Environmental Science

Course Objective

 This course introduces the students to the environmental consequences of industries, development actions etc. and the methods of minimizing their impact through technology and legal systems.

Modules

This Course is divided into 6 Modules

- 1. Ecology, biogeochemical cycles
- 2. Environmental Gradients
- 3. Water and wastewater treatment
- 4. Atmospheric Chemistry and noise pollution
- 5. Solids waste management
- 6. Health impacts of waste and e-waste

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A 'Green' Planet....



....But a 'fragile' planet, handle with care!



Origin

 The word "Environment" has come from an old French word environ or environner to be exact which literally means "to encircle" or "to surround".

Definition

 The word "environment" can be defined as "our life support system which includes air, water, land/soil & all other natural resources present around us".

Definition

 According to ISO:14001(International Organization for Standardization), environment can be defined as, "Surroundings in which an organization operates, including air, water, land, natural resources, flora(plants), fauna(animals), human beings and interrelations".

Related Terms

- Environmental Science
- Environmental Engineering
- Environmental Management
- Environmental Laws

Environmental Science

- It is the study of human beings impact on the environment and the physical, chemical and biological changes occurring in nature which focuses on pollution.
- It is highly interdisciplinary & it collects information from various fields such as biology, chemistry, geography, agriculture, geology etc.

Environmental Engineering

 It is defined as that branch of engineering which is concerned with protecting the environment from the potentially deleterious or harmful effects of human activities, protecting the human population from the effects of environmental pollution and improving the environmental quality for better human health & well being.

Environmental Management

 It consist of auditing of EIA (Environmental Impact Assessment), Planning, Preparing EIS (Environmental Impact Statement) & pollution management.

Environmental Laws

- It involves the body of statuaries, policies those are made in order to protect the nature from being misused by human beings.
- Some laws are regulative or controlling in nature while some are for preventive measure & some are binding on us.

Sustainable Development (SD)

 It can be defined as "the ability to meet the needs of present generation without compromising the ability of future generation to meet their needs" i.e. the balance or proper use of resources, so that our future generation will not face any problem for their survival, after taking care of our own survival needs.

Pillars or Components of SD

- There are three pillars or components of Sustainable Development (SD)
 - a) Economical Development
 - b) Society or community Development
 - c) Environmental Protection

Human Dimension in Env. Engg.

- It is also known as **Three factor model** for assessing environmental degradation.
- To estimate or assess the extent of environmental degradation John Holdern (a physicist) and Paul Ehrlich (a biologist) have given a three factor model.

Human Dimension in Env. Engg.

 According to this model, total environmental Impact (I) of degradation and pollution due to population in a given area depends on three factors i.e. P, A, T.

P represents Size of population

A represents Affluence or Per capita Consumption or per person consumption

T represents Technology used.

Human Dimension in Env. Engg.

- The relationship is, I = PAT
- In the developing countries, P³ syndrome
 i.e.(Population, Pollution, Poverty) and in the
 rich developed countries overuse of natural
 resources are the key or important factors
 leading to environmental degradation.

Building Blocks of Env. Engg.

- Env. Engg. consists of Basic Engg. and Basic Sciences.
- Basic Engg. consists of Civil Engg. and Chemical Engg.
- Basic Science consists of Chemistry, Physics, Biology, Economics.

Building Blocks of Env. Engg.(Basic Engg.)

- Civil Engg. consists of
 - a) Infrastructure,
 - b) Water Resources,
 - c) Water Quality,
 - d) Sanitary Services,
 - e) Hydroinformatics and
 - f) Waste Engg.

Building Blocks of Env. Engg. (Basic Engg.)

- Chemical Engg. consists of
 - a) Chemical Hazardous Waste process Engg.
 - b) Transport of chemicals
 - c) Air Quality

Building Blocks of Env. Engg. (Basic Science)

- Chemistry consists of
 - a) Water Chemistry
 - b) Air Chemistry
 - c) Soil Chemistry

Building Blocks of Env. Engg.(Basic Science)

- Physics consists of
 - a) Hydrology & Hydrogeology
 - b) Meteorology & Atmospheric Science
 - c) Fluid Mechanics
 - d) Heat & Mass Transfer
 - e) Sound & Noise
 - f) Soil Physics

Building Blocks of Env. Engg. .(Basic Science)

- Biology consists of
 - a) Microbiology
 - b) Ecology
 - c) Agronomy

Building Blocks of Env. Engg. .(Basic Science)

- Economics consists of
 - a) Economics management
 - b) Environmental Laws
 - c) Politics
 - d) Social Sciences

Building Block of Env. Engg.

Basic engineering	Civil	Infrastructure Water resources Water quality Sanitary services Hydroinformatics Waste engineering
	Chemical	Chemical hazardous waste Process engineering Transport of chemicals Air quality
Basic sciences	Chemistry	Water chemistry Air chemistry Soil chemistry
	Physics	Hydrology and hydrogeology Meteorology and atmospheric science Fluid mechanics Heat and mass transfer Sound and noise Soil physics
	Biology	Microbiology Ecology Agronomy
	Economics	Economics management Environmental law Politics Social science
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Environmental Problems

- The major environmental problems that we are facing are
 - a) Water Pollution
 - b) Air Pollution
 - c) Biodiversity Depletion
 - d) Large amount of Waste Production
 - e) Food Supply Problems

Causes of Environmental Problems

- Many Environmental Problems presently we are facing are mainly due to –
 - a) Over Population
 - b) Wasteful use of Resources
 - c) Destruction & Degradation of Wildlife Habitats
 - d) Depletion & Contamination of Surface Water & Ground Water

Causes of Environmental Problems

- e)Depletion of Non-Renewable resources or minerals
- f) Deforestation
- g) Soil Erosion
- h) Loss of Biodiversity

Definition of Pollution

 It is an undesirable change in physical, chemical or biological characteristics of air, water & soil, that may harmfully affect human beings, animals, the plant life, industrial progress, living conditions & cultural assets.

Definition of Pollutant

 It is an undesirable harmful solid, liquid or gaseous substance present in such a concentration in the environment which tends to be injurious for the whole living organisms.

Ecological Concepts

- The word ecology was coined by Ernst Haeckel from two Greek words, Oikos & Logos.
- Oikos means House or Living Space & Logos means Study
- Ecology is the branch of Biology concerned with the relations of various species to one another & to their physical surroundings

Ecological Perspective

- Ecological perspective demands a greater understanding of the functioning of living systems & their interactions with the environment.
- It gives a qualitative emphasis on ecological concepts.

Principles of ecology

- Living organisms can't exist with total disregard to their environment.
- All living organisms & their physical environment are interdependent upon each other & also affect each other.

Principles of ecology

- Every living organisms has certain limits of tolerance towards the various factors of environment & only within these limits the organisms can survive.
- The existence of life depends upon flow of energy through food chains & the cycling of nutrients.

Aspects of ecology

The two important aspects of ecology are –

- a) Autecology or species ecology
- b) Synecology or community ecology

a) Autecology

 It is concerned with the ecology of an individual species & it's population.

b) Synecology

- It is the study of communities, their composition, their behaviour & the relation to the environment.
- Synecology is further subdivided into three categories
 - i) Population Ecology
 - ii) Genetic Ecology
 - iii) Taxonomic Ecology

i) Population Ecology

 It relates with individual organisms with different groups of organisms within the ecosystem of different levels & the interrelationship among themselves

ii) Genetic Ecology

- It is also known as Gene Ecology.
- Different organisms have different genes & chromosomes, hence they live in different places.
- The relationship due to the variation in genes among biotic components with their surroundings non-biotic environment is known as Genetic Ecology.

iii) Taxonomic Ecology

 It includes ecology of taxonomic groups such as microbes, vertebrates (with backbone), invertebrates (without backbone) & insects etc.

Ecosystem

- An ecosystem is defined as a natural functional ecological unit comprising of living organisms (i.e. biotic community) & their nonliving (i.e. abiotic) environment that interact to form a stable self-supporting system.
- Example: Pond ecosystem, Forest ecosystem etc.

Ecosystem

- The ecosystems are characterized by a diversity of species, but in an ecosystem there must be representatives from the three functional or metabolic groups such as Primary Producers, Consumers & Decomposers.
- The ecosystems can vary in sizes.

Properties of Ecosystem

- An Ecosystem exists independent of specific components i.e. an individual tree may die, but a forest persist.
- The components of an ecosystem are interdependent.
- The nature of ecosystem depends on the species biodiversity of the ecosystem.

Properties of Ecosystem

- The function of ecosystem depends on the energy flow & cycling of chemical elements within the ecosystems.
- The ecosystem can be disturbed by human activities & the most adverse effect of disturbance is the loss of biodiversity.

Types of Ecosystem

- 1. Natural Ecosystem
- 2. Artificial or Man-made or Man-engineered Ecosystem

1. Natural Ecosystem

- These ecosystems operate by themselves under natural conditions.
- Depending on the type of habitats, these are further sub-divided into –
 - I) Terrestrial Ecosystem
 - II) Aquatic Ecosystem

I) Terrestrial Ecosystem

• It includes forest, grassland, desert ecosystems.

II) Aquatic Ecosystem

- These ecosystems found in the aquatic environment.
- It can be divided into two categories
 - a) Fresh water ecosystem
 - b) Marine water ecosystem

a) Fresh water ecosystem

- The Fresh water ecosystem can be
 - i) Lotic &
 - ii) Lentic

Lotic means (moving or running water)

e.g. River or Stream ecosystem

Lentic means (Still or Standing water)

e.g. Pond, Lake ecosystem

b) Marine water ecosystem

 These include salt water bodies which may be Ocean ecosystem, Sea ecosystem.

2. Artificial ecosystem

- These are maintained artificially by human beings.
- e.g. garden, park.

Incomplete ecosystem

- Abysmal depth of oceans where no light penetrates represent incomplete ecosystem.
- There are no green plants & hence there are no primary production.

Structure or components of ecosystem

- Ecosystem has two major components.
 - 1. Abiotic & 2. Biotic
- Abiotic can be classified into hydrosphere, atmosphere & lithosphere
- Biotic can be classified into producer, consumer & decomposer.
- Consumer can be primary, secondary, tertiary consumers.

Functions of ecosystem

- Energy flow: It regulates the flow of energy from one level to the other.
- Nutrient cycling: It regulates cycling of nutrients.
- Environmental gradients: The ecosystem fix the limit of tolerance for each organism towards various factors of environment.

Functions of ecosystem

- Food Chain & Food Web: The energy
 produced by green plants are passed to next
 levels by a chain of consumers leading to
 formation of food chain &
- interlinking of food chain will lead to formation of food web.
- <u>Biodiversity</u>: The ecosystem regulates the species diversity to acquire a stable system.

Natural Resources

 The materials those occur in the environment or those are created by the environment & useful for supporting life or promoting the well-being of human beings are termed as natural resources

Natural Resources

 Natural Resources are the naturally occurring substances those are considered valuable in their natural form & their value rest in the amount of material available & the demand for it.

Types of Natural Resources

- There are three types of natural resources
 - 1) Renewable or Inexhaustible i.e. available in unlimited quantity.
 - Ex Solar energy, wind power etc.
 - 2) Non-renewable or exhaustible i.e. available in limited quantity Ex coal, petrol, diesel etc.

Types of Natural Resources

3) Abstract Natural Resources:

It includes animals, plants & natural landscapes as part of countryside used for recreation & tourism activities.

Ex – Bird watching, sight-seeing

2.Biodiversity

- It doesn't imply just a collection of species, but is a basic resource which acts as a human life support system.
- Biodiversity plays an important role in biogeochemical cycles.

2.Biodiversity

- Biodiversity has three hierarchical levels i.e.
 - i) Genetic Biodiversity
 - ii) Species Biodiversity
 - iii) Ecosystem Biodiversity

2.Biodiversity

- There can be three kinds of losses of biological resources.
 - i) Depletion of a once common species
 - ii) Local or global extinction
 - iii) Ecosystem disruption.

Levels of organization in Biotic Components

- There are six major levels of ecological organization are recognized in the biotic components of the environment.
 - 1) Individual
 - 2) Population
 - 3) Community
 - 4) Ecosystem
 - 5) Biomes &
 - 6) Biosphere

1) Individual

- These are single species.
- Individuals have physiological functions & respond to environmental conditions

2) Population

- Population consists of a group of individuals of the same species living in a particular area at the same time.
- Birth rate, death rate plays an important role in the size of population.

3) Community

 Population of different species living together interact with each other to form a community.

• <u>Niche</u> :-

A suitable or comfortable position in the ecological hierarchy for a species.

Ex- Phytoplankton-Zooplankton-Fish-Whale Niche of fish in the above ecological hierarchy is three or 3rd position.

4) Ecosystem

- It includes both biotic & abiotic components of an area.
- The major or important feature of this ecological level is the strong interaction between the various biotic & abiotic components present.
- Nutrient cycling & energy flow occur in this ecological level.

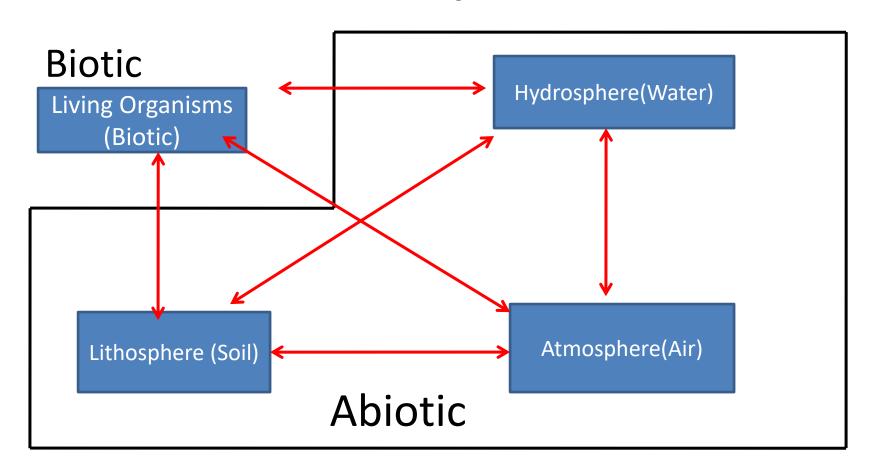
5) Biomes

- When environmental conditions are similar in different parts of the country or around the globe, the habitats & communities are also often similar, giving rise to a higher level of biotic organization known as biomes.
- Ex- a)Tropical Rainforest(High temp. & High rainfall)
 - b) **Desert Scrub**(High temp. & low rainfall)

6) Biosphere

- The highest organizational level is the biosphere & it extends from bottom of the sea to the top of the sky where life exists.
- Biogeochemical cycles occur at this ecological level.

Interaction of Biotic and Abiotic components of an ecosystem



Interaction Processes....

 The previous diagram represents dynamic nature of ecosystem due to interactions and interdependence of the various components present.

Ecosystem Process

- In the ecosystem process, the following processes are essential for the survival & maintenance of biotic components.
 - 1. Energy flow &
 - 2. Nutrient cycling

1. Energy flow

- On the earth, the ultimate source of energy of life is
 - solar radiation.
- There are two sources of energy
 - a) Autotrophic
 - b) Heterotrophic

1.(a) Autotrophic

 Autotrophic production of energy is carried out within the ecosystem by green plants in the presence of sunlight using photosynthesis process.

1.(b) Heterotrophic

- Heterotrophic energy source is the one, where the chemical energy is imported as organic matter which is originated from primary production in some other ecosystem.
- This imported organic matter is called allochthonous.

• $12H_2O + 6CO_2 + 709kcal(from sunlight)$

Chlorophyll
$$C_6H_{12}O_6 + 6O_2 + 6H_2O$$
 (Carbohydrate)

 Out of total amount of solar radiation available,

only 1 to 5% is used in the photosynthesis process.

- The organic matter produced by green plants in the Photosynthesis process is called Primary Production or (PP)
- PP is affected by various environmental factors like water, light, temperature & soil nutrients.
- PP is of 2 types.
 - 1) GPP (Gross Primary Production)
 - 2) NPP (Net Primary Production)

- GPP R(Respiration) = NPP
- GPP is the total amount of chemical energy or biomass stored by plants per unit area per unit time.
- Since plant requires energy for synthesis of organic matter & functioning of plant itself, some of GPP is used in the process of respiration.

- NPP is used for plant growth & reproduction.
- NPP is normally 80 to 90% of GPP.
- As various environmental factors affect PP, hence GPP & NPP vary over the globe.
- NPP can be classified into four broad groups each with a characteristic productivity range.

