

Call for corporate action

CSR for Improved Water and Sanitation

Gujarat Chamber of Commerce & Industry

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CWAS FOR WATER AND SANITATION CRDF CEPT RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION



CWAS and WASH action

CEPT University's core focus is human habitat. Through its education, research and advisory activities, it strives to improve the impact of habitat professions in enriching the lives of people in India's villages, towns and cities.

CEPT Research and Development Foundation (CRDF) has been established by the University to manage their research and capacity building activities. There are nine domain-focused centers in the CRDF. The Center for Water and Sanitation (CWAS) is among the first center to be established.

CWAS began its work in 2009 with focus on improving water and sanitation services in India. It carries out activities related to action research and capacity building – working closely with city and state governments, enabling them to improve delivery of services. CWAS is closely engaged with Faculty of Planning at CEPT University. CWAS team teach and guide students of Faculty of Planning.





Safe Water Supply and Sanitation - Need of the hour ...

12% of India's population already living the DAY ZERO enario with respect to water

scenario with respect to water. "21 major cities are racing to reach zero groundwater levels, affecting access for 100 million people" --- NITI Aayog

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but more than 40% cities supply less than 70 LPCD

POOR SANITATION

in India is estimated to cause

6.5% GDP LOSS

according to a World Bank study.

98% CITIES ODF

but by some estimates upto

81% OF WASTEWATER UNSAFELY DISPOSED

... especially in context of climate vulnerability and resilience

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India is 7th most climate vulnerable

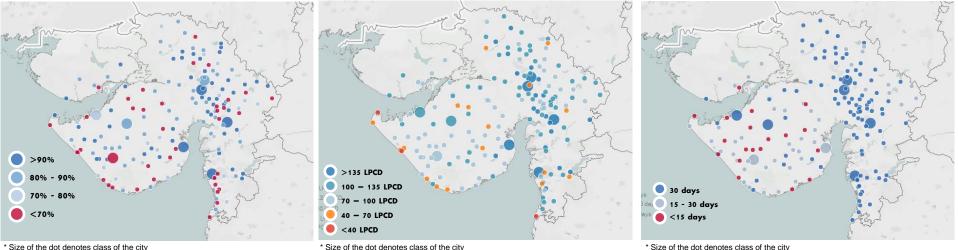
country in the world due to its diverse ecology!

Water supply – attention needed on improving service levels – Increased daily supply, number of hours, and a focus on Saurashtra

Household level WS coverage

Liter per capita at consumer end

Continuity of WS at consumer end



Size of the dot denotes class of the city

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90% households have water supply connections - But 39 small and medium cities have less than 70% coverage

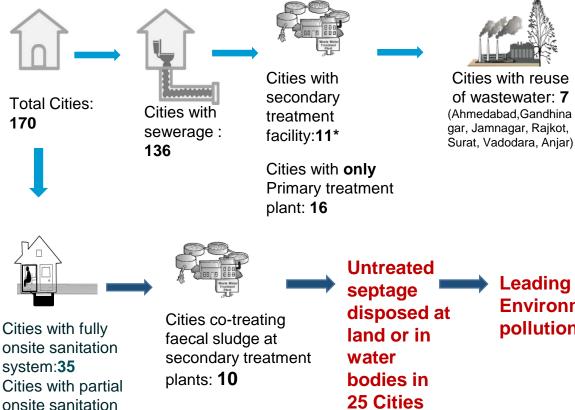
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15 % cities have higher than 135 lpcd, but 12% of cities have less than 70 lpcd

Size of the dot denotes class of the city

Many ULBs do not supply daily Alternate day: 28% of cities Less than 15 days: 11% of cities

Attention is needed for Onsite Sanitation Systems and Reuse



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system:157

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Good progress on **Sewerage** in the last decade. 136 cities have sewerage and STPs under progress **But attention needed on reuse to become WATER+**

