## Module 10 – (L38 – L40): "Water Conservation & Recycling": Water Conservation, Perspective on recycle and reuse, Waste water reclamation.

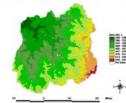
# WATERSHED MANAGEMENT

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Lecture No- 40 Water Reclamation & Reuse

# VATERSHED MANAGEMENT 40 – Water Reclamation & Reuse Topics Covered Reclaimed water, Reclamation processes, Reuse of water Keywords: Water reclamation, water reuse





## Introduction – Reclaimed Water

- Reclaimed water or recycled water former wastewater - treated to remove solids & certain impurities, & used in sustainable landscaping irrigation or to recharge groundwater aquifers.
- Purpose <u>sustainability</u> & <u>water conservation</u>, rather than discharging treated water to surface waters such as rivers & oceans.
- Reclaimed water "End product of wastewater reclamation - meets water quality requirements for biodegradable materials, suspended matter & pathogens - uses such as agriculture & sundry industry uses.

## Introduction – Reclaimed Water

- For maximum water reuse/reclamation/recovery strategies such as <u>water pinch</u> analysis (WPA - systematic technique for reducing water consumption & wastewater generation through integration of water-using activities or processes) it help a user to target the minimum freshwater consumption & wastewater target. It also helps in designing the network that achieves the target.
- Cost of reclaimed water exceeds that of <u>potable water</u> in many regions of the world
- Using reclaimed water for non-potable uses saves potable water for drinking
- Usage of water reclamation decreases the pollution sent to sensitive environments

## Reclaimed Water - Concerns

- Reclaimed water highly engineered for safety & reliability so that the quality of reclaimed water is more predictable than many existing surface & groundwater sources.
- Reclaimed water safe when appropriately used.
- Reclaimed water planned for use in recharging aquifers or augmenting surface water receives adequate & reliable treatment before mixing with natural water & undergoing natural restoration processes.
- Some of this water eventually becomes part of drinking water supplies.
- Reclaimed water is often distributed with a <u>dual piping</u> network that keeps reclaimed water pipes completely separate from potable water pipes.

## **Reclamation Processes**

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- Preliminary treatment Bar screen- solids removal
- Primary Treatment Settling Tanks Readily settable and floatable solids are removed from the wastewater
- Biological Treatment uses microorganisms- bacteria which digest the sludge and reduce the nutrient content
- Secondary Treatment Settling Tanks microorganisms to settle to the bottom- other small particles suspended in the water are picked up, leaving behind clear wastewater.
- Tertiary Treatment Deep-bed, single-media, gravity sand filters receive water from the secondary basins and filter out the remaining solids.
- Disinfection Chlorine Contact Tanks