- Low range 0 to 250 gm/m² year
 Ex- Desert, semi-desert
- Middle range 250 to 1000 gm/m² year
 Ex- Non-forest communities like shrubland, grassland
- 3. Normal range 1000 to 2000 gm/m² year Ex- Forest
- 4. High range 2000 to 3000 gm/m² year Ex- Rainforest

Respiration

 When any organism requires energy, the reverse chemical reaction of photosynthesis occurs, known as **respiration**, where the glucose molecule is broken down in the presence of oxygen to produce CO₂, H₂O & energy for work done & maintenance. The reaction is –

 $C_6H_{12}O_6+6O_2 \xrightarrow{\text{Metabolic}} +6CO_2+6H_2O+ \text{ energy for}$ work done & maintenance

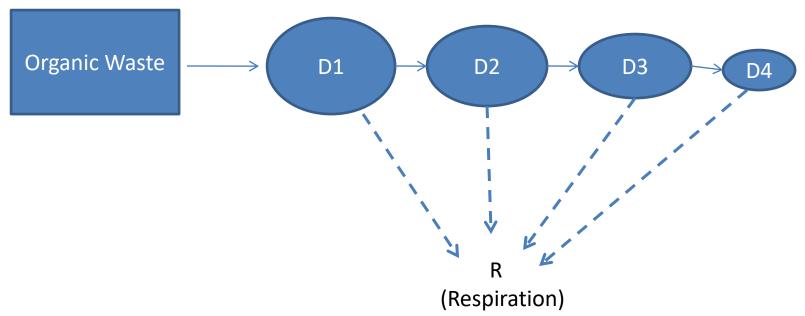
2. Nutrient cycling

 During decomposition, the complex organic molecules in the original detritus or waste are gradually broken down to much simpler constituents & inorganic molecules like nitrates & phosphates, as the material moves through the decomposer or detritus food chain.

2. Nutrient cycling

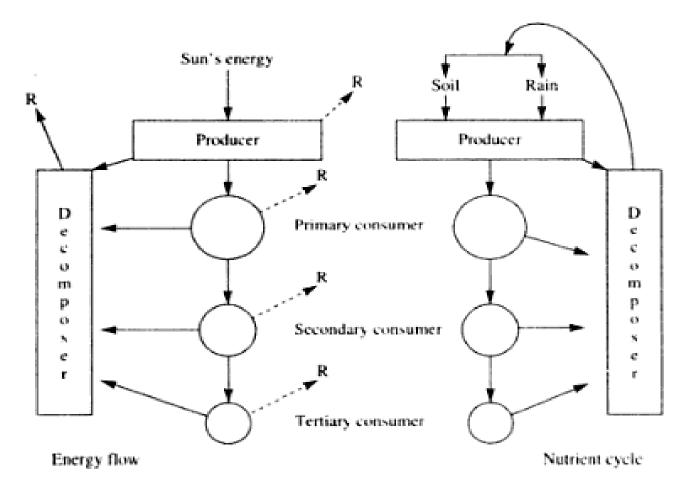
- These are then, enter into the soil or sediment or dissolved in water, where they become the nutrients available for reuse by green plants.
- This whole process of recycling of nutrients within the ecosystem is known as nutrient cycling.

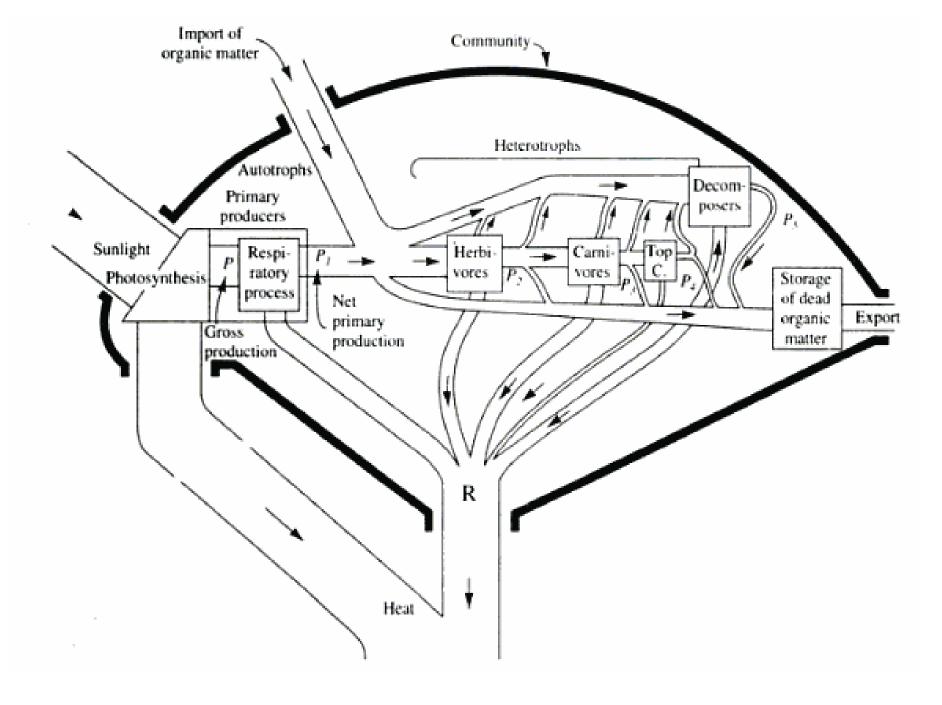
Detritus chain energy flow



(D1 to D4 are different levels in the detritus chain & size of circles indicate the relative amount of energy present in the level.)

Overview of 2 major ecosystem process of energy flow, nutrient cycling





 This diagram represents the hydraulic analogy of energy flow through an ecosystem.

(Pg.- 39, G.Kiely)

- The energy is imagined as being channelled through pipes whose thickness is proportional to the rate of energy flow.
- R = Respiration &
 Top C = Top carnivore

Food Chain

 Chemical energy produced by primary producers & the nutrients used by plants to build plant tissues, are passed up by a chain of consumers leading to formation of food chain, where each link in the chain is provided with energy & nutrients.

Food Chain

 Each consumer population uses the food energy for living & respiration & the remaining energy can then be used to produce new biomass by growth & reproduction, which is called secondary production &

become a potential food & energy source for another species, further up in the food chain.

Food Chain

- Depending on the types of foods, there are three types of food chain available.
 - a) Predator or Grazing Food Chain
 - b) Saprophytic or Detritus Food Chain
 - c) Parasitic Food Chain

a) Predator or Grazing Food Chain

 Predator means an animal that naturally preys on others.

Ex:-

Sunlight→Grass→Grasshopper→Frog→Snake

Hawk

b) Saprophytic or Detritus Food Chain

It starts from DOM

(Dead Organic Matter) & goes to detritus feeding organisms i.e.

detrivores i.e.

bacteria, worms etc. & on to their predators.

Ex:-

Dead leaves—Soil mites—Insects—Lizard

c) Parasitic Food Chain

- It is a food chain in which parasites live on the host body or within the host body to get energy.
- This food chain also starts from the green plants & animals to parasitic microbes.

Food Web

- In most ecosystems, food chains interlink with each other to produce food web.
- Food web shows the food pattern of energy flow in the ecosystem.

(Terrestrial Food Web)

Trophic Level

- Trophic level or nutritional level or tier gives the feeding status of an organism in an ecosystem.
- It is based on the concept who feeds on whom.
- It is the position an organism occupies in the food chain

Trophic Level

- i)First trophic level or primary producer level
 - Ex: Green plants
- ii)Second trophic level or primary consumer level
 - Ex: Herbivores
- iii)Third trophic level or secondary consumer level
 - Ex: Carnivores

Ecological pyramid

- The graphical representation of tropic levels is called the ecological pyramid.
- The arrangement of organisms in a food chain according to trophic levels forms a pyramid.
- Generally, pyramids are of three types.

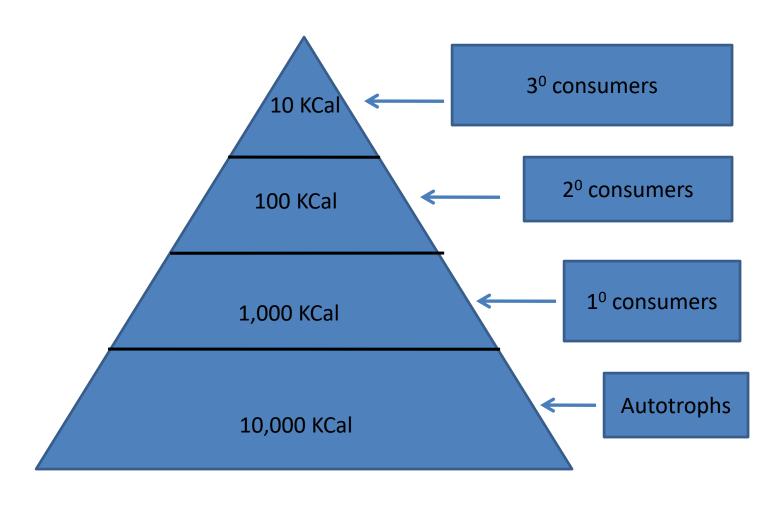
Ecological pyramid

- 1. Pyramid of energy
- 2. Pyramid of biomass
- 3. Pyramid of numbers.

1. Pyramid of energy

- Generally, 10% energy is transferred between adjacent tropic levels & rest 90% of energy is used up in that tropic level giving rise to energy pyramid. This is called 10% rule of ecosystem.
- It is based on rate of energy flow & productivity at each successive trophic level.
- It decreases from autotrophs to higher tropic level.

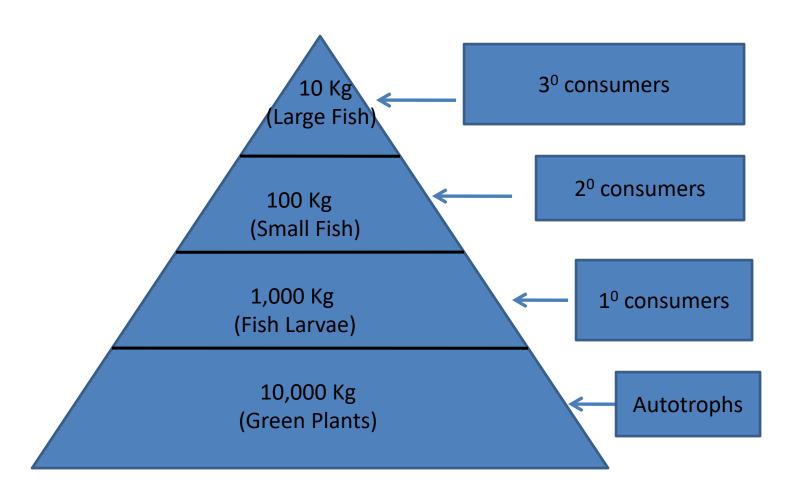
1. Pyramid of energy



2. Pyramid of biomass

- It shows the total mass of the organisms in each tropic level.
- It is based on total dry weight present in the level.
- It decreases from autotrophs to higher trophic level.

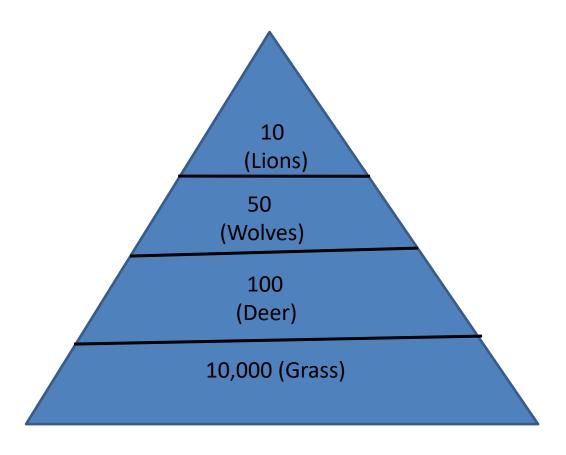
2. Pyramid of biomass



3. Pyramid of Numbers

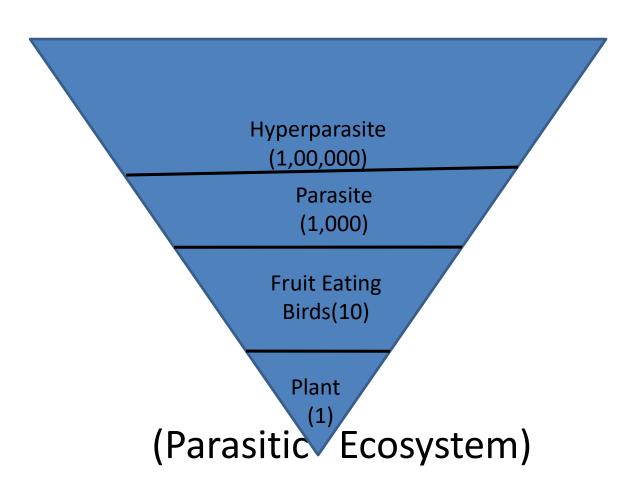
- It shows the number of organisms in each trophic level.
- There may be gradual decrease or increase in the number of individuals.

3. Pyramid of Numbers



(Grassland Ecosystem)

3. Pyramid of Numbers (Inverted Pyramid)



Ecological Succession

- In an ecosystem, new species may succeed older species.
- The process of gradual change in the conditions of physical environment, leading to the change in the species structure of an ecological community (i.e. replacement of one species by the other) over space & time, is called Ecological Succession or Ecological Development.

- Bio means living beings
- Geo means earth extended to air & water, where life exists.
- Chemical means chemical elements which continuously move in the cycles.
- The cyclic pathways through which chemical elements move from environment to the organisms & back to the environment are called bio-geochemical cycles.

- All parts or components of different ecological systems, on a local or global scale are linked with the Biogeochemical Cycles.
- Biogeochemical Cycles can have a number of phases & reservoirs.
 - 1) Organic Phase
 - 2) Inorganic Phase

1) Organic Phase:-

In this phase, nutrients pass rapidly through biotic communities using food chain.

2) Inorganic Phase:-

It contains all nutrient elements & are external to food chain.

- The various sub-phases of the inorganic phase are
 - a) Sedimentary Phase
 - b) Atmospheric Phase
 - c) Aquatic Phase or Aquatic Reservoir

a) Sedimentary Phase :-

It involves interactions with the solid earth or rocks & results of geological activities such as weathering.

b) Atmospheric Phase :-

It forms major part of some cycles like 'N' cycle & 'C' cycle & minor parts of some cycles like 'P' Cycle.

c) <u>Aquatic Phase or Aquatic Reservoir</u>:-It involves plant nutrients.

Types of biological cycles:-

There are two types of biological cycles.

- I) Water or Hydrological Cycle
- II) Air or Atmospheric Cycle.

- II) Air or Atmospheric Cycle:-
 - It can be classified into –
 - i) C Carbon
 - ii) N Nitrogen
 - iii) O Oxygen
 - iv) P Phosphorous
 - v) S Sulphur

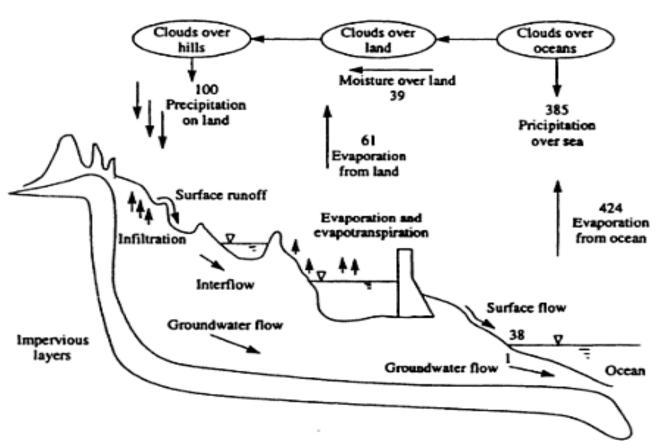


Figure 4.1 Hydrological cycle with global annual average water balance given in units relative to a value of 100 for the rate of precipitation on land (adapted from Chow et al., 1988).

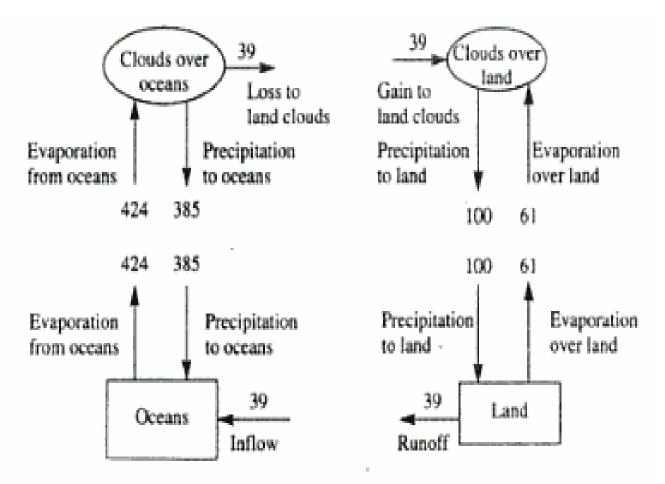


Figure 4.2 Material balance on aspects of the hydrological cycle.

