## SEWAGE TREATMENT AND REUSE OF TREATED SEWAGE



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Sewage is a liquid waste originating from toilets, urinals, kitchen, bathrooms, basins and such other domestic activities from residential, commercial, institutional or industrial area.







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- Discharging raw sewage into water bodies leads to degradation of water quality. Therefore, establishment of STPs helps in reducing water pollution and thereby maintain and improve health and hygiene of the environment.
- Adequate treatment shall aid in reuse of treated sewage for various applications like irrigation/farming, industrial use, fire extinguishing, lake restoration and such other applications; reducing fresh water demand and increasing availability of fresh water for future needs.

### • Design standards for Sewage Treatment Plants:

ch	Parameters	Typical Inlet Parameters	Outlet Parameters CPHEEO Latest Manual, 2013	Outlet Parameters as per NGT order 2019
d	BOD	250 mg/1	< 10 mg/1	< 10 mg/1
ng or	COD	500 mg/1	< 50 mg/1	< 50 mg/1
ch	Suspended Solids	400 mg/1	< 10 mg/1	< 20 mg/1
io	pН	6.8-7.2	*	*
	Ammn. Nitrogen	35 mg/1	*	*
1	TN	50 mg/1	< 10 mg/1	< 10 mg/1
ed	Dissolved P	7 mg/1	< 2 mg/1	< 1 mg/1 (Total)
	Fecal Coliform	1 x 10^5 MPN/100 ml	<230 MPN / 100 ml	<230 MPN / 100 ml

## **CONVENTIONAL TREATMENT TRAIN**



## **TREATMENT BRIEF**



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UNIT	PURPOSE		
Screens	Removal of floating impurities		
Grit Chamber	Removal of grit- sand, silt etc.		
Primary Settling Tank	Removal of inorganic suspended solids, organic and residual inorganic solids, thereby reduce load on Aeration Tank		
Aerobic/ Anaerobic Treatment	Formation of sludge (Biomass) containing organic suspended solids / Digestion of organic matter		
Secondary Settling Tank	Removal of sludge formed in Aeration Tank and release of clear supernatant		
Chlorination	Disinfection purpose- removal of micro organisms (fecal coliform)		
Sludge Treatment Units	SludgeDigestion(Aerobic/Anaerobic),Thickening and Dewatering of Sludge		



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Secondary **Treated** 



**Primary Treated** 



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### **Inlet Chamber**



Pr. Settling Tank



Mech. Screen



**Aeration Tank** 





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Sec. Settling Tank



**Chlorination Tank** 



**Sludge Digester** 



Centrifuge

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- Since the emergence of treatment and disposal of sewage, myriad of factors have been evolved that has led to advancement in treatment technologies.
  - To name a few factors- population rise and increased sewage generation, pollution load on disposal sinks, stringent law and regulation, increasing fresh water demand, reuse / recycle of treated sewage etc.

	Technology Elevation					
	Before 1970	Till 2000	<b>Current Scenario</b>			
•	Stabilization Ponds Aerated Lagoons Conventional Filtration System	<ul> <li>Conventional Activated Sludge Process (ASP)</li> <li>Up-flow Anaerobic Sludge Blanket (UASB)</li> <li>Trickling Filter (TF)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>State of the art technologies like</li> <li>Sequential Batch Reactor (SBR)</li> <li>Membrane Bio Reactor (MBR)</li> <li>Moving Bed Bio Reactor (MBBR)</li> <li>Integrated Fixed Film Activated Sludge (IFAS)</li> <li>Oxidation Ditch (OD)</li> </ul>			

# **SEQUENTIAL BATCH REACTOR**

Sewage





- Group of Even number of Reactors
- Modified Activated Sludge Process (ASP)
- Reduction of BOD, SS, TN
- Equalization, primary clarification, biological treatment and secondary clarification can be achieved in a single reactor vessel -Requires small space -Minimal footprint
- Controlled react time and quiescent settling.
- High BOD & nutrient removal capabilities.
- Filamentous growth elimination

# INTEGRATED FIXED FILM ACTIVATED SLUDGE / **MOVING BED BIO REACTOR**



Sewage

Modified Activated Sludge (ASP) with Process biofilm carrier elements.