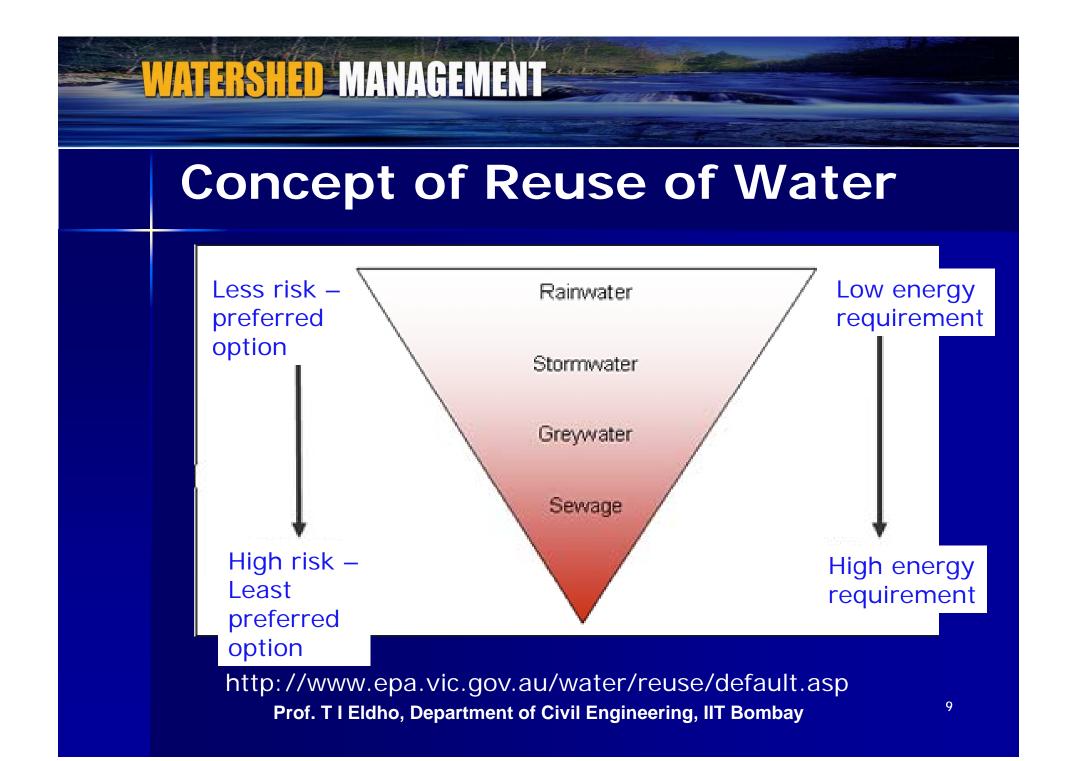
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## **Concept of Reuse of Water**

- Reuse is most applicable where large volumes of water are reused & wastes are not too contaminated
- Location of treatment plant and possible transport of renovated water – Important considerations
- Treatment Processes Efficient and economical when flow is steady
- Generally in urban areas Irregular flow
- Wastewater Reclamation: Treatment or processing waste water to make it reusable
- Water Reuse: Use of treated wastewater for beneficial use

## **Concept of Reuse of Water**

- Direct wastewater reuse: requires pipes or other conveyance facilities for delivering reclaimed water
- Indirect use: Discharge of an effluent to receiving water for assimilation and withdrawals downstream
- Pulp & Paper Industry- Water reuse -Predominantly practiced
- Domestic reuse: Best recycle opportunity but amount of water recycled falls short of the total amount of water reused
- Warm dry areas Suitable for domestic reuse where there is a large difference between supplied water and waste water due to losses



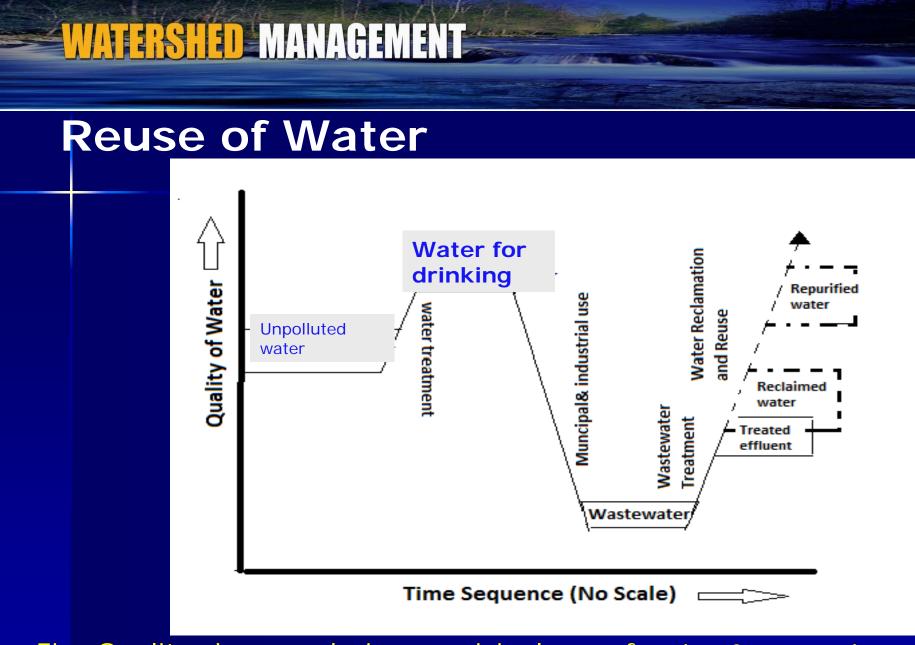


Fig: Quality changes during municipal use of water & concept<sub>10</sub> of wastewater reclamation & reuse (Mc Gauhey, 2006)