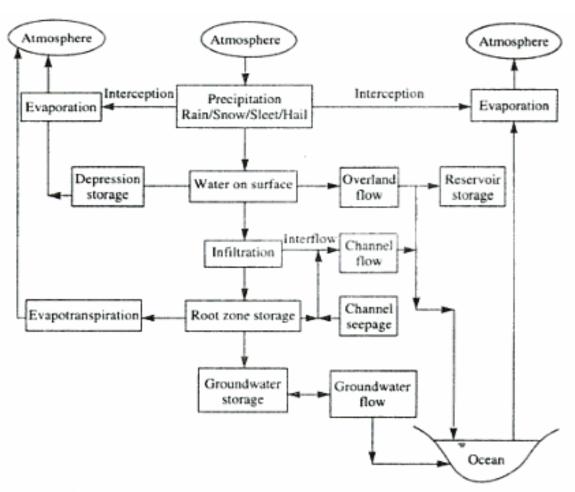


Figure 4.3 Components of the hydrological cycle (adapted from Bedient and Huber, 1988, p. 55, © 1988 by Addison-Wesley

Interception:-

It is the evaporation of water from the outer surface of leaves during & after rainfall.

Transpiration:-

It is the evaporation of water through foliage.

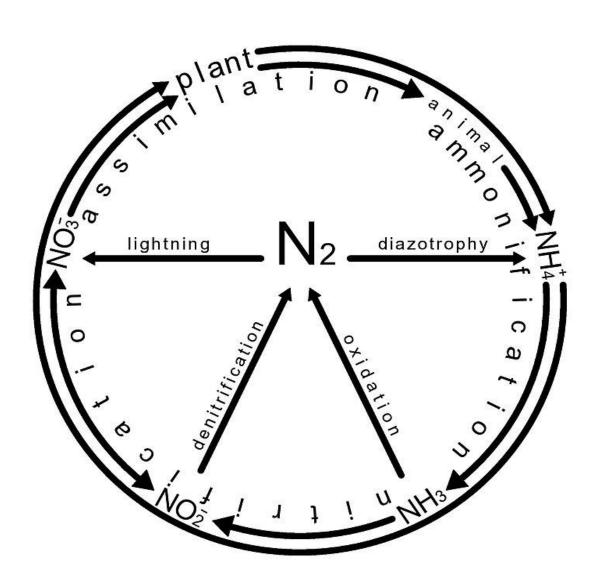
Evapotranspiration:-

It is the combination of Evaporation from water bodies & transpiration from leaves.

Hydrological/Water Equilibrium

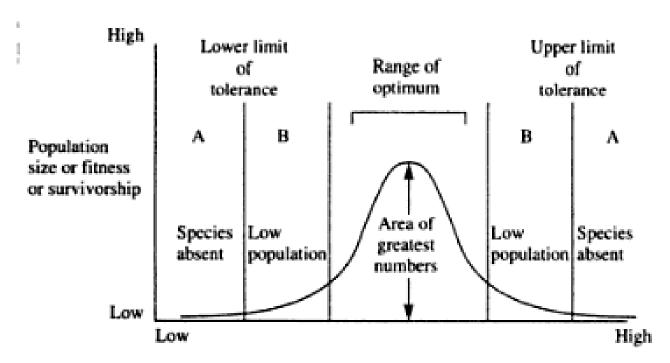
- Surface inflow + Sub-surface inflow +
 Precipitation + Imported water + Decrease in
 ground water storage = Surface outflow + Sub surface outflow + Consumptive use + Exported
 water + Increase in ground water storage
- It has an important impact on agriculture, forestry, irrigation, water supply & hydropower.

The Nitrogen Cycle



 The environment or environmental factors are not similar over the globe or around the earth, giving rise to Environmental Gradients & due to which different species live in different places.

- The physical, chemical factors like light, temperature & P^H are known as conditions & the factors the organism actually uses like food, water, shelter are known as resources.
- There is a global gradient change from the equator towards north or south.



Environmental gradient (e.g. temperature, food size, altitude, etc.)

A = zone of intolerance

B = zone of physiological stress

Fitness = number of offspring contributed to next generation

2.8 A schematic tolerance curve for a single species population existing on a single environmental gradient.

- This is a normally distributed bell-shaped curve, as the change in environmental conditions are gradual from equator towards north or south.
- But, pollution can make it skew-shaped
 i.e. sharp decrease of curve towards left or right from range of optimum.

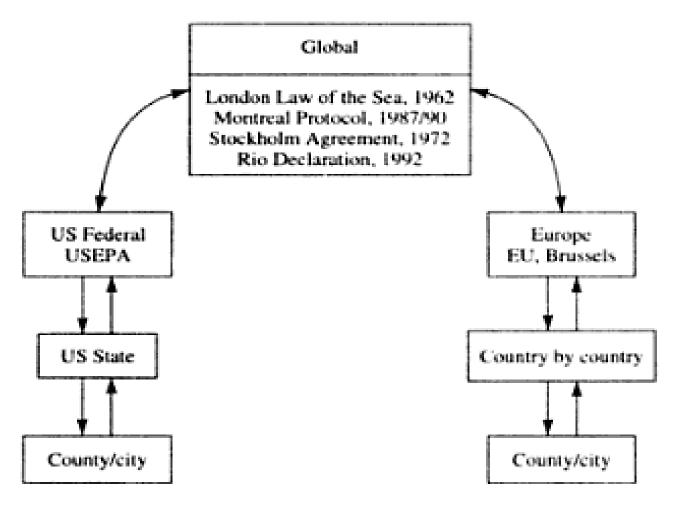
Limiting Factors:-

The resources in shortage of supply or the conditions over which the species has the smallest range of optimum will limit the species function & is called the limiting factor.

- Ex:- Plant growth is strongly correlated with rain, but in arid region sufficient light is available, but water scarcity is there which is the limiting factor.
- The tolerance of species to different environmental conditions or resources level vary from each other.

- The favourable environmental factors to a species provide wide tolerance curve & broad range of optimum known as Eurytopic factors.
- The unfavourable environmental factors to a species provide narrow tolerance curve & narrow range of optimum known as Stenotopic factors.

EU & US Env. Laws or Directives



1.1 Levels of environmental legislation in the European Union and the United States.

EU & US Env. Laws or Directives

- London Law of the sea is for prevention of sea pollution by oil.
- Stockholm Agreement has imposed ban on the ocean dumping wastes.
- Montreal Protocol is for reducing CFCs & other ozone depleting chemicals.
- Rio Declaration has objectives of sustainable development.

Regulatory Structure of Indian Env. Laws

- MOEF Ministry of Environment & Forest,
 Government of India
- CPCB Central Pollution Control Board
- SPCB State Pollution Control Board

Indian Env. Laws

- Water Laws
- Air Laws
- Wildlife & Forest Laws
- General Env. Laws

Water Laws

- The various env. Laws on water are -
 - 1) The Water(Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act 1974
 - 2) The Water(Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act rules 1975
 - 3) The Water(Prevention & Control of Pollution) Cess Act 1977
 - 4) The Water(Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, rules & amendments 1992

Objectives of Water Law

- The objectives are
 - a) Prevention & control of water pollution
 - b) Maintaining good quality of water
 - c) Establishment of boards for the prevention
 - & control of water pollution.

Air Laws

- The various env. Laws on air are
 - 1) The air(Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act 1981
 - 2)The air(Prevention & Control of Pollution)
 Act rules 1982
 - 3) Atomic Energy Act 1982
 - 4) Motor Vehicles Act 1988

Objectives of Air Law

- The objectives are
 - a) Prevention & control of air pollution
 - b) Maintaining good quality of air
 - c) Establishment of boards for the prevention
 - & control of air pollution

Wildlife & Forest Laws

- The various env. Laws for wildlife & forest are-
 - 1) The wildlife protection act 1972
 - 2) The wildlife protection act and amendments 1991
 - 3) The forest conservation act 1980
 - 4) The national forest policy 1988

Objectives of Wildlife & Forest Laws

- The Objectives are
 - a) Protection & conservation of wildlife
 - b) To preserve biodiversity
 - c) To maintain essential ecological processes & life supporting systems.

General Env. Laws

- The various laws in this category are
 - 1) The environmental protection act
 - (EPA) 1986 or Umbrella act
 - 2) Hazardous waste (management & handling) rules 1989
 - 3) Biomedical waste(management & handling) rules 1998

Objectives of Umbrella act

- Protection & improvement of environment & prevention of hazards to all living creatures.
- Maintenance of harmonious relationship between human beings & their environment.

- The order of 10 most abundant elements in soil & crustal rocks are –
- In soil:

$$O > Si > Al > Fe > C > Ca > K > Na > Mg > Ti$$

• In Crystal rock:

$$O > Si > Al > Fe > Ca > Mg = Na > K > Ti > P$$

The most common soil minerals are –

Quartz - SiO₂

Calcite - CaCO₃

Gypsum - CaSO₄.2H₂O

Gibbsite - Al(OH)₃

Soil Salinity:-

A soil solution is considered saline, if the electrical conductivity (EC) is greater than 4000 micro-siemens/cm or μ s/cm.

This condition occurs, when evaporation exceeds precipitation.

If this condition continues then, saltpan will occur.

- General Composition of soil :-
- 1)Inorganic or Mineral matter-45% (Ca, Mg etc.)
- 2) Organic matter 5% (Humus)
 - 3) Soil water 25%
- 4) Soil air 25%

- Types of soil in India :-
 - 1. Red soil
 - 2. Black soil
 - 3. Mountainous soil
 - 4. Desert soil
 - 5. Alluvial soil

(fine grained fertile soil present in river bed)

- The elemental properties of soil in relation to infiltration are –
 - 1. Bulk Density or Dry Density
 - 2. Particle Density
 - 3. Porosity
 - 4. Water content
 - 5. Degree of saturation

- 1. Bulk Density(ρ_b)= M_d/V_t
 - = Dry mass of soil/Total volume of soil
- 2. Particle Density(ρ_m)= M_d/V_d
 - = Dry mass of soil/Dry volume of soil
- 3. Porosity(φ)= ($V_a + V_w$)/ V_s
 - = (Volume of air + Volume of water)/Volume of soil
- 4. The water content (Θ) = V_w/V_s
 - = Volume of water/ Volume of soil

5. Degree of saturation(s):-

It is a measure of wetness.

So,
$$S = V_w/(V_a + V_w)$$

= $(V_w/V_s)/[(V_a + V_w)]/V_s$
= Θ/Φ

• Soil Moisture Deficit (SMD) :-

The Soil Moisture Deficit is the term used when soil moisture is below the Field Capacity (FC) of soil.

• Field Capacity (FC) :-

It is the maximum % of volumetric soil moisture that a soil sample will hold freely against earth gravity. It varies from 5% for sandy soil to 30% for dry soil.

Primary Pollutant :-

The Primary Pollutants are those which are emitted by identifiable manmade sources.

Ex:- SO_x, NO_x,CO

Secondary Pollutant :-

The secondary pollutants are those formed in the atmosphere by chemical or photochemical reactions of primary pollutants.

Ex:- Acid rain, Photochemical Smog

Photochemical smog :-

It is basically the product of HC(Hydrocarbon)+NO_x+Sunlight-----> SMOG

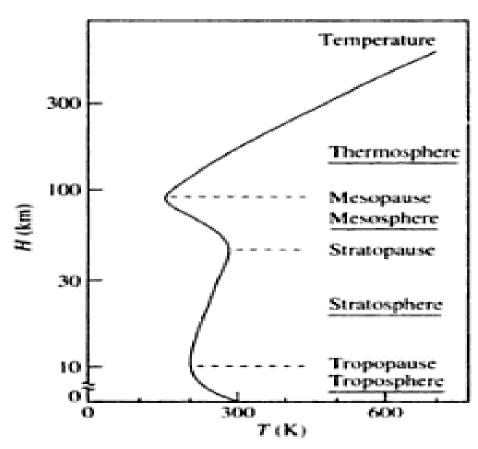


Figure 3.13 Vertical temperature profile of earth's atmospheric regions.

- Troposphere 0-12 km
- Stratosphere 12-50 km
- Mesosphere 50-80 km
- Thermosphere 80-700 km

- The Troposphere is mostly heated by transfer of energy from the earth surface and temperature decreases with altitude or height.
- In Stratosphere temperature increases with height due to increased absorption of UV radiation by Ozone Layer.

- In Mesosphere temperature decreases with height due to decreasing solar heating.
- In Thermosphere temperature increases with height due to absorption of highly energetic solar radiation which causes atmosphere particles in this layer to become electrically charged.

Table 3.11 Average composition of the atmosphere

Gas	Composition by volume (ppm)
N ₂	780 900
O_2	209 500
A	9 300
CO ₂	300
Ne	18
He	5.2
CH ₄	2.2
Kr	1.
N_2O	1
H ₂	0.5
Xe	0.08
O ₃	0.02
NH ₂	0.006
NO ₂	0.001
NO	0.0006
SO ₂	0.000 2
H ₂ S	0.000 2

Chemical & Biochemical Reactions

 The relationship between rate of reaction(r), concentration of reactants(c) & reaction order (n) is given by,

$$r=c^n => log(r) = n log(c)$$

- Reactions can be -
- Zero order
- First order
- Second order

Zero Order

- In this case, rate of reaction(r) is independent of concentration of reactants(c).
- Half life period (t_{1/2})= C₀/2k₀,
 where C₀ is concentration of reactants at t=0
 k₀ is reaction rate constant

Ex:- Photochemical reaction between H₂ & Cl₂

$$H_2(g) + Cl_2(g) \longrightarrow 2HCl(g)$$

First Order

- In this case, rate of reaction(r) is directly proportional to concentration of reactants(c)
- Half life period $(t_{1/2}) = \ln 2/k_1$ =0.69/k₁

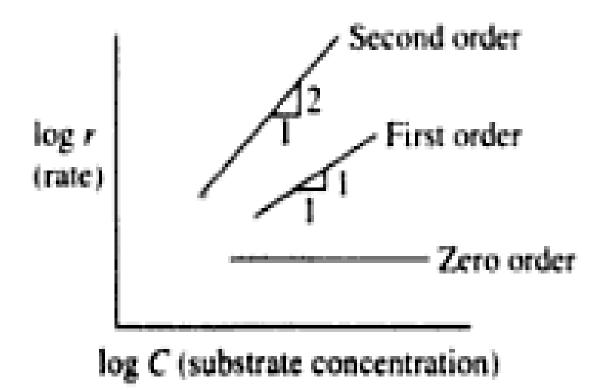
Ex:- Dissociation of hydrogen peroxide

$$H_2O_2(I) \longrightarrow H_2O(I)+1/2 O_2(g)$$

Second Order

- In this case, rate of reaction(r) is directly proportional to square of concentration of reactants(c)
- Half life period $(t_{1/2}) = 1/k_2C_0$
- Ex:- Dissociation of NO_2 to NO (Nitric Oxide) $2NO_2(g) \longrightarrow 2NO(g) + O_2(g)$

Orders of reaction



Material Balance

- Input output = accumulation
- If there is no accumulation within the process,
 then input = output

Material Balance

 A comprehensive formulation of the principle of material balance is as follows —
 Accumulation within the system = input throughout the system boundaries + generation within the system - output through the system boundaries- consumption within the system

Methodology of Material Balance

- Sketch a figure defining boundary of the process.
- Label the flow of each stream & their composition with symbols.
- Show all know flows & composition on the figure

Methodology of Material Balance

- Select the basis or units for calculation
- Write the material balances which include total balance & component balance
- Solve the equations & check the solutions.

 A wastewater treatment plant with an output of 38,400 m³/day discharges the liquid effluent with a BOD of 20 mg/L into a river. If the BOD of the river upstream of the discharge point is 0.2 mg/L, at a minimum flow of 20m³/s, calculate the BOD of the river downstream of the discharge, assuming complete mixing.

 PSS(Primary Sewage Sludge) & SSS(Secondary Sewage Sludge) are thickened(or mixed) together. If the PSS is produced at 100kg/hr at 1% DS(Dry Solid) & SSS is produced at 150kg/hr at 3% DS, determine the DS percentage of the end product.

 Everyday 3780m³ of wastewater is treated at a municipal wastewater treatment plant. The influent contains 220mg/L of suspended solids. The treated water has a suspended solid concentration of 5 mg/L. Determine the mass of sludge produced daily from the treatment plant.

 A slurry containing 20% by weight of limestone(CaCO₃) is processed to separate pure dry limestone from water. If the feed rate is 2000kg/hr, how much CaCO₃ is produced per hour.

