HYDROSPHERE

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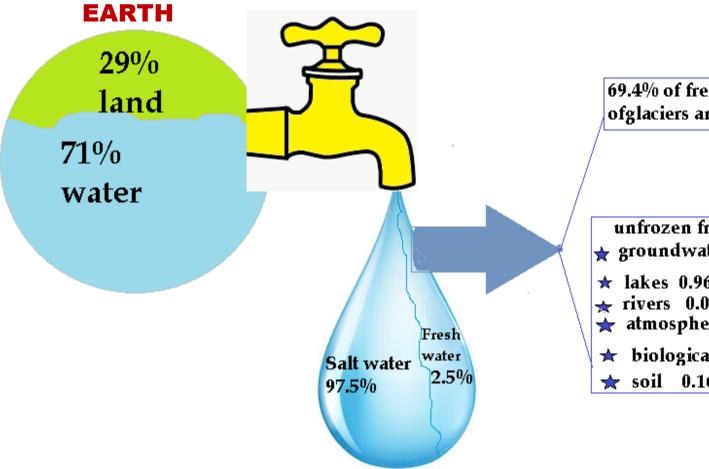
Biomagnification

Eutrophication

Introduction

- The hydrosphere contains about 71% of the surface of the Earth and is the home for many plants and animals. 97.5% of the water on Earth is salt water present in oceans and seas.
- The oceans are salty due to weathering of rocks that adds to the mineral content of the water.
- 2.5% of water on Earth is fresh water (frozen and unfrozen).

Introduction



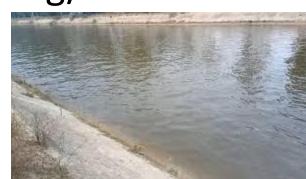
69.4% of fresh water is frozen in form ofglaciers and polar ice caps

unfrozen fresh water as:

- 🙀 groundwater 98.7%
- **★ lakes 0.96%**
- 🜟 rivers 0.02%
- atmosphere 0.12%
- ★ biological 0.01%
- soil 0.16%

Types of water

- Sea/ marine/oceanic water
 salt content is more than 3.5mg/l
- Brackish water
 salt content is 0.5-3.5 mg/l
- Fresh water
 salt content is less than 0.5mg/l



Aquatic Ecosystem

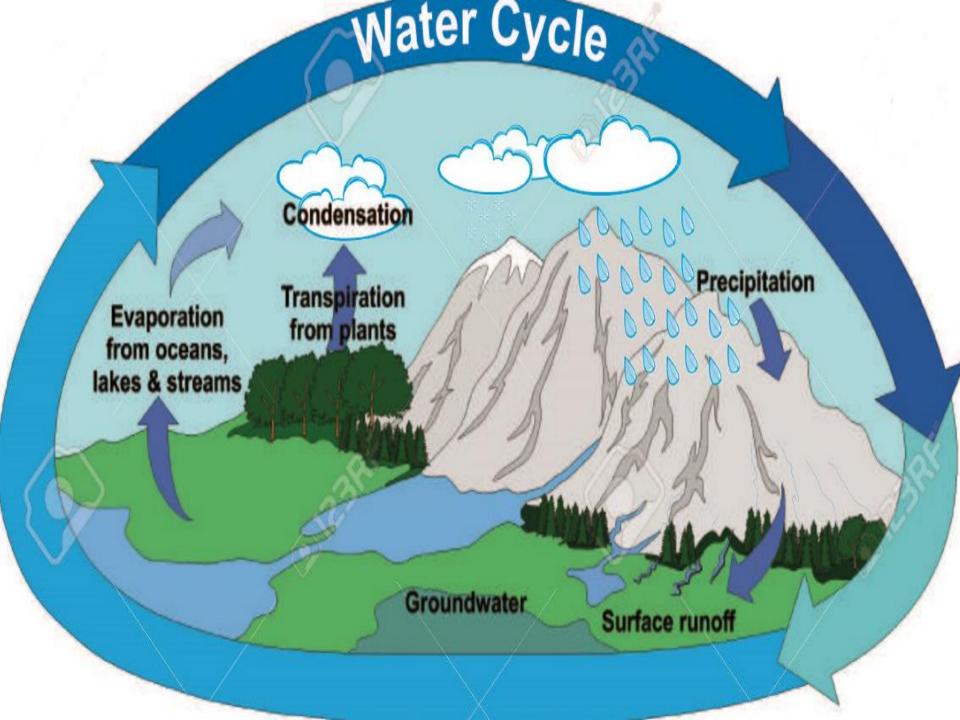
- Marine Ecosystems
- Oceans
- Intertidal zone
- Estuaries
- Coral reefs
- Freshwater Ecosystems
- Streams/rivers (Lotic-flowing)
- Lakes, ponds and pools (Lentic-static)
- Wetlands











