

# FINAL REPORT SANTE BRAC PROJECT

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# 1 Introduction

## 1.1 Background

Compared to many other developing countries, the official sanitation coverage in Bangladesh is relatively good. In Southern Asia, only 34% population has access to improved sanitation facilities (United Nations, 2010), whereas in Bangladesh 55% of the urban and 52% of the rural people is connected (JMP, 2010). The most common form of sanitation is pit latrines: 42% of the urban and 70% of the rural population uses pit latrines (JMP, 2010). The locally available materials, high affordability and easiness to install all contribute to the pit latrine's popularity. Yet, pit latrines also come with drawbacks. As Bangladesh generally has a high groundwater table and most rural people use groundwater as drinking water source, water source pollution occurs, leading to sickness and death due to diarrheal diseases. Moreover, as the pits fill up with groundwater or rainwater (after floods), the pits and therefore the toilets become unusable. This project aimed at tackling the sanitation approach in different areas in Bangladesh, each suffering from different natural challenges: high groundwater tables, highly prone to flooding, rocky soils. By involving local counterparts and their network of small enterprises, the sub-goal was to enhance local entrepreneurs in their endeavours to be part of a sustainable sanitation chain, thereby making sustainable sanitation reachable for a large number of households in Bangladesh. The idea of this project was to use existing concepts and have them adjusted to the Bangladeshi situation with respect to: 1) hydro-geographical challenges (flood area; rocky soils; high groundwater tables); 2) social acceptance; and 3) the availability of materials. Some materials used in standard designs may be too expensive or not available locally, making an adaptation to the Bangladeshi situation necessary for any sanitation solution to be sustainable.

## 1.2 Project objectives

The project aimed to achieve 3 different results:

1. Safe sanitation solutions identified with involvement of entrepreneurs;
2. Innovative safe sanitation solutions identified and disseminated through a contest;
3. Safe sanitation solutions disseminated among a wide audience.

## 1.3 Project set-up

The project was aimed to flow through the following steps:

### **Result 1: Safe sanitation solutions identified with involvement of entrepreneurs**

- 1.1: Organisation of kick-off meeting with local partners
- 1.2: Formation of focal groups and draft of baseline assessment
- 1.3: To organize a brainstorm on national and regional level with international experts / partners, local partners and entrepreneurs for identification of innovative sanitation solutions. Various international experiences and disciplines will be considered.
- 1.4: Piloting innovations by entrepreneurs
- 1.5: Drafting a report with innovative solutions, video links and recommendations for follow-up

## Result 2: Innovative safe sanitation solutions identified and disseminated through a contest

- 2.1: Organization of contest for the identification safe sanitation solutions
- 2.2: Piloting winning sanitation solutions in all regions
- 2.3: Sharing of pilot results on national level and fine-tuning of sanitation solutions on regional level

## Result 3: Safe sanitation solutions disseminated among a wide audience

- 3.1: International presentation of the project during World Toilet Day (19 November 2013), announcing contest winners at World Water Day (22 March 2014) and during World Water Week (2014) in Stockholm
- 3.2: Development and dissemination of manuals, guidelines and videos in Bangla and English to relevant stakeholders (nationally and internationally)
- 3.3 Final Workshop in co-operation with related IRC Action Researches

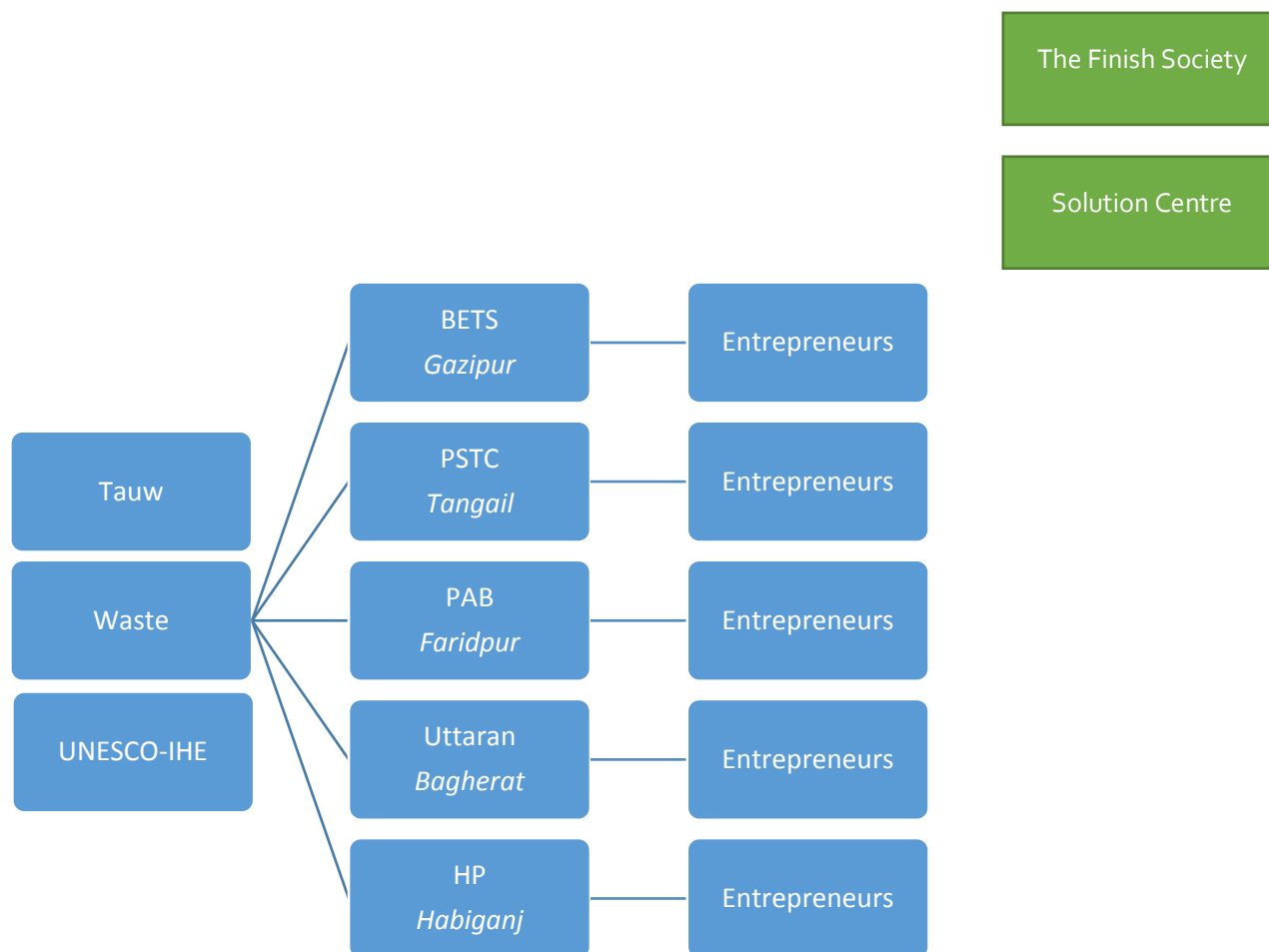


Figure 1. Work flow between all different partners during the SANTE project. The core team of SANTE consists of one representative of each of the Dutch and Bangladeshi partners. Each Bangladeshi partner has a network of small entrepreneurs who will be involved in the contest. The 2 Indian partners were invited to give several trainings, to guide the participants, and to host the winning design team in India.

### 1.3.1 Actual project flow during the carry-out phase of the project

The project kick-off took place in September 2013 with an inception workshop in Bangladesh. All partners were represented, as well as IRC and BRAC. The workshop lasted one day, after which we spread out to the different project areas. In the period of October – November 2013, business baselines were carried out. Then the project had to be put on hold for a few months due to political turmoil in Bangladesh. From February 2014, the trainings started, the first designs started to come in, and the project website was created (<http://santebangladesh.wikispaces.com/>).

A second workshop was held in June 2014. Designs were improved, and the progress so far was discussed (see Challenges). In the period from August to November, the designs were constructed and tested in the field.

September/October: it became clear that the project was not tax exempted and as a consequence the budget decreased with 21%. Agreed was that the burden of the reduction would be covered by the Dutch partners. In December a final workshop took place with BRAC and partners.

### 1.3.2 Project deliverables

The agreed upon deliverables of the project, after revision of the approach (see also 1.4.1) were the following:

- September 2013: workshop report
- November 2013: baseline reports
- January 2014: Manual alternative designs and technologies (by Jan Spit)
- May 2014: training reports
- June 2014: first designs and comments + Learning Guide Part B in Bangladesh
- August 2014: Set of design criteria
- December 2014: Final workshop; designs plus final report

## 1.4 Project evaluation

Internally we evaluated the project on several criteria:

- The idea of a contest
- The cooperation between the partners within the project
- The cooperation with other awardees of related projects
- Outcomes of the project, i.e. usefulness of the final designs

### 1.4.1 Contest

The project approach was based on the following main assumptions: `

- 1) Local small businesses are capable of developing technical designs, and
- 2) Local organisations are capable of training and supporting small and medium entrepreneurs in the design process.

When developing the project proposal it was assumed that the local small entrepreneurs would be able or were made able with support of the partners to develop new innovative designs. The whole idea of the contest was based on this assumption. The trainings provided by the Indian partners should have provided the basis for such initiatives by the entrepreneurs.



This assumption proved to be too optimistic. The learnings provided by the trainings of the partners proved not to be the catalysts for innovation. As a result, the Bangladesh project partners took over the development of the designs. They mostly based their innovations on what had been provided by the Indian partners.

Originally, the setup of the program was as such that each Bangladesh partner would be linked to one thematic partner: Practical Action to Tauw Bv, PSTC to P.K. Jha, Uttaran to the Finish Society and HP to The Solutions Centre. It was the intention that the Bangladesh partners would identify small and medium entrepreneurs and that each thematic partner would provide training to their respective Bangladesh partner and its selected entrepreneurs. This also worked out that way: the entrepreneurs were selected (based on a baseline) and the trainings provided. The provided technologies and alternatives were well received but did not serve as catalyst for further development of more context oriented new designs. The reason was twofold: the Bangladesh partners either did not understand (in time) what was expected from them (support the entrepreneurs with developing new designs and alternatives) and the Bangladesh organisations –except practical Action- were not capable of initiating a full-fledged design process together with the entrepreneurs. Instead, they started hiring engineers and developing the designs themselves. Most of the “new” designs became a copy of the designs provided by the Indian partners. Discussion in June between the partners and WASTE in Dhaka revealed that the Bangladesh partners had not understood the concept of the program. By then the program had progressed to a level that the original idea of organising a contest between the different entrepreneurs was no longer feasible.

Together with IRC it was decided to focus on the designs itself and the testing rather than on the contest. The remaining budgets of the thematic partners would be utilized not only for its designated Bangladesh partner but for all. In the discussions in Dhaka it was brought forward that trainings given to one particular partner would have been also of interest for others, which was acknowledged and taken up in the changes in the project approach.

#### **1.4.2 Cooperation between the partners within the project**

##### **1.4.2.1 Communication issues**

In general the atmosphere between the different project partners was very good. WASTE has a long track record with the Indian partners as well as with some of the Bangladeshi partners. With UNESCO-IHE most of the previous cooperation were around capacity building, this was one of the first joints projects on research. Even after several drawbacks and difficult moments, the cooperation between most partners stayed strong and positive, and the partners will continue to work together after the closure of the project.





Figure 2. Some impressions of the kick-off meeting held in September 2013 in Dhaka and the target areas.

The relation between WASTE and IRC/BRAC was not optimal at the beginning of 2014. Reason for this was the lack of reporting to IRC/BRAC which should have been done once a month. It took several months (almost half a year) and lots of initiative from both sides (e.g. weekly skype reporting meetings, etc.) to normalize the situation and restore the balance between the Dutch parties.

Even more importantly, at the beginning of 2014 the communication between WASTE and the Bangladesh partners was not very good and also here weekly skypes were initiated to get communication ongoing. Only during the mission in June 2014 the Bangladesh partners revealed that they had not understood the project principles and that they were not instructed how to go about during the start-up workshop in September 2013. Asked directly about the involvement of the entrepreneurs they explained that according to them they had to develop the designs and not the entrepreneurs. "The contest was to be held amongst themselves".

Having to put so much attention to the communication between the Dutch and the Bangladesh partners, the communication between WASTE and the Indian partners became a bit less.

Communication between BETS and the project was difficult. BETS was approached several times by the Bangladesh and the Dutch Partners but BETS only rarely replied. During the meetings in June 2014 it was agreed that Practical Action would take over the role of BETS, which they did together with PSTC.

#### 1.4.2.2 Overall management

The overall management of the program by WASTE was handed over to from Valentin Post to Stan Maessen in the beginning of 2014. After a prolonged period of idleness (due to political turmoil in Bangladesh), the program restarted in January. The delays were aggravated by the change in management.

Main decisions & change in the approach (June 2014):

- Final results: the aim is for 2 or 3 good, safe, locally applicable designs
- Revision of project plan and time table
- No contest approach, but rather a joint focus on testing of designs
- Rather than a fixed partnering of consultants, support is to be provided by the best matching consultant, based on actual need of Bangladesh partner
- Designing to be done by all partners, not solely local entrepreneurs.

The changes were proposed in June and confirmed by IRC in skype meetings in August and September 2014.

#### 1.4.2.3 Cooperation with other awardees of related projects

When looking at other project awardees it became clear that there could be a good synergy with some of the other projects – particular in the field of faecal sludge management. Contact was sought with the consortium dealing with faecal sludge (members of the VeSV project: University of Leeds with Bangladesh University of

Engineering and Technology BUET, NGO Forum for Public Health, Bangladesh, and IWMI International Water Management Institute, Sri Lanka). Although there was an interest with both parties for information exchange, there proved to be too little time for this. Hence, it was agreed to leave it to BRAC and IRC to further integrate the outcomes of the projects. It was clear to both parties that toilet systems and FSM need to be part of an integrated system.

## 1.5 Future recommendations

Comments concerning technologies and materials:

### 1.5.1 Designs versus costs

The costs for commonly used toilet facilities in Bangladesh are low to very low compared to other countries like India and Nepal). The low costing however, also immediately translates into using very low quality construction materials and subsequent low quality structures which did not at all qualify for durable, robust and safe structures. For instance, the partners did some investigation in the cement rings which cost only up to 2 to 3 euro per ring. The quality of these rings, is extremely bad and corrode rapidly. Pits constructed with these rings collapse regularly and are not watertight at all.

When considering structural improvements as to prevent the problems as described under chapter 2a (see table below), it means investing in better quality construction materials. Unlike labour cost, good quality building materials come with higher cost. This is reflected in the BoQ's of almost all proposed designs.

The partners included materials which are probably not that durable (polyethylene sheets, etc.), but which are cheap. Low cost should be assessed against durability. All materials had to be available on the local market.

Problem analysis conventional toilets in Bangladesh:

1. *High fill-up rate* due to infiltration of groundwater into the pit, causing pre-mature need for emptying or even building a new toilet. Considering that emptying services in Bangladesh are scarce or not existing often perfectly good toilets are abandoned and replaced by a new one.
2. *Groundwater pollution* due to seepage of wastewater from the pit to the groundwater. Depending on the soil type seepage water (black water) from pits can flow much larger distances than is generally expected and causes pollution of potable groundwater.
3. *Sub-structure damage* due to water level fluctuation in the pit, damaging its walls. Fluctuating water levels in and around the pits creates constant changing pressure on the structures and changing water flows through the structures. Both cause corrosions and collapse.
4. *Surface water bodies pollution* due to wastewater overflow when groundwater level rises
5. *Saline conditions*: Saline conditions cause damaged slabs and collapsing pits due to corrosion of brickwork and cement

Besides different (more costly) materials, the partners also experimented with different new or known materials like bamboo reinforced concrete and ferro-cement as to reduce costs. The bamboo reinforced concrete needs more research to assess whether it is indeed a cheaper substitute of steel reinforced concrete. The conclusion of the partners was that the savings made by using cheaper bamboo instead of steel were evened out because more concrete (cement) had to be used to ensure proper coverage of the bamboo. The thickness of the bamboo is a topic of further research.

Using ferro-cement as cheaper alternative for regular RCC structures is a proven concept and much information and experiences are available. But ferro-cement structures need qualified entrepreneurs who are not readily available in Bangladesh.

The partners also experimented with older concepts like mounds and sand envelopes. The mounds are primarily used for preventing pits to be filled with either ground water or floods. It is an old concept which is being used all over the world. A mound can be erected by the people themselves and does not require craftsmanship. The sand envelope is a simple technology used to create biological condition around seepage pits which cleans the sewage water while seeping through the envelope. The envelopes are quite efficient. Both solutions are not very expensive and can be built by the households themselves as own contribution.

Conclusion: It is reasonable to state that toilets which qualify as robust, durable and safe require qualitatively better materials which will make the cost for the toilets significant higher than the cost for the ordinary used toilets.

Conclusion: additional relatively cheap measures can be taken which improve the chances of pollution of the direct living environment.

### **1.5.2 Designs versus environment and climate issues**

Most of the partners focussed on designs which fulfil the requirements concerning problems like collapse during monsoon, possibility of ground water pollution and overflow of pits during floods. These solutions are available, but they come at a cost (see remarks above about the materials).

However, there are some critical remarks about the technologies that have been proposed. All designs are on-site solutions (isolated instead as part of a comprehensive sanitation system), most designs focus on increasing a lifetime of the pits without emptying, but with releasing potential pollutants into the direct environment and all systems require eventually some kind of pit emptying. And pit emptying is usually expensive.

Old sludge from pits is difficult to digest and drying is the most commonly and cheapest way of treatment. Given the climatic conditions of Bangladesh (prolonged monsoon periods and high humidity levels) reduce the periods where sludge can dry properly.

Desludging and sludge management is most probably a bigger challenge than constructing toilets that can resist the climatic conditions of Bangladesh.

From this perspective the following toilet solutions are considered the most promising:

1. The UDDT, liquid forced dehydration toilet, because it reduces the liquid fraction and will allow the reuse of dried sludge (which is easy). We are still looking at possibilities to reduce the investment costs
2. The BoP Potti because it has a very low investment cost (40us) plus collection system (higher opex: no research done, proposal is under preparation). Great possibilities for income generation for the service providers

Note: the Bangladesh partners were not completely convinced that an in-house toilet would be socially acceptable.

### **1.5.3 General conclusions**

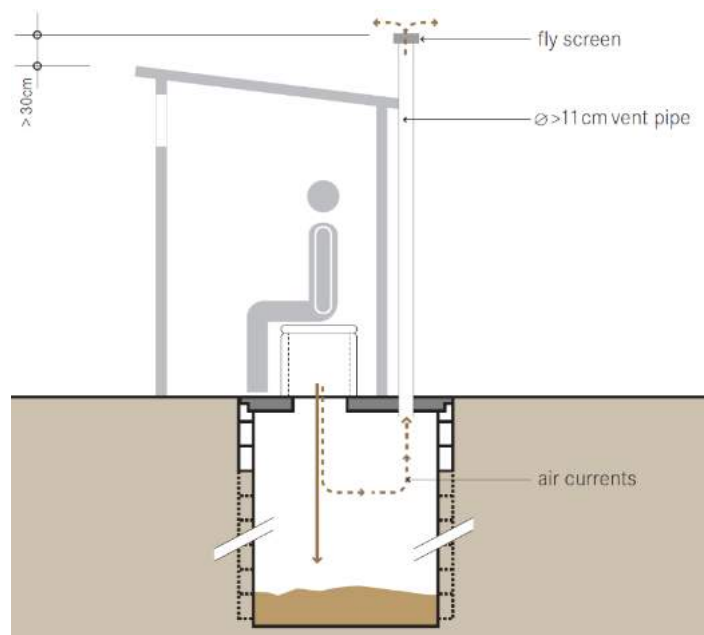
1. Entrepreneurs in Bangladesh are conceptually not capable of developing/designing new alternative toilet options. Real engineering support is needed.
2. Of 15 developed designs 5 were selected as being fulfilling the criteria.
3. Qualitative acceptable construction materials needed to fulfil the requirement and criteria and come at a cost. Toilets fulfilling the criteria are significantly more expensive than the conventional models.
4. More research is needed to assess the usability of alternative materials like bamboo reinforced concrete.

5. Promotion of the use of proven concepts like ferro-cement, mounds and sand envelopes needs to be enhanced and brought under the attention of a wider audience (NGO's, entrepreneurs etc.)
6. More social research (acceptance) is needed to engage in in-house solutions (low investment costs) which are integrated part of a comprehensive sanitation system which includes regular collection (because it is regular also cheaper, like solid waste collection), processing and reuse/disposal.

## 2 Designs

### 2.1 Most used designs in Bangladesh

In order to design appropriate alternatives suitable for the environmental and climatic conditions in Bangladesh, first the most commonly used toilet in Bangladesh and its disadvantages must be described. In the figure below the onset and or offset toilet is schematised:

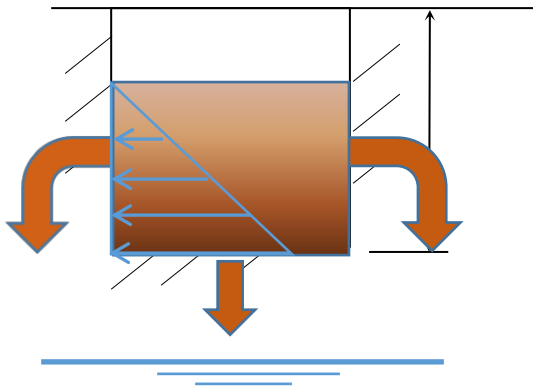


The system comprises of a closed or open (unlined) pit, often constructed with inferior materials which cannot withstand the challenges posed by the difficult Bangladesh environment and climate, such as regular flooding's, eminent high ground water levels and saline conditions. Pits fill rapidly with flood- or groundwater and either cause pollution of the direct environment or shorten the usage lifetime of the pit. Especially the saline conditions deteriorate the condition of the used materials which causes collapse of pits. These types of toilets are being constructed all over Bangladesh. Summarizing: these types of toilets pose the four following problems:

1. *High fill-up rate* due to infiltration of groundwater into the pit, causing pre-mature need for emptying or even building a new toilet. Considering that emptying services in Bangladesh are scarce or not existing often perfectly good toilets are abandoned and replaced by a new one.
2. *Groundwater pollution* due to seepage of wastewater from the pit to the groundwater. Depending on the soil type seepage water (black water) from pits can flow much larger distances than is generally expected and causes pollution of potable groundwater.
3. *Sub-structure damage* due to water level fluctuation in the pit, damaging its walls. Fluctuating water levels in and around the pits creates constant changing pressure on the structures and changing water-flows through the structures (see figures below). Both cause corrosions and collapse. Saline conditions lead to damaged slabs and collapsing pits due to corrosion of brickwork and cement.
4. *Surface water bodies pollution* due to wastewater overflow when groundwater level rises
5. The project also looked into issues associated with rocky areas. The main issue here is that in rocky areas it is difficult to excavate the pit. Some rocks are cracked and fissured which might lead to

pollution of groundwater. Rock type and rock weathering conditions, determine to a large extent the possibility of digging pits for toilets and potential pollution. Hard unfractured rock types like granite are apparently rare according to our partners and in most 'rocky areas' (read hilly areas) it is in general not difficult to dig pits. Therefore we translated our assignment "rocky areas" into: "when it is impossible to use a pit".

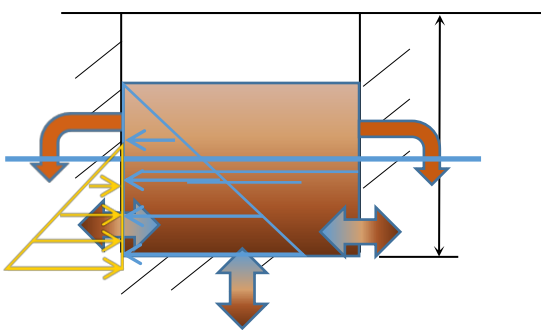
### 2.1.1 Water-flows in pits



#### Case 1: Pit above the groundwater

Ground water pollution due to leaching and seepage of excreta and wash-water into the surrounding soils. Depending on the distance between the bottom of the pit and the surface of the groundwater and the soil conditions, pollution of ground water (and potential drinking water source) is likely to happen.

Potential remedy: closed system or dry system.



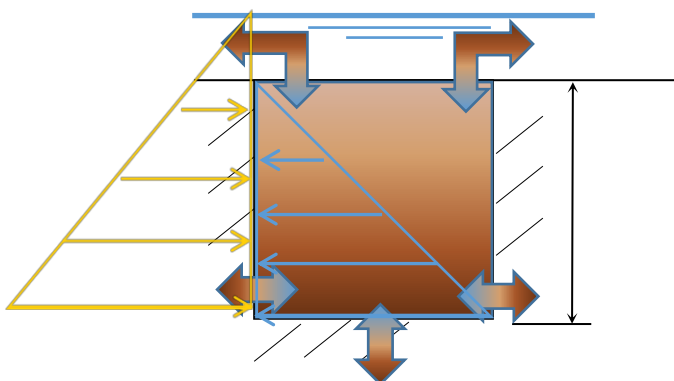
#### Case 2: Pit partially in groundwater

Ground water pollution due to leaching and seepage of excreta and wash-water into the surrounding soils. Pollution of ground water (and potential drinking water source) will happen.