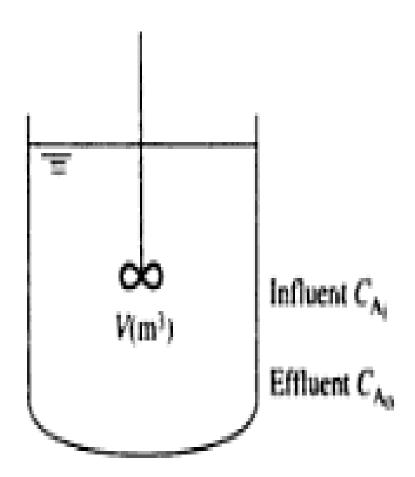
Reactor Configuration

- In environmental engineering, particularly in water & waste water treatment reactors used are of 3 types –
 - i) Batch Reactor(BR)
 - ii) Continuously Stirred Tank Reactor(CSTR)
 - iii) Plug Flow Reactor(PFR)

i) Batch Reactor(BR)

- In this case, the reactants or inputs enter into the reactor, remain for desired time & then discharged.
- Ex:- BOD test

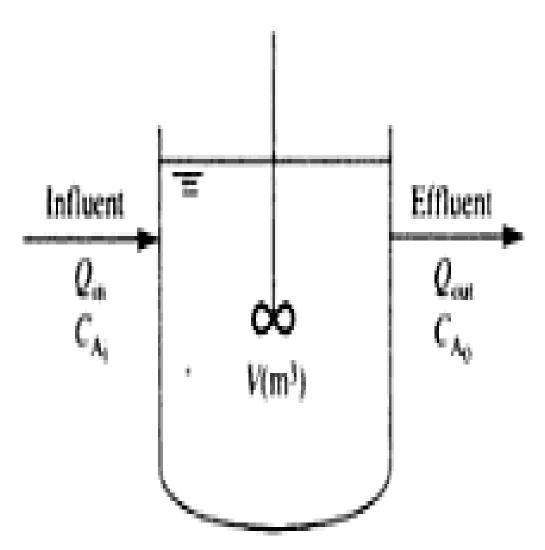
Diagram of BR



ii) Continuously Stirred Tank Reactor(CSTR)

- In this case, reactants continuously enter into the reactor & the products are continuously discharged from a well-mixed vessel.
- Ex:- Waste water treatment

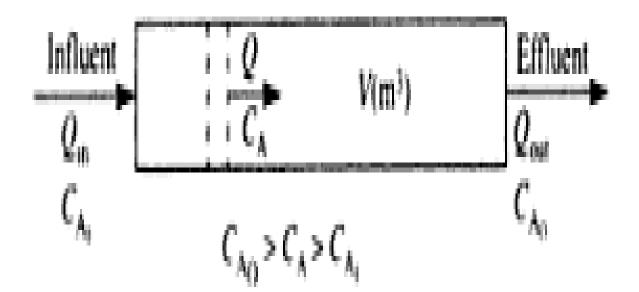
Diagram of CSTR



iii) Plug Flow Reactor(PFR)

- In this case, the reactants or inputs are entered at one end & products are discharged at the other end, after spending a minimum retention time in the system.
- Ex:- mixing of pollutant in river flow

Diagram of PFR



Noise Pollution

- Sounds are mechanical waves of pressure which allow us to hear & listen.
- Sounds can be transmitted through solid, liquid & gas.
- Generally human beings can perceive sound frequencies between 20 Hz & 20 KHz.

Noise Pollution

- Noise is a sound, that is loud, unpleasant, unexpected or undesired.
- Sounds, particularly loud ones, that disturb people or make it difficult to hear wanted sounds, are called noise.
- Noise is a subset of sound.

Sources of Noise Pollution

- Sources can be classified into outside & inside.
- Outside include construction sites, road traffic, airport, factories etc.
- Inside include phones, TV, radio, home appliances etc.
- Main source is urbanization & increasing population.

Sources of Noise Pollution

Source	Sound in dB
Normal conversation	60
Alarm Clock	80
Car horn	120
Jet	130
Gunshot	140
Rocket Launching	180

Effects of Noise Pollution

- Sleep disturbance
- Lack of productivity
- Causes stress & depression
- Hormone imbalance
- Higher heart rate

Noise Control or Attenuation

- Noise has following medium.
- Source → Transmission Path → Receiver
- The acoustic treatment of above three can help in attenuation.

Ways to reduce Noise Pollution

- Wear ear plugs
- Avoid using multiple appliances at a time
- Keep vehicles & machines in proper condition
- Buildings can be designed with suitable noise absorbing material for the walls, windows, and ceilings.
- Social awareness programs should be taken up to educate the public about the causes and effects of noise pollution.

Physical Properties of Sound

- The various physical properties of sound are –
- Amplitude(A)
- Wavelength(λ)
- Time Period(T or P)
- Frequency(f)
- Speed of sound(c)

Physical Properties of Sound

- Amplitude is maximum or minimum pressure
- Wavelength is the distance between successive crest or trough
- Time period is the time gap between successive crest or trough
- Frequency is the number of complete pressure variations or cycles per second.
- Speed of sound in air is 340m/sec.

Noise Criteria

- The various noise criteria can be –
- L_{Aeq} (Equivalent Continuous Level)
- L_{AE} (Sound Exposure Level)
- L_{AN} (Sound Level Exceeded for N% of time)

Indian Standard for ambient noise level

Area coo	de Area	Daytime	Night time	
Α	Industrial Area	75dB	70dB	
В	Commercial Area	65dB	55dB	
C	Residential Area	55dB	45dB	
D	Silence Zone	50dB	40dB	
The above values are of L _{Aeq} .				

Inverse Square Law of sound Propagation

- It states that, the sound intensity(I) is inversely proportional to the square of the distance (r) it propagates.
- $I = W/4\pi r^2 i.e.$
- $I\alpha 1/r^2$,
- where, W is Sound power of noise source in watt.

Formula

- The sound power level is measured in decibel(dB) i.e.
- $L_W = 10 \log(W/10^{-12})$
- where, L_W is sound power level in dB for 10^{-12} watt & W is sound power of noise source in watt.

Formula

- The sound pressure level is measured in decibel(dB) & is directly proportional to the square of sound pressure i.e.
- $L_P = 10 \log\{P^2/(P_0)^2\}$
- = $20 \log (P/P_0)$
- where L_P is sound pressure level in dB,
- P is measured pressure in Pascal &
- P_0 is reference pressure = $20\mu Pa$

Problems

- Q.1. The sound from a voice shouting source is 0.001W. What is the sound power level?
- Q.2.If a sound source has a pressure of 2000μPa at 10mtr distance, calculate
- a) Sound Pressure Level in dB
- b) Sound Intensity in Watt/m²
- c) Sound Power in Watt.

Problems

- Q.3.If two sound sources have equal pressure of 2000μPa, then determine the sound pressure in dB.
- Q.4. An air conditioner generates a noise level of 75dB for five minutes in every hour. If the background noise level is 55dB, then calculate the L_{Aeq} .

- The various physical properties of water that shows wide variation in magnitude includes –
- Colour
- Turbidity
- Taste & odour
- Temperature
- Solids

- Colour:-
- It is measured in Hazen's Scale.
- The permissible limit of colour for drinking water is 5mg/L or ppm.

- Turbidity:-
- It is the measure of cloudiness in water & caused by presence of suspended matter which scatters & absorbs light.
- It is measured in NTU
- (Nephelometric Turbidity Unit)
- The Permissible limit of turbidity for drinking water is 1NTU.

- Taste & Odour :-
- This may be due to presence of microorganisms, algae, dissolved minerals, salts etc.
- It is measured in TON
- (Threshold Odour Number)
- The permissible limit of TON for drinking water is 1 to 3.

- Taste & Odour:-
- TON = (A + B)/A
 - A Volume of Sample with odour
 - B -Volume of Pure Water with no odour Added
- If A was a 100 ml sample and 100 ml of water had to be added to not detect the odour - the TON would be 2.
 - TON = (100 + 100) / 100 = 200 / 100 = 2.

- <u>Temperature</u>:-
- The temperature of water varies with atmospheric temperature & it is a significant parameter regarding characteristics of water.
- For drinking water the temperature should be 10-25°C.

- Solids:-
- Solids content of water represents the characteristics of water.
- Solids present in water can be studied as follows-
- a) Total Solids(TS)
- b) Suspended Solids(SS)

- c) Total Dissolved Solids(TDS)
- = TS SS
- d) Total Volatile Solids(TVS)
- e) Volatile Suspended Solids(VSS)
- f) Filterable Solids(FS) & Non-Filterable Solids (NFS)

- NFS = SS
- (Particle Size Range is 10⁰ to 10⁻³ mm)
- FS can be Colloidal
- (Particle Size Range is 10⁻³ to 10⁻⁶ mm) &
- Dissolved
- (Particle Size Range is 10⁻⁶ to 10⁻⁹ mm)

Chemical Properties of Water

- It can be
- Inorganic &
- Organic

Chemical Properties of Water

Inorganic Chemical properties of water includes –

- . pH
- Alkalinity & Acidity
- Hardness
- Conductivity

Chemical Properties of Water

- Organic Chemical properties of water includes-
- BOD
- (Bio-Chemical Oxygen Demand)
- COD
- (Chemical Oxygen Demand)
- TOC
- (Total Organic Carbon)
- TOD
- (Total Oxygen Demand)

- pH is
- Potential of Hydrogen or Power of Hydrogen
- $pH = log [H^+] or$
- = $-\log [H_3O^+]$
- pH range for public water supplies is 6.5 to 8.5.

Problem

 In a water treatment plant, the pH values of incoming & outgoing water are 7.2 & 8.4 respectively. Assuming a linear variation of pH with time, determine the average pH value of water.

- Alkalinity & Acidity :-
- Alkalinity is also known as ANC or
- (Acid Neutralizing Capacity) &
- Acidity is also known as BNC or
- (Base Neutralizing Capacity)

- Alkalinity can be of
- three types.
- a) Carbonate Alkalinity
- b) Bicarbonate Alkalinity &
- c) Hydroxide Alkalinity

- a) Carbonate Alkalinity in
- mg/L as CaCO₃ or ppm CaCO₃ can be expressed as

Problem

• The Supernatant from anaerobic co-digestion of the MSW food fraction & PSS(Primary Sewage Sludge) has an alkalinity of 4427 mg/L as CaCO₃. The P^H is 7.27 at a temperature of 25°C.Determine the individual alkalinity contribution.

- Hardness:-
- Hard water has high mineral content.
- Hardness of water are of two types:-
- a) Temporary Hardness or
- Carbonate Hardness
- b) Permanent Hardness or
- Non-Carbonate Hardness

- a) Temporary Hardness:-
- It is due to carbonate & bicarbonate of Ca⁺²
 & Mg⁺².
- b)Permanent Hardness:-
- It is due to Chloride & Sulphate of Ca⁺² & Mg⁺².

- Hardness of water is expressed in mg/L as CaCO₃.
- The permissible limit of hardness of drinking water is
- 200 mg/L as CaCO₃.

- Hardness in mg/L as CaCO₃
- = [M⁺²(concentration in mg/L) X 50]/
 [equivalent weight of M⁺²]
- = M⁺²(Concentration in meq/L) X 50

Problem

 Determine the various hardness of the following water sample.

•	Constitue	nt
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Concentration (in mg/L)

• Ca⁺²

60

• Mg⁺²

29.3

HCO₃⁻

366

- Conductivity or Electrical Conductivity:-
- It is the measure of the ability of an aqueous solution to carry an electric current.

$$ec = \sum_{i=1}^{n} C_i f_i$$

Inorganic Chemical Properties of Water

- where,
- ec is electrical conductivity in μs(siemens)/cm,
- C_i is concentration of ionic species in solution in mg/L &
- f_i is conductivity factor for ionic species.

Organic Chemical Properties of Water

- $BOD_5 = 0.6 COD$
- CBOD or
- Carbonaceous BOD = 0.92 COD

Organic Chemical Properties of Water

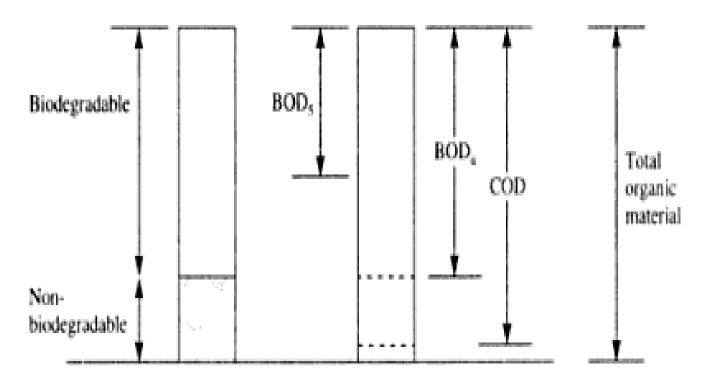


Figure 3.8 Schematic of BOD/COD/T.org matter relationship.

Organic Chemical Properties of Water

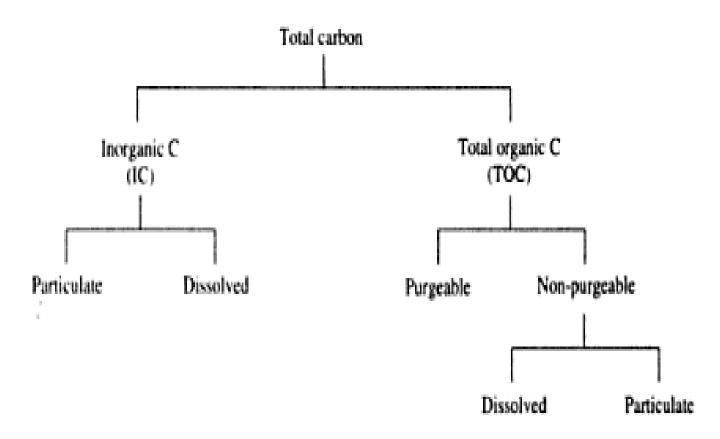


Figure 3.9 Schematic of subdivisions of carbon in water.

- Q.1. Determine COD & TOC for glucose(C₆H₁₂O₆)?
- Q.2. If bacteria cells are represented by the chemical formula $C_5H_7O_2N$, then determine the potential carbonaceous BOD, when bacteria cell concentration is 1000mg/L.

• Q.3. A wastewater is analysed & is shown to contain 100 mg/L of ethylene glycol ($C_2H_6O_2$) & 120 mg/L of phenol(C_6H_6O). Determine COD & TOC.

• Q. Determine the time required for benzene (C_6H_6) & DDT $(C_{14}H_9Cl_5)$ to vapourize to half of their original concentration from a wastewater treatment plant holding tank of depth 2mtr. The mass transfer co-efficient (k) for benzene is 0.144mtr/hr & for DDT is 9.34x10⁻³ mtr/hr.

Solubility of gases in water

 The solubility of gases in water is related to the partial pressure of the gas in the atmosphere above the water & is given by Henry's Law, which can be expressed as follows:-

Solubility of gases in water

•
$$P_g = (K_h)(X_g)$$

- where,
- P_g= Partial pressure of the gas,
- K_h= Henry's Law Constant
- Xg= Equilibrium mole fraction of the dissolved gas in the liquid phase

- i)Water Balance or Water Budget
- ii)Energy Balance or Energy Budget
- iii)Bowen Ratio
- iv)Hyetograph & Hydrograph
- V)Rainfall-Runoff Relationship or
- Rational formula for determining runoff

- i)Water Balance or Water Budget:-
- It gives the quantitative account of hydrological cycle.
- The equation for water balance is based on conservation of mass.

- The water balance equation is
- P= R+E $\pm\Delta$ S $\pm\Delta$ G
- Where, P is Precipitation
- R is Runoff
- E is Evaporation
- ΔS is change in soil moisture status
- ΔG is change in ground water status

- ii) Energy Balance or Energy Budget :-
- The equation for Energy Balance or Energy Budget is –
- $R_n = LE + H + G + PS + M$
- Where,
- R_n is specific flux of net incoming radiation,
- L is Latent Heat of Vapourization

- E is Evaporation
- H is Specific flux of heat into the atmosphere
- G is Specific flux of heat into the ground
- PS is Photosynthetic energy fixed by plants
- M is energy for respiration & heat storage

- iii) <u>Bowen Ratio</u> :-
- It is an useful parameter for energy budget & represents ratio between heat flux & evaporation rate.
- It can be expressed by –
- $B_0 = H/LE$

- iv) <u>Hyetograph & Hydrograph</u> :-
- Hyetograph represents rainfall intensity vs time.
- Hydrograph represents runoff or stream discharge vs time.
- If time is unit i.e. 1hr., then hydrograph will be unit hydrograph.