Major sources of water

- Precipitation: Rain, Snow, Hail and Sleet (rain is the purest water in nature)
- Surface water: mainly depend upon rainfall
- Rivers
- Groundwater: infiltrates through the soil
- Frozen water: glaciers
- Sea/ Oceanic water



Water pollution



- Alteration in physical, chemical and biological properties of water due to the addition of excess of undesirable substances that make it harmful to man, animal and aquatic life.
- Water pollutants: is a physical or biotic component which adversely alters the environment by affecting growth rate of species, interfering with the food chain, health, comforts, amenities or property value of man.

Major water pollutants

- Pathogens
- Chemical pollutants

organic pollutants: detergents, VOC's, fuels inorganic pollutants: industrial discharge

Macroscopic pollutants
 garbage, plastic pellets or shipwrecks





Sources of water pollution

 Surface water pollution: domestic wastes, industrial effluents, farm run-off, oil, radioactive, silt etc.

Underground water pollution

Marine water pollution









Consequences of water pollution

UNITED STATES

MEXICO

Gulf of

Atlantic Ocean

 Algal blooming/Eutrophication dead zone: Gulf of Mexico

Deoxgenation

 Biomagnification/Bioaccumulation/Bio DDT, BHC, Endrin, Mercury

DDT: dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane

BHC: benzenehexachloride

DDT and BHC (chlorinated pesticides) are keep pesticides all over the world.

 Eutophication (nitrates and phosphates): mostly seen in ponds and lakes Biomagnification is increase in the concentration of non-biodegradable toxic material at each successive trophic level of food

chain.

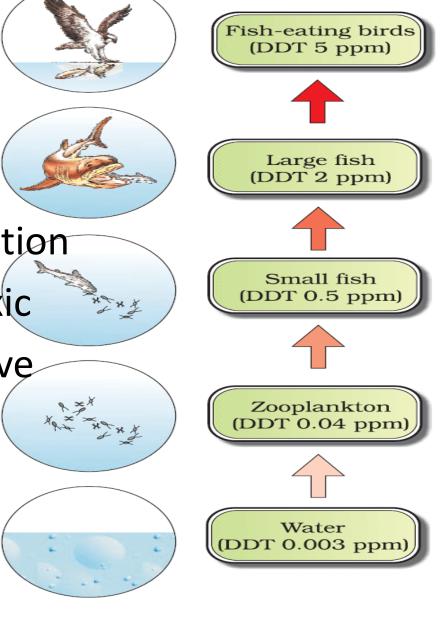
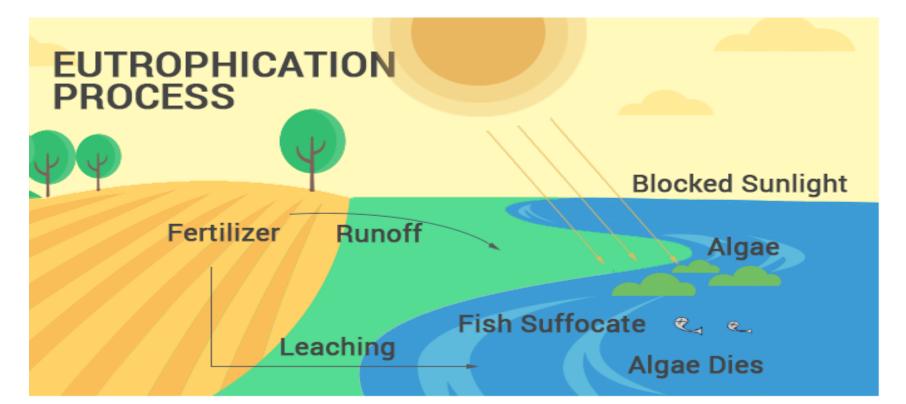


Figure-Biomagnification of DDT in an aquatic food chain

EUTROPHICATION

• In Greek, eutrophication means "wellnourished". But eutrophication in the sense of water science, it's more like an "overnourished" water body.



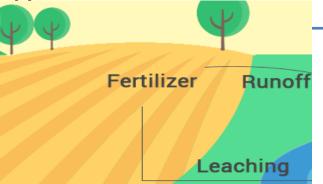
Eutrophication occurs in 4 simple steps:

EXCESS UTRIENTS • farmers apply fertilizer to the soil. Then, excess nutrients run off from the field into the water.

ALĞAE BLOOM: • the fertilizer rich in nitrate and phosphate spark the overgrowth of algae in water bodies.