## Water Reclamation & Reuse

- Water treatment for drinking water meets standards for drinking water
- Municipal & industrial uses degrade the water quality
- Wastewater treatment: Treatment is carried out to the point required by regulatory agencies for protection of other beneficial uses
- Dashed line in figure represents increased quality for reuse
- Concept of reclamation and reuse will come after wastewater reaches the natural unpolluted water

## Water Reclamation & Reuse

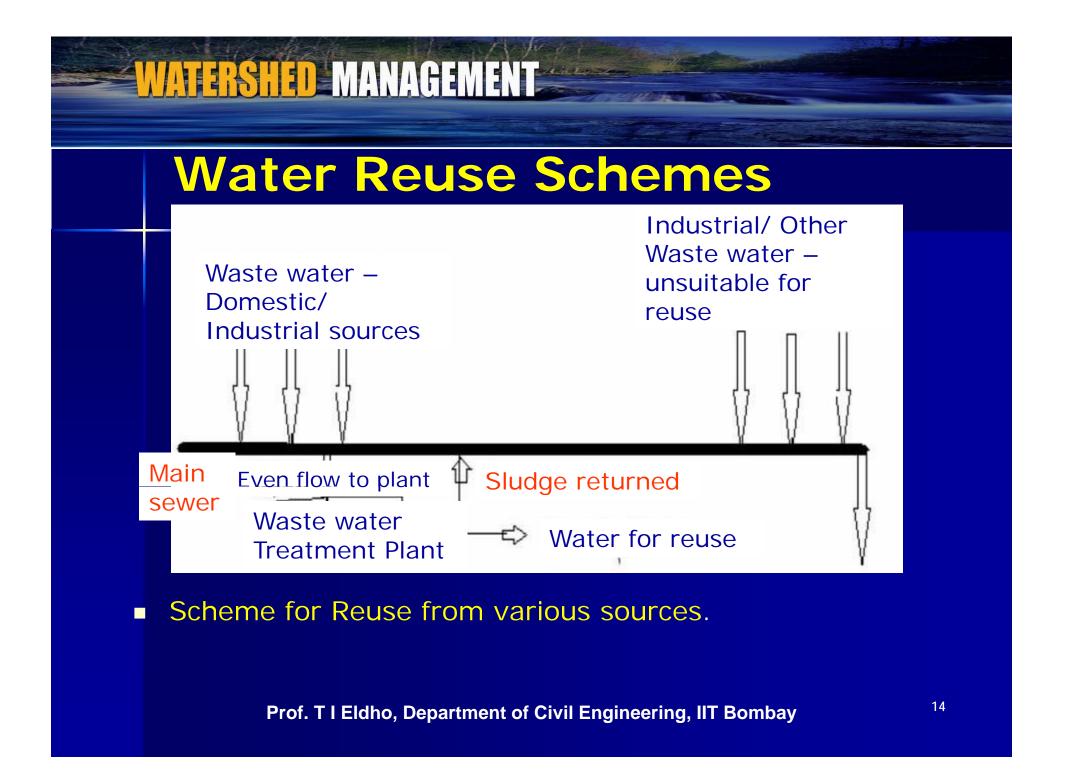
Repurified Water:

- Generated by further advanced wastewater reclamation technologies
- Carbon adsorption, Advanced oxidation & reverse osmosis
- Generate much higher quality than conventional drinking water
- Character of wastewater entering in renovated plant Important and especially industrial waste water
- EX: Ordinary salt brines, undesirable for if the renovated to be demineralized

