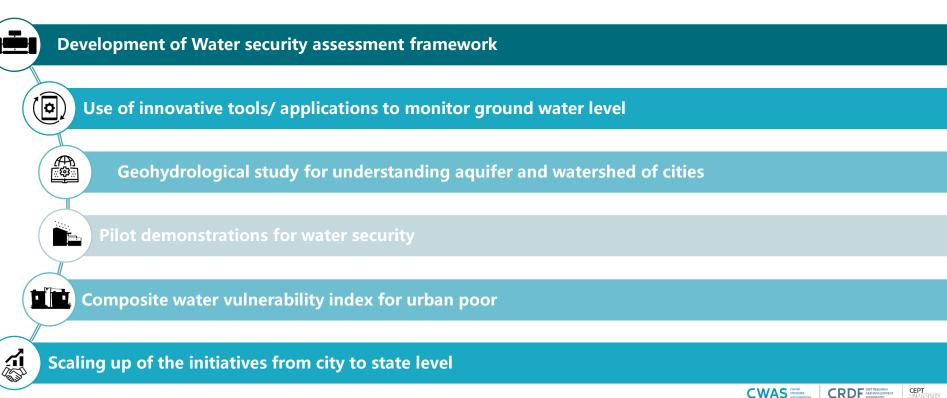
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### CITIES HAVE HIGH DEPENDENCE ON DISTANT SOURCE WITH WATER SUPPLY ON ALTERNATE/ ONCE IN 3-4 DAYS



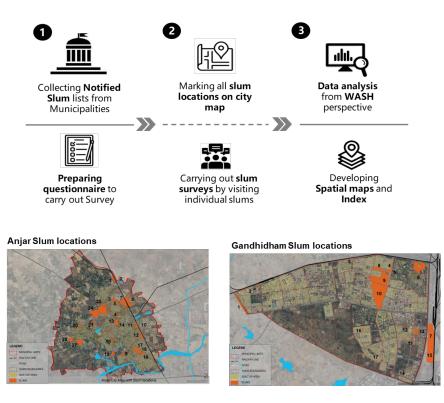


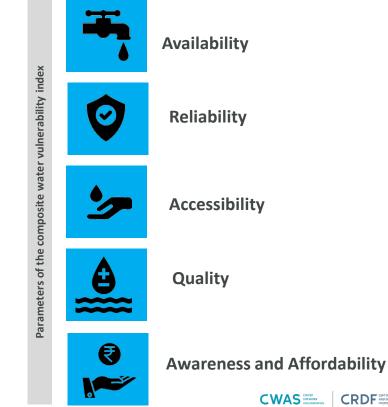
# VARIOUS INITIATIVES ARE TAKEN IN THESE CITIES TO MOVE TOWARDS WATER SECURITY



# WATER STRESS INDEX FOR SLUM AREAS



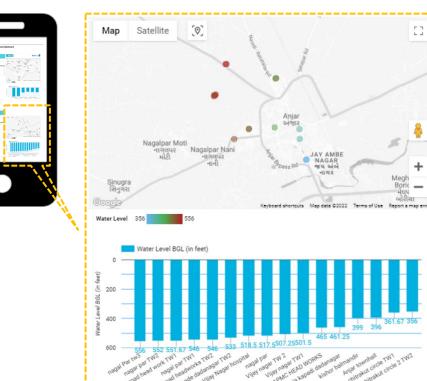




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# USE OF MOBILE APP TO MONITOR GROUND WATER LEVEL





- Use of **Bhujal App** for Ground Water Monitoring
- The app is **empaneled** under **AMRUT 2.0** by MoHUA **as a Technology and Implementation partner**
- 22 locations Pilot testing -16 borewells @ Anjar and 6 borewells @ Gandhidham
- The test results were similar to the data provided by the utility

#### **Benefits of such tools/applications**

- ✓ Assess the water demand
- ✓ Measurements are available in minutes
- ✓ Ease less testing process
- ✓ **Community participation** in GW management

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Early identification of drying borewells

Source: Developed by Waterlabs for CWAS study; Waterlabs

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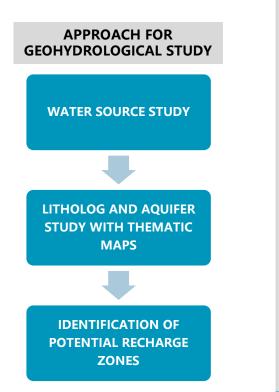
### GEOHYDROLOGICAL STUDY CONDUCTED FOR UNDERSTANDING AQUIFER AND WATERSHED OF CITIES