Intrusion of ground water into the pit may happen in the case the level of the sludge in the pit is lower than the ground water level.

Collapsing of pit walls can occur.

Remedy: Watertight pits and wall strong enough to prevent collapsing.



#### Case 3: Pit completely flooded with flood water

Ground and surface water pollution due to washing out of excreta and wash-water on to the surrounding soils. Pollution of ground water (and potential drinking water source) will happen when the floodwater recedes.

Intrusion of ground/flood water into the pit may happen in the case the level of the sludge in the pit is lower than the ground water level.

Collapsing of pit walls can occur.

Remedy: Watertight pits and wall strong enough to prevent collapsing.

The partners tried to remediate the 4 above mentioned issues using existing and new concepts.

## 2.2 Design criteria

The proposed sanitation options needed to be: safe, economically viable and socially acceptable. With safety is meant that humans, animals rodents/flies cannot get into direct contact with excreta and the structures should be designed as such that contamination of surface water, surface soils and groundwater is prevented. Manual handling of fresh excreta is not acceptable and odours and/or unsightly conditions should be prevented. The designs should be affordable for the low income groups. The cost of the construction (CAPEX) of around 50 Euro was deemed acceptable. Peration and maintenance cost (OpEx, CapManEx) were not included.

### 2.2.1 Overview of the criteria

#### Environmental

- Safe from a public health point of view, meaning:
  - The sludge/wastewater is handled in such a way that it does not affect human beings.
  - The sludge/wastewater is not accessible to users, flies, mosquitoes, rodents and other animals.
  - Surface and groundwater should not be polluted by wastewater, specially in areas where people use groundwater and/or surface water as source of drinkingwater.

#### Convenience and Safety

- Free from odour emission and unsightly conditions.
- The facility is located at a short walking distance from the house (indicate distance– to be provided by the B'desh partners).
- The facility can be used safely by women, girls and elder people, also at night.

#### Simple to Operate

- Daily operation is minimal (indicate pricing – to be provided by the B'desh partners).
- The system requires simple and safe operation routines.

#### Long-Lasting with Minimal Maintenance

- Long technical lifetime: 10 years or more.
- The facility requires occasional maintenance, i.e. 1 or 2 years.

#### Upgradable

- Step-by-step improvements and extensions are possible

#### Affordable Cost

- The technology should be within the economic and financial reach of the household and government budgets. (indicate pricing – to be provided by the B'desh partners). The price indication for the capital cost is 50 € for the low income groups.

#### Resilient to Floods

- The system can be used during monsoon seasons.



## Faecal Sludge Collection and Treatment

- The system should consider a faecal sludge collection and treatment system, in such a way that it can be disposed safely or re-used.

## Technical Criteria (appropriate material use and robustness)

- Preferible use of local materials and technology in the construction.
- Robustness of construction (if underground pit is proposed as substructure, it should be resistant to the groundwater level fluctuations).
- The design should be according to local building standards.
- The system should include innovative solutions to avoid high fill-up rate due to infiltration of groundwater into the pit.

## Social Acceptability

- The system should consider the socio-cultural practices and be accepted for the users.

Not all criteria proved to be always suitable in relation to the developed designs. This had a lot to do with the concept behind the design. Similarly when making the selection of the final designs not all criteria were used as mean to determine differences, because some of the criteria applied for all or none of the designs.

The selection matrix is presented in annex 4.

## 2.3 Modified Urine Diversion Toilet, forced dehydration

### 2.3.1 Description of the concept/system:

The system is designed to actively reduce the liquid component of excreta and wash-water by means of heat radiation by the sun and forced aeration.

Both the liquid and the solid wastes are separated (by means of an urine diversion toilet bowl) and stored in separate chambers. Both are immediately exposed to a flow of air that's driven through the chambers. The movement of air is generated by the vent pipes with air being drawn into the chamber via the openings in the toilet bowl. As the air moves through the system, it dehydrates the wastes similar to the regular urine diversion toilet systems.

There are 4 factors important for evaporation in closed tanks: in order of importance: the air-humidity, the flow of air, the ambient temperature and the hours of sunshine. The toilet system is designed to increase the temperature inside the tank with help of the black celluloid polythene cover and stimulation of the airflow. The sun heats up the black celluloid polythene cover, which again radiates heat into the evaporation chamber up to temperatures of 60 °C (experiences of Enviro Loo, 2013). The other 2 factors cannot be influenced. On-site experiences with similar forced dehydration in South Africa show that all daily intake of liquids evaporates. Also the observations of Practical Action Bangladesh, who constructed a demonstration toilet confirm the experiences of South Africa.

The system consists of the following technical components:

1. Urine diversion toilet bowl, special bowl with 2 holes: one for the faeces and one for the urine. The use of such a toilet requires specific instructions on how to use the toilet properly.
2. Storage Chamber, in the storage chamber the solids are being collected. Washing water and urine are not stored in this container. Like with regular urine diversion toilets the solids dehydrate by aeration over time (>1/2 year) and can be directly applied in fields and kitchen gardens. The container size in the demonstration model is somewhat oversized and could be reduced based on the size of the family using the toilet (for calculations see annex 6).
3. The storage chamber can be constructed with 2 types of materials: bricks and polyethylene. The polyethylene tank is used in high water table and flooding conditions. The masonry tank could be used under dry conditions. The masonry walls and floor are not lined (see design 1C). Since the faeces are considered dry, there is no danger of seepage of pollution into the ground.
4. Evaporation Chamber, including the black/transparent celluloid cover: in the evaporation chamber the liquids (urine and wash water) are being collected. Through an increased ambient temperature and forced aeration the liquids evaporate and disappear through the vent pipe. The size of the chamber depends on the materials used and is still subject to experimentation. It is however clear that the more shallow the more liquids evaporate. In the demonstration model bricks are being used; other materials, like black polyethylene tanks are also applicable especially when the heat build-up in the tanks becomes an issue.
5. The evaporation tank can be constructed with 2 types of materials: bricks or polyethylene. The polyethylene tanks should be used in high water and flooding conditions (to avoid infiltration of water). The masonry tank should be used under dry conditions only. The masonry walls and floor are lined to make the chamber watertight (see design 1A and 1B).
6. Vent Pipes: the vent pipes (both applied in the storage chamber as well as in the evaporation chamber) are crucial components. In both cases they generate the crucial draught necessary to dehydrate and transport the evaporated liquids to the ambient air. In case the generated draught is not sufficient a chimney fan should be mounted.
7. Earthen mound (optional): the demonstration toilet is being built on an earthen embankment (mound) to avoid flooding of the toilet. The height of the mound (and the toilet slab) depends on the high water level and the ground water level (see annex 7).

# Option - 01A

**Specifications:**

- \*\* Water Level at Peak Monsoon is 8' below the Ground Level

**Sludge Storage Reservoir:**

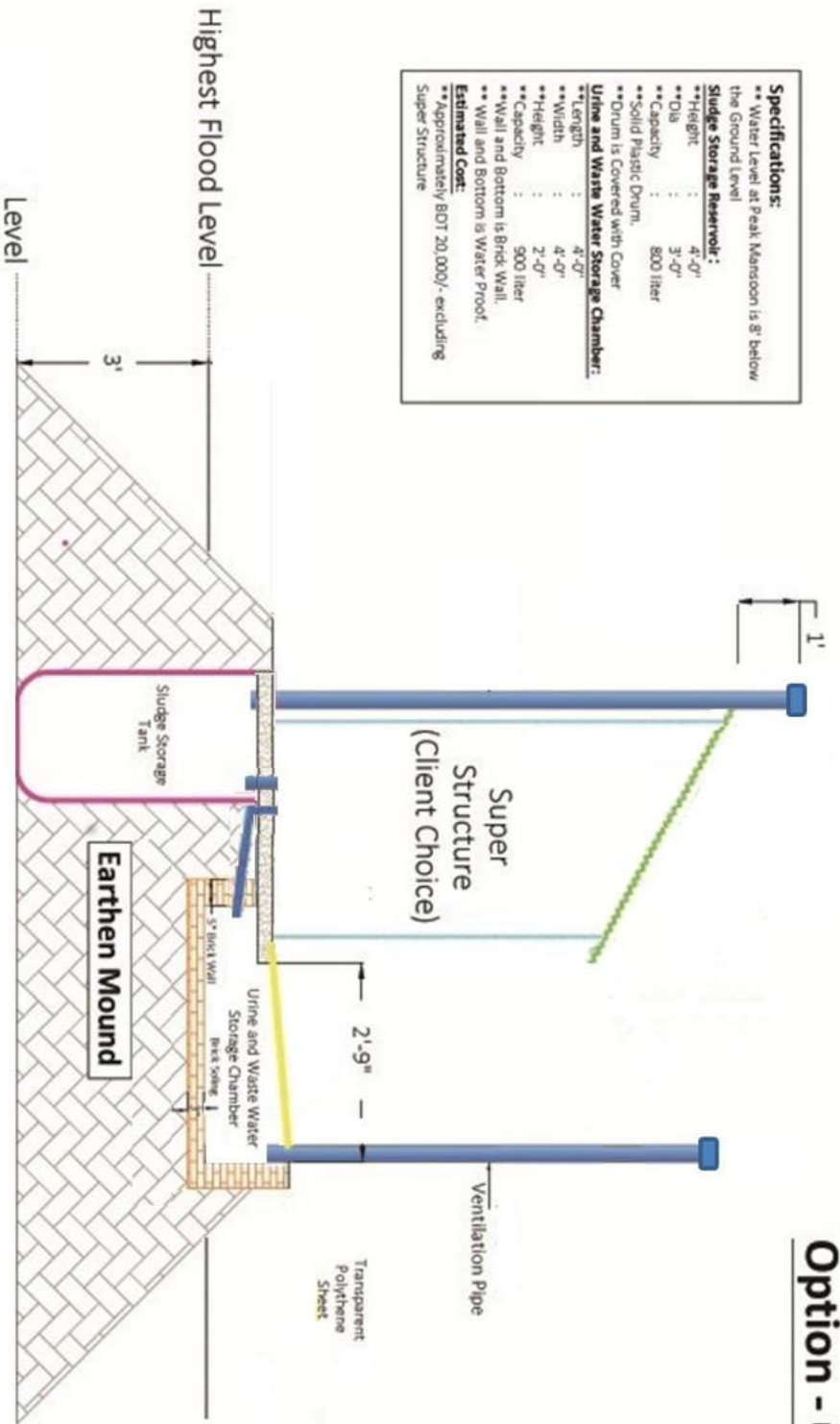
- \*\* Height : 4'-0"
- \*\* Dia : 3'-0"
- \*\* Capacity : 800 liter
- \*\* Solid Plastic Drum.
- \*\* Drum is Covered with Cover

**Urine and Waste Water Storage Chamber:**

- \*\* Length : 4'-0"
- \*\* Width : 4'-0"
- \*\* Height : 2'-0"
- \*\* Capacity : 900 liter
- \*\* Wall and Bottom is Brick Wall.
- \*\* Wall and Bottom is Water Proof.

**Estimated Cost:**

- \*\* Approximately BOT 20,000/- excluding Super Structure



### 2.3.2 Bill of Quantities

Total Cost in BDT; 19,263.00

Sl. No	Description	Quantity	Amount	Remarks
01.	Bricks	750 piece	4,875.00	
02.	Cement	4 bags	1,700.00	
03.	Sand	20 cft.	300.00	
04.	Brick chips	1 cft	70.00	
05	Commode, Plastic Syphon	1 piece	780.00	
06	PVC Pipe (4" dia)	6'	300.00	
07.	PVC Pipe (3" dia)	20'	600.00	
08.	PVC Pipe (1.5" dia)	6'	120.00	
09.	Cap	3 piece	30.00	
10.	T	1 piece	275.00	
11.	8 mm bar	10 kg.	500.00	
12.	Binding ware	-	20.00	
12.	Metal	07 kg.	343.00	
13.	GI pipe (3" dia)	1.5 feet	150.00	
15.	Celluloid polythene sheet	6'	300.00	
Material Cost=			10,363.00	
16	Transport Cost	5 trip	1000.00	
17	Welding Cost	1 set	800.00	
18	Masson Cost	8 person	2800.00	
Project Contribution =			14,963.00	
User Contribution=			4,300.00	
Grand Total Cost=			19,263.00	

### 2.3.3 Problem solving abilities

#### Problem

1. *High fill-up rate* due to infiltration of groundwater into the pit, causing pre-mature need for emptying.

#### Remarks

No quicker filling-up of the pit because infiltration of groundwater into the pit is not taking place due to material choice and/or not anticipated because of using mound.

Separate treatment of liquids will increase the

usage lifespan of the system.

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| 2. <i>Groundwater pollution</i> due to seepage of wastewater from the pit.                        | No seepage of waste water (pollution) from the storage chamber is expected because the faeces are considered dry and water in the faeces do not seep pollutants.  |
| 3. <i>Sub-structure damage</i> due to water level fluctuation in the pit, damaging its walls.     | No fluctuation expected other than a gradual rising of the solids and an occasional rise of liquids when the toilet is used intensively (during festivals). The materials used also prevent collapsing. |
| 4. <i>Surface water bodies pollution</i> due to wastewater overflow when groundwater level rises. | Depending on the designs (and materials) used, no chances of surface water bodies becoming polluted.  |

### Design Criteria

### Remarks

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| <b>1. Simple to operate</b>                       | Daily operation is minimal. The system operates itself. The dimensions of the storage chamber is sufficient for emptying once in max 2 years: (annual accumulation of 450 lts/year dry sludge with a family of 5)<br><br>The system requires simple and safe operation routines. Once the storage pit is filled it needs to be emptied manually with a shovel. |
| <b>2. Acceptable costs</b><br>(acceptable is 50€) | The system is too expensive (202€) to be considered low-cost and the technology should be re-designed to become affordable for low income groups.  |
| <b>3. Innovativeness</b>                          | The system is never applied before in Bangladesh.  |

### 2.3.4 Final conclusions

Though the design meets most of the requirements and criteria, its costs are still too high to fit the final qualification. Still the partners decided to keep this design as one of the options because of its innovativeness and potential. Agreed was that Practical Action in collaboration with WASTE and possibly the other partners continue to change/adjust the design and materials reducing the cost to an acceptable level and optimizing the design. Marketing of this type of toilets will continue however, to meet also demand of other market segments (mid- and high level income groups) in Bangladesh.

The demonstration model is equipped with only one storage chamber whereas 2 are optimally required. While one storage chamber is in use, the other is closed to allow the faces to dry. After 6 month the chamber can be opened and the dried faces used without danger.

The system allows reuse of (solid) wastes but is not considered the main objective. Reuse of the liquid fraction (urine and wash water) is not considered for the time being. Reuse of urine on large scale is difficult to organise.

In rural areas reuse of urine can be applied and other more regular UDDT designs are more applicable. This design is made for densely populated areas where reuse of urine is no option (yet).

Different options (options 1B, 1C and 1D) with different material choices to accommodate different conditions have been developed and are shown in annex 8 (no BoQ is provided).

The calculations show that when only urine is collected in an evaporation chamber with an area of  $1 \text{ m}^2$ , the system will function without problems. When also the wash-water is collected in the evaporation chamber the chamber needs to be extended to  $2.5 \text{ m}^2$ , which is too large. An overflow system should be mounted in the chamber.



The system is very promising, but needs further research and development to make it appropriate in Bangladesh. Major research questions are related to the conditions in the evaporation chamber: velocity of the draught, the actual temperature in the chamber and the subsequent evaporation levels. Another issue is the choice of materials in relation to the efficiency of the evaporation.

## 2.4 Offset seepage pit: Double Plastic Drum System

### 2.4.1 Description system

The main aim of this system is to increase the user-time of the storage chamber without having to empty it and a controlled release of contaminants into the surroundings. This design is only applicable where there is no danger for contamination of ground water.

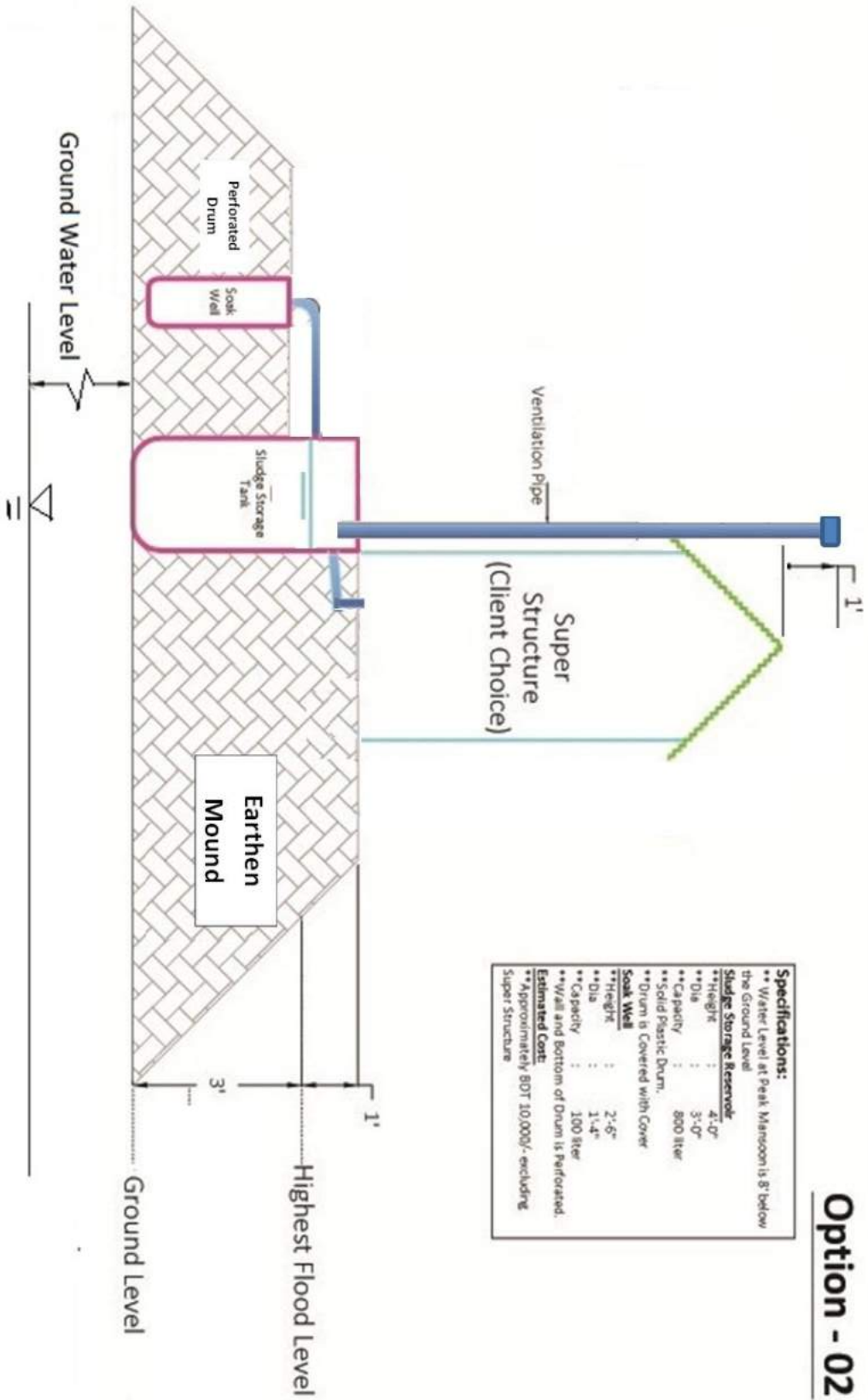
The liquids are diverted into a seepage pit through an overflow. By using durable materials for the storage and seepage chambers the system will not collapse during floods and high water occasions. The liquids however will be released in the environment and the pollution of the direct surroundings needs to be contained. Mitigation should be obtained by using a mound that can act as filter or a sand envelope to contain pollutants.

The system consists of the following technical components:

1. Storage Chamber: in the storage chamber the excreta (urine, solids and wash water) is collected. The storage chamber is made of plastic and has a volume of 800 L. The storage chamber is equipped with an over flow device. Liquids flow to the soaking chamber. The storage chamber itself functions as a settling tank.
2. Seepage Chamber: the soaking chamber has a volume of 100 L and is made of the same material as the storage tank.
3. Earthen mound: the earthen mound has 2 main functions: (a) it serves as filter for the waste water which seeps from the seepage chamber (serves as sand envelope) and (b) it elevates the structures above the highest flood level.
4. Vent Pipe: through the vent pipe gasses evaporate into the ambient air.



# Option - 02



**Specifications:**

- \*\* Water Level at Peak Monsoon is 8' below the Ground Level

**Sludge Storage Reservoir:**

- \*\* Height : 4'-0"
- \*\* Dia : 5'-0"
- \*\* Capacity : 800 liter
- \*\* Solid Plastic Drum.
- \*\* Drum is Covered with Cover

**Soak Well**

- \*\* Height : 2'-6"
- \*\* Dia : 1'-4"
- \*\* Capacity : 100 liter
- \*\* Wall and Bottom of Drum is Perforated.

**Estimated Cost:**

- \*\* Approximately BDT 10,000/- including Super Structure



#### 2.4.2 Bill

Total Costs 3,555,00 Takka

Sl. No	Description	Quantity	Amount	Remarks
01.	Plastic drum (800 L)	1 piece	1000.00	
02.	Plastic drum (100 L)	1 piece	350.00	
03.	Water Seal	1 piece	100.00	
04.	PVC pipe (4" dia)	3.5 feet	175.00	
05.	PVC pipe (3" dia)	2.5 feet	75.00	
06.	PVC pipe (1.5' dia)	6 feet	120.00	
07.	Cap	1 piece	10.00	
08.	UPVC band (3" dia)	1 piece	75.00	
09.	Ring (33" dia))	1 piece	200.00	
10.	Slab	1 piece	250.00	
11.	Cement	3 kg.	30.00	
12.	Sand	1 cft.	15.00	
Material Cost			2,400.00	
13.	Transport Cost	1 trip	150.00	
14.	Masson Cost	1 person	450.00	
Project Contribution			3,000.00	
User Contribution			550.00	
Grand Total Cost			3,550.00	

#### 2.4.3 Problem solving abilities

##### Problem

1. *High fill-up rate* due to infiltration of groundwater into the pit, causing pre-mature need for emptying.
2. *Groundwater pollution* due to exfiltration of wastewater from the pit.

##### Remarks

No infiltration of groundwater into the storage pit. In case of high flooding the seepage chamber fills with flood water. (Note: the overflow should be situated above the high flood level)

Controlled seepage of waste water from the soak pit takes place, but the mould will act as filter before the waste water reaches the ground water level. (Note: there is however always a chance that the mould does not work as planned and the seepage water pollutes the ground water!)

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| 3. <i>Sub-structure damage</i> due to water level fluctuation in the pit, damaging its walls.     | No fluctuation expected other than a planned rising of the excreta and sludge in the storage tank and in the soak pit. But because plastic is used there will be no chance of collapsing. |
| 4. <i>Surface water bodies pollution</i> due to wastewater overflow when groundwater level rises. | No chance of surface water bodies becoming polluted by pollutants from the storage tank. The seepage tank might pollute surface water.  |

<b>Design Criteria</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
1. <b>Simple operate</b>	<p>to Daily operation is minimal. The system operates itself. The dimension of the storage chamber is sufficient for emptying once per year: (annual accumulation of 800 L/year sludge with a family of 5). The soak pit will not fill, provided the percolation rate of the soil is more than 15 mm/h with a production of 26 L per household per day. If the percolation rate is less than a soak pit system is not feasible.</p> <p>The system requires simple and safe operation routines. Once the storage pit is filled it needs to be emptied with a desludging device. The sludge will have to be transported and processed at a sludge disposal site.</p>
2. <b>Acceptable costs</b> (acceptable is 50€)	The system is affordable (37€) also for the low income groups. What needs to be incorporated into the price of this system is the recurring cost for pit desludging.
3. <b>Innovativeness</b>	The system is applied before in Bangladesh but not on a large scale.

#### 2.4.4 Final conclusions

The design meets most of the requirements and criteria, though there are some issues with the soakage pit. Only if the percolation rate of the used soils of the mound is more than 15 mm/h than the mound will work as filter. Even than it is questionable whether all pollutants are filtered and killed before the waste water reaches the ground water. More research is needed specifically focusing on the potential mitigation function of the mound. If no mound is applied than a sand envelope is required to prevent pollution of ground water.

The system should be linked to a sludge collection and processing system otherwise the storage chamber will be filled after one year and will become out of order.

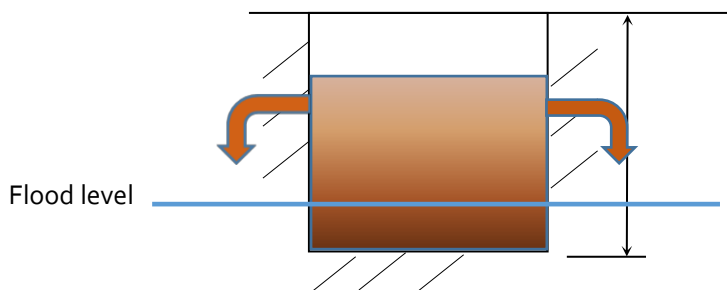
The system is a feasible option when equipped with a sand envelope to prevent waste water to enter into the direct living environment.