OXYGEN DEPLETION DEAD ZONES

- algae formed, blocks sunlight from entering water and uses up oxygen.
 Eventually, water becomes oxygen-depleted.
- : Finally, water that is completely depleted of oxygen becomes a dead zone and can no longer support life.





NO WATER NO LIFE



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- o silt
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- GAP (Ganga Action Plan)
- YAP (Yamuna Action plan)

Industrial Pollutants

DDT: cerebral haemorrhage, hypertension,

 Mercury: Minamanta (Japan, 1952); impaired speech, blurred vision, ger diseases



Lead: Anaemia, headache, paralysis, mutagenic diseases

 Cadmium: Itai-Itai (rheumatic pain), kidney damage, anaemia

Arsenic : mental disturbance, blackening of notice cirrhosis, ulcers, lung cancer

• Selenium: Fever, nervousness, vomiting, dentar carres

Chromium : Cancer, nephritis, gastrointestinal ulceration, liner damage

Pollution due to industrial wastes

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Nitrates : Blue-baby syndrome,
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Cyanide : thyr

Copper: anaemia, liver and

Chlorine : High blood press

Coliform bacteria: food col

Parameters to calculate water pollution

DO (Dissolved Oxygen)

amount of oxygen dissolved in water; less the value of DO, more is the pollution.

8.0mg/l indicates pollution

below 4.0mg/l heavy pollution

BOD (Biological Oxygen Demand)

Amount of oxygen required by the microorganisms to decompose organic matter for 5 days at 20 degree Celsius.

high the value of BOD, high is the pollution

COD (Chemical Oxygen Demand)

amount of oxygen required by chemicals like potassium dichromate and potassium permanganate to decompose organic matter.

high the value of COD, high is the pollution



Water Analysis Kit



BOD Incubator



COD Analysis

Treatment of polluted water

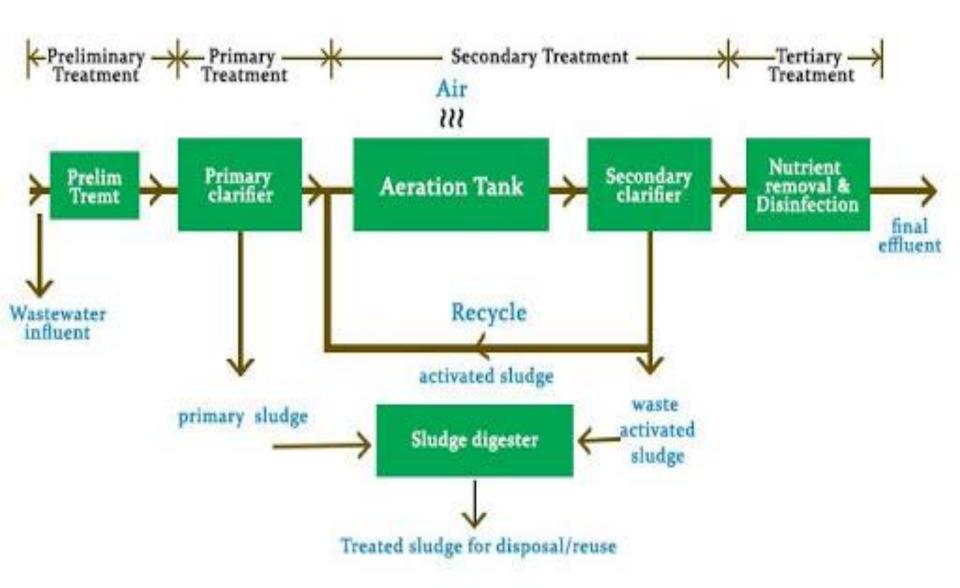
Physical/ Primary Treatment

- Screening and filtration: stationary/moving screens to remove large pieces of organic matter
- 2. Sedimentation: settling down of insoluble or suspended material under the influence of gravity
- **3. Floatation process:** to remove particles with densities lower than water
- 4. Shredding: cutting of larger pieces smaller ones by particles suspended settled on bottom



Secondary/ Biological Treatment

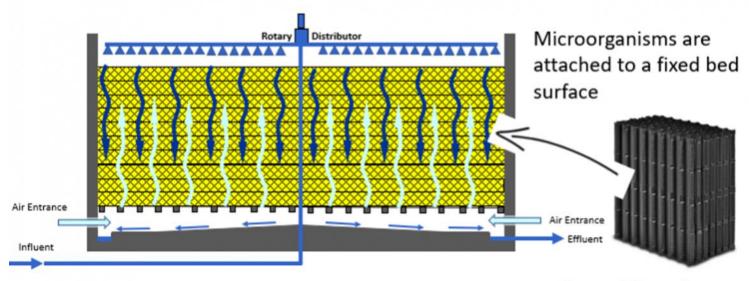
- 1. Activated sludge process (ASP): waste water is passed through a series of 4 tanks where anaerobic and aerobic decomposition are carried out by sludge of algae and bacteria.
- 2. Oxidation ponds
- 3. <u>Trickling filters:</u> sewage is passed through a thick layer of gravel having sewage fungus or bacteria where the organic matter is completely decomposed.
- 4. Septic tanks