TREATED

Effluent

- Reduction of BOD, SS,
- TN Successful technology for retrofitting and upgradation of existing plant as addition of media increases the total available surface area without increasing volume of Aeration Tank.
- capacity without Increased increasing load to clarifiers.
- Resistant to wash outs.
- Bio mass responds to loading fluctuations.



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**OXIDATION DITCH** 

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**Effluent Weir** 

**Oxidation Ditch** 

Rotor

- The constant water level and continuous discharge, which lowers the weir overflow rate and eliminates the periodic effluent surge, make the technology reliable over other biological processes.
- Its long hydraulic retention time and complete mixing reduces the impact of a shock load or hydraulic surge.
- Because of its extended biological activity during the activated sludge process, the oxidation ditch produces less sludge compared with other biological treatment processes.
- The process is energy-efficient.

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Clarifiers

Effluent

## **MEMBRANE BIO REACTOR**

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- Modified Activated Sludge Process (ASP) with membrane filtration
- Reduction of BOD, SS, TN

- Retention of all suspended matter and most soluble compounds within the bioreactor leads to excellent quality capable of meeting stringent discharge requirements and opening the door to direct water reuse.
- The feed wastewater only needs to be screened to remove larger solids that damages the membrane, eliminating other pre and post treatment.
- Possibility of retaining all bacteria and viruses results in a sterile effluent, eliminating extensive disinfection that would be required otherwise.
- Results in more compact systems reducing plant footprint.



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Sewage: Composition and Characteristics					
Sewage Treatment Plants-Purpose	Factors	SBR	IFAS/MBBR	MBR	OD
Conventional Treatment Train	Application	Reduction/ Removal of BOD, SS, TN*			
Design Basis	Settling Tank Requirement	Not Required	Required	Not Required	Required
Technology Evolution	Foot Print	Compact	Compact	Least	Higher
Sequential Batch Reactor	Retrofitting in existing plants	Technically non- viable	Technically viable	Technically viable	Technically non- viable
Integrated Fixed Film Activated	Operation and Maintenance	Higher than OD	Higher than OD	Highest	Lower
Bed Bio Reactor Oxidation Ditch	Power Consumption	Higher than OD	Higher than OD	Highest	Lower

\*For enhanced Biological Nutrient Removal, Anoxic and Anaerobic Tanks shall be provided.







Membrane Bio

Reactor

**Reuse of Treated** Sewage





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Sewage:			
Composition and Characteristics	Parameter	Aerobic	Anaerobic
Sewage Treatment Plants-Purpose	Energy Requirement	High – 150	Low – Almost Nil
Conventional Treatment Train Treatment Brief Desian Basis	Degree of Treatment (For Domestic Wastewater)	High (> 95%)	Moderate (~50%)
Technology Evolution	Sludge Production	High	Low
Sequential Batch Reactor Integrated Fixed	Process Stability (To toxic compounds and load changes)	Moderate to High	Low to Moderate
Sludge / Moving Bed Bio Reactor	Start up time	2 to 4 weeks	~ 4 months
Oxidation Ditch	Odor	Low	Moderate
Membrane Bio Reactor Technology	Biogas Production as Energy	No	Yes – 110 KWh / ML (from Sludge digestors
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- Rising population and urbanization increase in cumulative water demand. (household, commercial, industrial)
- This has increased stress on fresh water resources.
- Planning and approach for water and wastewater management needs а paradigm shift.
- The need of the hour is to amalgamate water and wastewater management and proceed towards sustainability.





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- Government of Gujarat launched a Policy on 'Reuse of Treated Wastewater' on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2018.
- The policy lays time bound and systematic plan of reusing Treated Wastewater fully by 2030.
- Therefore, it shall be mandatory in near future to reuse the sewage collected.

### VISION

The policy envisions maximizing the collection and treatment of sewage generated, and reusing the treated wastewater on a sustainable basis, thereby reducing dependency on fresh water resources; and to promote treated wastewater as an economic resource.



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- Reduces use of potable grade water and thereby conserves potable water for future.
- Reduces pressure on water resources in the city.
- Net potable water saved, may be diverted for the drinking water purpose.
- Reduces diversion of drinking water for non-potable purposes.
- Dependence on bore-wells and private tanker operators may be eliminated.
- Assured water supply and assured revenue generation.
- Conserve valuable ground water resources for future generation.
- Assured resource during scarcity.
- Reduces estuary/river pollution load.
- Improvisation of the river ecosystem.
- Techno-economically, most feasible option for water conservation.
- Reduces overall cost and energy.
- Facilitates recycling of wastewater an environmentally sound and progressive advance practice.