- V)Rainfall-Runoff Relationship or
- Rational formula for determining runoff :-
- Q=CIA
- Where,Q is runoff in m³/sec
- C is locality coefficient
- I is Rainfall Intensity in mm/hr
- A is Catchment Area in square Km

- Peak Discharge (Q_p)or Peak Run-off can be expressed as follows:-
- $Q_p = 0.278 \text{ CIA}$
- Modified Rational Formula given by Wallingford is :-
- $Q_P = 0.278C_VC_RIA$
- Where, C_V is volumetric runoff coefficient &
- C_R is Routing Coefficient

Organic content parameter

- When an organic waste is discharged to a stream, the organic content of the effluent or discharge undergoes a biochemical reaction with the help of micro-organisms.
- The BOD = $P(DO_I DO_F)$
- Where, P is Dilution Ratio,
- DO_I & DO_F are initial & final DO(Dissolved Oxygen) concentration

Organic content parameter

- The Corrected BOD = P[(DO_I-DO_F)-f(B_I-B_F)]
- Where, f is the correction factor or seeding factor=1-(1/P),
- B_I & B_F are initial & final DO(Dissolved Oxygen) concentration of seeded diluted water or Blank

• Q. The results from a BOD test diluted by 100 are given below. Calculate the BOD_S .

•	Time (in days)	DO(in mg/L)
•	0	7.95
•	1	3.75
•	2	3.45
•	3	2.75
•	4	2.15
•	5	1.80

• Q. The results from a BOD test diluted by 100 are given below. Calculate the Corrected BOD_S .

•	Time (in days)	DO(in mg/L)	Blank DO(in mg/L)
•	0	7.95	8.15
•	1	3.75	8.10
•	2	3.45	8.05
•	3	2.75	8.00
•	4	2.15	7.95
•	5	1.80	7.90

Organic matter

- The rate of decomposition of organic matter is directly proportional to the amount of organic matter available & it is a first order reaction.
- i.e. $d/dt(L_t)\alpha L_t$
- => $d/dt(L_t) = -k_1xL_t$
- Where, L_t is BOD remaining in mg/L=BOD_r &
- K₁ is deoxygenation rate coefficient

• Q. If K_1 or deoxygenation rate coefficient is 0.15 per day, then determine the ultimate BOD or BOD_u or L_0 .

Temperature effect on K₁

- Temperature has an effect on K₁ & is given by,
- $K_T = (K_{20})x(\theta)^{(T-20)}$
- Where,
- K_T= The deoxygenation rate coefficient at T⁰C
- K₂₀=The deoxygenation rate coefficient at 20°C
- θ = Coefficient= 1.047 for 20°C< T < 30°C &
- = 1.35 for 4° C < T < 20° C

NBOD

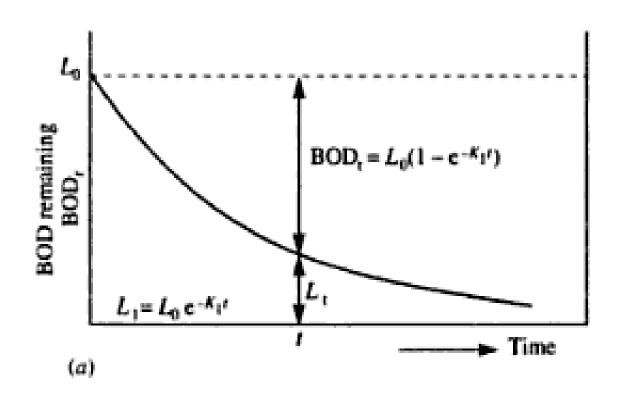
 The Oxygen demand associated with the oxidation of ammonia(NH₃) to nitrate (NO₃⁻) is called Nitrogenous BOD or NBOD.

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$$2NH_3 + 3O_2 \xrightarrow{Nitrosomanas} 2NO_2^- + 2H^+ + 2H_2O$$

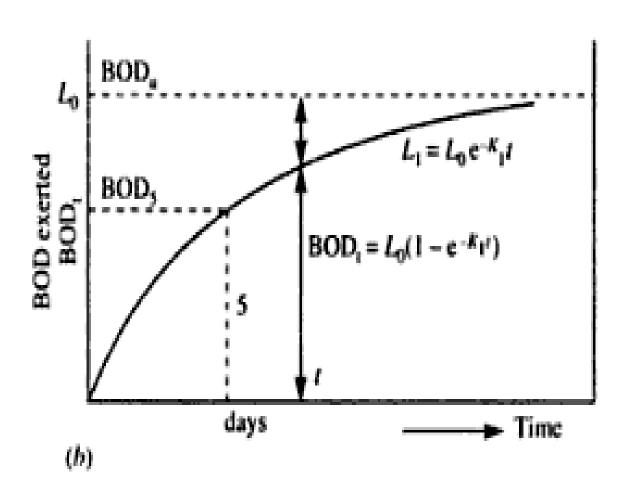
 $2NO_2^- + O_2 \xrightarrow{Nitrobacter} 2NO_3^-$
 $So, 2NH_3 + 4O_2 \rightarrow 2NO_3^- + 2H^+ + 2H_2O \&$
 $Finally, NH_3 + 2O_2 \rightarrow NO_3^- + H^+ + H_2O$

 Q. Determine the TOD(Total Oxygen Demand) if the sample contains 25 mg/L of N.

BOD remaining(BOD_r) graph



BOD exerted(BOD_t) graph



CBOD & NBOD relationship

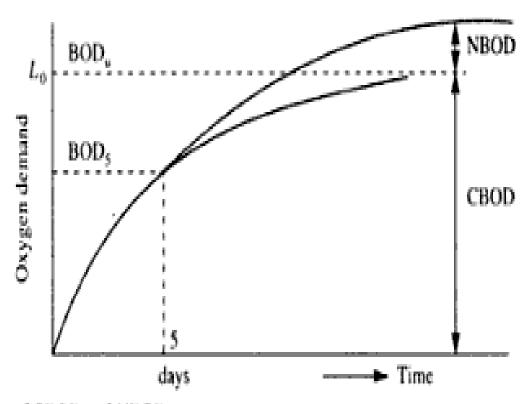


Figure 7.3 Relationship of CBOD and NBOD.

Q. 15ml of sample was diluted in 300ml bottle. Initial DO was 8.9 mg/L & final DO after 5days was 4.4mg/L. The corresponding initial & final DO of diluted water was 9.1mg/L & 9.05 mg/L. Find out 5 days BOD at 20°C.

• Q. BOD of an sample incubated for one day at 30° C was found to be 100mg/L. What would be the 5 day BOD at 20° C. The deoxygenation rate coefficient (K_1) is 0.12 at 20° C.

• Determine the two day BOD for a wastewater at 20° C, while BOD_5 at 20° C is 250mg/L. The deoxygenation rate coefficient(K_1) value at 20° C is 0.2 per day. What shall be the BOD after the end of seven days at 25° C.

- A BOD test was conducted taking 5% wastewater mixed with 95% aerated water for dilution & the following observations were found out:
- i) DO of the aerated water used for dilution is
 3.6 mg/L
- ii) DO of the original wastewater sample is 0.8 mg/L

- iii) DO of the diluted wastewater after incubation at 20°C for 5 days is 0.7 mg/L
- Calculate the 5 days BOD of the above wastewater sample if the deoxygenation constant is 0.11.

Aquatic Pollution

- The aquatic Pollution can be classified into three broad groups.
- a) Fresh water pollution or
- Surface water pollution
- b) Estuarine pollution
- c) Marine pollution

a)Fresh water pollution

- The pollution of fresh water can be caused by:-
- Wastes from municipality & industries
- Oil from industry wastes & cleaning of vehicles
- Thermal waste from industries & power stations
- Heavy metals etc.

b) Estuarine pollution

• Estuarine means tidal mouth of river or where river mixes with the sea.

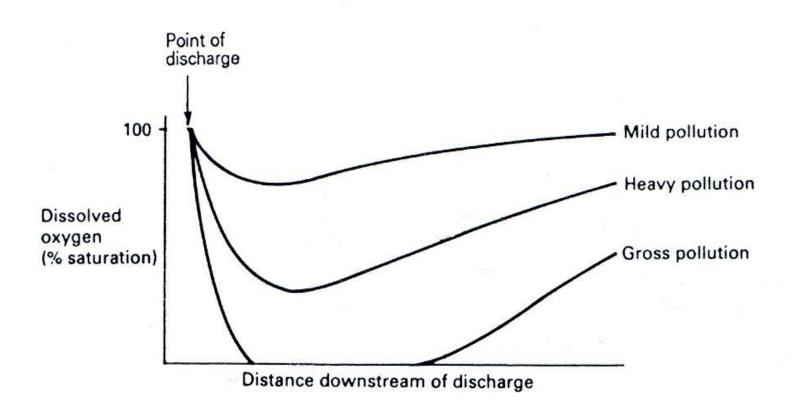
c) Marine pollution

- The main pollutants for Marine pollution are:-
- i) Manmade organic poisons like
- Pesticides & herbicides
- ii) Radioactivity due to radioactive substances.

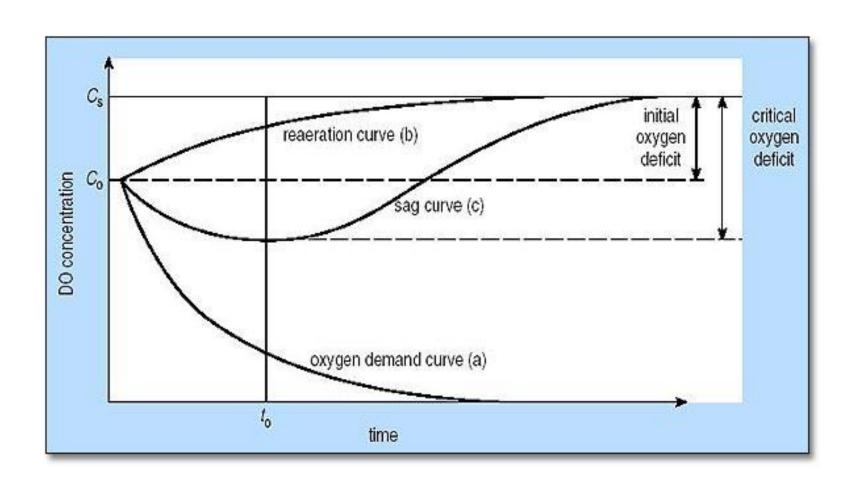
Oxygen Sag Curve

 The longitudinal profile of Oxygen concentration is Known as Oxygen sag curve.

Oxygen Sag Curve



Oxygen Sag Curve



Eutrophication

- It can be defined as the enrichment of water by inorganic plant nutrients like N & P, which results in increase in primary productivity.
- Artificial eutrophication is known as cultural eutrophication which can be achieved by adding fertilizers.

Eutrophication

- The problems arising due to Eutrophication are:-
- Water quality may have unacceptable taste & odour
- Water may be injurious to health
- The household usefulness of water may decrease.

Point & Non-Point Sources of Pollution

- Point Sources are those, which discharge pollutants from specific locations such as chimney, drainpipe of factories etc.
- Point Sources are easier to monitor & regulate.

Point & Non-Point Sources of Pollution

- Non-point sources of pollution are those, which don't have any specific location of discharge.
- As a result, these are difficult to monitor & regulate.
- Ex:- Run-off from paddy fields, Lawns & Gardens.

Oxygen transfer in water bodies

 The oxygen transfer in water bodies is given by Orlob equation i.e.

$$\frac{(C_g - C_0)}{(C_g - C_t)} = e^{K_2 t}$$

Oxygen transfer in water bodies

- Where,
- C_g = Saturation Concentration of oxygen
- C_0 = Initial Concentration of oxygen
- C_t = Concentration of oxygen after time 't'
- K_2 = reaeration rate constant

Problem

If saturation concentration of oxygen in water is 9.2mg/L & the initial concentration of oxygen is 2.1mg/L, then determine the time it takes to become 7.5mg/L, having K₂ value 0.25 per day. What is the time required for C_t to be 5,6,7,8,9 mg/L.

Ground water Quality/Contamination

 The most simple model of decay of a contaminant is to assume the decay to be a first order reaction i.e.

- r = Kc &
- $C_t = C_0 e^{-Kt}$

Ground water Quality/Contamination

- Where,
- C_t = Concentration at time 't' in mg/L
- C₀ = Initial Concentration in mg/L
- t = time in days
- K = first order decay coefficient

Problem

 Determine the concentration of a contaminant at the downstream well, if the upstream concentration is 80mg/L. Assume decay constant (k) to be 10⁻⁴ per day & time (t) = 274 years.

Ground Water Recharge

- It is also known as deep percolation
- It is a hydrologic process, where water moves downward from surface to ground.
- Recharge can occur both naturally & artificially.
- Natural way of recharge is occurred through hydrological cycle.

Ground Water Recharge

- Recharge occurs artificially, when rainwater, reclaimed water or recycled water is injected or routed to the subsurface.
- Recharge can help move excess salts that accumulate in the root zone to deeper soil layers or into the deep groundwater system.

Ground Water Flow

- The ground water flow is governed by Darcy's law which can be expressed as follows:-
- Q = KiA
- = KA(dh/dL)
- = $KA\{(h_2-h_1)/(L_2-L_1)\}$

Ground Water Flow

- Where,
- Q = horizontal flow in m³/sec
- K = hydraulic conductivity in m/sec
- i = dh/dL= hydraulic gradient
- A = cross sectional area in square mtr

Ground Water Flow

- h₂- h₁= water head drop
- L₂-L₁ = Length difference over which water head drop occurs
- q = Q/A
- = Specific discharge or
- discharge per unit area

Problem

• Determine the daily flow capacity and transmissivity of an aquifer, if it's height, width, length are 15mtr, 800mtr & 2km respectively. The water head change over the length 2km is 3mtr. The hydraulic conductivity(K) value is 6x10⁻⁷ m/sec.

Problem

 Determine the hydraulic conductivity(K) for an unconfined aquifer which is 10mtr thick, if a well delivers 360m³/day. Observation well(1) is situated at 20mtr from pumping well & record a draw down of 6mtr. Observation well(2) is situated at 600mtr from pumping well & draw down is 3mtr. The original water table is recorded at 12mtr.

Water Table

- A water table is the underground depth, at which point the ground is totally saturated by water.
- The water table may vary due to seasonal changes in precipitation, evapotranspiration & topography etc.

Aquifer

- An aquifer is a body of saturated rock through which water can easily move.
- An aquifer is an underground layer of water bearing permeable rock from which ground water can be extracted using a water well.
- Aquifer can be of two types:-
- a) Unconfined aquifer
- b) Confined aquifer

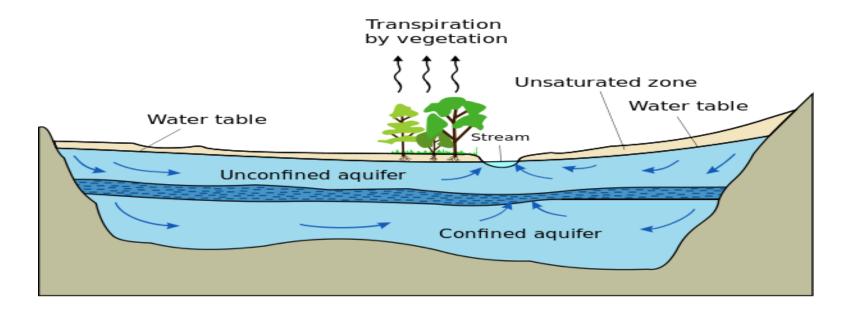
Unconfined aquifer

- An unconfined aquifer is the one which is open to receive water from the ground surface & whose water table surface is free to fluctuate up & down, depending on the recharge & discharge rate.
- These are extremely susceptible to contamination.

Confined aquifer

- These type of aquifers have rock layer with less permeability or confining bed of rock above them due to which water can't enter freely into these type of aquifers from the ground surface.
- These are less susceptible to contamination.

Figure



- High hydraulic-conductivity aquifer

 Low hydraulic-conductivity confining unit

 Very low hydraulic-conductivity bedrock
- Direction of ground-water flow

Water Treatment

- The objectives of water treatment are :-
- A) To produce Water which is safe for human consumption
- B) To produce Water at a reasonable cost
- C) To reduce water impurities to acceptable levels

Organoleptic Parameters

- Organoleptic Parameters are those parameters which can be sensed or felt by human organs.
- Ex:- Colour, Taste & Odour etc.