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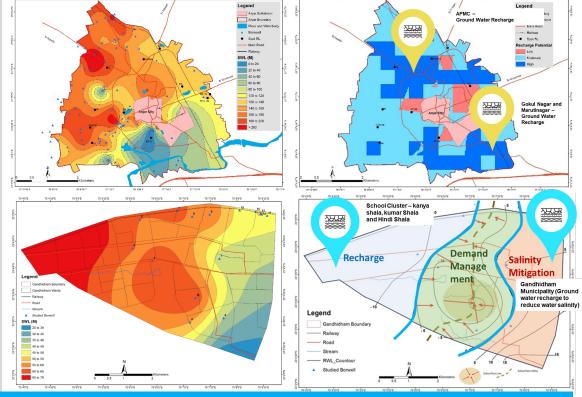
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**Ground water level** 



Source: Developed by ACT for CWAS study

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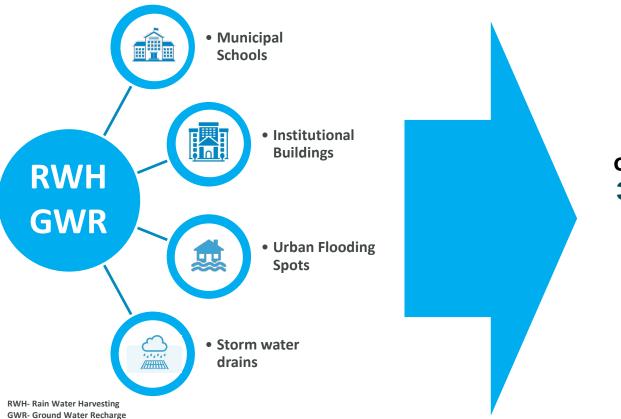


#### Pilots locations based on the geo -hydrological study ...



# **BASED ON GEOHYDROLOGICAL STUDIES, PILOT PROJECTS WERE IDENTIFIED**





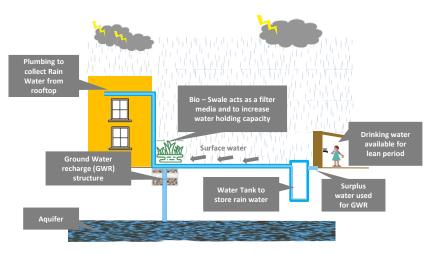
#### Impact

88 thousand liters of Rainwater available for 3000+ students during lean period

### 35 Million liters of

ground water recharged during monsoon

#### **RWH AND GWR STRUCTURES CONSTRUCTED AT MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS AND INSTITUTIONAL BUILDINGS Plumbing Work**



#### Salient features of the project

Water conservation



Water – lean period



Surplus Water -GWR



Water holding



No water logging



**Bio-swale/borewell** 









VJT - Mineralized tanks

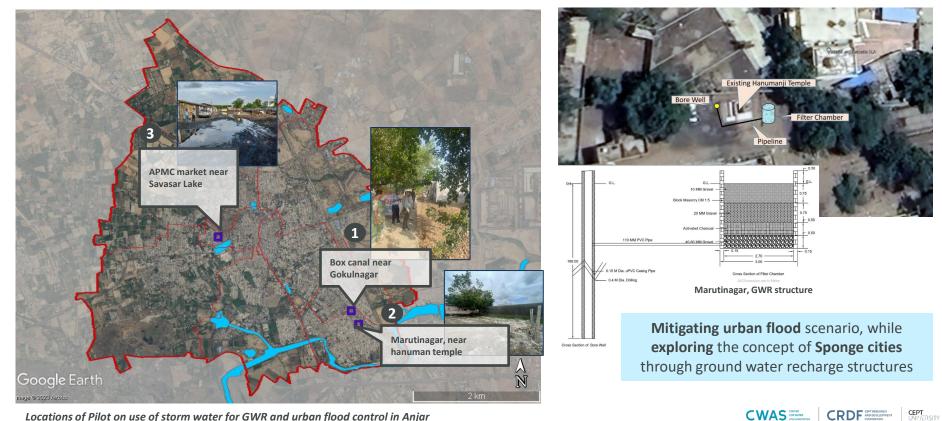






## **GROUND WATER RECHARGE STRUCTURES TO MITIGATE THE URBAN FLOOD SCENARIO**





Locations of Pilot on use of storm water for GWR and urban flood control in Anjar

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# URBAN WATER SECURITY PLANNING TOOLKIT

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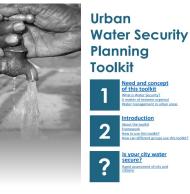
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- The approach of toolkit is to prevent crisis and move the cities towards a secure future by becoming 'self-reliant' for water
- Begin with the conservation of local water resource rather than depending on distant sources
- This toolkit has been developed to pave the way for other cities to become water secure
- It can be adapted and tailored according to the context and needs of each city

Urban water security planning toolkit available at: <u>https://cwas.org.in/resources/file\_manager/urban\_water\_security\_planning\_to\_olkit\_compressed.pdf</u>





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