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## **INTEGRATED WATER MANAGEMENT**











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**Waterdrops** 

India Trails the World in Water Availability % Share of Share of global water land area resources Rank in water availability Share of world population Rank in water quality E. cubic metres Per capita availability SOURCE: Water Resources Information System of India

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# **CURRENT PRACTICES**

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- No Integrated water management policy
- Treating all water abstracted to drinking water standards when only 1-5% is used for drinking and cooking. Using water of drinking water standard to wash cars, irrigate gardens and flush toilets.
- Missing Long Term Planning goals
- No Need-based budgeting, No self-financing
  - Standalone Water Supply and Wastewater System projects
  - Withdrawing fresh surface water and disposing wastewater untreated / partially treated ignoring the downstream users
- No standard policy Now recently launched in May 2018
- No Integration of National and Transboundary water management
- Inappropriate and ineffective water management results in:
  - wasted money
  - wasted water
  - reduced availability of and access to water
  - reduced economic and social development



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## **THE HYDRO-SOCIAL CYCLE**



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- By 2050, India's total water demand will increase by 32%. Industrial and Domestic sectors will account for 85% of the additional demand (Ref: Vineeth Menon, Lakshmi Poti)
- Rising population and urbanization has led to increase in cumulative water demand. (household, commercial, industrial)
  - This has increased stress on fresh water resources.
- Moreover, lack of planning and sustainable approach has accelerated water pollution and such other related issues.
- Planning and approach for water and wastewater management needs a paradigm shift.
- The need of the hour is to amalgamate water and wastewater management and proceed towards sustainability.



# **INTEGRATED APPROACH: MEANING**





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## WATER CONSERVATION







## **ENGINEERED WATER CYCLE**

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APPROACH & METHODOLOGY Water Conservation Engineered Water Cycle Water management: Counting the Waterdrops Establishment of Dual Plumbing System at every resident in the city. This system has two water supply lines: one for potable water supply and the other for reclaimed water.

The reclaimed water is the wastewater that has been treated to remove solids and chemical impurities, making it suitable for reusing the water for toilet flushing, gardening and such other uses except for drinking / cooking / bathing purposes.



This shall lower the fresh water demand as well as save water for future needs. ..... Towards GREEN Engineering Solutions

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APPROACH & METHODOLOGY Water Conservation Engineered Water Cycle Water management: Counting the Waterdrops Introduction of decentralized Tertiary Sewage Treatment Plants (TSTPs) for the sewage generated by the villages to generate treated water that can be used for irrigation purposes in nearby farms.



The percentage of potable water used up for irrigation is quiet high. Therefore, by this scheme, huge amount of reduction can be made in the fresh water supply for irrigation purposes thereby saving the overall fresh water for future needs.

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### INTEGRATED WATER MANAGEMENT IWM: Meaning Need for Integrated Approach Integrated Approach: Meaning

APPROACH & METHODOLOGY Water Conservation Engineered Water Cycle Water management: Counting the Waterdrops The Sewage Treatment Plants run by the government can be up-graded and the sewage shall be treated up to Industrial Grade Water. The recycled water can thus be supplied to various water intensive industries to meet their water requirements. This can cut off the fresh water requirements by the industries, reducing load on the water resources.



Tertiary Sewage Treatment Plant of 40 MLD net output capacity at Bamroli, Surat to generate Industrial Grade Water and transmitted to Pandesara GIDC.





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Ground water recharge through Rain Water Harvesting with a scientific approach is one of the efficient way to increase the storage quantity of potable water.

Through engineered piping networks, rain water shall be transported to the underground water- bearing permeable strata / aquifer. As per necessity the water can be extracted back from the aquifer through water wells.

Harvesting at individual house level is not very efficient and there is a need to plan rain water harvesting at the city level. If rain water harvesting is done at city level, we can get large quantities of water that can supplement other available water resources.

A few sustainable alterations can help us fight against the ever rising water demand challenges. A change in the thinking attitude can lead to major winnings.