## 2.5 Single Plastic Drum System

### 2.5.1 Description system

The system is very similar with the previous one, except it has only one (seepage) chamber. This system is designed to extend the filling time of the storage chamber without having to empty it. By using durable materials for the storage and seepage chambers the system will not collapse during floods and high water occasions. By using a sand envelope (see chapter 3c) the seepage water will be filtered.

Assumed is that the liquid fraction of the excreta seeps into the sand envelope and is not stored in the storage chamber. Only the solid fraction remains in the storage tank. In case of flooding the level in the storage tank will not become much higher than the flood level, because the waste water will remain flowing into the sand envelope (which is still above flood level).

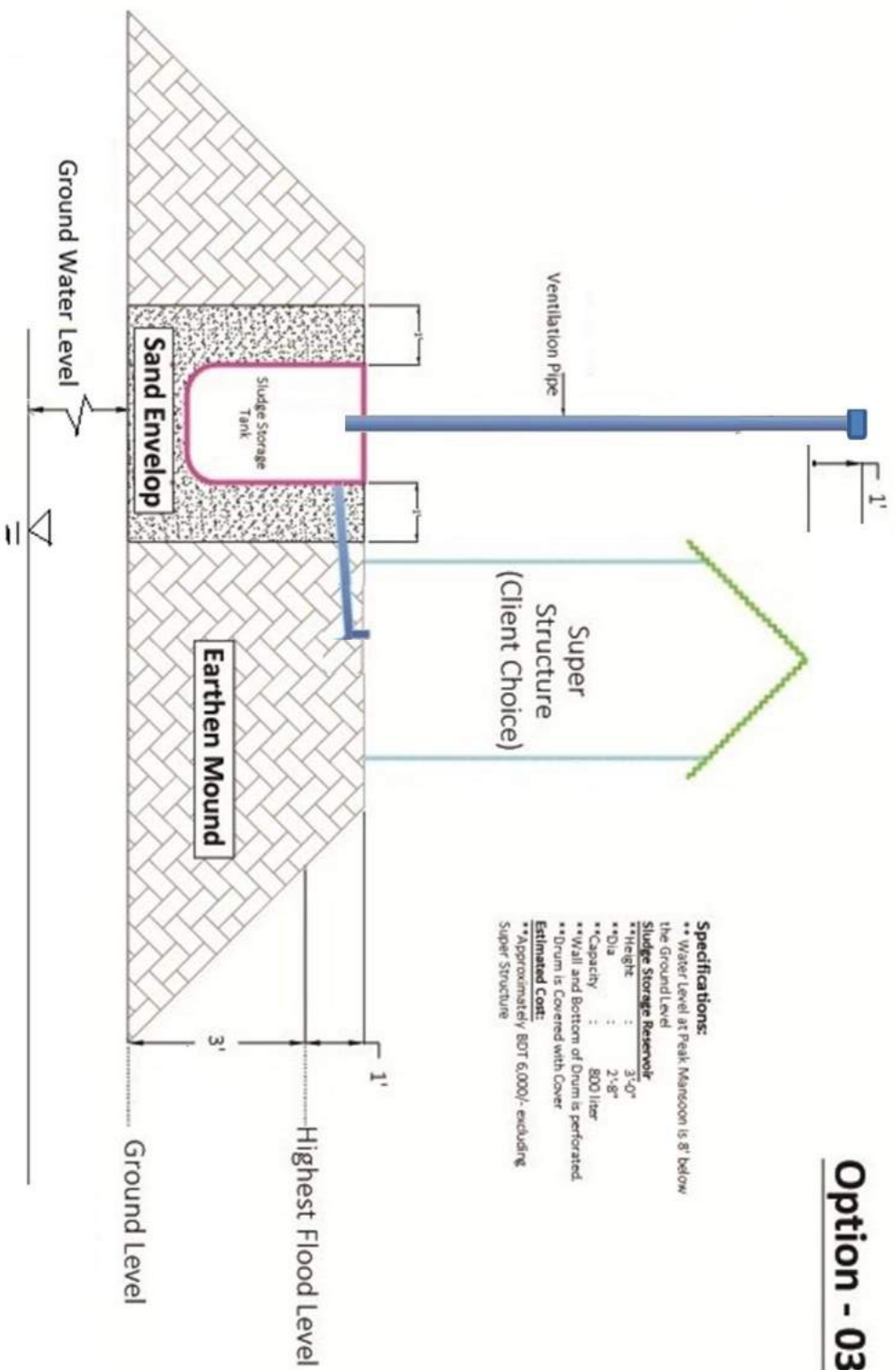


The system consists of the following technical components:

1. Storage Chamber: the storage chamber is a perforated plastic drum of 500 L. The tank serves as sludge settlement tank. The liquid components soak into the sand envelope which surrounds the storage chamber.
2. Sand envelope: is a barrier of 0.5 m sand (0.2 mm) all around the soak pit. The sand acts as filter and contains after some time (100 days, see textbox below) bacteria that actively contain a breakthrough of pathogens.
3. Vent pipe: the vent pipe is used for ventilation in case no goose neck is applied. It will create low air pressure in the storage tank ventilating gases and catch flies into the fly-trap on top of the ventilation pipe. In case a goose neck is applied, a vent pipe is not necessary.



# Option - 03



- Specifications:**
- \*\* Water Level at Peak Monsoon is 8' below the Ground Level
  - Sludge Storage Reservoir**
  - \*\* Height : 3'-0"
  - \*\* Dia : 2'-8"
  - \*\* Capacity : 800 liter
  - \*\* Wall and Bottom of Drum is perforated.
  - \*\* Drum is Covered with Cover
  - Estimated Cost:**
  - \*\* Approximately BDT 6,000/- excluding Super Structure

### 2.5.2 Bill of quantities

Total Cost: 3,200.00

Sl. No	Description	Quantity	Amount	Remarks
01.	Plastic drum (800 L)	1 piece	1000.00	
02.	Plastic Cover	1 piece	150.00	
03.	Water Seal	1 piece	100.00	
04.	PVC pipe (4" dia)	3.5 feet	175.00	
05.	PVC pipe (1.5' dia) with 1 cap	6 feet	130.00	
06.	UPVC band (4" dia)	1 piece	100.00	
07.	Ring (33" dia))	1 piece	200.00	
08.	Slab	1 piece	250.00	
09.	Cement	3 kg.	30.00	
10.	Sand	1 cft.	15.00	
Material Cost			2150.00	
11.	Transport Cost	1 trip	150.00	
12.	Labor Cost	1 person	450.00	
Project Contribution			2,750.00	
User contribution			450.00	
Grand Total Cost			3,200.00	

### 2.5.3 Problem solving abilities

#### Problem

1. *High fill-up rate* due to infiltration of groundwater into the pit, causing pre-mature need for emptying.
2. *Groundwater pollution* due to exfiltration of wastewater from the pit.
3. *Sub-structure damage* due to water level fluctuation in the pit, damaging its walls.

#### Remarks

- Possibility of infiltration of groundwater into the storage pit. In case of high flooding the chamber fills with flood water. However, when the flood water retreats, the chamber will release the extra water again.
- Controlled seepage of waste water from the soak pit takes place, but the sand envelope/mould will act as filter before the waste water reaches the ground water level.
- No fluctuation expected other than a planned rising of the excreta and sludge in the storage tank. But because plastic is used there will be no

chance of collapsing.

4. *Surface water bodies pollution* due to wastewater overflow when groundwater level rises. No chance of surface water bodies becoming polluted by pollutants from the storage tank because of the mould.

Design Criteria	Remarks
1. <b>Simple operate</b>	<p>to Daily operation is minimal. The system operates itself. The capacity of the storage chamber is a bit on the small size for emptying once per year: (annual accumulation of 700 lts/year sludge with a family of 6). Assumed a percolation rate of the soil is more than 15 mm/h, the liquids will seep into the envelope.</p> <p>The system requires simple and safe operation routines. Once the storage pit is filled it needs to be emptied with a desludging device. The sludge will have to be transported and processed at a sludge disposal site.</p>
2. <b>Acceptable costs</b> (acceptable is 50€)	The system is affordable (34€) also for the low income groups. What needs to be incorporated into the price of this system is the recurring cost for pit desludging.
3. <b>Innovativeness</b>	The system is applied before in Bangladesh but not on a large scale.

#### 2.5.4 Final conclusions

The design meets all requirements and criteria.

The drum of 800 L as mentioned in the drawing is enough when assumed that all liquids will seep into the sand envelope and the mound. A minimum volume of 700 L is required with an emptying period of 1 year.

The system should be linked to a sludge collection and processing system otherwise the storage chamber will be filled after one year and no longer in operation.

## 2.6 Single Offset Pit with Biogas System

### 2.6.1 Description system

Biogas technology is used all over the world to address the problem of solid waste management while meeting energy requirement of people. While industrial and urban waste treatment is done in many countries using biogas technology, it is ideally suited for rural agrarian families as a comprehensive waste treatment solution. Domestic biogas technology is a proven and established technology in many parts of the world, especially Asia.

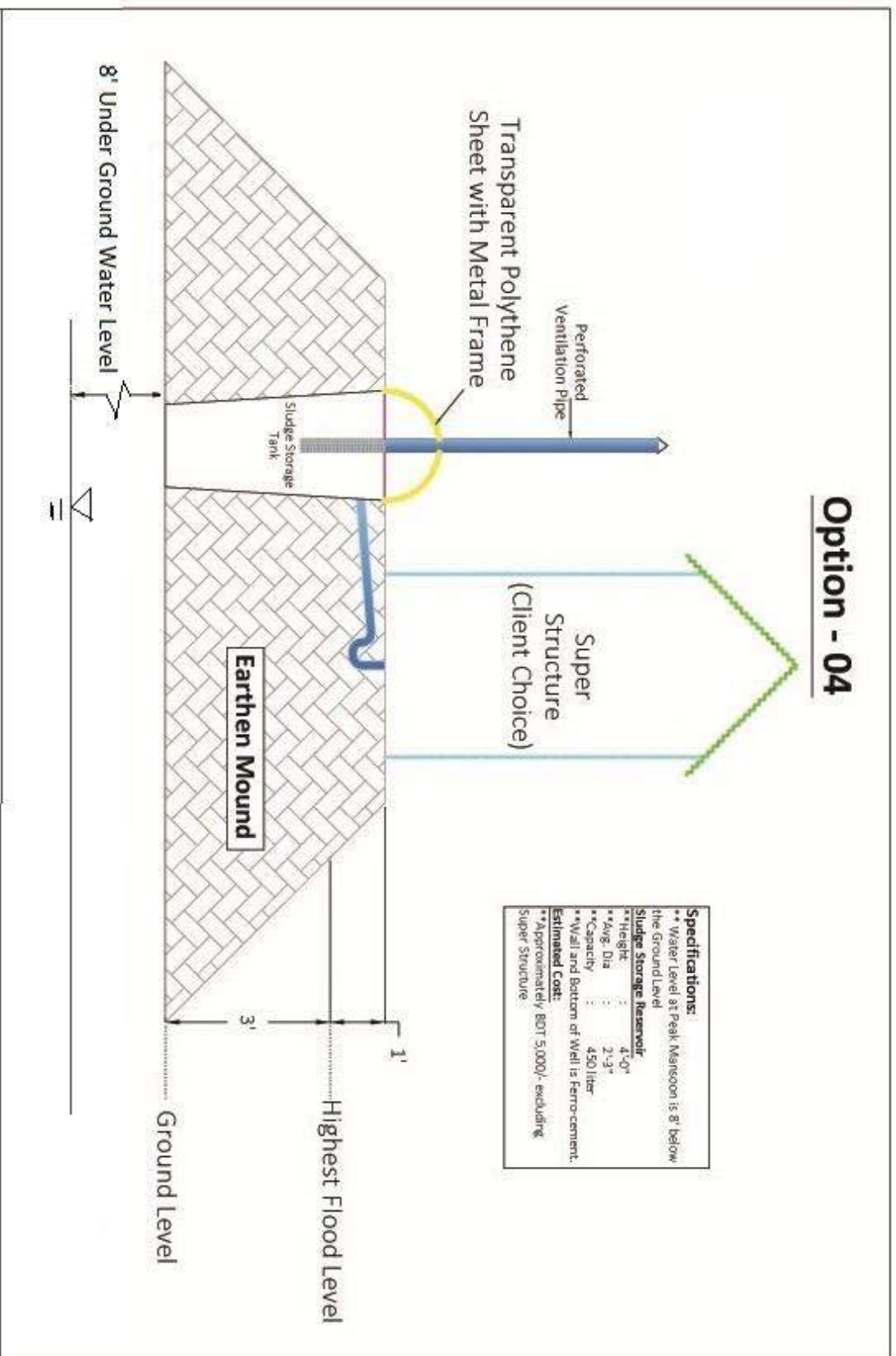
Conventional cistern-flush and pour-flush toilets can be linked to a biogas digester. The human waste flows into biogas plant by gravity through a separate pipeline from the toilet into the digester unit. Since the quantity of human faeces generated by a small family is too little, a biogas plant linked only to a toilet will generate very little quantity of gas, thus making a biogas plant solely based on human waste of a family technically unsuitable and economically unviable. Thus it is necessary to mix human waste with animal waste or cow dung (and preferably kitchen waste). Thus, a biogas digester cannot be considered as a primary faecal treatment unit of a flush toilet, but it can be said that a toilet is an auxiliary supply unit of a biogas plant.

The system consists of the following technical components:

1. Storage Chamber or Reactor is a closed vessel (chamber) and in this form it is the simplest form of digestion (batch digestion), where manure is added to the reactor at the beginning of the process in a batch and the reactor remains closed for the duration of the process.
2. The ferro cement reactor is equipped with a reinforced concrete (rcc) dome shape cover. The whole reactor vessel needs to be gas-proof.
3. The earthen mound prevents filling of the reactor during flooding's.
4. Gas outlet, valve and piping; the produced biogas can be used for heating and lightning and needs to be transported through gas-pipes from the reactor to the utilities (stove or gaslights). A gas pressure and control valve ensures pressure in the pipelines and functions a safety valve in case of over-pressure.



## Option - 04



**Specifications:**

- \*\* Water Level at Peak Monsoon is 8' below the Ground Level

**Sludge Storage Reservoir:**

- \*\* Height : 4'-0"
- \*\* Avg. Dia : 2'-3"
- \*\* Capacity : 450 liter
- \*\* Wall and Bottom of Well is Ferro-cement.

**Estimated Cost:**

- \*\* Approximately BDT 5,000/- excluding Super Structure



### 2.6.2 Bills

Total Cost: 7,355.00

Sl. No	Description	Quantity	Amount	Remarks
01.	Ring (33" dia)	1 piece	200.00	
02.	Slab	1 piece	250.00	
03.	Water Seal	1 piece	100.00	
04.	PVC pipe (4" dia)	4 feet	200.00	
05.	UPVC band (4" dia)	1 piece	100.00	
06.	Cement	2 bag	850.00	
07.	Sand	10 cft.	150.00	
08.	Net	8 feet	360.00	
09.	Chari	1 piece	1,800.00	
10.	Gas stove	1 set	1,300.00	
11.	Gas delivery pipe	15 feet	225.00	
12	Hose clump	2 piece	20.00	
Total Material Cost			5,555.00	
13.	Transport Cost	2 trip	500.00	
14.	Labor Cost	2 person	700.00	
Project Contribution			6,755.00	
User Contribution			600.00	
Grand Total			7,355.00	

### 2.6.3 Problem solving abilities:

Problem	Remarks
1. <i>High fill-up rate</i> due to infiltration of groundwater into the pit, causing pre-mature need for emptying.	No infiltration of groundwater into the reactor vessel.
2. <i>Groundwater pollution</i> due to exfiltration of wastewater from the pit.	No pollution due to seepage of waste water.
3. <i>Sub-structure damage</i> due to water level fluctuation in the pit, damaging its walls.	Because ferro cement is used there will be no chances of collapsing.

4. *Surface water bodies pollution* due to wastewater overflow when groundwater level rises. No chance of surface water bodies becoming polluted by pollutants from the reactor vessel.

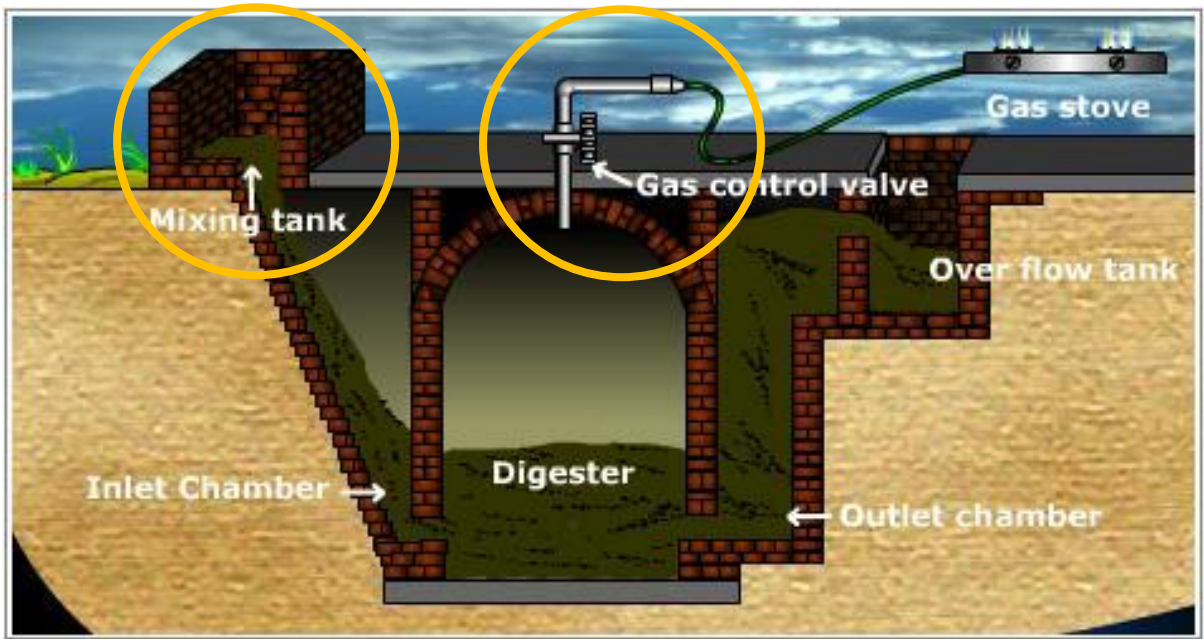
<b>Design Criteria</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
<b>1. Simple to operate</b>	Daily operation is more complex. Though the system operates itself it needs maintenance and care. In case the gas production is low organic wastes from manure or kitchen waste needs to be added. On a regular basis the reactor vessel needs to be emptied.  The system requires simple and safe operation routines.
<b>2. Acceptable costs</b> (acceptable is 50€)	The system becomes affordable (77€) when the costs for fuel wood and/or lightning is included. The investment might be high for the low income groups.
<b>3. Innovativeness</b>	The system is applied before in Bangladesh.

#### **2.6.4 Final conclusions**

The design meets most of the requirements and criteria, though the investment cost might be too high for the very low income groups. The system generates however benefits which can be easily converted into costs (fuel wood and gas for lightning) which on the long run might make it worthwhile to invest in this system despite its initial high investment costs.

There might be an issue about the gas-production, which might be low when only using wastes from humans. It is advised to equip the system with a device which makes it possible to add kitchen waste or animal manure. The mixture of animal/plant organic matter and human wastes will generate more biogas.

The demonstration unit did not produce much gas yet. The model needs to be extended with facilities that make it possible to introduce organic wastes into the reactor vessel (kitchen wastes and animal wastes) and to regulate the gas pressure (see picture below).



The system should be linked to a sludge collection and processing system (tertiary treatment).

## 2.7 Step latrine (models 1 & 2)

### 2.7.1 Introduction

Ground water pollution is occurred in areas where the bottom of the pit extends below the water table. So groundwater pollution is great concern where water table is high.

#### **Raised Pit with earthen mound**

The extended portion of the lining provides additional volume of pit for sludge accumulation. Raising of the pit also prevent splashing of the users or blockage of the pit inlet pipe by floating scum (Sanitation strategies and technologies, ITN-Bangladesh, 2003).

The lining (RCC or Plastic ring) of pit will be sealed with the clay so prevent the contact of sludge with water table. The bottom of the lining will be sealed by plastic sheet or clay seal. The pit will be connected with soak well to allow the liquid part to be connected with soak well.

#### **Soak well**

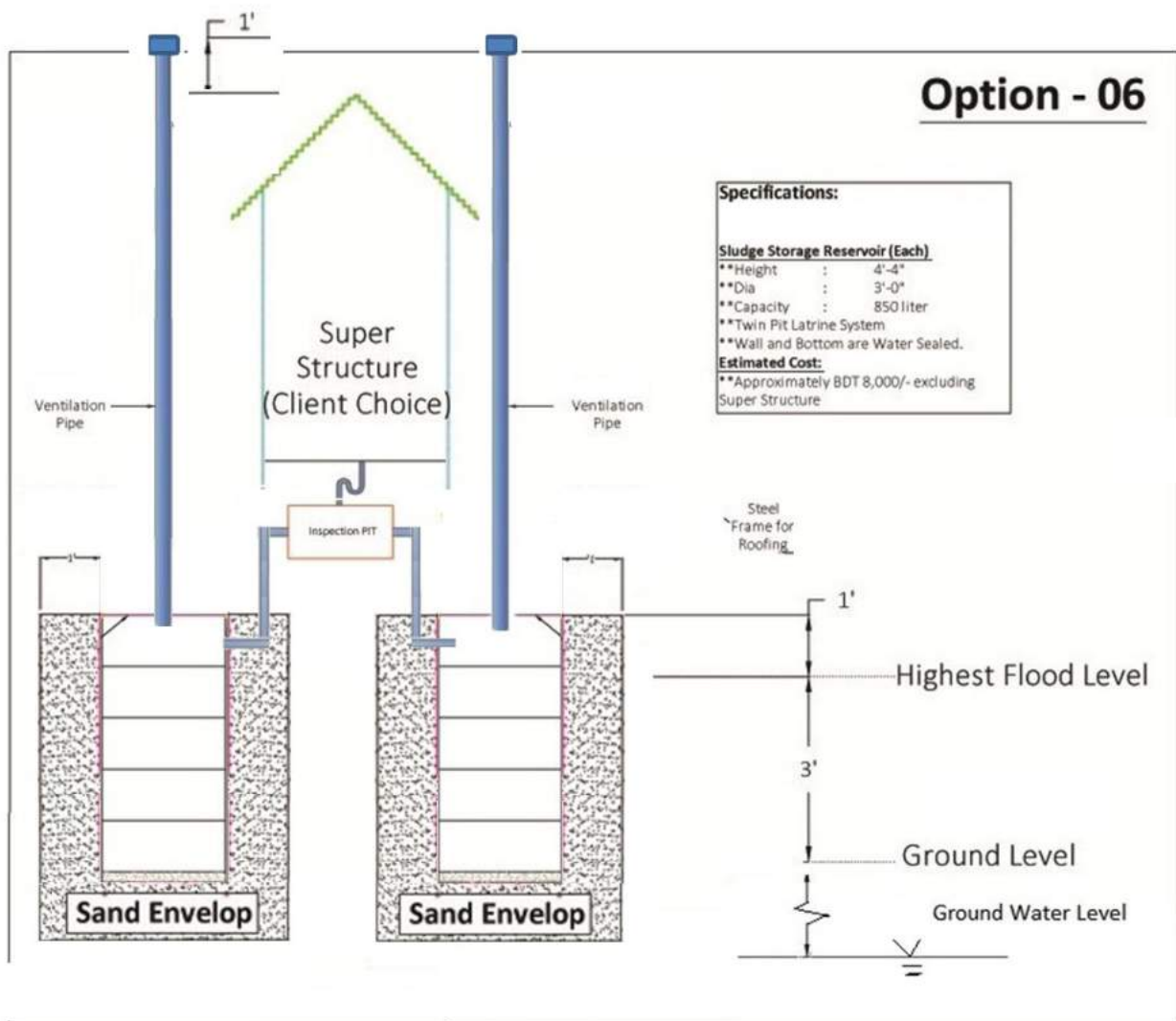
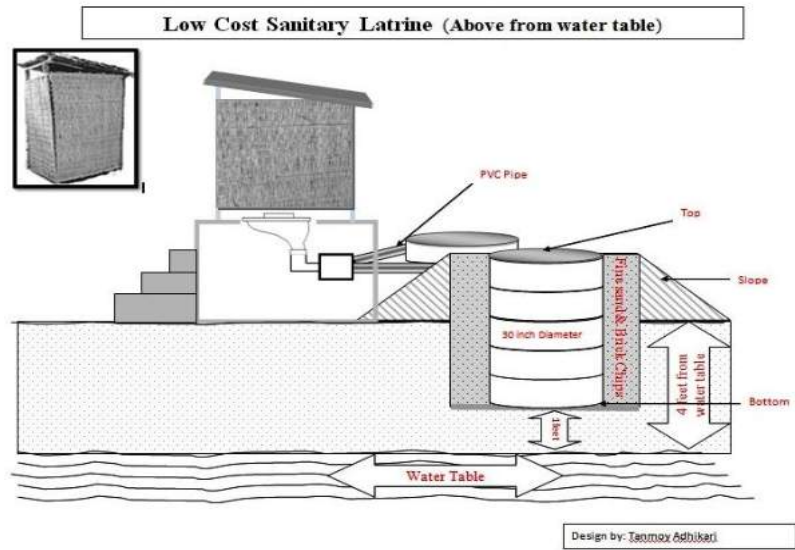
The lining will be made of plastic or RCC ring having some holes. The lining will be enveloped by sand. The bottom of the lining will be sealed with plastic sheet or muddy clay.