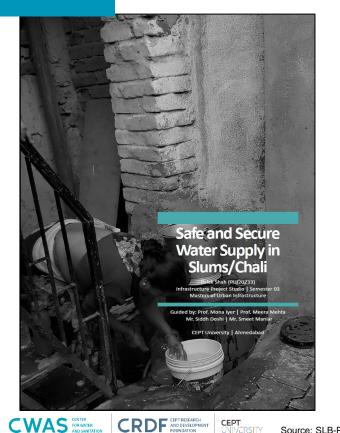
 Leading to Environment pollution
35 cities fully depend on Onsite Sanitation system and 157 cities partially dependent on onsite sanitation



Potential areas for CSR support for Water and Sanitation



Slums – improving connectivity and service levels



Slums - poor infrastructure services like water supply and sanitation contribute to higher health risks

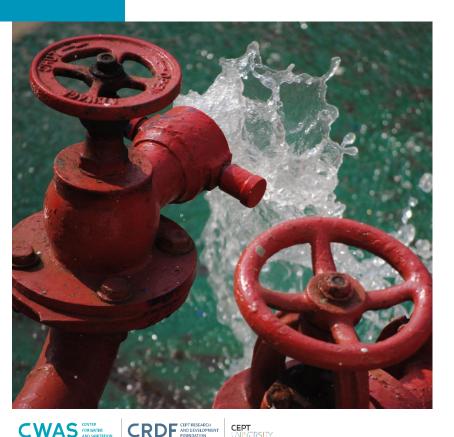
Many opportunities to improve connectivity, provide local 24*7 water supply, ensure 100% access to IHHTs, internal drainage network

Assessment of situation in slums regarding access to water in these slum pockets water

Gujarat – Access in Slums according to PAS data

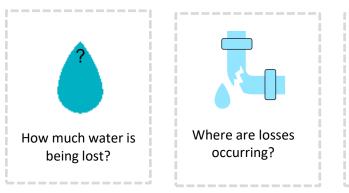


Water Audit to assess and reduce Non Revenue Water



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City Water Balance Plans to assess NRW and identify improvement projects Water audits are needed to identify losses Metering needed urgently in all cities – bulk water meters and consumer meters



Develop strategies to reduce losses and

improve

performance

Women Empowerment

Enabling formal links of SHGs with municipal authorities

Increased access to credit for sanitation through Self Help Groups, bank linkages for priority sector lending, small finance banks

Support engagement of Self Help Groups by **Municipal Governments** through formal Contracts

– municipal gardens, public toilets, awareness activities

Strengthening capacity and awareness of women councillors in small and medium cities



Water Reuse for sanitation resource parks and urban forests



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Convert STPs to Sanitation Resource Parks for training, awareness and dissemination

Urban forests to promote reuse of treated wastewater and create carbon sinks

SHGs to manage resource parks /urban forests.



Treatment facilities will be converted into Sanitation resource parks

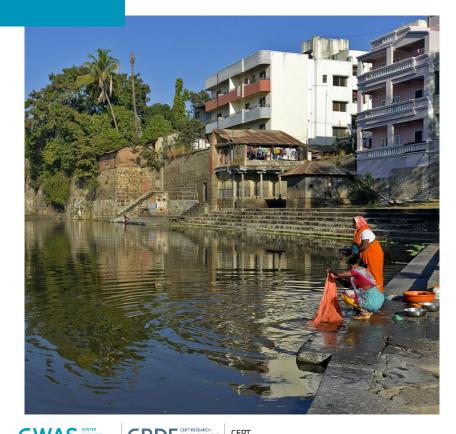


Develop urban forests to promote reuse of treated wastewater



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SMART Water and Sanitation Fellowships at Centre for Water and Sanitation, CRDF, CEPT University



- Need for Young Professionals to improve water sanitation services in Gujarat Cities
- Upskilling of In-Service officers to keep up with new and innovative technologies
- "In-Kind Voluntary" support to CWAS from Corporates engaged in water and sanitation

Digital monitoring and IOT in Water and Sanitation

Harnessing traditional water conservation practices – tankas, recharge wells Reducing industrial effluents in water body

Development of community green spaces linked to a clean water body

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About us

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The Center for Water and Sanitation (C-WAS) at CEPT University carries out various activities – action research, training, advocacy to enable state and local governments to improve delivery of services.



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