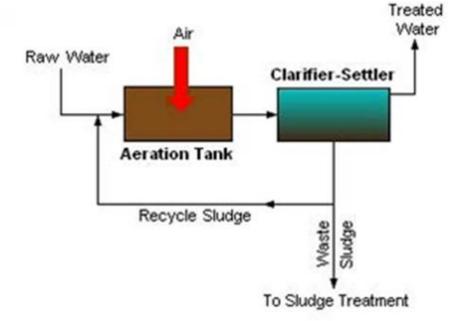
Activated Sludge Process (ASP)

Trickling filter function

Organic matter and/or ammonia removal



Plastic fill media



Tertiary/ Chemical Treatment

Chemical precipitation

Adsorption process

Disinfection

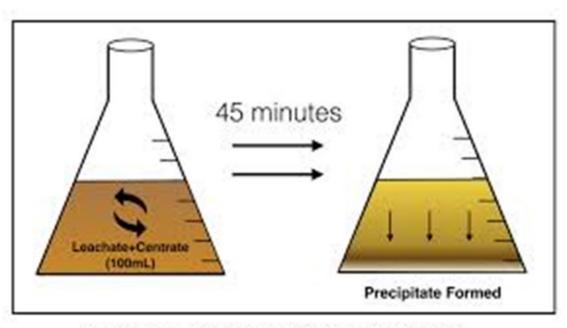


Image 1: Chemical Precipitation Process

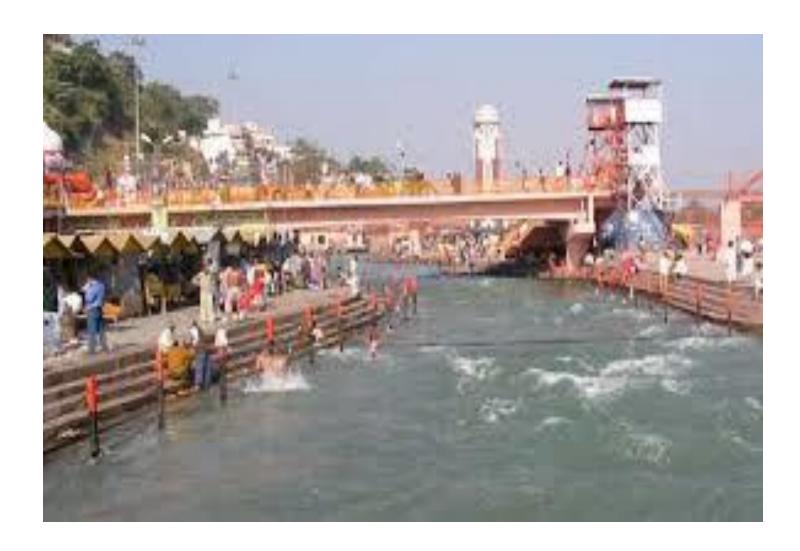
Action taken by GOI

 Ganga action plan started in 1985

Yamuna action plan
 started on 10th December, 1997
 14 sewage plants in Delhi
 proper tratment of Panipat cooperative sugar,
 distillery and refineries
 no effluents from NFL

River Ganga





Phases of the GAP

Phase - I

1

Phase - II

Phase – I, launched in June 1985 was the first attempt of Government to clean the river Ganga. To accomplish this task a total of 2061 projects of pollution abatement covering 25 towns in 3 states – UP, Bihar & West Bengal were sanctioned at a cost of Rs. 462 crores.

Since GAP Phase – I did not cover the pollution load of Ganga fully, GAP Phase – II was approved from 1993 on wards. It included the Gomti Action Plan, Yamuna Action Plan and Damodar Action Plan and Mahanada Action Plan

Permissible limits of drinking water

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Ph 6.5-8.5
Hardness 300-600mg/l
Alkalinity 200-600mg/l
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- TDS 500-2000mg/l
- DO 5-6mg/l
- Nitrates 45-100mg/l
- Fluoride 1.0-1.5mg/l
- Chloride 250-1000mg/l
- BOD 2mg/l
- COD 250mg/l