Classes of Water treatment

 Class <u>Description</u> <u>Sou</u> 	<u>rce</u>
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- A No Treatment Borehole water
- B Disinfection only Borehole water
- C Standard water Treatment River, Reservoir
- D Advanced/Special water Industrial water Treatment

Monitoring Frequency

- The water quality parameters are required to be monitored depending on the source & quality of raw water.
- The three categories are:-
- A) Minimum monitoring(C1)
- B) Current monitoring(C2)
- C) Periodic Monitoring(C3)

Water Treatment Processes

- The treatment processes of water can be classified into three stages:-
- A) Pretreatment processes
- B) Standard or Conventional processes
- C) Special or Advanced processes

A) Pretreatment processes

- Some treatment processes are required prior to standard water treatment processes which may include :-
- i) Screening
- ii) Storage
- iii) Aeration
- iv) Chemical pre-treatment

A) Pretreatment processes

- i) <u>Screening</u>:-
- Different types of screens are used in this process. Those are can be :-
- a)Coarse Screen
- b)Fine Screen
- c)Micro Screen

A) Pretreatment processes

- a) Coarse Screen:-
- These screens contain typically inclined bars of 25mm dia & 100mm spacing, preventing large floating matters from entering the treatment plant

- b) Fine Screen:-
- If storage is not provided, then fine screens are fitted after the coarse screens.
- If there is storage, then fine screens are placed at the outlet of the storage tanks.
- Fine screens are typically mesh with openings about 6mm dia or square

- C) Micro Screen:-
- In micro screens, mesh openings range from 20 to 40 μm .
- These type of screens are used only for relatively uncontaminated water.

- ii) Storage:-
- Storage tanks balance the flows going to the treatment plant.
- Storage capacity should be equivalent to 7 to 10 days of the average water demand.
- The period of storage shouldn't be long, so as not to encourage the growth of unwanted organisms

- iii) Aeration:-
- Aeration is the supply of oxygen from the atmosphere to water to effect beneficial changes in the quality of water.
- It is a common treatment process for groundwater

- Aeration is generally used for the following:-
- a) To release excess H₂S gas which may cause undesirable taste & odour.
- b) To release excess CO₂ which may have corrosive properties
- c) To increase oxygen content of water.

- iv) Chemical pre-treatment:-
- The chemical pre-treatment to remove undesirable properties of water like algae or excess colour is a more expensive process than chemical post-treatment.
- In pre-treatment, greater amount of chemicals are required to effect the same result as some of the chemicals are absorbed by turbidity of water.

- The two Chemical pre-treatment processes which are generally used are:-
- a) Pre-Chlorination
- b) Activated Carbon

- a) Pre-chlorination:-
- It is used on low turbidity water with a high coliform count. The chlorine is injected into the water stream & it oxidizes & precipitates iron & manganese. It also kill pathogens & reduces colour. The chlorine dose used is 5mg/L. Pre-chlorination also reduces NH₃ in both surface water & ground water supplies.

- b) Activated Carbon:-
- The activated Carbon is used for:-
- i) Removal of Photosynthetic Algae
- ii) Improvement of colour & odour
- iii) Removal of organic compounds

- Activated Carbon can be used either as PAC (Powdered Activated Carbon) or as GAC (Granular Activated Carbon).
- Generally for water treatment PAC is used, but GAC is used where taste & odour of water have an industrial base.
- PAC has lower cost & efficiency than GAC.
- Doses may vary from 3 to 20 mg/L.

- It includes:-
- i) Sedimentation
- ii) Coagulation
- iii) Flocculation
- iv) Filtration &
- V) Disinfection

- i) <u>Sedimentation</u>:-
- The heavier large particles settle down by the force of gravity at the bottom of the sedimentation tank, which is called Sedimentation.
- Stoke's law for settling velocity is the deciding equation for sedimentation.

- Stoke's law can be represented by:-
- $V_S = (g/18\mu)(\rho_s \rho_w)d^2$
- Where, V_S is settling velocity
- g is acceleration due to gravity
- μ is dynamic viscosity
- d is diameter of settling particle
- ρ_s is density of particle settling
- ρ_w is density of water

- ii) Coagulation:-
- The lighter smaller particles don't settle down by the force of gravity.
- To make them settle down, some amount of coagulants are added to the water, which is called Coagulation.

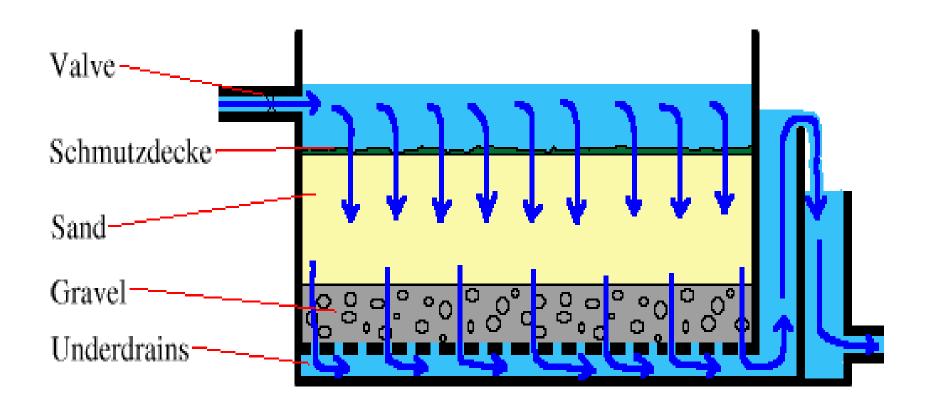
- Some examples of coagulants are:-
- Alum i.e. aluminium sulphate
- Ferric Chloride
- Ferric Sulphate
- Ferrous Sulphate

- iii) Flocculation:-
- When coagulants are added to the water, the lighter smaller particles coagulate or combine with each other forming bigger particles, known as floc & the process is called flocculation.

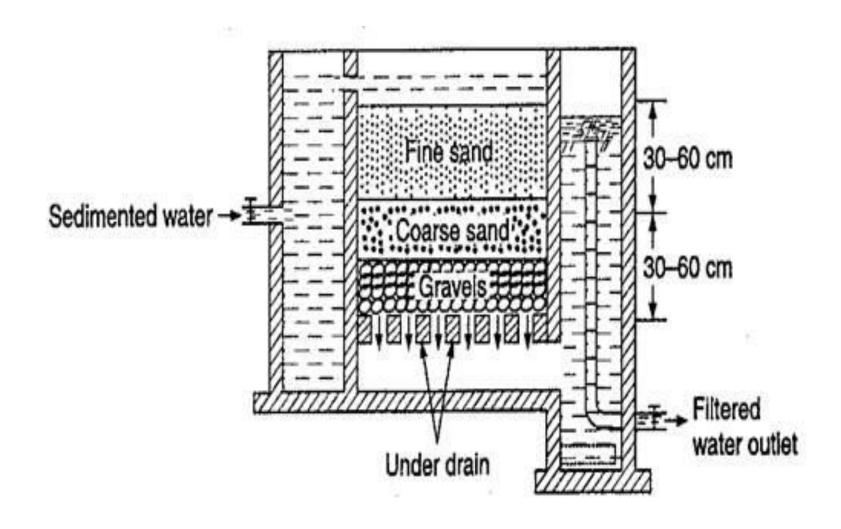
- iv) <u>Filtration</u>:-
- It is the process of passing water through a porous medium, with the expectation that the filtrate water has better quality than the incoming water.

- Generally, two types of filters are used
- a)Rapid gravity filter:-
- Here rate of filtration is high i.e. 5 to 20m/hr.
- b) Slow sand filter:-
- Here rate of filtration is slow i.e. 0.1 to 0.2m/hr.

Slow Sand Filter



Rapid Gravity Filter



 Sand particles range in diameter from 0.0625 mm to 2 mm. An individual particle in this range size is termed a sand grain. Sand grains are between gravel (with particles ranging from 2 mm up to 64 mm) and silt (particles smaller than 0.0625 mm down to 0.004 mm)

 ISO (International Organization for Standardization)14688 grades sands as fine, medium and coarse with ranges 0.063 mm to 0.2 mm, 0.2 mm to 0.63 mm, 0.63 mm to 2.0 mm respectively.

Comparision

Criteria	Rapid sand filters	Slow sand filters
Improvement of water quality	With pre-treated raw water, a filtrate quality is possible that has less than 1 NTU, 90% removal of coliforms, 50 – 90% removal of Cryptosporidium and Giardia cysts, 10% removal of colour, 5% removal of Total Organic Content (WEDC, 1999 [ref 02]). As a single process, rapid sand filtration was ranked third most effective of all treatment processes, given a range of pathogenic, chemical and aesthetic factors.	removal of coliforms, 99% removal of Cryptosporidium and Giardia cysts, 75% removal of colour, 10% removal of Total Organic Content (WEDC, 1999 [ref 02]).
Rate of flow	A flow of between 4 - 21 m/h can be expected from a rapid sand filter, which is somewhere between 20 and 50 times faster than the range of slow sand filtration.	Flow rates are usually around 0.1 m/h but can increase up to 0.4 m/h. Check out Flow Rates for more information.
Filter media	Rapid sand filters are made using graded sand, sometimes with an additional coarser layer of material on top of the sand to increase the flow rate (for example, anthracite), in which case they become known as dual-media filters. The effective size for rapid filters is usually greater than 0.55mm with a Uniformity Coefficient of less than 1.5.	Slow sand filters on the other hand, should ideally have an <u>effective size</u> of between 0.15 - 0.35mm, and a Uniformity Coefficient of between 1.5 - 3, but preferably less than 2.
Penetration of solid matter	Penetration of suspended matter into the sand bed is deeper for rapid sand filters, which are usually cleaned by backwashing.	
Pre- treatment	Pre-treatment is usually necessary for rapid sand filtration. Such treatment could include coagulation and flocculation, followed by sedimentation.	suggest that the best filtration occurs when

 In order to select the correct grain size it is necessary to measure the Effective Size (or D10) and Uniformity Coefficient (or K). Both are used in defining filter media, in this case to know whether a type of media is or is not suitable for slow sand filtration.

 The effective size of a given sample of sand is the particle size (in millimetres) where 10% of the particles in that sample (by weight) are smaller, while 90% are larger. Usually this is denoted as the D10.

 The size distribution is represented by the Uniformity Coefficient, which enables you to see how well graded your sand sample is (that is, whether there is a whole different range of sizes, or whether most of the sample is only one size). This is done by taking the D60 and dividing by the D10.

- V) <u>Disinfection</u>:-
- By disinfection, pathogens & micro-organisms are killed, thereby making water more pure.
- The requirements of a good disinfectant are-
- a) It should be toxic to micro-organisms.
- b) It should have a fast rate of kill.

- c) It should be persistent enough to prevent regrowth of organisms in the distribution system.
- d) It shouldn't produce undesirable compounds.
- e) It should be safe to handle.
- f) It should be of reasonable cost.

- Chick's law:-
- The rate of destruction of micro-organisms is often a first order chemical reaction as given by Chick's law i.e.

$$\frac{d}{dt}(N_t)\alpha(N_t) \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt}(N_t) = -k(N_t)$$

$$So, N_t = N_0 e^{-kt}$$

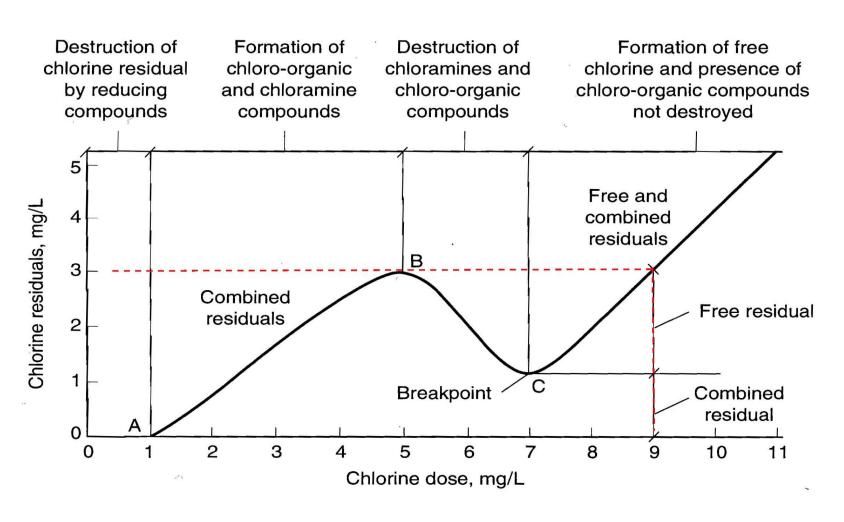
- Where,
- N_t = Number of organisms at time 't'
- N_0 = Number of organisms at time 't' = 0
- K = Rate constant depends on types of microorganisms present & types of disinfectants used

- The various examples of disinfectants are:-
- a) Chlorine dioxide
- b) Chlorine
- c) Chloramines
- d) UV radiation

 When chlorine is added to water, the chlorine at first oxidizes inorganic compounds & some amount of chlorine will be consumed by organic matter present in water. Then some amount of chlorine will be used for formation & subsequent destruction of chloramines.

- The amount of chlorine required to fulfill the above consumption requirements are called <u>chlorine demand</u>.
- The point at which the chlorine demand is satisfied is called the breakpoint chlorination.

- The excess dose of chlorine after breakpoint, is available for disinfection which appears as residual chlorine.
- A residual chlorine of minimum 0.5mg/L is maintained in disinfection practices.



C) Special or Advanced processes

- The purposes of advanced water treatment processes are:-
- i) To take water treated by standard water treatment processes & to improve it to an exceptionally high quality water as often required by particular industries like food industry & pharmaceuticals etc.

 ii) To treat water containing specific chemical or microbiological contaminants, so that they can be brought to an acceptable standard.

- The various advanced water treatment processes are:-
- i) Iron(Fe) & Manganese(Mn) removal
- ii) Ion exchange
- iii) Chemical Oxidation
- iv) Membrane processes like Reverse Osmosis
 & electrodialysis.

- i) Iron(Fe) & Manganese(Mn) removal:-
- The acceptable limit of Iron as Fe and Manganese as Mn in drinking water are 0.3 & 0.1 mg/L respectively.
- By aeration the Fe^{+2} ions are oxidized to Fe^{+3} & precipitates out as $Fe(OH)_3$, which can be removed by filtration.

$$2Fe^{+2} + 0.5O_2 + (x+2)H_2O \rightarrow Fe_2O_3xH_2O + 2H^+ \rightarrow Fe(OH)_3$$

 Mn⁺² can be removed by oxidizing Mn⁺² to Mn⁺⁴ & then precipitating out.

$$3Mn^{+2} + 2KMnO_4 + 2H_2O \rightarrow 5MnO_2 + 4H^+ + 2K^+$$

- ii) <u>Ion Exchange</u>:- Ion exchange processes are reversible & the direction of reaction in this case depends on the concentration & levels of the saturation of the sodium resin.
- Ex:-Water softening process

The reactions can be -

$$Mg^{+2} + Na_2R \square MgR + 2Na^+$$

 $Ca^{+2} + Na_2R \square CaR + 2Na^+$

- Na₂R is Exchangeable Na Resin &
- R is complex base like Zeolite.
- Zeolites are the aluminosilicate members.
- Ex. of Zeolite is Na₂Al₂Si₃O₁₀·2H₂O, the formula for <u>natrolite</u>.

- iii) Chemical Oxidation:-
- It is the resultant reaction when two or more chemical species are added with each other with the purpose of increasing the oxidation state of one by reducing the other.
- Ex:- Fe⁺² is oxidised by HOCl (Hypochlorous acid)

- The ferrous ion increased in oxidation state from +2 to +3 & chlorine reduced from Cl⁺ to Cl⁻.
- The reaction can be –
- $2Fe^{+2} + HOCl + 5H_2O \longrightarrow 2Fe(OH)_3 + Cl^- + 5H^+$

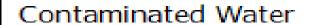
- iv) <u>Membrane processes like Reverse Osmosis</u>
 <u>& electrodialysis</u>:-
- Reverse Osmosis(RO):- It is a solubilization diffusion technique, that makes use of a semipermeable membrane which acts as a barrier to dissolved salts & inorganic molecules.

- Reverse osmosis (RO) is a water purification technology that uses a <u>semipermeable</u> <u>membrane</u>. This <u>membrane technology</u> is not properly a <u>filtration</u> method.
- In reverse osmosis, an applied pressure is used to overcome <u>osmotic pressure</u>, which is the minimum <u>pressure</u> which needs to be applied to a solution to prevent the inward flow of water across a <u>semipermeable membrane</u>

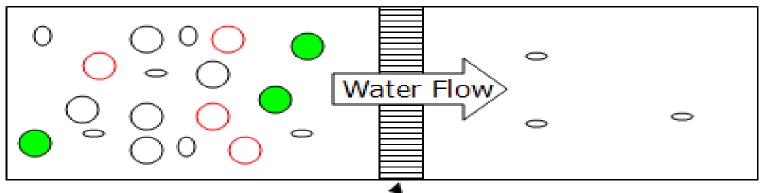
Reverse osmosis can remove many types
 of molecules and ions from solutions, and is
 used in both industrial processes and the
 production of potable water. The result is that
 the solute is retained on the pressurized side
 of the membrane and the pure solvent is
 allowed to pass to the other side.