**Note:** In costal belt, plastic ring, slab is preferable. However saline prevent admixture can be used for concrete ring/slab. In case of option -2, there should be some kind of seal to prevent odour, entrance of insect, etc.

#### **Recommendations**

1. Check if groundwater is used as source of drinking water (and/or source of drinking water is located at less than 10 meters), if so the use of soak pit should be avoided, if not the sand envelope width should be increased (minimum 50cm), based on this modification the cost may be estimated in order to compare with other solutions.
2. In case that soak pit cannot be applied, the fill-up rate will be very high (the requirements for emptying will be at least 4 times per year), in order to increase the pit's operation time, modifications in the design might be done.

2.7.2 Model 1





#### 2.7.4 Bill of Quantities

**Total Cost: 6,853.00**

Sl. No	Description	Quantity	Amount	Remarks
01.	RCC Ring (dia 33")	1 nos.	200.00	
02.	RCC Ring (dia 30")	10 nos.	2,000.00	
03.	RCC Toilet Slab	1 nos.	250.00	
04.	RCC Cover	2 nos.	400.00	
05.	Plastic Syphon	1 nos.	100.00	
06.	PVC Pipe (dia 4")	5 ft	250.00	
07.	PVC Pipe (dia 3")	14 ft	420.00	
08.	Plastic Cap			
09.	Brick	10 pieces	78.00	
10.	Cement	15 KG	150.00	
11.	Sand	3 cft	45.00	
12.	Metal	10 KG	490.00	
13	Celluloid Cover			
Total Material Cost			4,383.00	
14.	Transport Cost	3 trip	300.00	
15.	Welding cost			
16.	Labor Cost	2 person	700.00	
Project Contribution			5,383.00	
User Contribution			550.00	
Grand Total Cost			5,933.00	

#### 2.7.5 Problem solving abilities

##### Problem

1. *High fill-up rate* due to infiltration of groundwater into the pit, causing pre-mature need for emptying.
2. *Groundwater pollution* due to exfiltration of wastewater from the pit.

##### Remarks

Possibility of infiltration of groundwater into the pits. In case of high flooding both pits will fill with flood water. However, when the flood water retreats, the chamber will release the extra water again.

Controlled seepage of waste water from the soak pit takes place, but the sand envelope/mould will act as filter before the waste water reaches the ground water level.

- 3. *Sub-structure damage* due to water level fluctuation in the pit, damaging its walls. No fluctuation expected other than a planned rising of the excreta and sludge in the storage tank. But because concrete rings are used there will be no chance of collapsing.
- 4. *Surface water bodies pollution* due to wastewater overflow when groundwater level rises. No chance of surface water bodies becoming polluted by pollutants from the pit because of the mould/sand envelope.

Design Criteria	Remarks
1. <b>Simple to operate</b>	Daily operation is minimal. The system operates itself, except when to change from one pit to the other. The capacity of the storage chamber is a bit on the small size for emptying once per year: Assumed a percolation rate of the soil is more than 15 mm/h, the liquids will seep into the envelope.  The system requires simple and safe operation routines. Once the storage pit is filled it needs to be emptied with a desludging device. The sludge will have to be transported and processed at a sludge disposal site.
2. <b>Acceptable costs</b> (acceptable is 50€)	The system is affordable (62€) also for the low income groups. What needs to be incorporated into the price of this system is the recurring cost for pit desludging.
3. <b>Innovativeness</b>	The system is applied before in Bangladesh but not on a large scale.

### 2.7.6 Final conclusions







## 3 Alternative Materials

### 3.1 Use of BRCC

Since cost was a consideration, alternate building materials were considered. The data available on availability and quality of Bamboo plus various studies on the tensile strength of seasoned bamboo which can provide 20-30 % of that of Tor steel, was very encouraging. The specific details available in the study presented in the paper in International Journal of Engineering Research and Applications (April 2012) by C. S. Verma, V. M. Chariar and R. Purohit indicated that more improvements to application of bamboo as a replacement for Tor Steel in RCC was possible. However, such innovations were beyond the scope of the current research and hence the area of cross section of 6-10 times that of steel was tentatively decided whenever and wherever bamboo could be used.

The options under each type of soil/water table are given below.

#### Rocky with Soil

- Bamboo Reinforced Cement Concrete (BRCC) Septic Tank with and Soak Pit with Concrete rings with Sand/Pebble envelope around the Soak Pit
- Twin BRCC Leach Pits with Sand/Pebble envelope around the pits

#### Clayey

- Bamboo Reinforced Cement Concrete (BRCC) Septic Tank with and Soak Pit with Concrete rings with Sand/Pebble envelope around the Soak Pit
- Twin BRCC Leach Pits with Sand/Pebble envelope around the pits

#### High Water Table/Flood prone/Water logged-Elevated by mound method

- No toilet types with BCC possible

#### High Water Table/Flood prone/Water logged-Elevated by supported sand bed method

- No toilet types with BCC possible

#### Technical details

The Septic Tank and Soak Pit are constructed with Bamboo Reinforced Cement Concrete with superstructure also of the same combination but a leaner mix or from GI sheets. The substructure, namely the Septic Tank and Soak Pit, are of BRCC M20 (1:1.5:3). The wall too is of the same material but RCC M 15 (1:2:4). The roof is with MS sheet and roof support is bamboo

#### Cost Reduction

The BRCC Septic Tank with Brickwork masonry Soak Pit costs BDT 42000/- per unit. The Leach Pits costs BDT 24, 000/- and BDT 20, 000/- respectively for flood prone and rocky/clayey areas. Cost of superstructure built in the PDUs varied from BDT 40, 000/- to BDT 60, 000/-. However, that cost is flexible and more options for materials of construction are available. The construction materials used for the superstructure in the PDUs are GI sheets, BRCC and bricks. The details of materials used for the units and costs thereof are given in the annexes. The 'traditional' 'elevated toilets' in the Lakhai area are reported to cost just around BDT 12, 000/- only; but they can hardly be referred to as toilets but just elevated enclosures only

### 3.2 Use of Ferro Cement

Ferro Cement (FC) is a form of thin-shell construction that uses standard Portland cement, usually mixed with plaster sand. Compared to traditional RCC construction, the cement is reinforced with more steel or fiber (with a lesser diameter, typically wire-mesh) at a closer spacing. Reduced spacing yields uniform force dispersion and increases strength. The well-distributed and aligned reinforcement can make the FC behave like steel plates. It offers possibilities for producing very thin and light-weight structures. The dependency on skilled labor is reduced, since FC application is very simple and easy. FC construction complements compressed earth bricks in many ways. FC has proven its applicability in many appliances in buildings and other construction features.

A cost comparison is made in the table below:

<b>Table 1: Comparative cost of Tanks for Rain Water Harvesting System</b>			
Material of Constriction	Capacity (In lit.)	Shape	App. Installed Cost (Rs. Per litre)
Reinforced Cement Concrete	1000	Rectangular & Circular	4.00 - 5.00 (yr. 2000) Add 15 % to get 2005 cost
	2500	Rectangular & Circular	
	5000	Circular	
	10,000	Circular	
Steel	1000	Rectantular	7.50 - 8.25 (yr. 2000) Add 22 & to get 2005 cost
	2500		
	5000	Circular	
	10,000	Circular	
Ferrocement	1000	Circular	2.00 - 2.50 (yr. 2000) Add 15 % to get 2005 cost
	2500		
	5000		
	10,000		
HDP (Plastic)	1000	Circular	5.00 - 6.50 (yr. 2000) Add 10 % to get 2005 cost
	2500	Circular	
	5000	Circular	
	10,000	Circular	
Masonry - Stone Block/Bricks	1000	Rectangular	3.50 - 4.00 (yr. 2000) Add 20 & to get 2005 cost
	2500	Rectangular	
	5000	Not Economic	
	10,000	Not Economic	

**Ferro Cement Water Storage Tanks for Rain Water Harvesting in Hills & Islands**

P.C. Sharma, 2005

The table shows a significant cost reduction between different building materials. Roughly it means that when using Ferro Cement instead of RCC or masonry the cost reduction could be 50% or 43%.

### 3.3 Use of Sand Envelopes

Sand envelope is a barrier of 0.5 m sand (0.2 mm course sand) all around a soak pit. The sand acts as filter and contains after some time (100 days, see textbox below) bacteria that actively contain a breakthrough of pathogens. A sand envelope is a type of filter which is known as a slow sand filter.

Slow sand *filtration* has been an effective water treatment process for preventing the spread of gastrointestinal diseases for over 150 years, having been used first in Great Britain and later in other European countries

(LOGSDON 2002). SSFs are still used in London and were relatively common in Western Europe until recently and are still common elsewhere in the world.

### 3.3.1 Basic Design Principles

The basic principle of the process is very simple. Contaminated water flows through a layer of sand, where it not only gets physically filtered but biologically treated. Hereby, both sediments and *pathogens* are removed. This process is based on the ability of organisms to remove *pathogens*.

The physical removal of solids is an important part of the purification process and takes place in the sedimentation tanks, the relevant aspect is the biological *filtration*. The top layers of the sand become biologically active by the establishment of a microbial community on the top layer of the sand substrate, also referred to as '*schmutzdecke*'. These microbes come from the source of the waste water and establish a community within a matter of month (100 days). The fine sand and slow *filtration* rate facilitate the establishment of this microbial community. The majority of the community are predatory *bacteria* that feed on water-borne microbes passing through the filter (*WHO n.y.*). Hence, the underlying principle of the *SSF* is equivalent to the bio-sand filtration. While the former is applied to semi-centralised water treatment, the latter mainly serves household purposes.

As the process of biological *filtration* requires a fair amount of time in order to purify the water sufficiently, *SSFs* usually operate at slow *flow rates* between 0.1 – 0.3 m<sup>3</sup>/h per square metre of surface (*WHO n.y.*). The water thus remains in the space above the medium for several hours and larger particles are allowed to separate and settle (see also sedimentation). It then passes through the sand-bed where it goes through a number of purification processes (HUISMAN 1974).

### 3.3.2 Health Aspects

Slow sand *filtration* is an extremely efficient method for removing microbial contamination. *SSFs* are also effective in removing *protozoa* and viruses (*WHO n.y.*). If the *effluent turbidity* is below 1.0 *nephelometric turbidity units (NTU)*, a 90 to 99% reduction in *bacteria* and viruses is achieved (NDWC 2000). Yet, slow sand *filtration* is generally not effective for the majority of chemicals (*WHO n.y.*). However, it can be argued that chemical standards for *drinking water* are of secondary concern in water supply subject to severe bacterial contamination (*WHO 1996*).

Highly effective for	Somewhat effective for	Not effective for
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Bacteria</i></li> <li>- <i>Protozoa</i></li> <li>- Viruses</li> <li>- <i>Turbidity</i></li> <li>- <i>Heavy metals (Zn, Cu, Cd, Pb)</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Odour, Taste</li> <li>- Iron, Manganese</li> <li>- <i>Organic Matter</i></li> <li>- Arsenic</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Salts</li> <li>- Fluoride</li> <li>- <i>Trihalomethane (THM) Precursors</i></li> <li>- Majority of chemicals</li> </ul>

Typical treatment performance of slow sand filters. Adapted from: BRIKKE & BREDERO (2003), LOGSDON (2002) and WHO (n.y.)

The simple design of *SSFs* makes it easy to use local materials and skills in their construction (HUISMAN 1974). Due to the simplicity of construction, *SSFs* can be built by experienced contractors, or by communities with external technical assistance (BRIKKE & BREDERO 2003).

Where there is limited space between the base of the pit and the water table, the use of sand envelopes around the base and sides of the pit are often recommended as this will help encourage an active biological community to reduce breakthrough of pathogens (Franceys *et al.* 1992). These recommendations are based on original field and laboratory experimentation by Coldwell and Parr (1937) and later by Ziebell *et al.* (1975). The former found that a 0.25 metre envelope of sand provided an effective barrier to thermotolerant coliform movement.

However, although this provides confidence in control of bacterial contamination, confidence in control of viral pathogens is more limited. Ziebell *et al.* (1975) found that development of the biological communities within sand envelopes took up to 100 days, suggesting an initial period of elevated risk during the first use of the latrine. (G. Howard, B. J. Reed, D. McChesney and R. Taylor, *The Global Water Supply and Sanitation Assessment 2000*, WHO, 2000)

## 4 WASTEs Options

The design options below are designs suggested by WASTE and are based on literature studies, experiences and simply under development by WASTE and its partners. The suggestions below were discussed and selected as viable options in the final workshop in December 2014.

### 4.1 Floating toilets

**Floating toilet** - a toilet on a raft or boat, "this toilet is essentially a floating **outhouse** with one or two collection barrels or tanks below. Most feature urine diversion, desiccation or dehydration (UDD) to permit urine to pass. Applications for this type of toilet tend to be in poorer communities located on lakes or rivers or if an area is flooded. The need for this type of toilet is pressing in areas like Cambodia where the World Bank cited in 2008 that nearly 10,000 people died as a result of poor sanitation"



The floating toilet shown in the picture weighs about 800 kilogrammes and comprises of two rooms, one with a modern flush toilet and another room with a pour flush pouring water in the basin.

The unit is 2.5 metres wide and 3.5 metres long. It is made of plastic and "smart board", a *smooth-surface asbestos-free* cement board, to make it durable and lightweight.

The toilet differs from *conventional* floating toilets because the *waste is treated with micro-organisms* before *discharge*.

After filling up, a tank *fitted underneath* the toilet will need to be *disposed of* at a **proper place**.

The cost for the toilet –in this luxury version- is about 1000 euros. Too expensive but with down-size modifications maybe to be considered as an option as low income solution, but above all a solution for areas with long lasting flood conditions and/or channels combined with little or no space.

## 4.2 BoP Potti: In-house Toilets

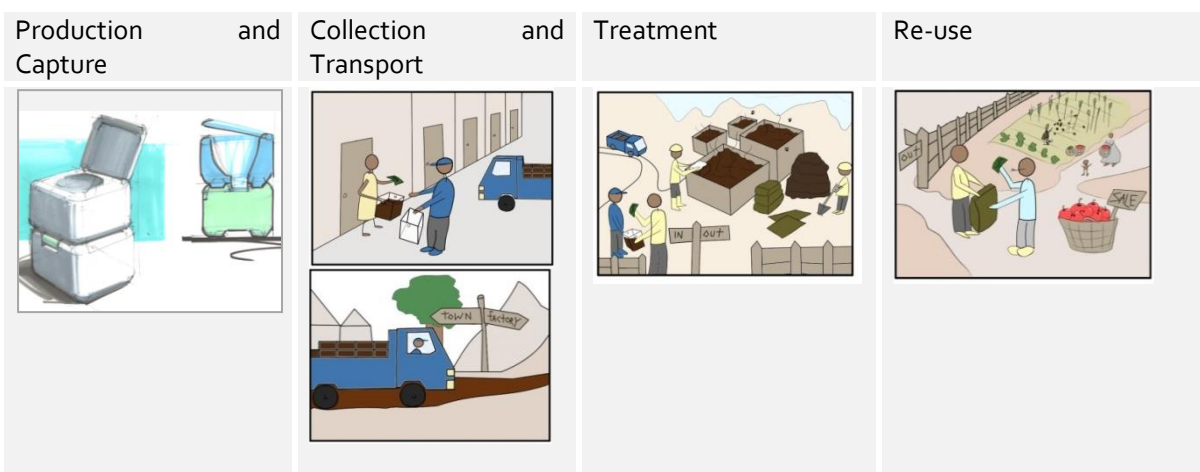


Description of the system: each house has an indoor toilet. The toilet has 2 or 3 compartments (depending on the type: uddt 3 and pour flush 2). First compartment is the collection bowl, second compartment the storage tanks for sludge or urine and faeces. The storage tanks are designed to contain their contents for about a week. Each week the content

The portable toilets have similar properties:

- Plastic sitting toilet with mechanical pump mechanism for
- flushing
- Dimensions: 34x44x39 cm, Weight: 4 kg
- Detachable flush tank (15 L) and waste tank (21 L)
- Manufacturing cost: 24€ (mass production in China)

As an indication, the waste tank has to be emptied daily when used with a family of 4.5 people. The flush tank has to be re-filled about every 4 days.



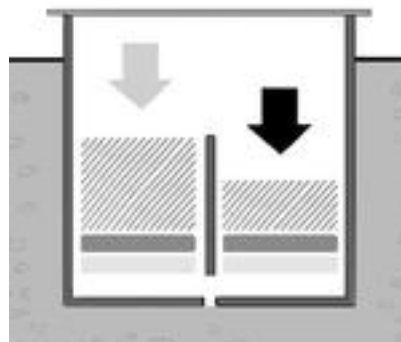
<p>An attractive, new BoP Potti without a water tank or flush, with an optional in-house fixture and one or two easy to clean, exchangeable and stackable holding tanks (with or without a urine diversion option).</p>	<p>The holding tank will be suitable for a simple and straightforward door-to-door collection system, preferably daily. In exchange for a small fee, the full holding tank will be replaced by an empty, clean one.</p>	<p>For a small fee the full tanks are emptied and cleaned at the treatment station (this treatment can be chemical, biological or bio-chemical). Here, possibly an additive is used to not only transform the waste into fertilizer but also to increase the value.</p>	<p>Producing fertilizer from human waste is an ancient method. The process is simple, and can be technically feasible and financially viable.</p>
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For operation, the toilet requires the following additives:

- Waste tank additive (liquid or sachets)
- Function: reduces gas build-up, odours and stimulates breakdown of solids
- Environmentally friendly - can be released in a septic tank
- Current end consumer prices whopping 0,50€-1€ per serving (140 mL/1 sachet each time the waste tank is emptied). However, we expect considerable margins there.

### 4.3 Rottebehalter

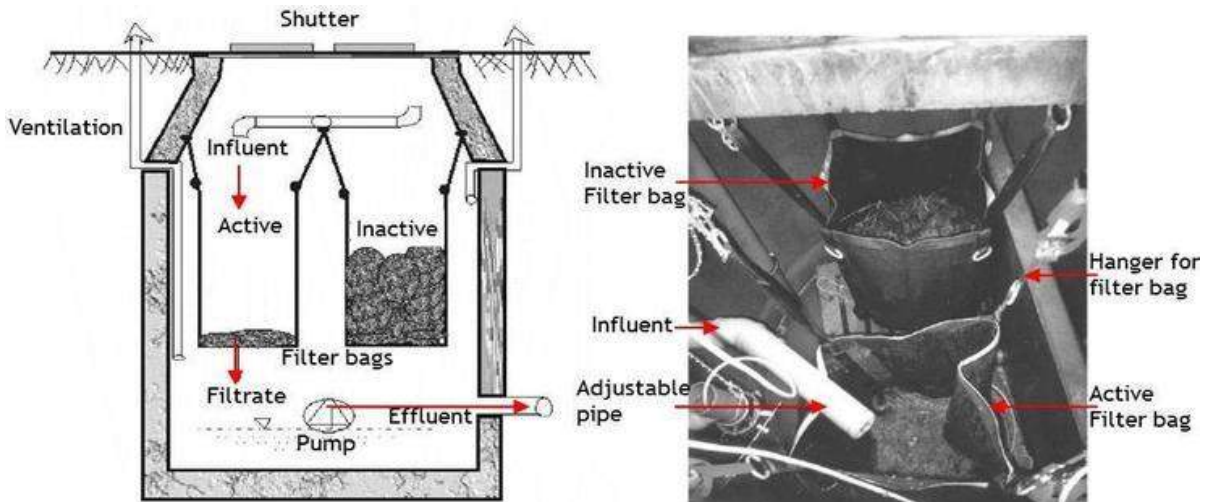
Description: the rottebehalter or compost filter is a fairly new method for pre-treating wastewater. There are two different methods: two chamber compost filters or compost filter bags. Grey-water or domestic wastewater flows directly into this filter. The solids stay in the filter and are decomposed and transformed into humus by aerobic digestion; the liquids are drained at the bottom and forwarded to the constructed wetland. As it is an aerobic process, there are neither biogas emissions nor bad odours.



From time to time, the operator has to add bulking material like straw or wood chips, to enforce the dehydration and to avoid clogging of the filter.

The wastewater flows directly into the composting filter. It consists of two chambers; each chamber has a capacity of one year. As soon as the first chamber is full, the influent pipe can be switched to the second chamber for the following year. In the meantime, the faecal sludge in the first chamber is dewatered, and the rotting process (aerobic digestion) successively decomposes the material.





Rottebehaelter (Gujarel, 2005)

The raw black-water passes through a filter bag (made of jute or plastic material) into a chamber with a ventilation pipe. The liquid effluent from the compost filter is collected below the filter bags and normally needs to be treated in a constructed wetland, a fishpond or a floating pod, as the hydraulic head loss in compost filters is about 1.5 m. The solid components of the black-water (i.e., faeces and cleansing material) are retained in the straw bed, which is contained in the filter bag.



The Final Product.

The final product (after it has been fully aerated and left without addition of new material for 6 to 12 months) is black, compact material, which looks and smells like black soil or humus. Nevertheless, the material still needs secondary composting (see small and large scale composting) as it still contains pathogens such as Helminth eggs.

### **Cost Considerations.**

Compared to other water based systems, construction costs are relatively low. However, it is still more expensive than a dry toilet or composting toilet system. A compost filter needs expert design and constant input of straw or wood chips.

### **Operation and Maintenance.**

The compost filter bag needs regular maintenance. Once a week dry straw has to be added. Generally, 2 to 4 filter bags are used in alternating modes in two separate chambers (the dimensions of the chambers depend on the number of users); the retained solids are composted during the resting phase of 6 months, during which the second bag is used. Volume reduction during resting phase can be up to 75%.

An operator must maintain the active chamber of the two-chamber filter regularly: dry material such as straw or wood chips must be added weekly to monthly. This avoids clogging of the filter and advances the dehydration process. It is recommended, that the added material be arranged all over the compost filter surface. It should be slightly accumulated directly below the influent. If the filter is correctly maintained and operated, no unpleasant odour can develop.

### **Health Aspects.**

The chambers need to be covered in order to prevent people (especially children) from falling in. The active chamber contains fresh excreta. The material of the inactive chamber is less hazardous, but could still contain pathogens. Therefore, gloves are recommended for any maintenance or repair work of the filter. The decomposed material should be composted again, as a further hygienization (see small and large scale composting). It is also important to apply this material correctly if it is used for agriculture.

### **At a Glance**

- Working Principle: The raw black water passes through a filter bag/chamber. The liquid effluent from the compost filter is collected below the filter and normally needs to be pumped to the constructed wetlands. The solid components of the black water (i.e., faeces and cleansing material) are retained in the compost filter;
- Capacity/Adequacy. Compost filters are used by small communities for primary treatment of grey- and black water;
- Performance. High;
- Costs. Compared to other water based systems, construction costs are relatively low;
- Self-help Compatibility. High, once it is constructed;
- O&M. Must be maintained regularly by unskilled labourers;
- Reliability. Reliable if designed and operated correctly, problems might occur with shock loads;
- Main strength. No bad odour, produces compost, no biogas emission;
- Main weakness. Risk of clogging and anaerobic conditions if not operated correctly.

Applicability. Compost filters are suitable for domestic waste- or greywater with high organic load. So far compost filters were constructed for single households and small communities. Further treatment (e.g. composting) of the filter material must be available.

## **Advantages**

- The effluent (filtrate) from a compost filter has no unpleasant odour compared to anaerobic pre-treatment systems (e.g. septic tanks);
- There is no biogas production since it is an aerobic process;
- Produces compost that can be used for gardening or farming;
- Can be operated and maintained by everyone after a short training.

## **Disadvantages**

- Needs more “hands-on” maintenance than other pre-treatment method;
- Use is limited to small units (decentralised wastewater treatment systems);
- Compost filter bags only work with highly concentrated black-water, because too many solids may be washed out of the filter bags otherwise;
- Clogging may occur, usually due to having selected the wrong filter bags or substrate or due to bad maintenance;
- The leachate (liquid effluent) requires further treatment.

## 5 Monitoring of Designs

Toilet Options	Monitoring Findings	Recommendation
<b>Modified Septic Tank System</b>	Drying rate of Waste water is satisfactory	Need to require more follow up to observe seasonal variations
<b>Double Plastic Drum System</b>	Liquid soaked satisfactorily	Need to modify sludge storage tank cover for easy de-sludging
<b>Single Plastic Drum System</b>	Liquid soaked satisfactorily	It may require more time to follow up.
<b>Single Offset with Biogas System</b>	Adequate Bio-gas is not generating till now.	Need to require more follow up or increase user.
<b>Modified Twin Pit System</b>	Evaporation rate is relatively more compare to other options	Need to require more follow up to do some reliable remarks.