## Water Reuse Schemes

- Reuse from various sources Rainwater, Drainage systems, sewer systems etc.
- Scheme depends on intended reuse

- Reuse of waste water
- Source of wastewater
- Survey of the sewer system- for finding wastewater availability for reuse
- Highly contaminated with metals or containing a high total concentration of dissolved solids- unacceptable
- Deliberate use of treated waste water in planned way is important



## Water Reuse – Schemes

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- Unplanned cities draw water supplies from rivers that receive wastewater u/s. Water from these rivers -reused, treated, & piped into the water supply a number of times before the last d/s user withdraws the water.
- Planned developed with the goal of beneficially reusing a recycled water supply.

#### The water reuse may be for

- Agricultural purposes- for agricultural reuse- preliminary, primary and secondary treatment steps - fit for discharge to the environment.
- Industrial or domestic purposes- may be tertiary treatment required to remove the more residual pollutants, especially the dissolved and refractory substances & micro-organisms depending on the use contemplated.

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## **Types of Wastewater Reuse**

- Reuse of urban wastewater in agriculture and horticulture from sewered areas.
- Reuse of urban wastewater from polluted nallahs draining unsewered areas.
- Reuse in industrial and commercial establishments to meet the water shortage.
- Reuse in industry to meet various other objectives besides relief from water shortage such as 'zero discharge'.
- Reuse for major urban & community development purposes; eg. to augment public water supplies.

## Reuse in Industries

- Typical strategy followed by most of the industries is as follows:
  - Firstly, practice as much conservation of water as possible.
  - Secondly, recycle the fraction of waste water which is in relatively good condition & can be recycled back with little or no treatment.
  - Thirdly, arrange more 'reuse' after some treatment to make the industry's own wastewater fit for reuse.
  - Lastly, if more reuse is needed, get the external sources of wastewater, such as municipal sewage.

## Water Reuse in India – Example 1

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#### Madras Refineries & Madras Fertilizers Ltd., Chennai:

- Madras Refineries is producing 12 Mld of reusable water and Madras Fertilizer is producing 16 Mld of reusable water since 1991.
- Here the Chennai Metro Water Board supplies secondary treated sewage (with about 120 mg/L BOD) and the Industries provide the further required treatment depending on their end-use.

Secondary Treated Wastewater -> Additional Secondary Biological Treatment -> Chemically Aided Settling + Pressure Filtration + Ammonia Stripping, Carbonation, Clarification, Pressure Filtration-> Chlorination -> Sodium Bisulfite Dosing -> Multimedia Filtration -> Cartridge Filtration -> Reverse Osmosis -> Permeate for Reuse in Industry. 18

## Water Reuse in India – Example 2

#### Vadodara Pilot Plant, Gujarat:

This plant uses highly polluted wastewater from a "effluent disposal channel" into which several industries (such as refineries, fertilizers, petrochemicals) discharge their raw wastes with a capacity of 3 Mld freshwater.

The plant shows that at least 75% of wastewater could be made reusable at an operating cost of Rs. 36/ 1000 litres. The flow sheet adopted in the plant include:

Wastewater -> Chem-feeds (Lime, Polyelec, Soda Ash) -> Clarification-> HCl -> Pressure Filtration -> Sodium Biosulfite -> Cartridge Filters ->Reverse Osmosis -> Degasser to Remove CO2 -> for Reuse in Industry

## **Future of Water Reuse**

- Due to water scarcity Water reuse increasing
- Reuse through recycling/ reclamation found to be effective and successful.
- Primarily Nonpotable reuse widely accepted practice that will continue to grow.
- More advances technologies in recycling/ reclamation
- Indirect potable reuse.

- More energy efficient
- Sustainable water management/ watershed management
- Public participation & awareness important.

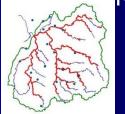
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## Tutorials - Question!.?.