Diagram

Reverse Osmosis Technology



Almost Pure Water



Higher Water Pressure

Lower Water Pressure

Reverse Osmosis Membrane 0.0005 to 0.0000002 microns (um)

• <u>Electrodialysis(ED)</u>:- It is an electrically charged membrane process, where the ions are transferred through a membrane from a less concentrated solution to a more concentrated solution.

Flow Diagram

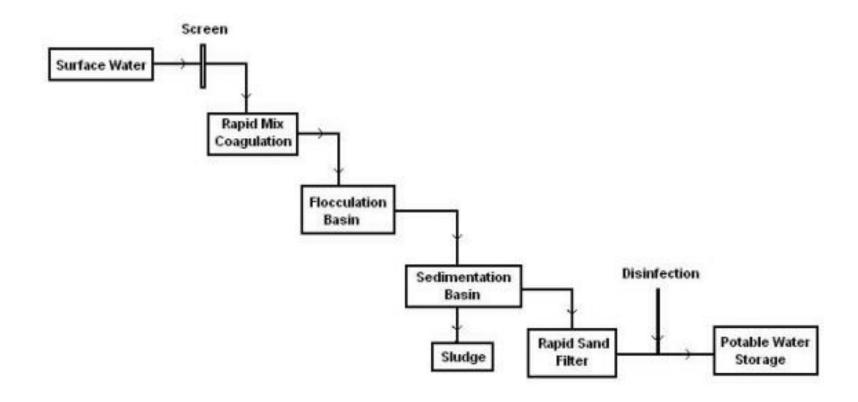
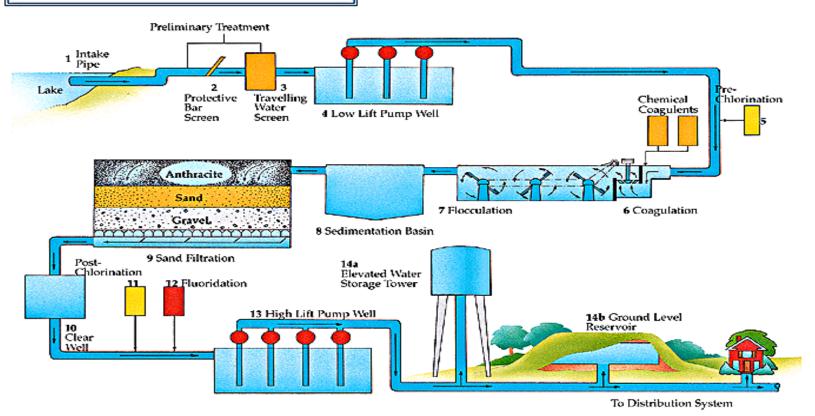


Figure 1 Flow diagram of a conventional potable water treatment plant.

Water treatment plant

WATER TREATMENT PLANT SURFACE WATER SUPPLY



- Criteria Pollutants:-
- The criteria pollutants as defined by USA, EC(European Community) & WHO includes CO,NO₂,SO₂,Pb,PM-10(Particulate Matter of dia less than 10μm)
- These are generally found in urban environment.

- Non-Criteria Pollutants:-
- The non-criteria air pollutants are those for which emission limits from industry are set or fixed.
- These are more poisonous & hazardous w.r.t. criteria pollutants
- Ex:- Benzene(C₆H₆), Carbon disulphide(CS₂),
 Arsenic, Asbestos

- Acid Deposition:-
- Rainwater has pH approximately 5.7 & rainwater having pH less than this will be treated as acid rain, which will be a reason for acid deposition on the earth.
- Hydrocarbon(HC), SO_X , NO_X emitted from industries & vehicles are the main source of acid deposition.

- GHG(Green House Gases):-
- A GHG absorbs & emits radiation within the thermal infrared range having wavelength between 700nm to 1mm i.e.
- $700x10^{-9}$ m to 10^{-3} m
- The major GHGs in order of their contribution are CO₂>CFCs>CH₄>N₂O(Nitrous Oxide)

- Air Pollution Meteorology:-
- The meteorological factors are –
- Wind speed & direction
- Temperature & humidity
- Turbulence
- Atmospheric Stability
- Topographic effects on meteorology

- Scales:-
- Air pollution emission can be measured in 3 scales-
- a) Microscale
- b) Mesoscale
- c) Macroscale

- a) Microscale:-
- It is of the order of 1km & duration is minutes to hours.
- Ex:- Chimney gases

- b) Mesoscale:-
- It is of the order of 100km & duration is hours to days.
- Ex:- Mountain valley wind

- c) Macroscale:-
- It is of the order of 1000km & duration is days to weeks.
- Ex:- wind over oceans & continents

- Wind Speed:-
- Wind speed at any height(z) can be determined using power law relationship i.e.
- $U_z = U_{10}(Z/Z_{10})^p$

- Where,
- U₇ is wind speed at height Z mtr
- U₁₀ is wind speed at 10mtr height
- Z is height in mtr
- Z₁₀ is 10 mtr height
- P is exponent, depends on terrain & stability class

• Q. Use power law velocity profile equation to determine $U_{20}, U_{50}, U_{100}, U_{200}$ if U_{10} is 5m/sec & p is 0.2.

- Lapse Rate:-
- In the lower troposphere, the temperature usually decreases with altitude.
- The rate of temperature change or gradient is known as the lapse rate.
- Lapse rate can be ambient or adiabatic.

- Ambient Lapse Rate (ALR) or
- Environmental Lapse Rate(ELR):-
- The temperature change or gradient with respect to rising altitude is known as ambient lapse rate & it varies from day to day & day to night.
- This is the actual change of temperature with altitude for the stationary atmosphere.

- Adiabatic Lapse Rate:-
- The temperature change of a parcel of air against rising altitude under adiabatic condition (i.e. occurring without the addition or loss of heat) is called the adiabatic lapse rate.

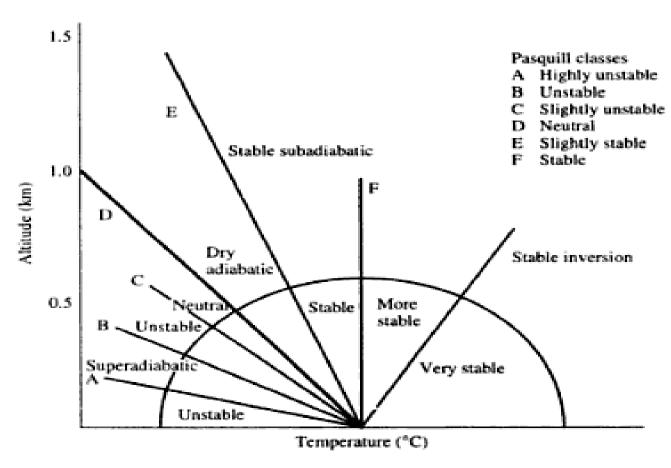
- Adiabatic Lapse Rate can be of two types-
- i) Dry Adiabatic Lapse Rate(DALR)
- ii) Moist adiabatic lapse rate (MALR) or
- Saturated adiabatic lapse rate(SALR)

- For dry air i.e. DALR value is 0.98°C per 100mtr or approximately 1°C per 100mtr or 10°C per KM height
- For moist air i.e. MALR value is 0.55°C per 100mtr or approximately 0.6°C per 100mtr or 6°C per KM height.

- A <u>neutrally stable</u> atmosphere occurs when ALR(Ambient)=DALR i.e. rate of cooling with rising altitude is nearly 1°C per 100mtr.
- A <u>stable</u> atmosphere occurs when ALR < DALR i.e. rate of cooling with rising altitude is less than 1°C per 100mtr.

- An <u>unstable</u> atmosphere occurs when ALR > DALR i.e. rate of cooling with rising altitude is greater than 1°C per 100mtr.
- A <u>stable inversion</u> condition occurs, when the temperature increases with altitude.

Stability Classes



.14 Pasquill-Gifford stability classes-vertical temperature profile.

Stability Classes

 The previous figure represents the relationship of the variety of possible ambient lapse rate(ALR) to the dry adiabatic lapse rate(DALR) as corresponding to the Pasquill-Gifford stability classes.

Air Pollution

- Atmospheric Dispersion:-
- For determining atmospheric dispersion, generally 5 models are used like –
- Gaussian model
- Numerical model
- Statistical model
- Empirical model
- Physical model

Air Pollution

- Out of the above models, Gaussian model is generally used.
- The various assumptions of Gaussian model are –
- i) There is no variation in wind speed & direction between the source & receptor.

Air Pollution

- ii) All discharges remain in the atmosphere.
- iii) Dispersion doesn't occur in the downward direction.
- iv) Emission rates are assumed constant & continuous.

- There are three general options in air emission control:-
- i) Waste minimization
- ii) Recovery & Recycling
- iii) Destruction or Disposal

- Special Methods:-
- There are three special methods of air emission control:-
- i) FGD(Flue Gas Desulphurization)
- ii) NO_x removal
- iii) Fugitive emission

- i) <u>FGD</u>:-
- FGD systems are of two types.
- a) It generates a residue which must be disposed off.
- b) It converts SO₂ & SO₃ to a marketable product.

- The chemistry of FGD systems are –
- $SO_2 + CaO \rightarrow CaSO_3$
- $2CaSO_3 + O_2 \rightarrow 2CaSO_4$
- $CaCO_3 + SO_2 \rightarrow CaSO_3 + CO_2$

- ii) NO_x removal:-
- The term NO_X implies two major oxides of nitrogen i.e.
- NO(Nitric Oxide) &
- NO₂(Nitrogen Dioxide)

- The simplest, most widely used model of NO_X formation is the Zeldovich mechanism, which may be expressed as follows –
- $N_2 + O = NO + N$
- $O_2 + N = NO + O$
- OH + N = NO + H

- Methods of NO_x reduction:-(T-16.5,P-777,G.kiely)
- Methods:-
- a)Flue gas recirculation
- b)Low NO_x burner
- c)Staged burners
- d)Selective catalytic reduction(SCR)
- e)Selective non-catalytic reduction(SNCR)

- iii) Fugitive Emission:-
- Fugitive emissions are industrial emissions from both point & non-point sources. These sources may be considered the equipments & methods associated with the transferring, conveying, loading, unloading, storage, packaging & processing of materials.

 Control of fugitive emissions depend on compounds involved, quantities involved & the equipment being used.

- The Equipment Selection & Design is made on the basis of the types of compounds which are required to be removed.
- Generally, compounds can be of three types –
- a) Volatile Organic Compounds(VOCs)
- b) Inorganic Compounds
- c) Particulate matter

- The major types of equipments which are used are –
- i) Incinerators
- ii) Absorbers
- iii) Adsorbers
- iv) Condensers
- v) Filters

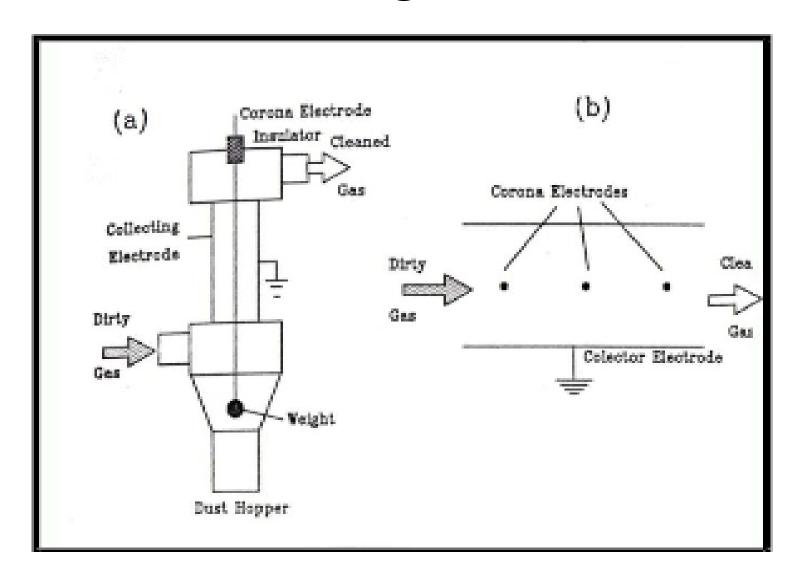
- vi) Scrubbers or wet collectors:-
- It is an apparatus using water or solution for purifying gases or vapours
- vii) Various particle collection devices like ESP(Electrostatic Precipitator)
- viii) Impingement separators:-
- By density difference, it separates solids from gases

• ESP:- An electrostatic precipitator (ESP) is a highly efficient filtration device that removes fine particles, like dust and smoke, from a flowing gas using the force of an induced electrostatic charge minimally impeding the flow of gases through the unit.

- Basic Working Principle of ESP:-
- In high- voltage electrostatic field, affected by the electric field force, gas ionization takes place. There are tremendous amount of electrons and ions existing in the ionized gas. After the dust particles are combined with these electrons and ions, they will be polarized, most of them are negatively polarized. Under the action of the field force, negatively charged particles migrates towards the positive electrode and in turn release electrons and attach to the positive electrode.

 When the particles agglomerate and the layers reaches a certain thickness on the plate, rapping system will start to work and the particles will be dislodged from the collecting plate by vibration and falling into the hopper. That ends the collection process.

Diagram



- The efficiency of an ESP with plate collector is given by Anderson-Deutsch equation which can be expressed as follows:-
- Efficiency = $1 e^{(-AW/Q)}$
- where, A = area of the plates in square mtr
- W= particle sedimentation velocity in an electric field in mtr/sec
- Q= Gas flow rate in m³/sec

Problem

A quantity of 50 m³/sec of air flows from a cement manufacturing facility. It contains cement particles whose settling velocity is 0.12 mtr/sec. If 99% removal efficiency is required, calculate the surface area of the ESP or design an ESP.

Problem

 Calculate the percentage increase in area of the ESP plates, if the efficiency of the ESP unit is to be increased from 99% to 99.7%. Given the flow rate is 50m³/sec & particulate velocity is 0.15mtr/sec.

Problem

• The drift velocity of fly ash particle is given by the empirical equation $w=1.5X10^5 d_p$, where d_p is particle size. Determine the plate area required to remove particles of dia 0.7µm with removal efficiency 95%. Flow to ESP is $5m^3/sec$.

Waste Minimization

- Waste minimization is necessary :-
- i) To control pollution
- ii) To decrease the depletion rate of resources
- ii) To increase efficiency & hence profitability

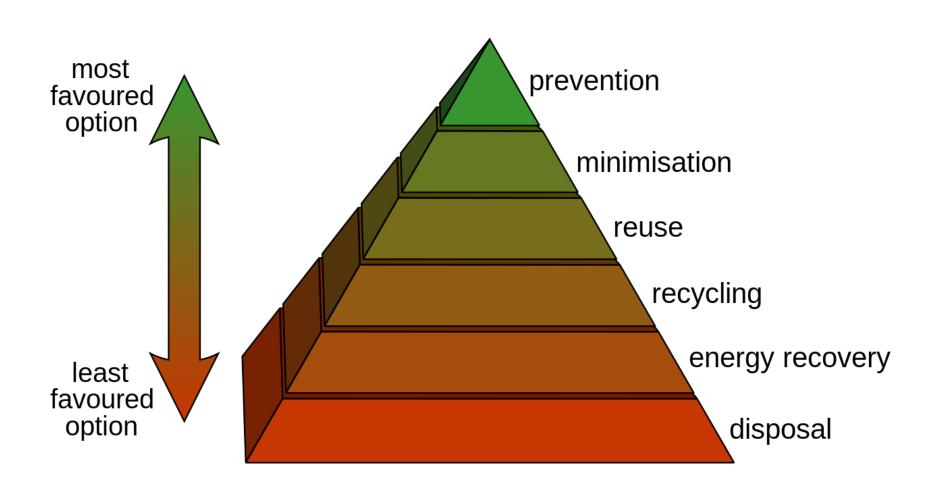
Waste Minimization

- Elements of a waste minimization strategy:-
- It includes –
- i) Reduction at source
- ii) Recycle/ Reuse
- iii) Treatment
- iv) Disposal

Waste Minimization Hierarchy



Waste Minimization Hierarchy



- It has four major categories:-
- i) Inventory Management
- ii) Production Process Modification
- iii) Volume Reduction
- iv) Recovery

- i) Inventory Management:-
- Inventory means
 a <u>detailed</u> list of articles, goods, property.
- Inventory management includes –
- a) Inventory Control
- b) Materials Control

- ii) Production Process Modification:-
- It includes –
- a) Operational & maintenance procedures
- b) Materials Change
- c) Process equipment modification

- iii) Volume Reduction:-
- It includes –
- a) Source Segregation
- b) Concentration

- iv) Recovery:-
- It includes –
- a) on-site
- b) off-site

Life Cycle Assessment(LCA)

- LCA is an useful environmental management tool.
- Any product may have the following stages in it's lifecycle –
- i) Raw material acquisition
- ii) Bulk material processing

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- iii) Engineered & specialty materials production
- iv) Manufacturing & assembly
- v) Uses & services
- vi) Retirement or expired
- vii) Disposal

Life Cycle Assessment(LCA)

- LCA has the following phases –
- i) Planning
- ii) Screening
- iii) Data Collection
- iv) Data treatment
- v) Evaluation

Diagram



- Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is a process that requires consideration of the environment & public participation in the decision making process of project development.
- Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is an important management tool for ensuring optimal use of natural resources for sustainable development.