## 6 Conclusions & Recommendations

- There is always a costs attached to more sustainable and more robust ways of constructing toilets. The ideal to construct toilets at the same price as if there is no improvement made is not achievable
- The proposed solutions are within an acceptable price range and solve some of the technical problems linked to the geomorphological conditions of Bangladesh.
- A combination of the different offered solutions will solve all problems
- Local entrepreneurs provide valuable information on how to improve existing toilet systems, but their designing and technical capacity is too limited to be able to make new innovations possible.
- The sheer magnitude of the problems in Bangladesh related to sanitation demands a complete new way of thinking and solutions. Onsite toilet systems as proposed need much space and resources. The proposed BoP Potti might become a more attractive and effective way of disposing human wastes.

## 7 Combining designs

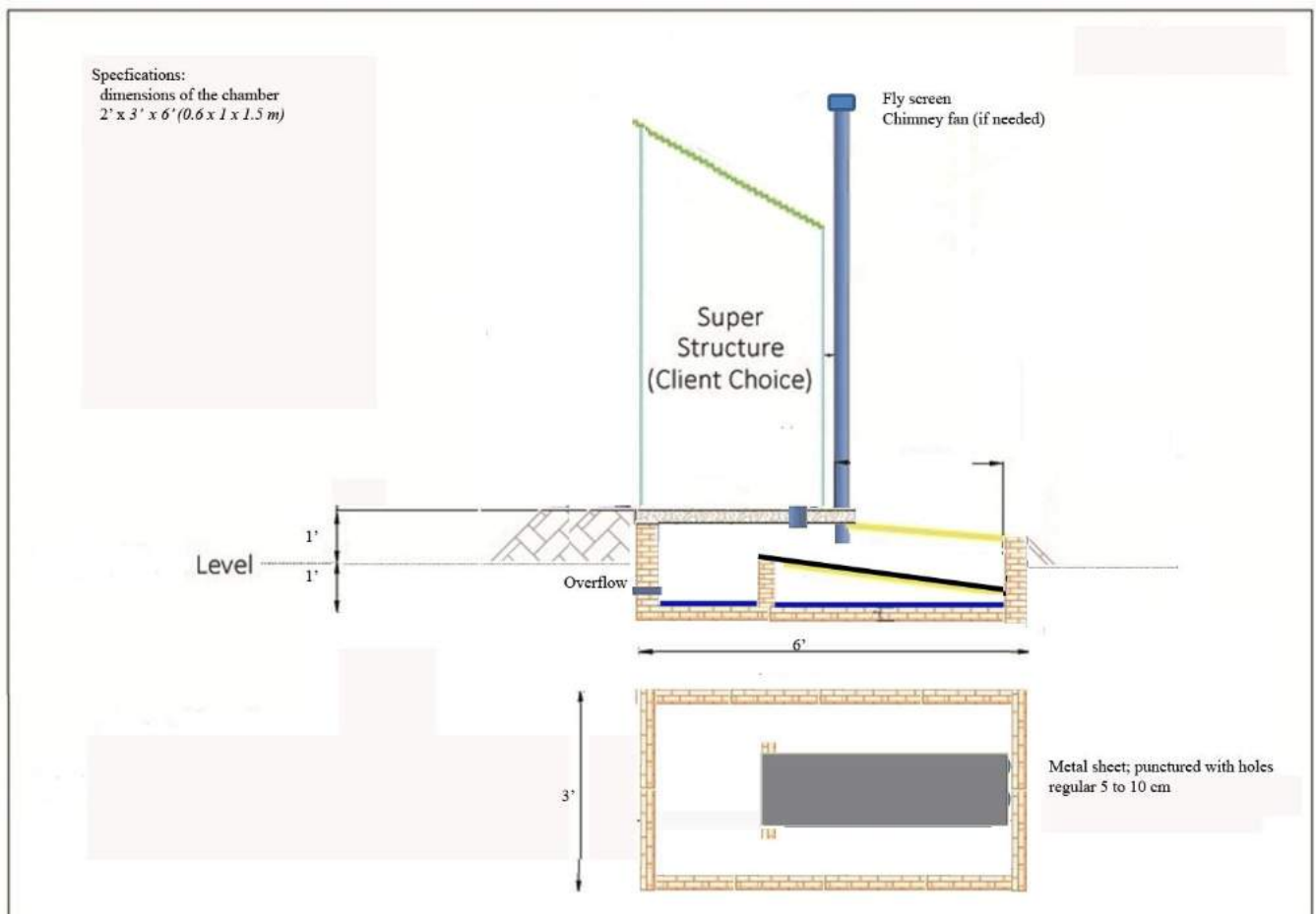
When considering all designs and recommendations the following design could be assembled from the previous information

### Alternative Design:

Principle: reduction of liquids through forced dehydration, use of cost saving materials and technologies and saline resistant materials, combined with the principles of a Rottebehalter without the pumping systems and use of wetlands.

Description of the system: the system is a combination between the design using forced dehydration and the Rottebehaelter. The raw excreta fall on the punctured metal sheet (same materials as for instance used for a metal door frame). The solids remain on the frame and slides gradually downwards to the end of the frame which acts as the filter-bag (Rottebehaelter). The liquids seep through the holes of the frame and are collected at the bottom of the chamber. The heat and the draught in the chamber dehydrates both the solids on the metal frame as well as the liquids on the floor of the chamber. The slope of the frame should be steep enough to ensure the solids to slide down gradually. On its way down the draught dries the solids where it eventually can be harvested. In this system the composting is replaced by dehydration.

The liquids evaporate on the same conditions as described in design Modified UDDT Forced Dehydration.



The system consists of the following technical components:

1. Regular toilet bowl, faeces and urine are not separated.
2. Evaporation Chamber, including the black/transparent celluloid cover: in the evaporation chamber the solids and the liquids are being collected. Through an increased ambient temperature and forced aeration the liquids evaporate and disappear through the vent pipe. The size of the chamber depends on the materials used and is still subject to experimentation. It is however clear that the more shallow the more liquids evaporate. In the demonstration model bricks are being used; other materials, like

black polyethylene tanks are also applicable especially when the heat build-up in the tanks becomes an issue.

3. The evaporation tank can be constructed with 2 types of materials: bricks or polyethylene. The polyethylene tanks should be used in high water and flooding conditions (to avoid infiltration of water). The masonry tank should be used under dry conditions only. The masonry walls and floor are lined to make the chamber watertight (see design 1A and 1B).
4. Punctured metal sheet, the sheet can be constructed of the same materials as a regular metal door used for toilets (light materials). The sheet should be punctured with holes at a regular distance (every 5 to 10 cm).
5. Vent Pipe: the vent pipe is a crucial components. In both cases they generate the crucial draught necessary to dehydrate and transport the evaporated liquids to the ambient air. In case the generated draught is not sufficient a chimney fan should be mounted.
6. Earthen mound (optional): the demonstration toilet is being built on an earthen embankment (mound) to avoid flooding of the toilet. The height of the mound (and the toilet slab) depends on the high water level and the ground water level (see annex 7).

This system does not have any other output than dried solids and can be used as an alternative for the regular UDDT in cases where disposing the washing water into the surroundings is an issue. But also in case when the urine cannot be harvested due to social unacceptance or other reasons because the urine evaporates.

#### **Cost Considerations:**

Compared to the Modified UDDT Forced Dehydration (Design 1) and the Rottebehaelter construction costs are relatively less, because the system does not make use of an extra sedimentation tank and no costs for pumps and wetlands. Materials should be locally available. The chamber is however bigger than in the Forced Dehydration UDDT.

#### **Operation and maintenance**

The system needs from time to time maintenance, the operator has to collect the dried solids from the metal sheet. The dehydrated solids are -in principle- safe to handle. Temperatures and the prolonged retention time in the chamber should ensure complete die-off of the pathogens in the solids. The operator has also to check whether the solids are not accumulating on the metal sheet and are indeed slowly sliding down.

#### **Health Aspects:**

The chamber is a closed system and others than the operator cannot enter the chamber easily. There are 2 points where contamination might occur: when the solid are not fully sanitized and when the liquids are not fully vaporised and the liquids leave the chamber through the overflow system.

Important Note: this system is not experimented with yet. The design is a combination of the Enviroloo, the Modified UDDT and the Rottebehaelter and needs testing. Agreed was with Practical Action Bangladesh that they would test the assumptions and if we can get the funds also field tested. If the system works

## **8 Way Forward**

During the last workshop the participants agreed to keep on monitoring the operation of the demo-toilets. In particular Practical Action was very interested to maintain the monitoring of the demonstration toilets.

Practical Action intends to further investigate the designs, see whether they can become cheaper and eventually market the toilets on a larger scale in Bangladesh.

WASTE agreed to include the different designs in its projects in Asia and Africa and in particular in Zambia where WASTE implements the SPA program situated in high ground water table areas. The designs will also become part of the FINISH Learning Guide (part B).

The different partners were pleased by the pleasant collaboration among the partners and all expressed their commitment to keep on collaborating further when it concerns sanitation in Bangladesh.

Practical Action is very much involved in the development of sludge management options. PA has several promising demonstration projects. Practical Action intends to adjust the designs based on the requirements of the sludge management alternatives.

During and after the workshop the desire was expressed to continue the collaboration in order to be able to gain more knowledge on types of toilets in high water table and flooding areas. WASTE and Practical Action will explore ways how this could materialize and see which organisations would like to participate.

## 9 Annexes

Annex 1: Other not selected designs

Annex 2: Context challenges and issues with existing designs

Annex 3: Design Criteria

Annex 4: Selection sheet

Annex 5: Information about Biogas

Annex 6: Calculations of volumes

Annex 7: Earthen Mound

Annex 8: Alternative Designs

Annex 9: Formulas for calculation urine evaporation in a vessel

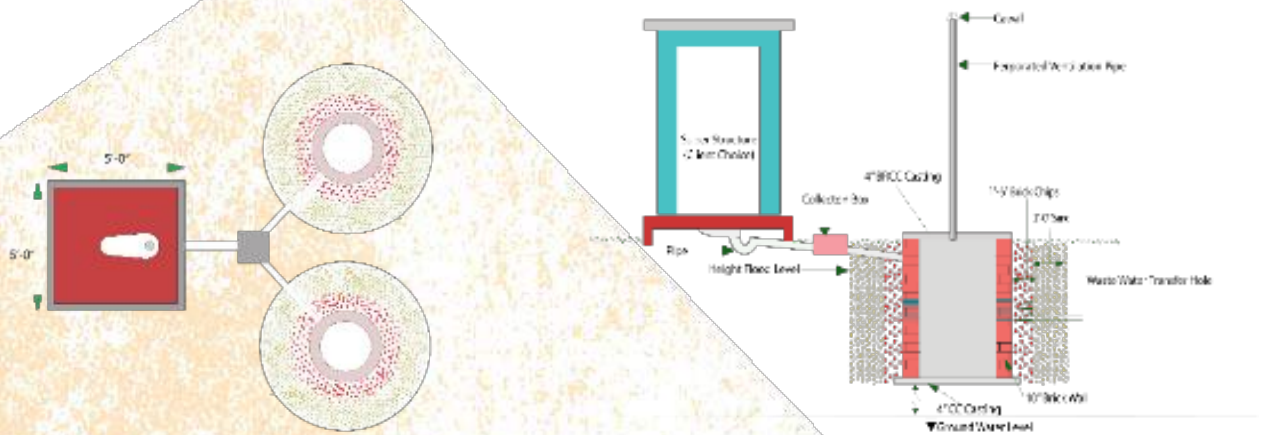
Annex 10: Selection Design Matrix



## ANNEX 1: OTHER NOT SELECTED DESIGNS

### Options-01: Leach Pit for Rocky or hilly area

This technology consists of two alternating pits connected to a pour flush toilet. The contaminated water (black water and grey water) is collected in the pits and allows water to slowly soak into the coarse aggregate (e. g. brick chips, stone) and fine aggregate (e. g. sand) and allowed to slowly infiltrate into the surrounding soil. Leach Pit for Rocky or hilly area BDT-60000/=



#### Brick wall sock pit

Since brick wall sock pit with hole are easy to manufacture by local entrepreneurs or Masson at low cost. This innovation very important for this toilet. Because this innovation used for rocky and hilly area, this type of soil nature they don't want received liquid or water.

#### Bamboo reinforcement cement concrete (BRCC)

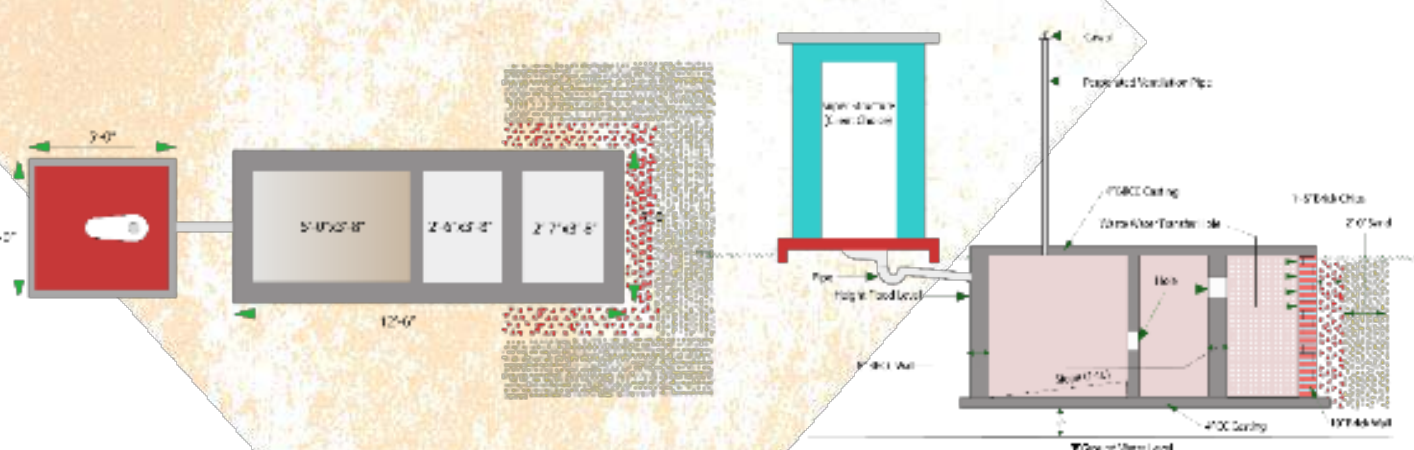
Since this is low cost sustainable toilet, so we used bamboo replacing the mild steel, because the bamboo less than 10 percent of the cost of the mild steel.





**Options-02: Septic Tank for Rocky or hilly area.**

is the Septic Tank with Bamboo Reinforcement Cement concrete (BRCC) and Brick made toilet. The main concept is the toilet is extend Bamboo Reinforcement Cement concrete (BRCC) two house for separately storage solid waste and liquid waste. And the brick pit for the contaminated water (black water and grey water) is collected in the pits and transfer the water to course aggregate & fine aggregate, after allowed to slowly infiltrate into the surrounding soil. Septic Tank for Rocky or hilly area-BDT 63000/=



**Septic Tank:**

Two chamber attached septic tank are provided for separately storage solid waste and liquid waste and treated solid waste and waste water. Human waste are come first chamber using inlet pipe, few time this solid are surrounding this chamber, dissolved with water and treated they will go 2nd chamber. The liquid waste are treated few times in this chamber.

**Soak pit:**

The soak pit also known as leach pit is a porous-walled chamber that allows water to slowly soak into the course aggregate (e. g. brick chips, stone) and fine aggregate (e. g. sand). The main objective of this system the pit and fine & course aggregate collected the water and allowed to slowly infiltrate into the surrounding soil. Because rocky and hilly area's soil don't want to received liquid or water.

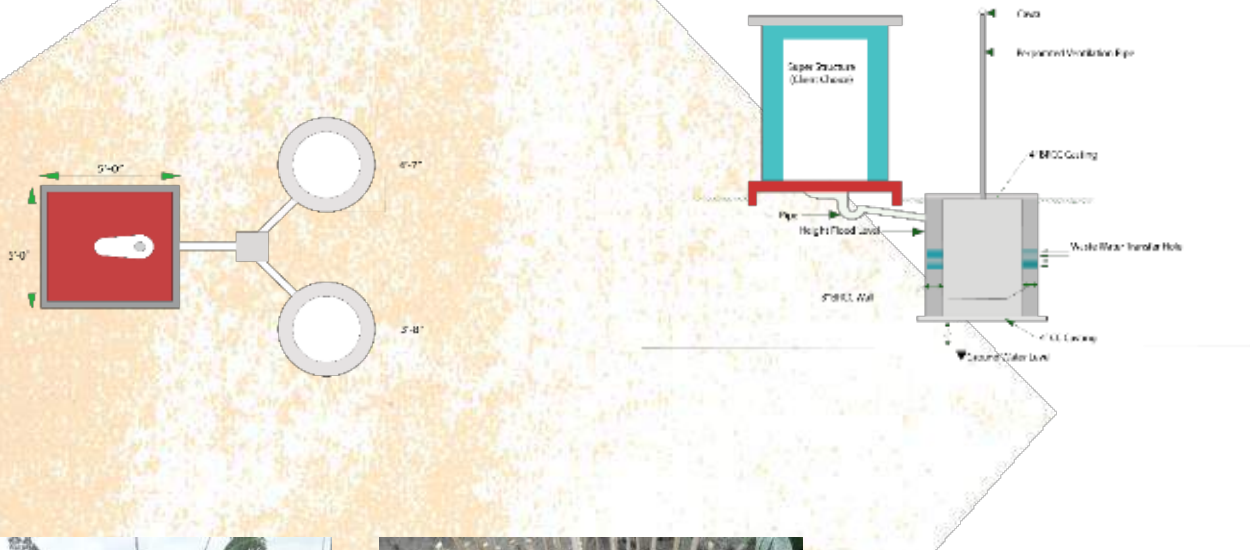




**Options-04: Leach Pit for Flood prone area**

The soak pit allows water to slowly soak into the coarse aggregate (e. g. brick chips, stone) and fine aggregate (e. g. sand). The fine & coarse aggregate collected the water and allowed to slowly infiltrate into the surrounding soil. Because rocky and hilly area's soil don't want to received liquid or water. Bricks chips and sand envelop may help to seal the pit and avoid latrine high rate fill-up and groundwater pollution. However the combination of brick work and bricks chips & sand envelop should be tested in field.

Leach Pit for Flood prone area- BDT 62000/=

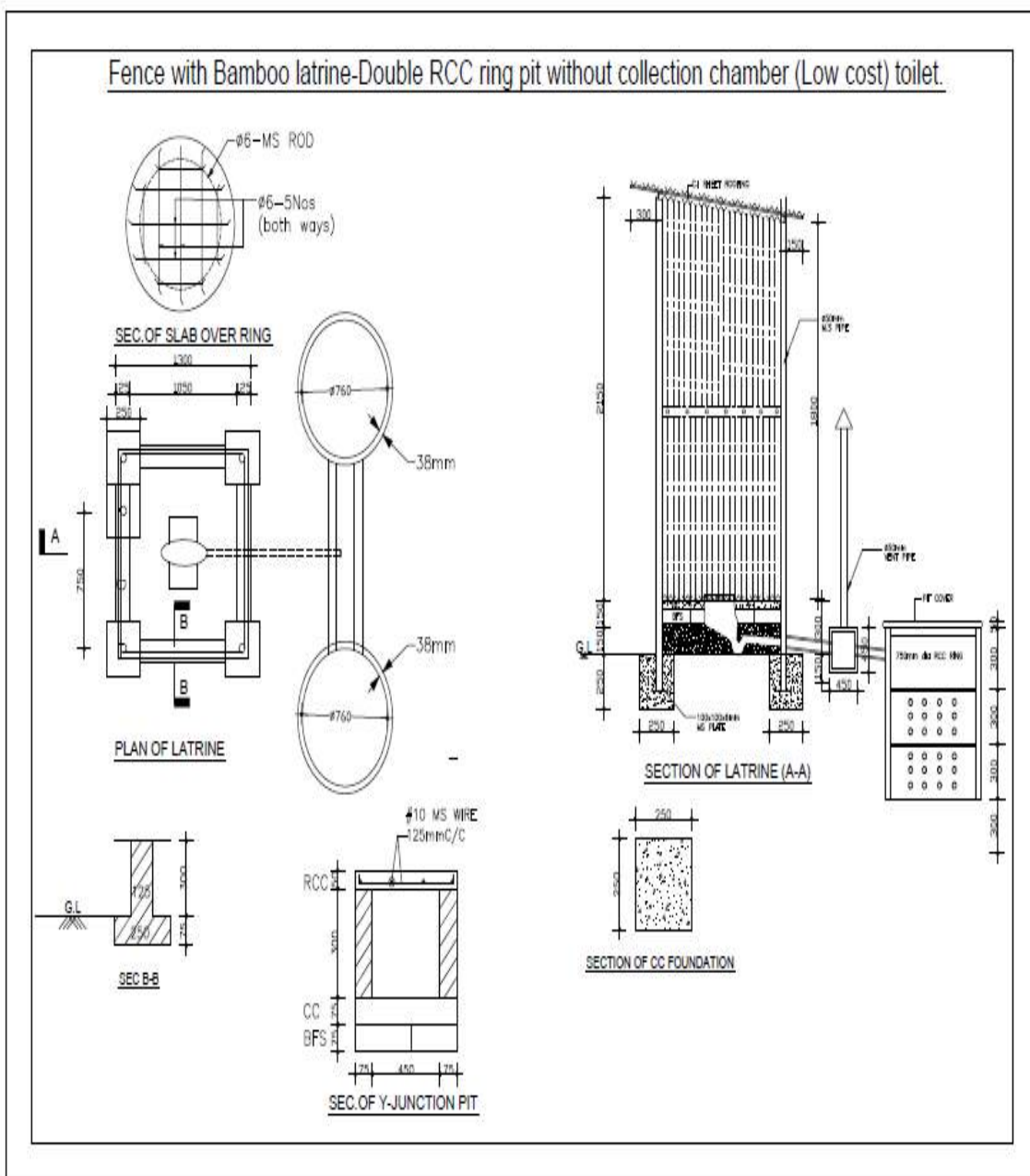
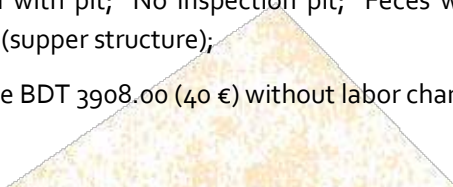


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**Double RCC ring pit without collection chamber (Low cost) toilet:**

The toilets are hygienic, more affordable, sustainable as well as eco-friendly. Sub-structure of toilet made by 3 RCC ring; Distances is to be 900 mm between two pits. There will be two rings with zigzag whole under soil, gas and waste water defuse into the surrounding soil; 900 mm hole will be made from top of water level under soil. Another top portion of ring is sealed with RCC slab without hole; Plat form will be ring slab; Drain to be directly connected with pit; No inspection pit; Feces will be directly deposited into pit; Privacy keeping with local materials (super structure);

Cost will be BDT 3908.00 (40 €) without labor charge.



## Double leach pit with RCC Ring

(Mid level) toilet:

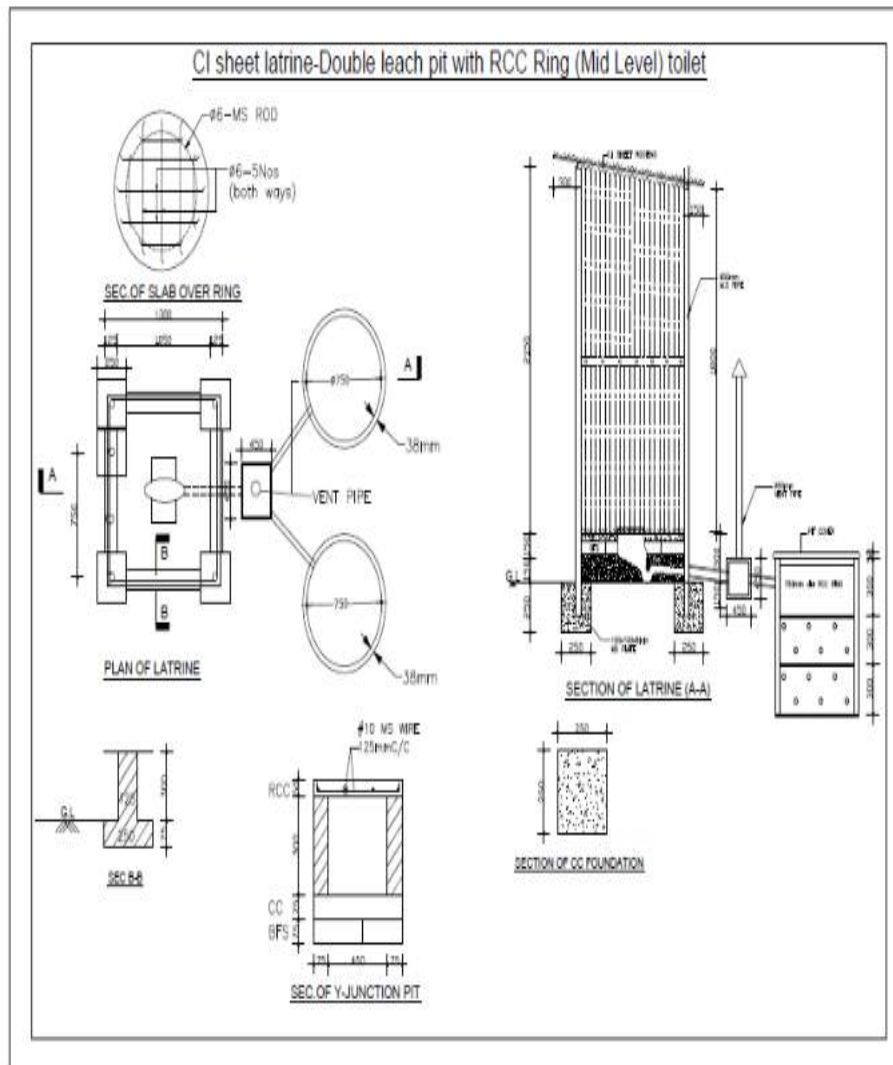
Sub-structure of toilet (leachpit) is made by 3 RCC rings; The rings are connected by cement. The distance between the two pits is minimal 0.9 m;

The rings below the surface have openings positioned in zigzag patterns, gas and waste water defuse through the openings and are captured in the surrounding soil; Gas cannot escape through the toilet because of the water lock and a vent pipe is therefore no longer needed.