- Critically analyze and study the scope of water reuse in India.
- Do the urban water scarcity can be reduced by reuse of water?.
- Study and compare various case studies available on reuse and evaluate the benefits/costs.
- (Ref: Arceivala, S.J., and Asolekar, S.R., (2007), "Wastewater Treatment for Pollution Control and Reuse", Tata-McGraw-Hill, New Delhi.)

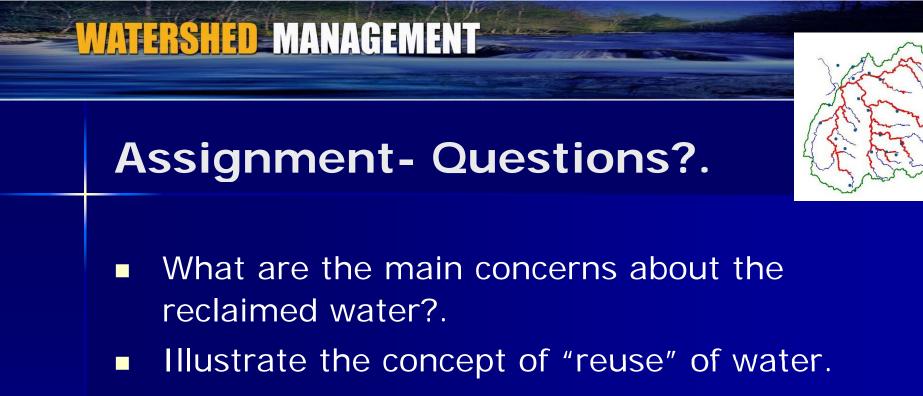


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## **Self Evaluation - Questions!**.



- What are the important reclamation processes?
- Illustrate the "water reuse schemes".
- Discuss various issues related to "Water reuse" in Industries.



- Describe the types of "waste water reuse".
- Which are the places where reuse is possible?.

Summary– Course on "Watershed Management"

- Introduce "Watershed Management" & establish its relevance & concepts.
- Present the fundamental principles, Theories, Modeling, Analyses & applications
- Demonstrate how these are used in the field of "Watershed Management".
- Discussed various aspects of watershed & its management – Integrated Watershed Management Approach.
- Consists of 40 lectures presenting the concepts, theory, applications & case studies

## Summary – Course on "Watershed Management"

- Course discussed various aspects of watershed development and management.
- Watershed resources Land, water, Forests, Agriculture, Flora & Fauna.
- Watershed Management: technological, social, ecological, environmental, sustainable issues.
- Course Focus technical aspects of WM; perspectives on land & water management; analyze complex issues in water management and on specific knowledge on issues of WM; Use of Modern techniques in Watershed Management.

## Summary – Course on "Watershed Management"

#### Course Modules -10 (40L)

- 1) Introduction and Basic Concepts 3
- 2) Sustainable Watershed Approach & Watershed Management Practices - 4
- 3) Integrated Watershed Management 4
- 4) Watershed Modeling 7
- 5) Social Aspects of Watershed Management 3
- 6) Use of modern techniques in watershed management -5
- 7) Management of Water Quality -4
- 8) Storm Water and Flood Management -4
- 9) Drought Management -3
- 10) Water Conservation and Recycling -3

## **Concluding Remarks**

- Importance of "Watershed Management"
- "Holistic approach" needed

- Watershed Management -Different aspects & approaches
- Course all aspects of "Watershed" & related issues
- Theoretical aspects covered in the best possible way
- Number of case studies from various sources given
- Tutorial, self evaluation, assignment & unsolved questions provided
- Video course will be useful for systematic study of 'Watershed Management"

## **Concluding Remarks**

- Course will be useful to students "Bachelor, Masters & Ph.D." Levels – Civil, Agriculture, Geography, Geology, Resources, Environmental Engineering, Humanities, Management etc.
- Course will be also useful to "Teachers" teaching "Watershed & Water Management" related topics.
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