- The stages of EIA include –
- i) Screening
- ii) Scoping
- iii) EIS preparation
- iv) Review

- i) <u>Screening</u>:-
- By screening, it is to be decided which projects should be subject to environmental assessment.
- ii) Scoping:-
- It is the process which defines the key or important issues that should be included in the environmental assessment.

- iii) EIS preparation:-
- It is the scientific & objective analysis of the scale, significance & importance of impacts identified.
- iv) <u>Review</u>:-
- The review panel guides the study & then advises the decision makers.

- Origin of EIA:-
- All ecosystems including human beings have threshold of tolerance for pollution & disturbances, beyond which the system may suffer anything from temporary upsets to complete destruction. After second world war industrial & agricultural practices began to cause environmental damage which crossed the thresholds & lead to origin of EIA.

- EIA Procedure:-
- There are generally three options for establishing EIA procedures.
- i) Legislative Option i.e. Legal approach
- ii) Middle Ground Option i.e. within accepted planning & Procedures
- iii) Policy Option i.e. within the administrative policy of government

- Project Screening for EIA:-
- The success of EIA depends on effective coverage & application of projects. The various methods commonly used to select projects for EIA are –
- i) The use of positive (EIA required) & negative (EIA not required) list

- ii) The use of project criteria
- iii) The sensitive area criteria
- iv) Matrices
- v) Initial Environmental Evaluation(IEE)

- Initial Environmental Evaluation(IEE):-
- IEE is a mini EIA.
- It requires a description of the environment & the development & the identification of environmental impacts those are anticipated.

- EIS is a review document prepared for assessment in the EIA process.
- Scope Studies of EIS:-
- Scoping is the procedure for establishing the TOR(Terms Of Reference) for the EIS.

 In general, the objectives would be to identify the concerns & issues those need attention, necessary for public involvement & to prepare a detailed report for the investigation of specific issues associated with the development.

- Preparation of an EIS:-
- One of the important elements of any project is the preparation of documentation to communicate the findings & conclusions of the study.

- The value of the project is sharply diminished, if it's findings don't reach it's requisite results or intended audiences.
- The important points to be considered are –
- i) Planning
- ii) Purpose
- iii) Audience
- iv) Structure

- Review of an EIS:-
- The functions of the review authority includes-
- i) The scope of the assessment i.e. which projects should be subjected to a full or partial EIS.
- ii) General or specific guidelines & advice on the methods of EIS.

- iii) Formulate the TOR(Terms Of Reference) & initiate a detailed EIS.
- iv) Ensure that, the EIS had been adequately completed within the TOR.

- Solid waste is the unwanted or useless solid materials generated from combined residential, industrial and commercial activities in a given area.
- Management of solid waste reduces or eliminates adverse impacts on the environment and human health and supports economic development and improved quality of life.

 It may be categorised according to its origin (domestic, industrial, commercial, construction or institutional); according to its contents (organic materials like plastics, rubber, food items & inorganic materials like glass, metal etc); or according to hazard potential (toxic, non-toxic, flammable, radioactive, infectious etc).

- A number of processes are involved in effectively managing waste for a municipality.
- These include monitoring, collection, transport, processing, recycling and disposal.

- The order or hierarchy of solid waste management includes –
- i) Waste prevention & minimization
- ii) Reuse & Recycling
- iii) Transformation
- iv) Landfill

- Reuse:-
- A newly purchased product is put to another use after the first use is completed.
- Recycling:-
- It is the processing of used materials or waste into new products to prevent waste of potentially useful materials.

- Properties of MSW(Municipal Solid Waste):-
- The various properties of MSW includes –
- i) Physical Properties of MSW
- ii) Biological Properties of MSW
- iii) Chemical & Energy Properties of MSW

- i) Physical Properties of MSW:-
- The various Physical Properties of MSW are –
- a) Particle Size Distribution
- b) Density & Moisture Content
- c) Field Capacity
- d) Shear Strength
- e) Hydraulic Conductivity

- a) Particle Size Distribution:-
- Particle size is measured in terms of size of screens in mm through which wastes are passing.
- This distribution will provide the information of various materials present.

- b) Density & Moisture Content:-
- Density is mass per unit volume, which is a useful physical parameter used for separating various wastes from each other before treatment.

- The moisture content is expressed as mass of water vapour per unit mass of substance.
- Moisture Content(%) = {(a-b)/a}X100
- Where,
- 'a' is initial mass of sample &
- 'b' is mass of sample after drying

- c) Field Capacity (FC):-
- It is the maximum percentage of volumetric soil moisture that a MSW sample will hold freely against earth's gravity.
- FC can be calculated by –
- FC = 0.6 0.55(W/4500+W)
- Where, W is overburden weight in Kg.

- d) Shear Strength:-
- Solid wastes when compacted usually have high shearing strength & hence don't flow on standing, but sludge has poor shearing strength & therefore very often sludge is codisposed with MSW.

- e) <u>Hydraulic Conductivity</u>:-
- Sludge in landfills tend to resist the movement of water through them due to low hydraulic conductivity, as sludge has high moisture content.

- ii) Biological Properties of MSW:-
- Organic or biological matter in MSW is significant for the energy recovery by biodegradation.
- Biodegradation can be accomplished either by aerobic or anaerobic process.

- The biodegradability of the organic fraction of MSW is given by –
- BF = 0.83 0.028LC
- Where,
- BF is Biodegradable Fraction
- LC is Lignin(organic) Content in % of dry weight
- High LC will give low biodegradability.

- iii) Chemical & Energy Properties of MSW:-
- The various steps involved in this are –
- a) Proximate Analysis
- b) Ultimate Analysis
- c) Energy Content

- a) Proximate Analysis:-
- It deals with the determination of moisture content(W%), volatile matter(VM%), noncombustible fraction (i.e. ash%) & Fixed Carbon(FC).
- FC can be found out by –
- FC=100 W(%) VM(%) ash(%)

 FC is the solid combustible residue that remains after the material is heated & the volatile matter is ejected.

- b) <u>Ultimate Analysis</u>:-
- It is the elemental analysis of essential major elements like C,H,O,N,P,S in percentage mass.

- c) Energy Content:-
- Heating value or calorific value of MSW may be defined as the amount of heat liberated in calorie, when a gram of MSW is burnt.
- It gives the amount of organic matter present in the MSW.
- Generally, terms like E, H_u, H_{wf}, H_{awf} are used to express energy content.

- E is Energy Content
- H_u is LHV(Lower Heat Value) i.e. energy received from waste as collected from site
- H_{wf} is NHV(Normal Heat Value) i.e. energy received from water-free waste
- H_{awf} is HHV(Higher Heat Value) i.e. energy received from ash-water-free waste

- $H_u = H_{awf} \times B 2.445 \times W$
- Where,
- B is flammable fraction or combustible component
- W is moisture content fraction or water content

- The energy content of MSW can be determined from following equations –
- i) Dulong Equation
- ii) Khan Equation

- i) <u>Dulong Equation</u>:-
- $H_{awf} = 337(C) + 1419\{(H) 0.125(O)\} + 93(S) + 23(N)$
- Where, C, H, O, S, N are the % by weight of each element present in the material.

- ii) Khan Equation:-
- $E = 0.051\{F + 3.6(CP)\} + 0.352(PLR)$
- Where, E = Energy content,
- F = % of food material by weight
- CP = % of Cardboard & Paper by weight
- PLR = % of Plastic & Rubber by weight

- Q. Calculate the heat value of domestic MSW, if the chemical composition is $C_{450}H_{2050}O_{950}N_{12}S$.
- Q. Calculate the lower heat value of the above MSW if water content(w) = 21% & ash content(A) = 20%

- Separation of MSW:-
- The different major components of MSW must be separated from one & the other in order to have suitable management of MSW.
- The component separation can be done at the household or at the industry i.e. at the source or at the transfer station or at the final destination, where mechanical sorting or separation is possible.

- Storage & Transport of MSW:-
- It depends on types of collection facility available & materials present, which can be –
- i) Door Step Collection
- ii) Regular Roadside Collection
- iii) Dustbins at market places
- iv) Community Recycle bin

- Integrated Waste Management:-
- The ideal integrated waste management plan might have following priorities –
- i) Minimize all components of waste fraction.
- ii) Recycle, what is possible of paper, cardboard, non-ferrous metals.
- iii) Reuse plastics, ferrous metals, glass.

- iv) Compost food fraction of MSW.
- v) Incinerate the remaining food waste.
- vi) Landfill the remaining after proper treatment.

- Leachate in Landfills:-
- Leachate is the contaminated water in landfills which arrive at the landfill site through external precipitation.
- The amount of leachate produced in a landfill depends on it's water balance, which can be expressed as follows –
- LC = PR + SRT SRO EP ST

- Where,
- LC is Leachate,
- PR is Precipitation
- SRT is Surface Run To i.e. water outside the site entering the landfill
- SRO is Surface Run-off
- EP is Evapotranspiraton
- ST is Change in water storage

 Q. Calculate the Landfill area requirement for 20 years for a city of population of about 5 lakhs. Assume MSW generation as 500gm per capita per day & density of MSW is 500kg/m³.

 Hazardous waste is defined as, any waste which because of it's physical, chemical quality, quantity and infectious characteristics can cause significant hazards to human health or the environment, when improperly treated, stored, transported or disposed.

- A substance is hazardous, if it exhibits one or more of the following characteristics.
- i) <u>Ignitable</u>:- The substance causes or enhances fire.
- ii) Reactive:- The substance reacts with other materials & may explode.

- iii) <u>Corrosive</u>:- The substance destroys tissues or metals.
- iv) <u>Toxic</u>:- The substance is a danger to health, water, food & air.

Hazardous Category

Nature of Waste

• H1

Explosive

• H2

Oxidiser

H3A

Highly Flammable

H3B

Flammable

• H4

Irritant

• H5

Harmful

Generation of Hazardous Waste:-

Industry Type Hazardous Substances

Battery Cd, Pb, Ag, Zn

Electroplating Co,Cr,Cu,Zn

Printing As,Cr, Cu,Pb,Se

Textiles Cr, Cu, Organics

- Medical Hazardous Wastes :-
- These are the wastes generated from hospitals, medical colleges, nursing homes, clinical laboratories & operation theatres etc.

- Medical hazardous wastes include –
- i) Expired or Obsolete medicines
- ii) Infectious dressing materials
- iii) Pathological wastes from medical laboratories & operation theatres
- iv) Wastes from dental clinics etc.

- Household Hazardous Waste:-
- The household hazardous wastes come from kitchen, bathroom, garage, garden etc.
- It may include –
- i)Used or Exhausted batteries
- ii)Chemicals like dyes, perfumes
- iii)Pesticides, herbicides, used oils, lubricants etc.

- Transportation of Hazardous Waste :-
- The data or information required for Transportation of Hazardous Waste are –
- i) Waste Generator
- ii) Composition of Waste
- iii) Physical Appearance
- iv) Method of Packaging

- v) ADR/RID classification
- ADR means transport of dangerous goods by road
- RID means transport of dangerous goods by rail
- vi) UN Number(United Nation Number)

- ADR/RID classification:-
- Class
 Item Description
- 1a Explosive Items
- 1b Items loaded with explosives
- 1c Detonators & similar types of goods
- Gases, Compressed, Condensed or dissolved under pressure
- 3 Flammable Liquids

 The UN numbers range from UN0001 to about UN3500 and are assigned by the United Nations Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods.

•	<u>UN Number</u>	<u>Hazardous</u>	<u>Item</u>
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- 1001 Acetylene Dissolved
- 1002 Compressed Air
- 1003 Liquefied air, refrigerated
- 1005
 NH₃, dry, liquefied

- For Hazardous Waste transport, special numbers are also used.
- 1759 Corrosive Solid Compounds
- 1760 Corrosive Liquid
- 1906 Waste Acids
- 1992 Flammable Liquid, toxic
- 1993 Flammable Liquid

- Treatment of Hazardous waste:-
- i) Thermal Treatment (Incineration)
- ii) Chemical Treatment (Neutralization)
- iii) Physical Treatment (Filtration, Flocculation)
- iv) Disposal (Secure Landfill)

- Incineration:-
- Incineration can be defined as controlled high temperature oxidation of primarily organic compounds to produce CO₂ & H₂O with nonobjectionable by-products.

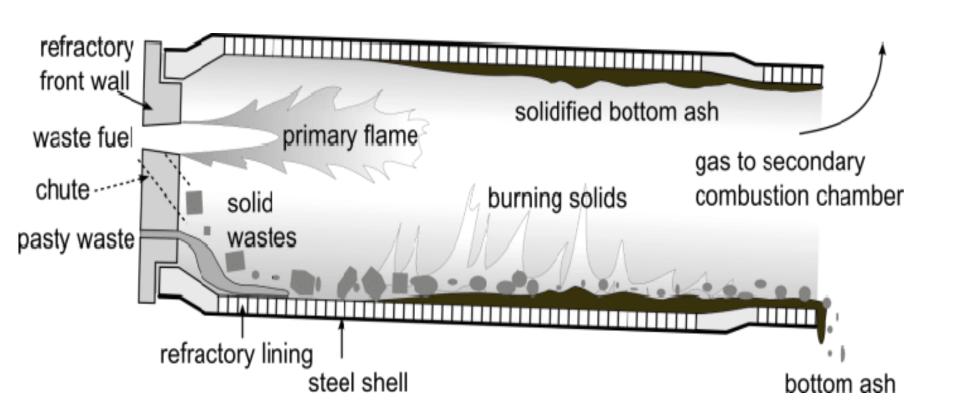
- 3 T's of Incineration:-
- i) Time
- ii) Temperature
- iii) Turbulence

- i) <u>Time</u>:-
- Adequate residence time for solids for complete destruction or breaking of bonds.
- It depends on feed rate, incinerator dimension
 & rotation speed.

- ii) <u>Temperature</u>:-
- High enough temperature is required for destruction of hazardous waste.
- iii) <u>Turbulence</u>:-
- Sufficient turbulence with adequate air or oxygen for mixing of waste with oxygen.
- This depends on rotation speed & incinerator types.

- Types of Incinerator:- (P-724-731,G.kiely)
- i) Rotary Kiln
- ii) Liquid injection
- iii) Plasma Arc Destruction
- iv) Wet Air Oxidation
- V) Fluidized Bed Combustion

A rotary kiln incinerator



- i) Rotary Kiln:-
- This is most common type of incinerator.
- Here Chemical destruction of waste occurs.
- ii) Liquid injection:-
- This is for treating liquid organic waste.

- iii) Plasma Arc Destruction:-
- In this case, electric arc of very high temperature is used.
- iv) Wet Air Oxidation:-
- It is an aqueous phase oxidation where materials are exposed to gaseous source of oxygen.

- V) <u>Fluidized Bed Combustion</u>:-
- This is suitable for uniform types of waste.
- In this case, heat transfer is very fast & uniform.

- DRE(Destruction & Removal Efficiency):-
- Destruction and removal efficiency (DRE) is the efficiency of the unit (kiln) in destruction and removal of a particular targeted organic compound.
- In incineration DRE of above 99% is required.

- DRE can be calculated by using the following formula –
- DRE= $\{(W_{in} W_{out})/W_{in}\} \times 100$
- Where,
- W_{in} is mass feed rate of specific organic component to the incinerator
- W_{out} is mass emission rate of same organic component from the incinerator

- CE(Combustion Efficiency):-
- Combustion efficiency is a measurement of how well the fuel being burned or is being utilized in the combustion process.

- CE can be calculated by using the following formula –
- $CE = \{(C_{CO2} C_{CO})/C_{CO2}\} \times 100$
- Where,
- C_{CO2} is concentration of CO₂ in the emitted gas
- C_{CO} is concentration of CO in the emitted gas

- Q. Find out CE(Combustion Efficiency) & DRE(Destruction & Removal Efficiency) of an incinerator from the following data –
- i) Input of phenolic waste is 18.2% & outlet phenol is 0.04%
- ii) Outlet gas concentration of CO is 0.1% & CO₂ is 25.7%