900 mm hole will be made from top of water level under soil; Pen will be set from 150mm back side after fixing centre point; 450 mm pipe to be connected with junction pit from pan;

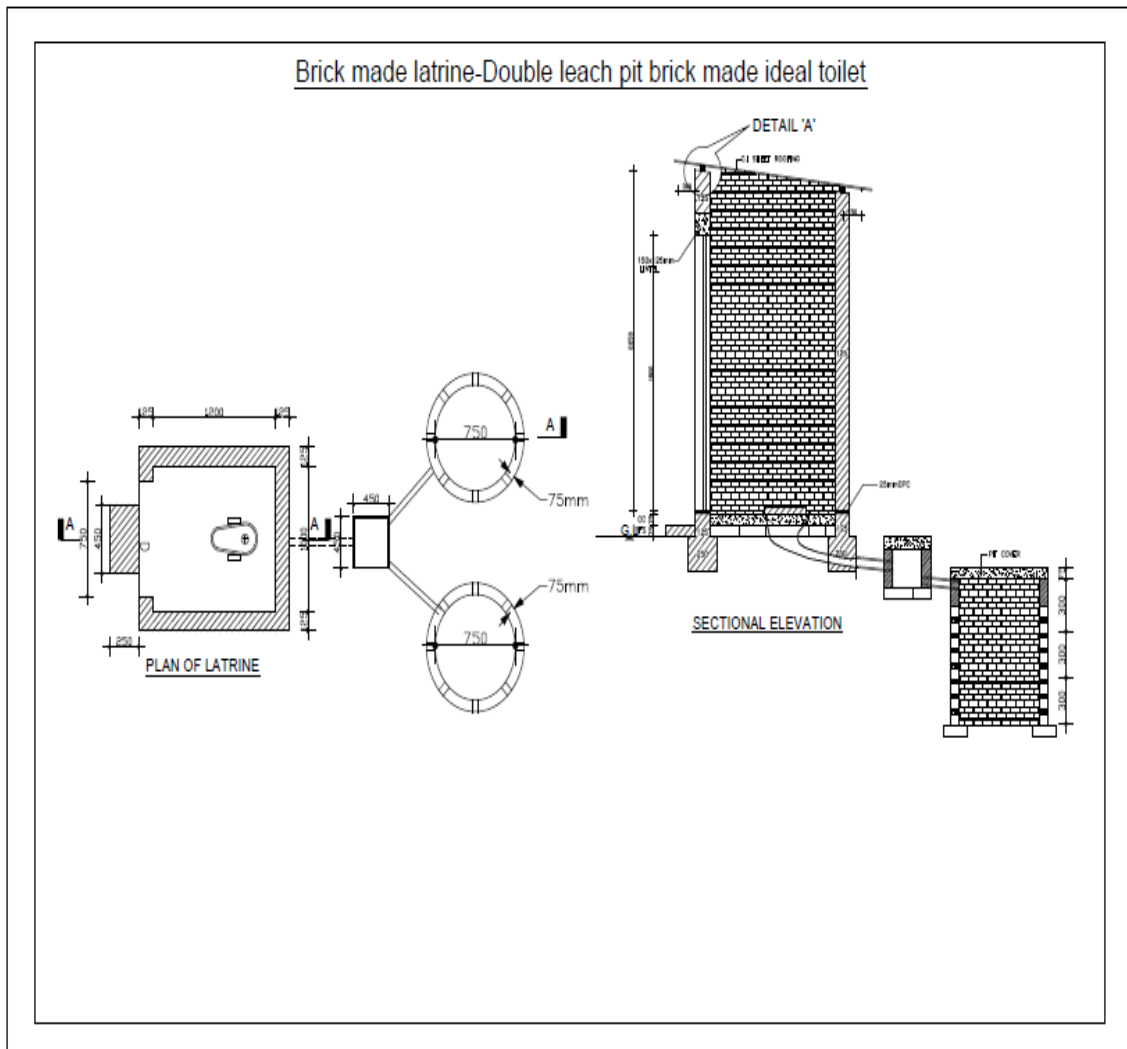
A hole will be 125 mm and 300 mm – 400 mm of inspection pit;

Supper structure will be CI sheets; Cost will be BDT 8549.00 (85 €).



### Double leach pit brick made (ideal) toilet:

- Sub-structure of toilet made by brick;
- Distance between pits is minimal 900 mm;
- Hole will be like honey comb;
- The pit will be minimal 900mm from top of water table;
- There are no openings 250mm from bottom and 250 mm from top level of the pit;
- Brick of one line will be set with 25mm openings another will be without openings. Openings are not parallel;
- Gas and waste water will be defuse through the openings and capture in the surrounding soils;
- Masonry structure pipe and others measurement is the same;
- Supper structure will be brick
- Cost will be BDT 14650.00 (146 €) without labor charge.





## ANNEX 2: Context challenges and issues with existing designs

**Problem Description**

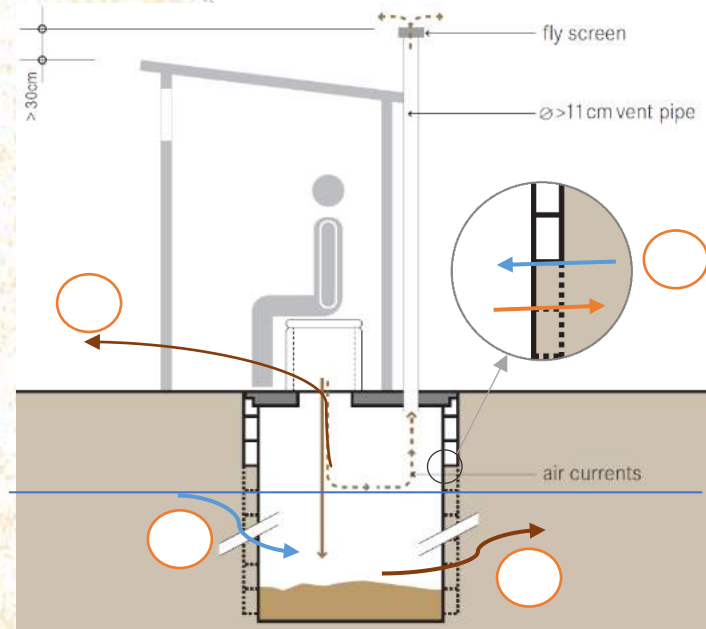
Date: June 2014

**Sanitation Solutions for Flood Prone and High Table Water Areas**

**PROBLEM DESCRIPTION:**

In order to identify solutions for sanitation in high water table areas and flood prone areas, four main problems were identified in the conventional on-site sanitation pit latrine (See *Error! Reference source not found.*):

1. *High fill-up rate* due to infiltration of groundwater into the pit, causing pre-mature need for emptying.
2. *Groundwater pollution* due to exfiltration of wastewater in the pit.
3. *Sub-structure damage* due to water level fluctuation in the pit, damaging its walls.
4. *Surface water bodies pollution* due to wastewater overflow when groundwater level rises.



**Figure 3:** Problem identification scheme to apply VIP in flood prone and high table areas

*Source:* Adapted from Tilley, et, al. (2005)

## ANNEX 3: DESIGN CRITERIA

### DESIGN CRITERIA

Date: October 2014

### Sanitation Solutions for Flood Prone and High Table Water Areas

#### DESIGN CRITERIA

In the framework of SANTE project it was established that the sanitation solution need to be: safe i.e. no contamination fo surface water, surface soil and groundwater; excreta should not be accessible to flies or animals; no handling of fresh excreta and there will be freedom from odours or unsightly conditions. Additionally, the technology needs to take into consideration possible (re)use of excreta. In order to have more specific criteria the following aspects might be considered:

#### ENVIRONMENTALLY ACCEPTABLE.

- Safe from a public health point of view, meaning:
  - The sludge/wastewater is handled in such a way that it does not affect human beings.
  - The sludge/wastewater is not accessible to users, flies, mosquitoes, roedents and other animals.
  - Surface and groundwater should not be polluted by wastewater, specially in areas where people use groundwater and/or surface water as source of drinkingwater.

#### CONVENIENT AND SAFE

- Free from odour emission and unsightly conditions.
- The facility is located at a short walking distance from the house (indicate distance– to be provided by the B'desh partners).
- The facility can be used safely by women, girls and elder people, also at night.

#### SIMPLE TO OPERATE

- Daily operation is minimal (indicate pricing – to be provided by the B'desh partners).
- The system requires simple and safe operation routines.

#### LONG-LASTING WITH MINIMAL MAINTENACE

- Long technical lifetime: 10 years or more.
- The facility requires occasional maintenance, i.e. 1 or 2 years.

#### UPGRADABLE

- Step-by-step improvements and extensions are possible

<b>ACCEPTABLE COST</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The technology should be within the economic and financial reach of the household and government budgets. (indicate pricing – to be provided by the B'desh partners).</li> </ul>
<b>RESILIENT TO FLOODS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The system can be used during monsoon seasons.</li> </ul>
<b>FAECAL SLUDGE COLLECTION AND TREATMENT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The system should consider a faecal sludge collection and treatment system, in such a way that it can be disposed safely or re-used.</li> </ul>
<b>TECHNICAL CRITERIA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preferible use of local materials and technology in the construction.</li> <li>Robustness of construction (if underground pit is proposed as substructure, it should be resistant to the groundwater level fluctuations).</li> <li>The design should be according to local building standards.</li> <li>The system should include innovative solutions to avoid high fill-up rate due to infiltration of groundwater into the pit.</li> </ul>
<b>SOCIALLY ACCEPTED</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The system should consider the socio-cultural practices and be accepted for the users.</li> </ul>

ANNEX 4: SELECTION SHEET

		PAB					PSTC			Uttaran		HP					
Low = 1;	Medium = 3;	High = 5	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	1	2	1	2	3	4
<b>ABILITY (PROBLEM SOLVING)</b>																	
1. High fill-up rate due to infiltration of groundwater into the pit, causing pre-mature need for emptying.			5.0	3.0	2.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	4.0	4.0
2. Groundwater pollution due to exfiltration of wastewater in the pit.			5.0	3.0	2.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	3.0	3.0	2.0	2.0	4.0	4.0
3. Sub-structure damage due to water level fluctuation in the pit, damaging its walls.			5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
4. Surface water bodies pollution due to wastewater overflow when groundwater level rises.			5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
<b>Total</b>			20.0	16.0	14.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	11.0	11.0	11.0	16.0	16.0	15.0	15.0	18.0	18.0
<b>DESIGN CRITERIA</b>																	
SIMPLE TO OPERATE			Daily operation is minimal.			4.0	4.0	4.0	2.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
			The system requires simple and safe operation routines.			4.0	4.0	4.0	2.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
ACCEPTABLE COST			The technology should be within the economic and financial reach of household and government budgets.			3.7	4.8	4.8	4.5	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.7	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
<b>Total</b>			11.7	12.8	12.8	8.5	12.6	12.5	12.4	12.4	12.0	12.5	12.7	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0
<b>INNOVATIVENESS</b>																	
			The system is never applied before in Bangladesh			5.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	4.0	3.0	4.0	3.0
<b>Total Score</b>			37	33	31	33	36	36	25	24	24	32	32	28	27	31	30
<b>Ranking</b>			1	3	5	3	2	2	9	10	10	4	4	7	8	5	6

## ANNEX 5: INFORMATION ABOUT BIOGAS

### BIOGAS

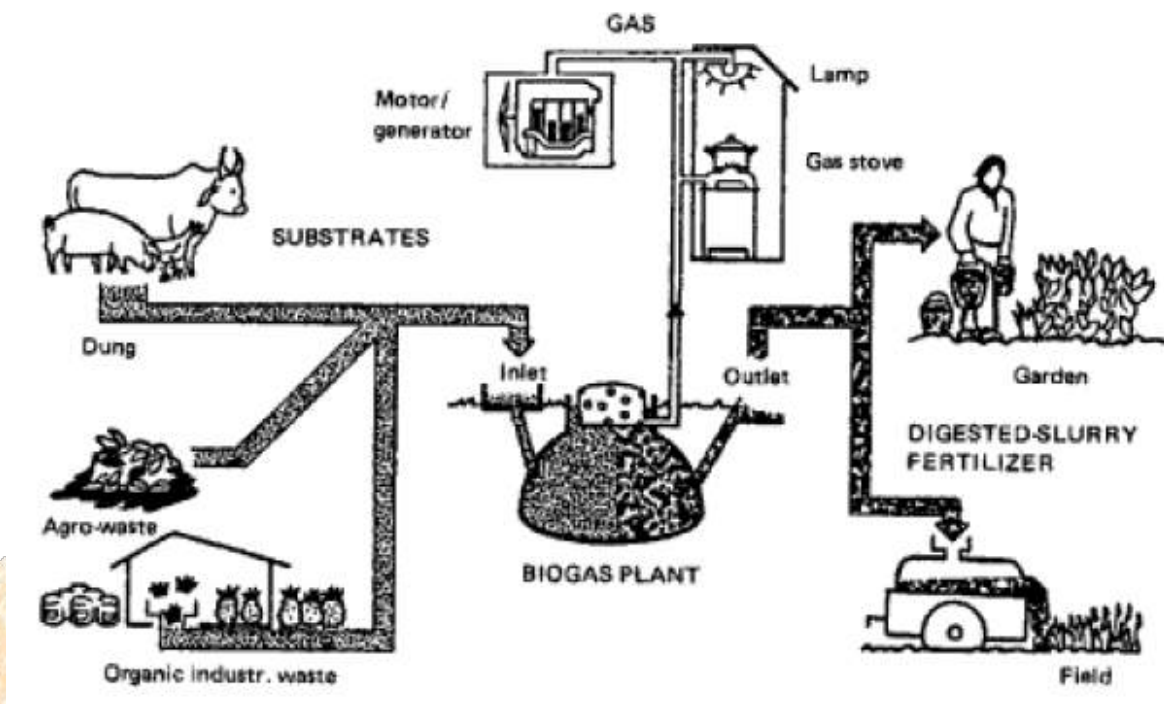
Biogas is a source of renewable energy, mainly constitutes methane (up to 80%) as the main or active ingredient. It is also called marsh gas or swamp gas as it is naturally found (generated) in marshy areas. It is a combustible gas and makes a good fuel. About 1.7 m<sup>3</sup> of biogas is equivalent to a litre of petrol. Biogas originates from bacteria in the process of bio-degradation of organic material under anaerobic (without air) conditions. Methanogens (methane producing bacteria) degrade organic material and return the decomposition products (manure) to the environment. Typical biogas composition is as follows:

Methane	50% - 75%	Hydrogen	0% - 1%
Carbon Dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> )	20% - 45%	Hydrogen Sulphide (H <sub>2</sub> S)	0% - 3%
Nitrogen	0% - 10%		

### BIOGAS DIGESTERS

Biogas Digesters are completely sealed vessels which are covered and sealed (sometimes insulated and heated) and convert human and animal waste into biogas (energy) and digested slurry (manure). A Biogas Digester ferments human and animal waste (faeces and cow dung) through an anaerobic digestion process to produce methane gas (biogas) and a viscous and fibrous slurry or digestate, which is an excellent manure and soil conditioner, when used directly or after further decomposition with organic agricultural waste like crop residues.

Domestic biogas plants convert livestock manure and night soil into biogas and slurry, the fermented manure. Biogas can be used for cooking, lighting and even for running engines for motive power. The fermented manure is a good soil conditioner which returns sizable plant nutrients back to the soil. This technology is feasible for small holders with livestock producing 50 kg manure per day, an equivalent of about 6 pigs or 3 cows. This manure is mixed with water and fed it into the plant. Agricultural and kitchen waste can be fed into the plant. Toilets can be connected either directly to the digester or to the inlet pipe carrying cow dung. As the plant operates at an optimum at 30°C - 40°C, the technology especially applies for those living in tropical and sub-tropical climate. This makes the technology for small holders in developing countries often suitable. A typical configuration is presented in the following diagram.



## BIOGAS FORMATION

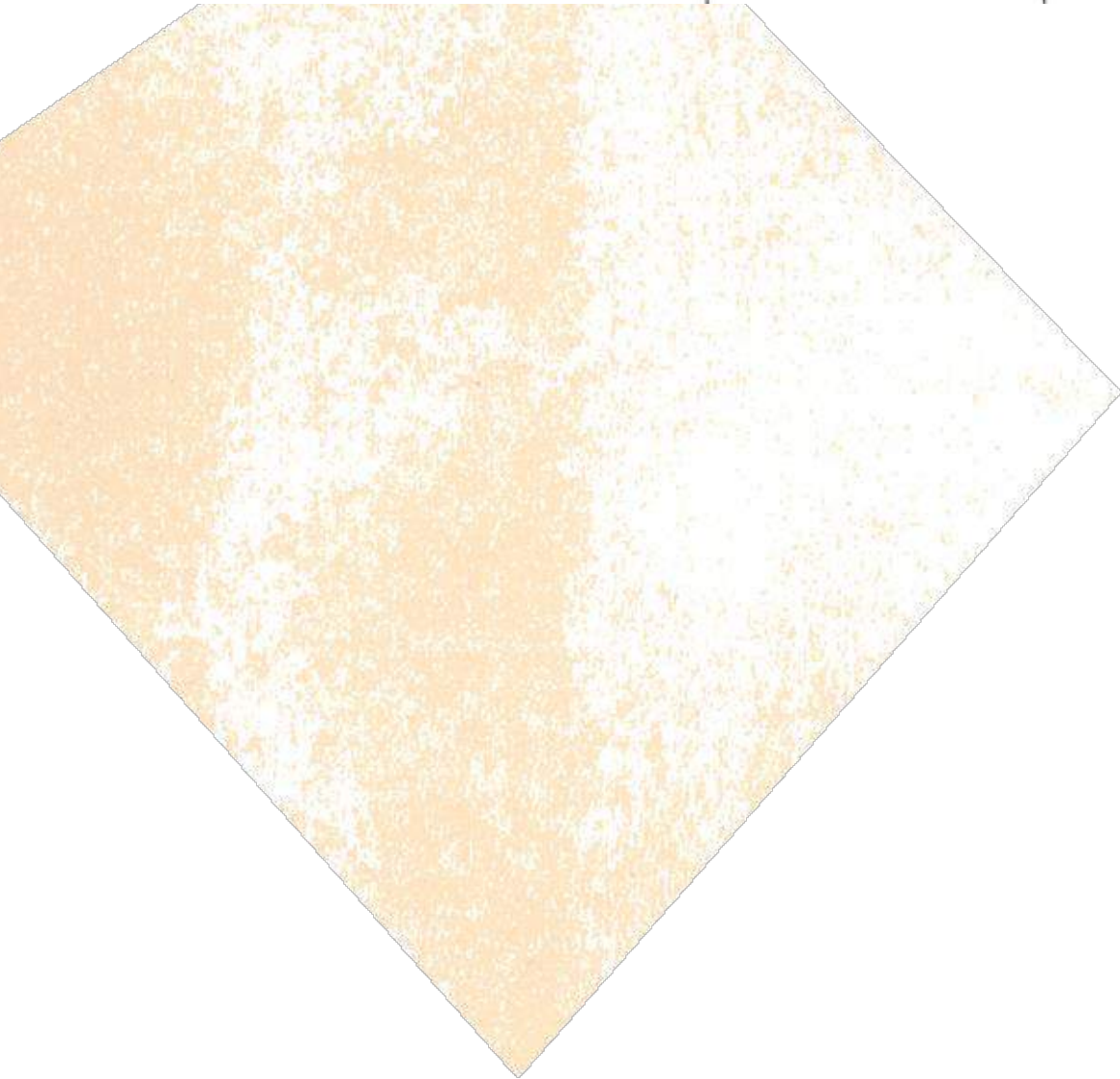
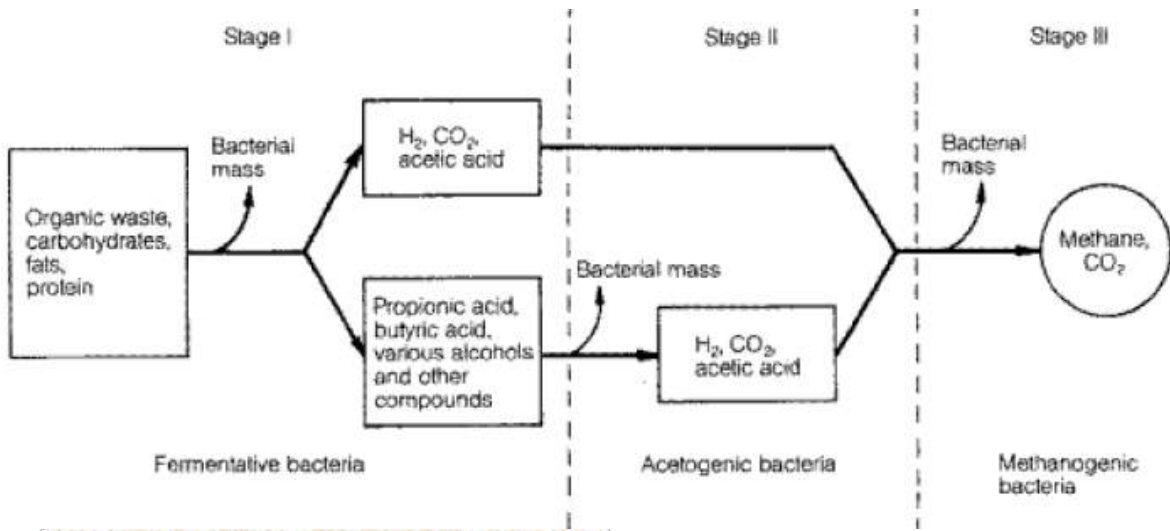
The process of biogas formation has three stages, namely, hydrolysis, acidification and methane formation (see Figure 11.1 below).

**Stage 1: Hydrolysis:** Complex carbohydrates, proteins and lipids in organic matter is decomposed by certain bacteria into shorter parts.

**Stage 2: Acidification:** Acid-producing bacteria convert the decomposed compounds into acetic acid, hydrogen and carbon dioxide, while consuming oxygen from the slurry - thereby creating an anaerobic (i.e., without oxygen) condition which is essential for the methane producing microorganisms.

**Stage 3: Methanation:** Methane-producing bacteria utilise hydrogen, carbon dioxide and acetic acid to form methane and carbon dioxide.

Figure 11.1: Stages of biogas formation



## ANNEX 6: CALCULATION OF VOLUMES

### 1 Volumes dry faeces

The calculations are made for a family size of 6.

#### Basic Design Data and Assumptions

The following information and assumptions must be considered to estimate the size of the collectors/vaults:

1. 6 months of storage duration after last use
2. Density of faeces assumed to be 1 kg/l
3. Volume of solid excreta per person per day 0.4 kg and 0.15 kg for adults and children/elderly, respectively
4. Account for absence
5. Toilet paper: no toilet paper used in Bangladesh.
6. Cover material assume daily average of 0.05 kg/p/y (e.g. ash)
7. 20% additional volume to account for void space
8. Volumetric reduction due to faecal dehydration is assumed to be 25%.
9. Single vault UDDTs with interchangeable containers are usually designed with space for at least two containers at a time, in order to allow for short-term on-site storage of the faeces

#### Calculation of required vault volume

The volume and dimensions of the dehydration vaults are determined by two factors: the volume of faecal material deposited and the required storage time of the faeces. The dimensions should also match with the anticipated floor plan of the toilet cubicle above the vault

##### Step 1: Known information

$S_t$  = Storage duration = 1 years (though 6 month is enough for dehydration and safe reuse if applied)

Density of faeces = 1 kg/l

Toilet paper: (annual average of 8.9 kg/p/year) – assumed no toilet paper used in Bangladesh.

Cover material assume daily average of 0.05 kg/p/d (e.g. ash)

$U_{fa}$  = Volume of solid excreta per adult per day = 0.4 kg

$U_{fce}$  = Volume of solid excreta per child per day = 0.15 kg

$N_a$  = Average number of adults per hh = 4 (2 parents and 2 grown up children)

$N_{ce}$  = Average number of children/elderly per hh = 2



**Required:**

Mf = Mass of faeces per hh per day,

Ma = mass of faeces per adults in a hh per day,

Mce = mass of faeces per children/elderly people per day

Mab = mass of faeces per hh per day

TMf = Total Mass of faeces per house per storage period

TMwl = Mass of Moisture loss during the storage period

TMai= Mass of additional inputs (toilet paper and cover material) during the storage period

VFe (effective volume of faeces production per storage period)

Vs= Volume required for safety purpose

TV = Total volume of vault for single vault systems

**Volume of the vault?**

**Step 2:** Production of faeces per day per family.

$$M_f = M_a + M_{ce}$$

$$M_a = N_a * U_{fa}$$

$$M_{ce} = N_{ce} * U_{fce}$$

$$M_a = N_a * U_{fa} = 4 * 0.4 = 1.6 \text{ kg/day}$$

$$M_{ce} = N_{ce} * U_{fce} = 2 * 0.15 = 0.3 \text{ kg/day}$$

$$M_f = M_a + M_{ce} = 1.6 + 0.3 = 1.9 \text{ kg/day}$$

$$M_f = 1.9 \text{ kg/day}$$

**Step 3:** Added volume needed for breathing.

$$M_{ab} = 20 \% * M_f$$

$$M_{ab} = 0.2 * 1.9 \text{ kg/day} = 0.38 \text{ kg/day}$$

**Step 4:** Production of faeces per year.

$$TM_f = S_t * 365 \text{ days} (M_f - M_{ab})$$

$$TM_f = 1 \text{ year} * 364 \text{ days/year} * (1.9 \text{ kg/day} - 0.38 \text{ kg/day})$$

$$TM_f = 554 \text{ kg / year}$$

Step 5:

$$TM_{wl} = 25 \% * TM_f$$

$$TM_{wl} = 0.25 * 554 = 138 \text{ kg/year}$$

Step 6:

$$TM_{ai} = (M_{py} * S_t \text{ in years} + M_{cd} * S_t \text{ in days}) * N$$

$$TM_{ai} = 0.05 \text{ kg/p/day} * 365 \text{ day} * 6$$

$$TM_{ai} = 18 * 6 = 108 \text{ kg/year}$$

Step 7:

$$\square V_{Fe} = (TM_f - TM_{wl} + TM_{ai}) / \text{density of faeces}$$

$$\square V_{Fe} = (554 \text{ kg/ year} - 138 \text{ kg/half year} + 108 \text{ kg/ year}) / 1 \text{ kg/l}$$

$$\square V_{Fe} = 524 \text{ l/ year}$$

Step 8: Fill in the formula that you know the value of all the variables for.

$$V_s = 20 \% * V_{Fe}$$

$$V_s = 0.2 * 524$$

$$\text{Safety margin} = 104 \text{ L/ year}$$

Step 9: Volume of production of dry faeces per year.

$$TV = (554 + 104) * 1 = 658 \text{ litres} = 0.7 \text{ m}^3$$

## Calculations to Determine Size of Urine Container

Basic Design Data and Assumptions

The following information and assumptions must be considered to estimate the size and emptying frequency of the urine container:

1. Urine pipe size (1-2.5 cm)
2. Volume of urine = 1.1 L/p/day
3. N = Household size = 6
4. The urine piping system should ensure drainage with minimal odor and blockages.
  - short the pipe length, using larger diameter piping, minimizing the number of bends, ensuring sufficient slope and using no or minimal use of water for flushing.

#### Calculation of Required liquid volume (urine + wash water)

Total amount average urine produced per day per hh = volume of urine per person per day \* N

Total daily urine volume = 1.1 L/p/d \* 6 p = 6.6 litres

Total daily wash-water volume = 2 \* 6 = 12 litres

Total production per day: 18.6 litres / hh / day

#### References

1. GTZ UDDT technology review

#### Volumes unlined and lined pits

### Amount of Material Entering the Pit

- This part of the equation tells us how much material (e.g. excreta, wiping material) will be entering the pit.
- The 1000 is a conversion value to change the units from litres (found in the sludge accumulation rate) to cubic metres.

### Space needed for soil cover

- This part of the equation is accounting for the extra volume at the top needed for the soil cover. Excreta will not fill this space.
- This is the equation for geometric volume, where 0.5 metres is the depth of the cover.

$$\text{Volume} = \frac{\text{Number of users} \times \text{Sludge accumulation rate} \times \text{Lifetime}}{1000} + 0.5 \times \text{Area}$$

Use the following procedure to calculate the Area, Volume and Depth of the pit:

**Step 1:** Known information - Write down the variables and their values. Identify the variable that you need to solve for.

Number of Users: 6

Life time Y= 2 years

R=60 l/p/y (degradable anal cleaning materials are used)

Assumed that all liquid seep into the sand envelope

**Step 1:** Formulas - Write down the formula for the variable you are trying to solve for. Check if you have the value for each variable in it. If values are not given, find an equation to give you the missing value of the variable you want. Be sure that you are using the formula for the right shape and latrine type.

☐  $D = V/A$  - this equation gives us the depth but we do not have the values for V and A

$$V = \frac{N \times 1.5R \times Y}{1000} + 0.5A$$

☐ - This equation gives us the value for V (volume) but we do not have the value for A

o Note: This equation is used only for short term latrines-meaning maximum life time 2 years.

☐  $A=L \times W$  - this equation gives us the A (Area) based on length and width, which we have values for  $L=1m$  and  $W=1m$

**Step 4:** Fill in the formula that you know the value of all the variables for.

☐  $A = L \times W =$

☐  $A = 1m \times 1m = 1 m^2$

**Step 5:** Fill in the formula that you know the value of all the variables for.

$$V = \frac{N \times 1.5R \times Y}{1000} + 0.5A$$

☐

☐  $V = (6 \times (1.5 \times 60l/p/y) \times 2y) / 1000(l/m^3) + 0.5m \times 1m^2$

☐  $V = 0.72m^3 + 0.5m^3$

☐  $V = 1.22m^3$

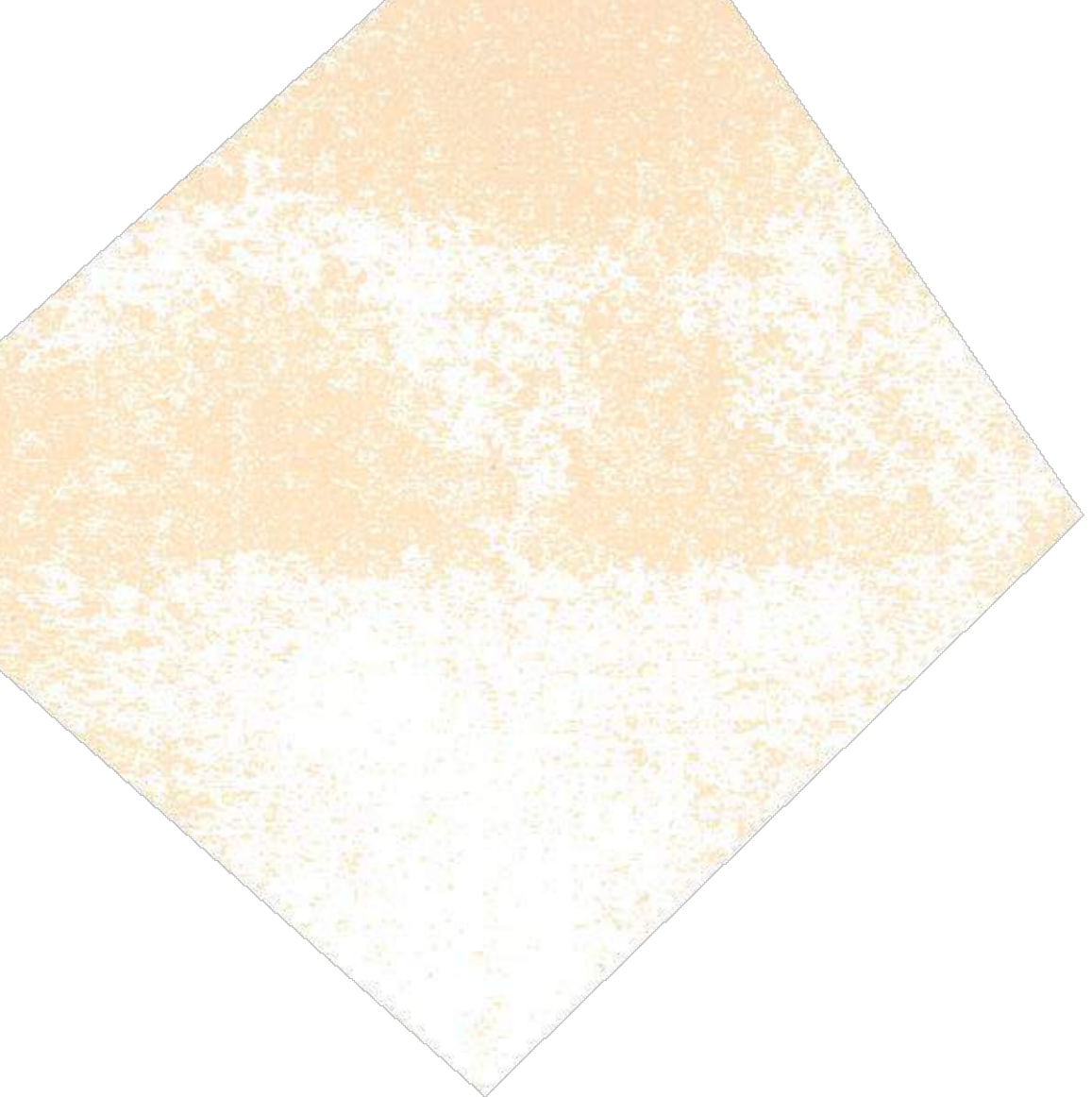
**For unlined rectangular and circular pits with pit emptying period of 2 years**

Family Size	Rectangular Pit					Circular Pit			
	Width m	Length m	Area m <sup>2</sup>	Volume m <sup>3</sup>	Depth m	Diameter m	Area m <sup>2</sup>	Volume m <sup>3</sup>	Depth m
4	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.25	<b>1.25</b>	1.00	0.80	1.12	<b>1.40</b>
6	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.60	<b>1.60</b>	1.00	0.80	1.48	<b>1.85</b>
8	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.95	<b>1.95</b>	1.00	0.80	1.84	<b>2.30</b>

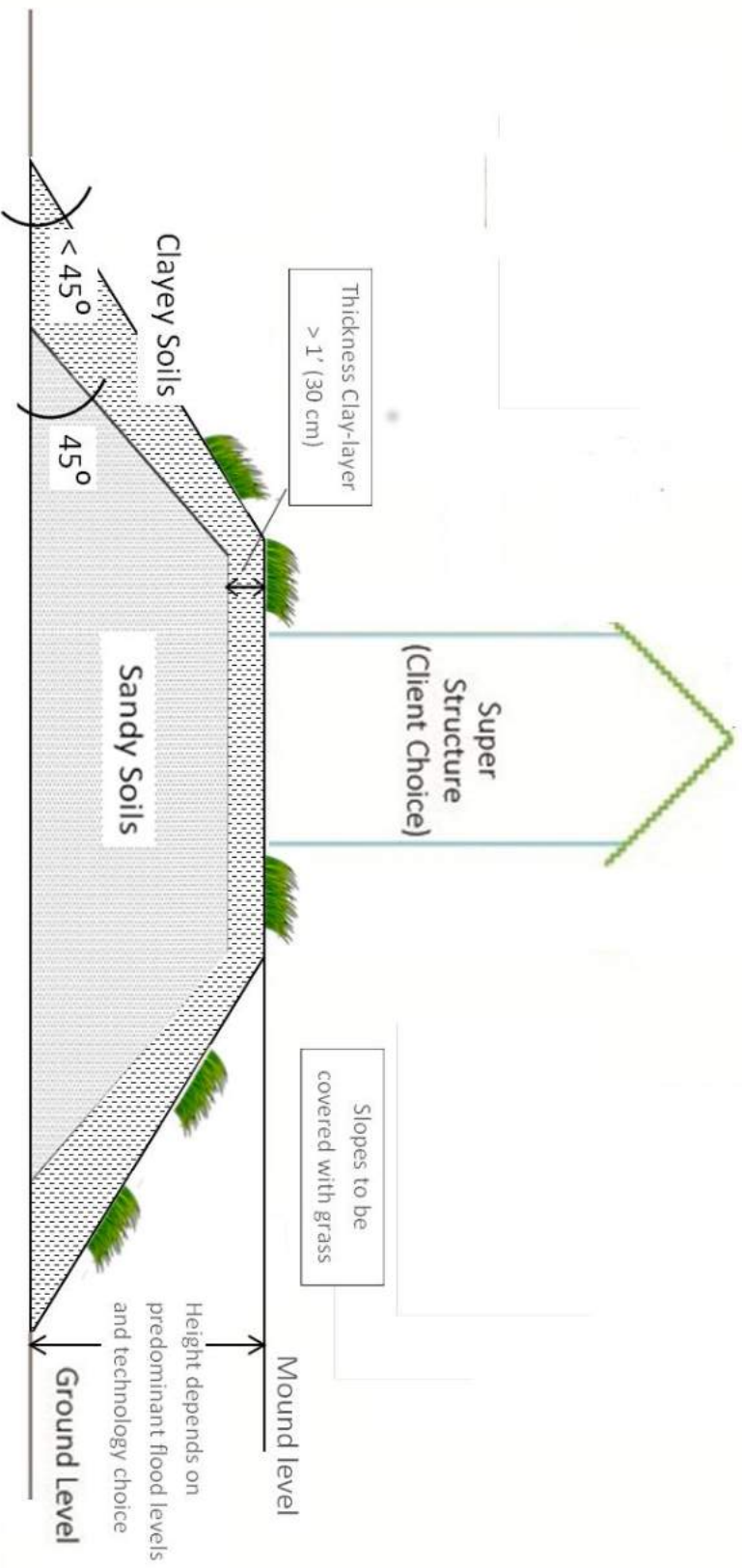
For lined rectangular and circular pits with pit emptying period of  
 1/2 year or 6 months

Family Size	Rectangular Pit					Circular Pit			
	Width m	Length m	Area m <sup>2</sup>	Volume m <sup>3</sup>	Depth m	Diameter m	Area m <sup>2</sup>	Volume m <sup>3</sup>	Depth m
4	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.25	<b>1.25</b>	1.00	0.80	1.20	<b>1.50</b>
6	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.80	<b>1.80</b>	1.00	0.80	1.80	<b>2.25</b>
8	1.00	1.00	1.00	2.40	<b>2.40</b>	1.00	0.80	2.40	<b>3.00</b>

ANNEX 7: EARTHEN MOUND

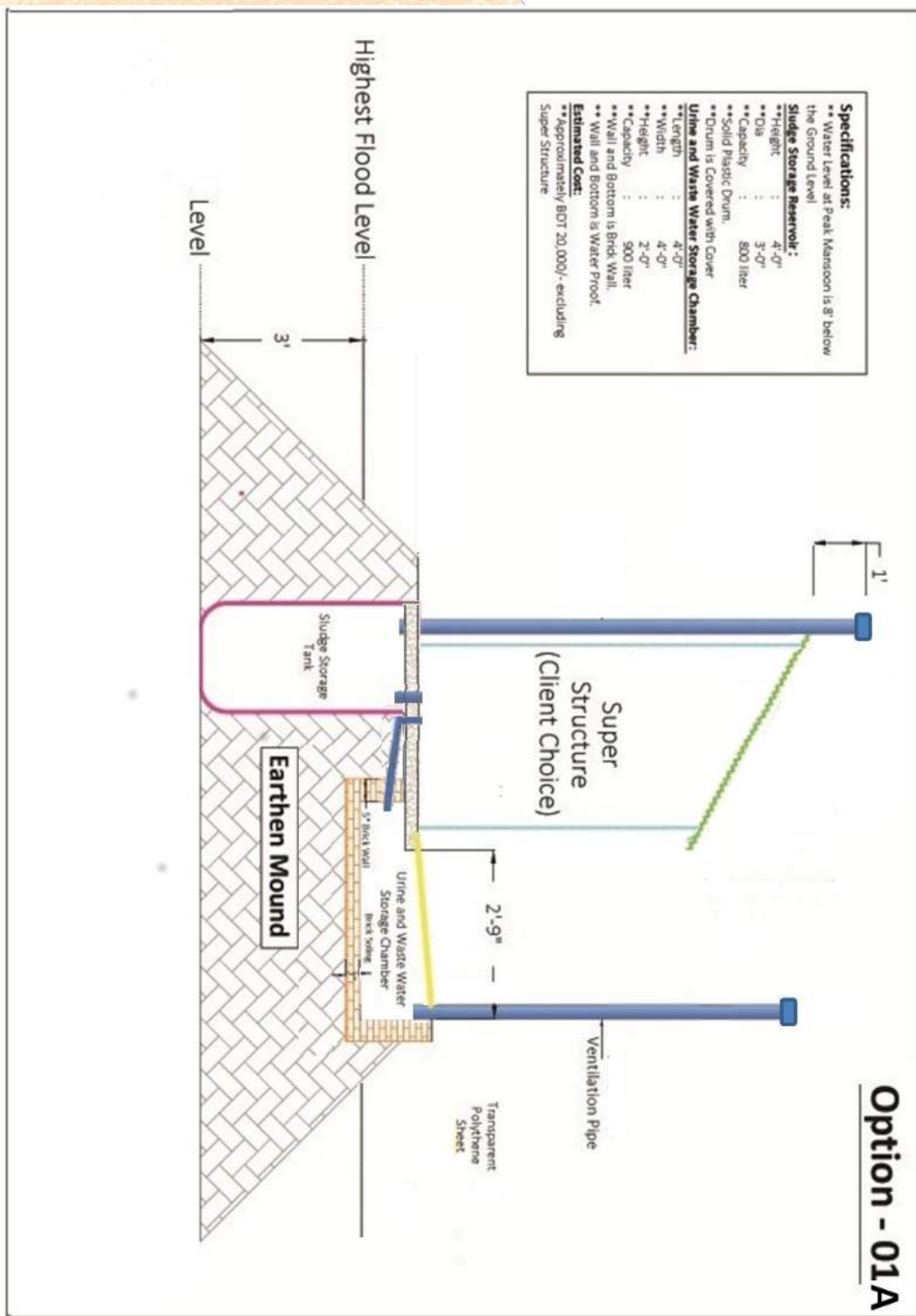


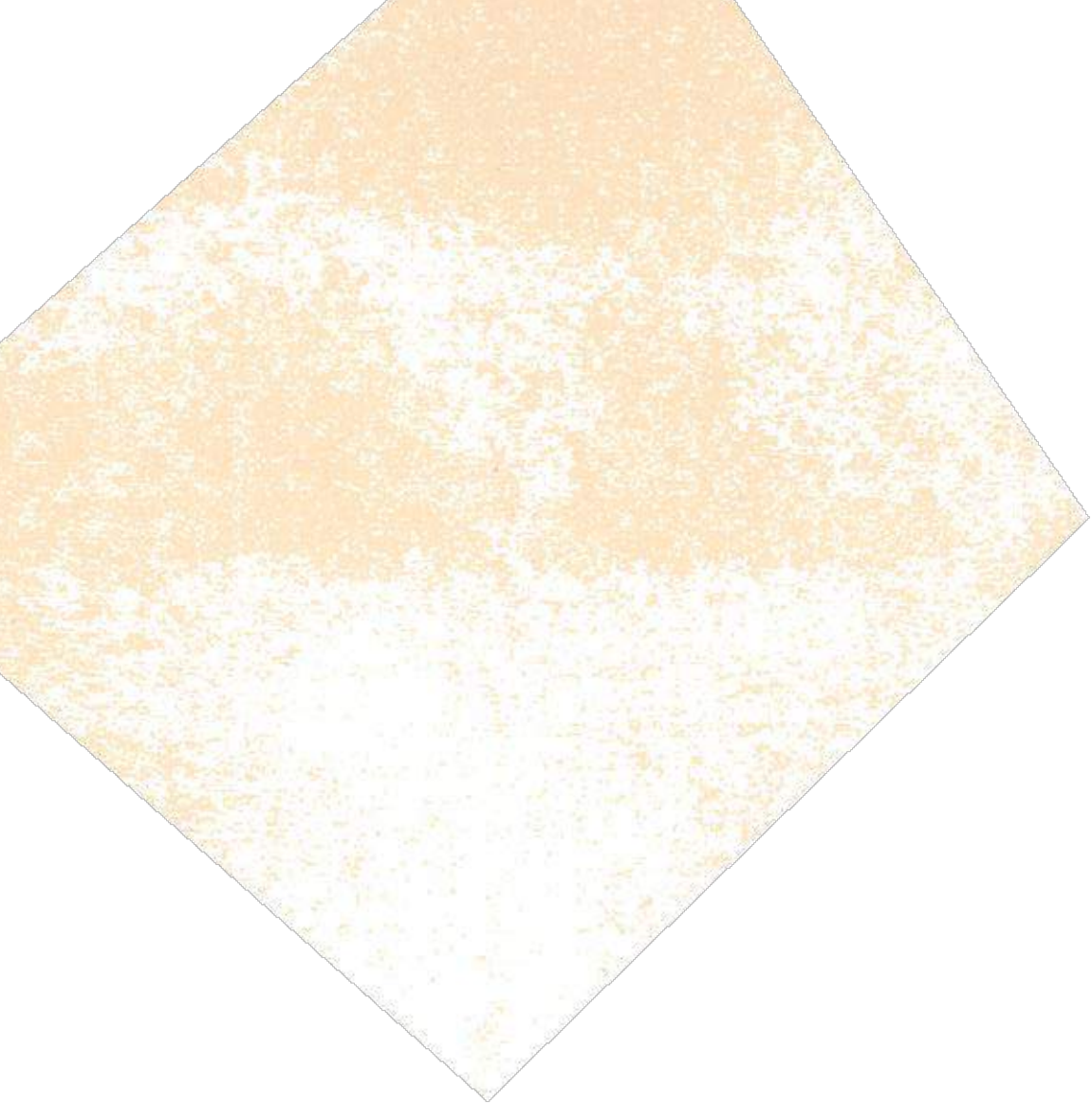
## Option - Mound





# ANNEX 8: ALTERNATIVE DESIGNS





## Option - 01B

**Specifications:**

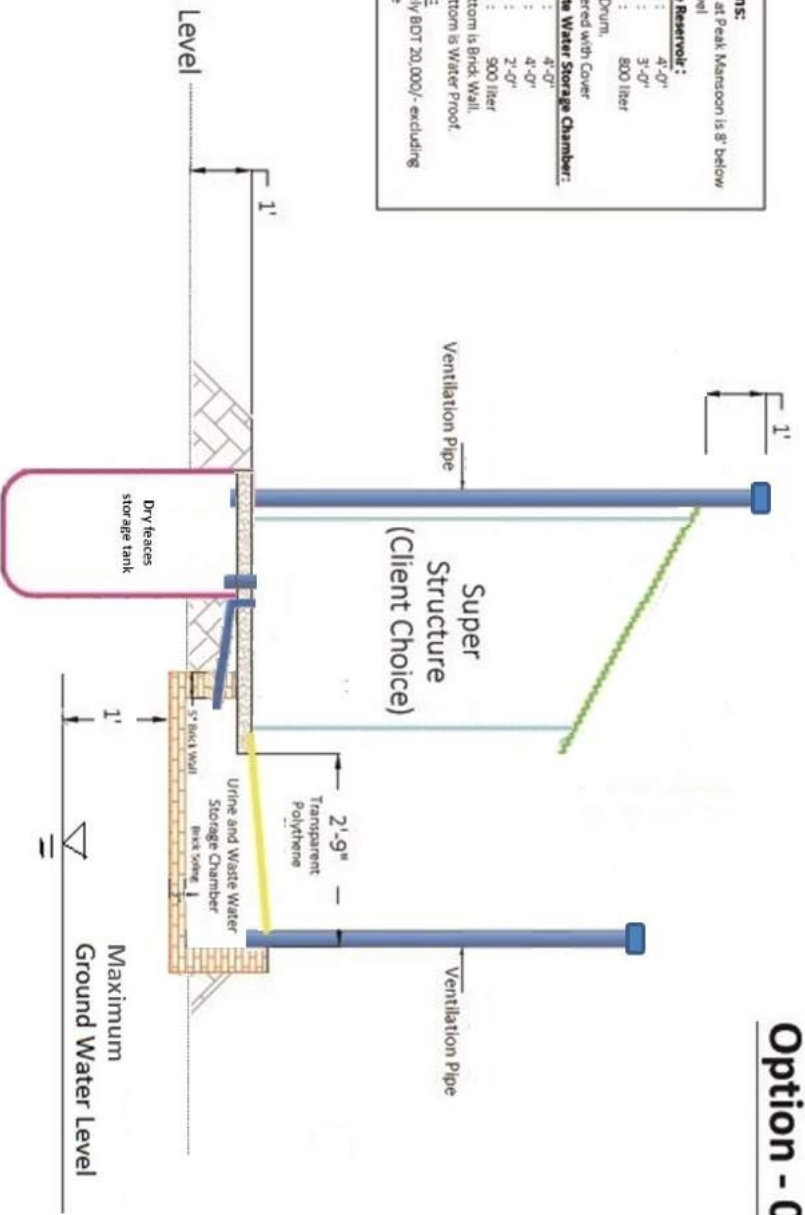
- \*\* Water Level at Peak Monsoon is 8' below the Ground Level

Sludge Storage Reservoir:	
** Height	: 4'-0"
** Dia	: 3'-0"
** Capacity	: 800 liter
** Solid Plastic Drum	
** Drum is Covered with Cover	

Urine and Waste Water Storage Chamber:	
** Length	: 4'-0"
** Width	: 4'-0"
** Height	: 2'-0"
** Capacity	: 900 liter
** Wall and Bottom is Brick Wall	
** Wall and Bottom is Water Proof	

**Estimated Cost:**

- \*\* Approximately BDT 20,000/- excluding Super Structure



# Option - 01C

**Specifications:**

- \*\* Water Level at Peak Monsoon is 8' below the Ground Level

**Sludge Storage Reservoir:**

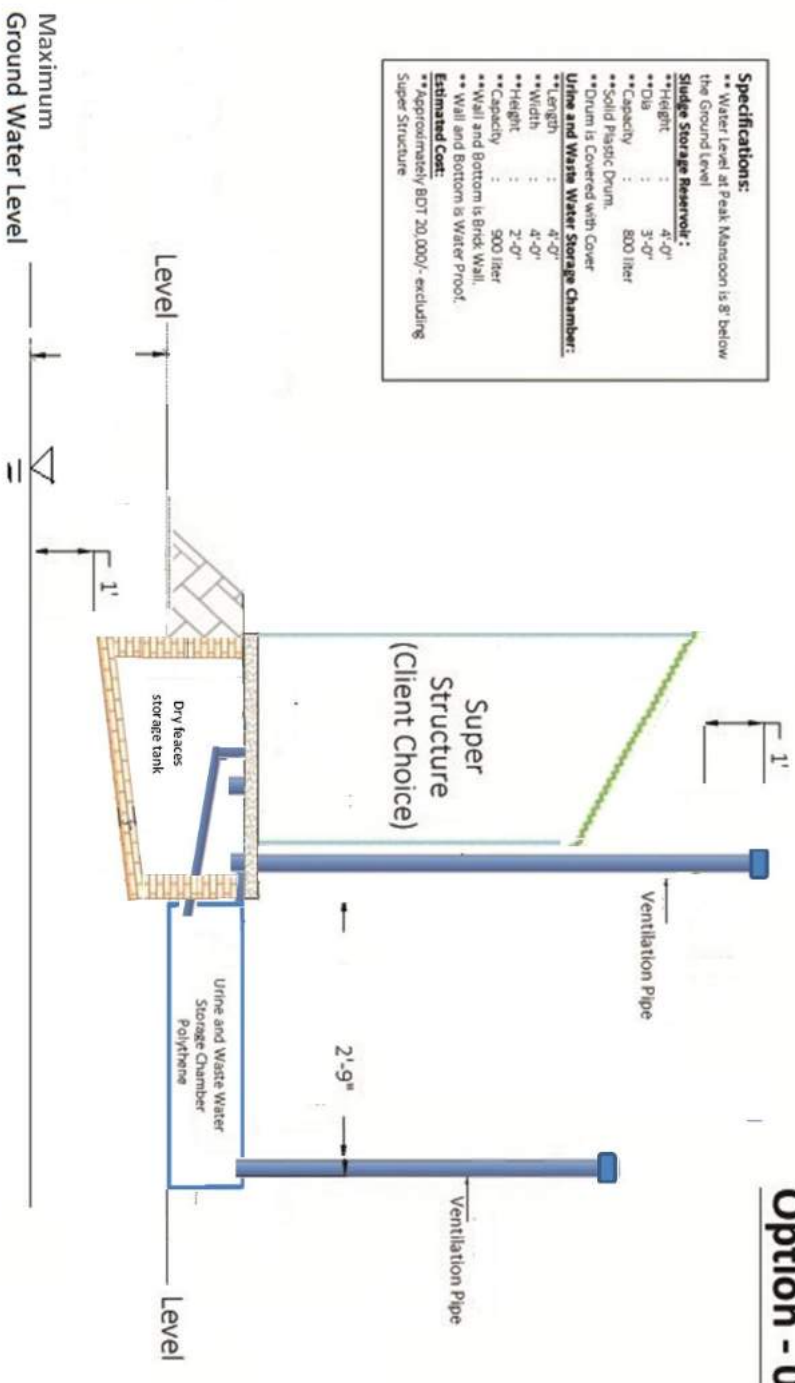
- \*\*Height : 4'-0"
- \*\*Dia : 3'-0"
- \*\*Capacity : 800 liter

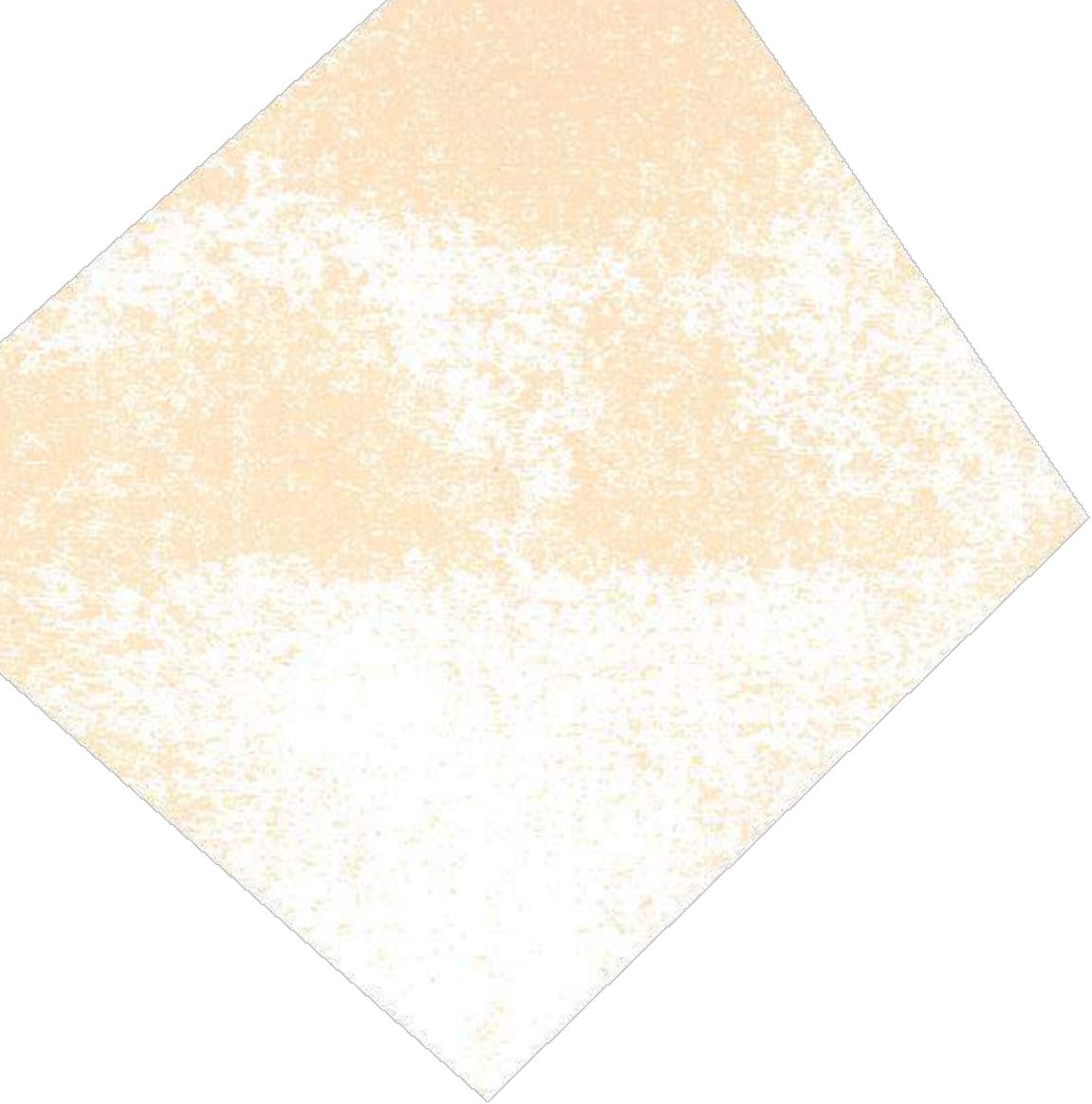
**Urine and Waste Water Storage Chamber:**

- \*\*Drum is Covered with Cover
- \*\*Length : 4'-0"
- \*\*Width : 4'-0"
- \*\*Height : 2'-0"
- \*\*Capacity : 900 liter
- \*\*Wall and Bottom is Brick Wall.
- \*\* Wall and Bottom is Water Proof.

**Estimated Cost:**

- \*\* Approximately BDT 20,000/- excluding Super Structure





# Option - 01D

**Specifications:**

- \*\* Water Level at Peak Monsoon is 8' below the Ground Level

**Sludge Storage Reservoir:**

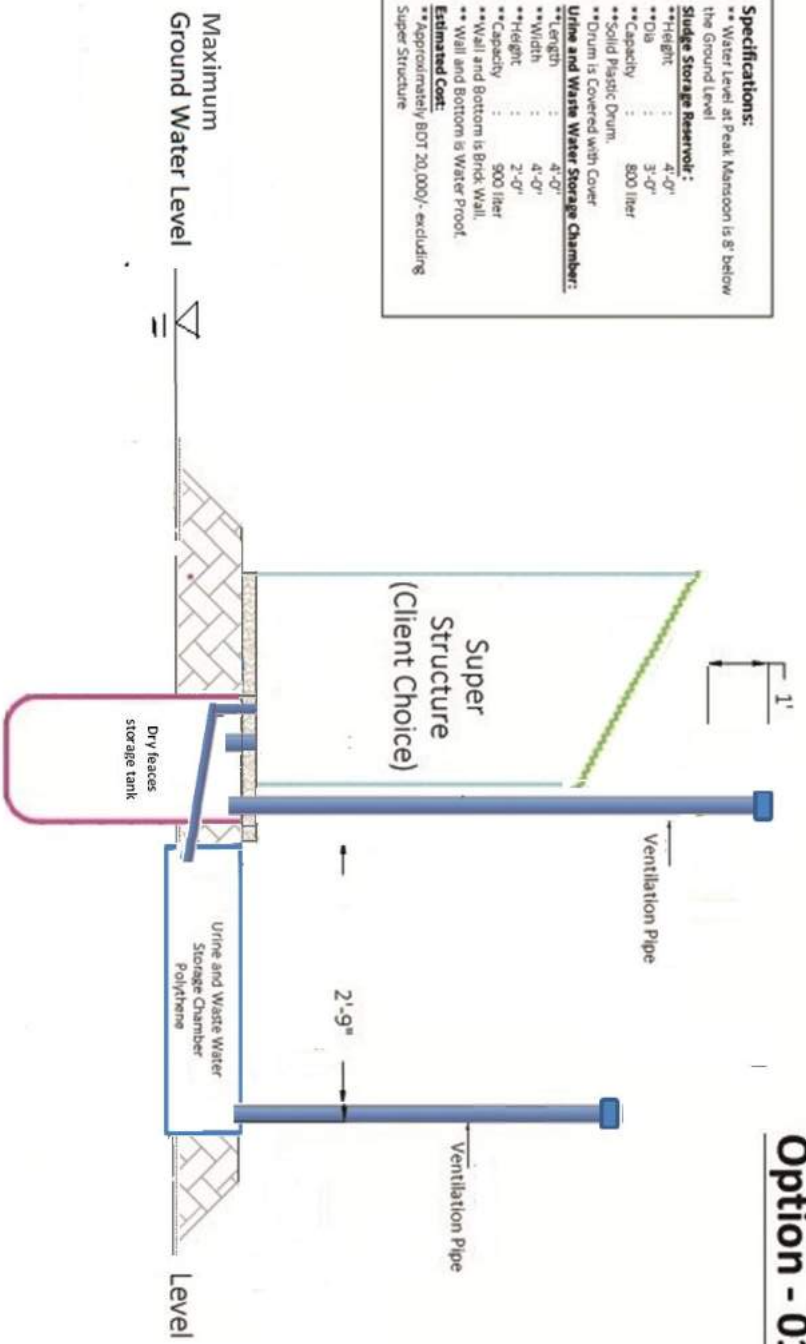
- \*\* Height : 4'-0"
- \*\* Dia : 3'-0"
- \*\* Capacity : 800 liter
- \*\* Solid Plastic Drum.
- \*\* Drum is Covered with Cover

**Urine and Waste Water Storage Chamber:**

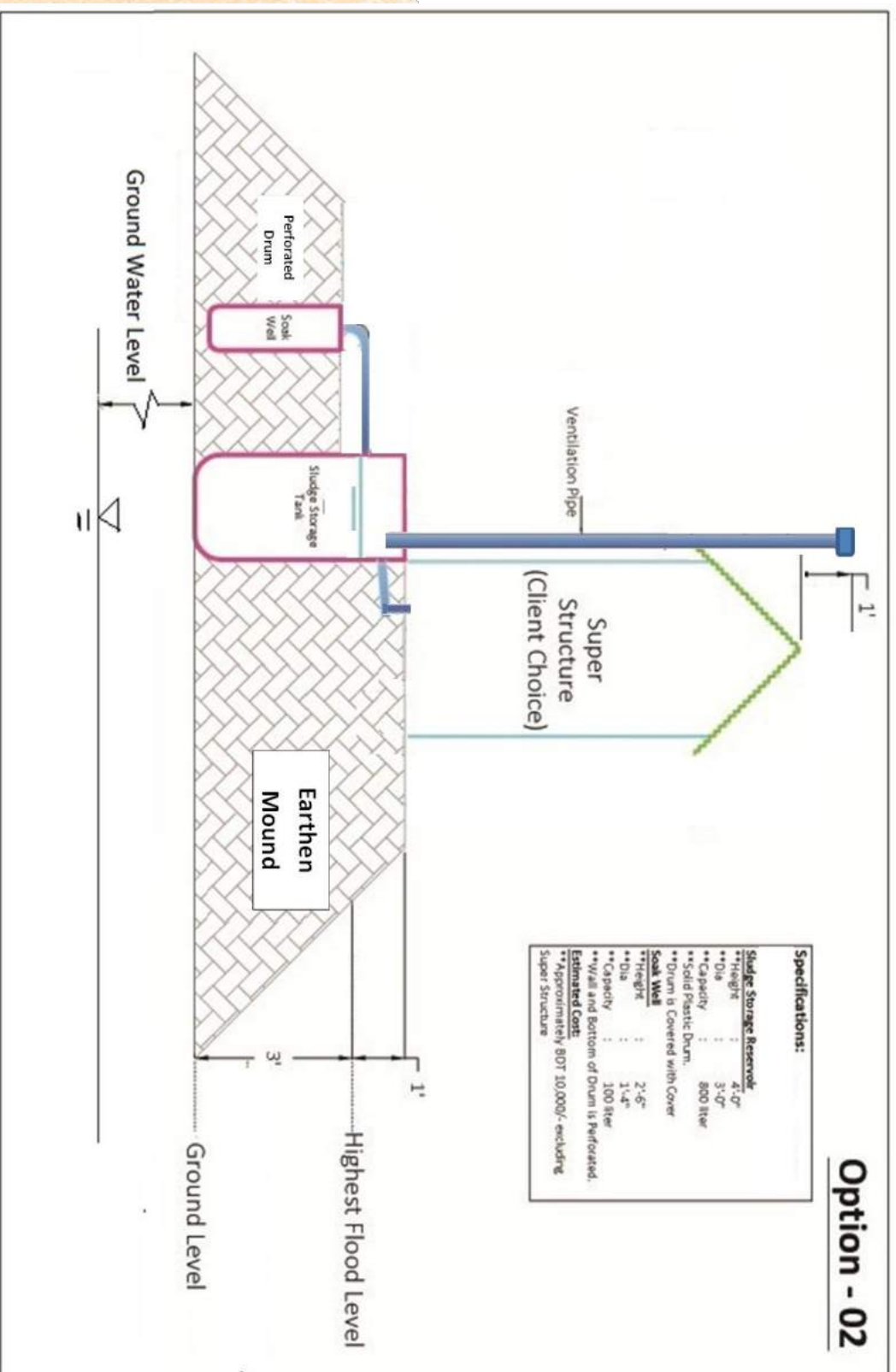
- \*\* Length : 4'-0"
- \*\* Width : 4'-0"
- \*\* Height : 2'-0"
- \*\* Capacity : 900 liter
- \*\* Wall and Bottom is Brick Wall.
- \*\* Wall and Bottom is Water Proof.

**Estimated Cost:**

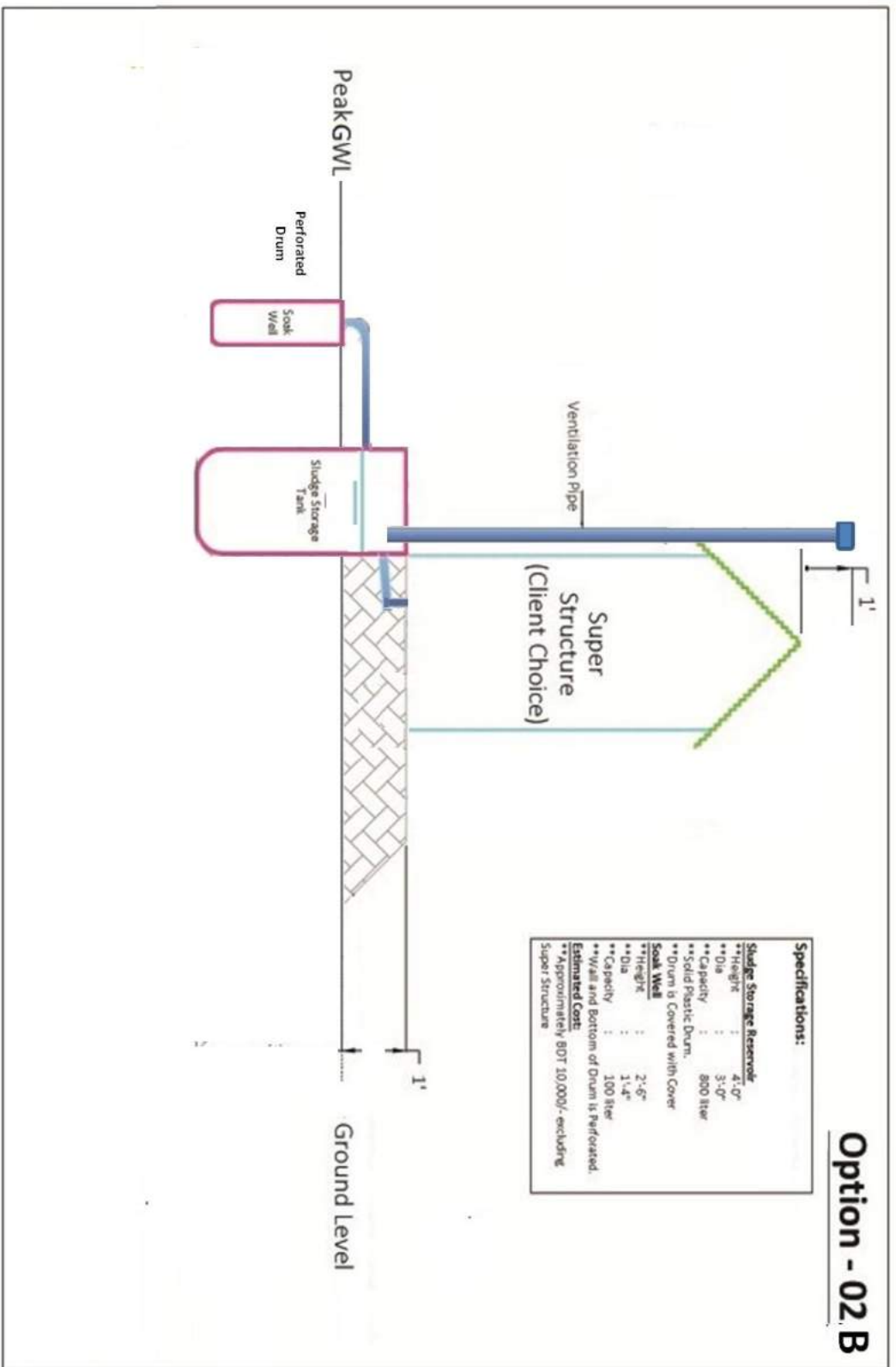
- \*\* Approximately BDT 20,000/- excluding Super Structure



## Option - 02



# Option - 02 B



**Specifications:**

<b>Sludge Storage Reservoir</b>	
**Height :	4'-0"
**Dia :	3'-0"
**Capacity :	800 liter
**Solid Plastic Drum.	
**Drum is Covered with Cover	
<b>Soak Well</b>	
**Height :	2'-6"
**Dia :	1'-4"
**Capacity :	100 liter
**Wall and Bottom of Drum is Perforated.	
<b>Estimated Cost:</b>	
** Approximately 80T 10,000/- including Super Structure	



## ANNEX 9: Formulas for Calculation urine evaporation in a vessel

Used formulas:

To calculate the evaporation in a vessel (pan evaporation) in mm/day is the following formula used\*

$$E_p = 25.4 \frac{e^{\left( \left( \frac{9}{5} T_a - 180 \right) (.1204 - .01066 \ln(R)) \right)} - .0001 + .025 (e_s - e_a) .88 (.37 + .0041 v)}{\left( \frac{-7482.6}{\frac{9}{5} T_a + 430.36} \right) \left( \frac{.025 + .6855400000 \cdot 10^{11} e^{\left( \frac{9}{5} T_a + 430.36 \right)^2}}{\left( \frac{9}{5} T_a + 430.36 \right)^2} \right)}$$

In which  $T_a$  is the temperature in the vessel and  $e_s$  the saturated vapor pressure [inch Hg] and  $e_a$  de vapour pressure [inch Hg] and  $R$  is the solar radiation [langleys per day]. He formula for  $e_s$  is:

$$e_s = .1803632320 e^{\left( 17.269 \frac{T_a}{237.3 + T_a} \right)}$$

And for  $e_a$ :

$$e_a = .1803632320 e^{\left( 17.269 \frac{T_d}{237.3 + T_d} \right)}$$

In which  $T_d$  is the dew point temperature in Celsius:

$$T_d = 237.3 \frac{\frac{\ln\left(\frac{1}{100} RV\right)}{\ln(10)} + 7.5 \frac{T_a}{T_a + 237.3}}{7.5 - \frac{\ln\left(\frac{1}{100} RV\right)}{\ln(10)} - 7.5 \frac{T_a}{T_a + 237.3}}$$

RV is the relative humidity. The formula for R\*\*:

$$R = .21 + .5477214787 u$$

In which  $u$  the number of sunshine per day is.

### Calculation evaporation \*\*\*

Wind velocity:	6 m/s
Ambient temperature	60 Celsius
Air humidity:	70%
# hours sunshine per day:	12 hours/day
Evaporation:	7 mm/day

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#### Two options:

1. Evaporation of only urine:

Total daily urine volume =  $1.1 \text{ l/p/d} * 6 \text{ p} = 6.6 \text{ litres}$   
Needed area:  $6.6/7 = 0.85 \text{ m}^2$

2. Evaporation of urine and wash water

Total daily urine volume =  $1.1 \text{ l/p/d} * 6 \text{ p} = 6.6 \text{ litres}$   
Total daily wash-water volume =  $2 * 6 = 12 \text{ litres}$

Total production per day:  $18.6 \text{ litres / hh / day}$

Needed area:  $18.6/7 = 2.65 \text{ m}^2$

\* Source: Shun Dar Lin, **Water and Wastewater Calculations Manual**, 2001, McGraw-Hill, New York.

\*\* Source: <http://www.iwan-supit.cistron.nl/~iwan-supit/radiation/>

\*\*\* Source: Calculation carried out with program from Water Treatment Solutions Lemtech.

## ANNEX 10: Matrix

Type Toilet	nr	High Ground water table	High Flood (temp)	High flood (constant)	Saline areas	Rocky areas	Comments
Modified UDDT, forced dehydration toilet	1A	X	X				cost: indication: 19263
	1B	X			X		
	1C	X			X		
	1D	X			X	X	
Double plastic drum	2A	X	X		X		Cost indication: 3555
	2B	X			X		
Single plastic drum	3	X	X				Costs indication: 3200
Single offset with biogas	4	X	X	X			Costs indication: 7355
Step latrine	6	X					Costs indication: 5933
Floating toilets				X			No cost estimation made
BOP Potti		X	X	X	X		No cost estimation made

Rottebehalter				<b>X</b>			<b>X</b>			No cost estimation made
Alternative design		<b>X</b>		<b>X</b>			<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>		No cost estimation made
BRCC		<b>X</b>		<b>XX</b>			<b>X</b>			No cost estimation made
Ferro Cement		<b>X</b>		<b>X</b>						No cost estimation made
Sand Envelope		<b>X</b>		<b>X</b>			<b>X</b>			No cost estimation made

