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TO THE SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT
OF **WATER, SOIL AND WASTE**



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**The Sanitation Story
in
Himachal Pradesh**

Context

- **India account for 58% of World's Open Defecation occurring in the world (over 600 million every day)**
- **69% of rural house holds defecate in the open and 13% urban (but safe confinement of excreta dismal even in urban areas)**
- **Himachal Pradesh one of 28 States**
- **Population 6.7 million, 90% rural**

The Story

- **Between 2001 and 2011 Rural Sanitation Coverage:**
 - **India: 22% to 31%**
 - **Himachal Pradesh: 31% to 68%**
 - **HP exhibited most dramatic improvement in entire country**

What made the Difference?

- **Shift from Toilets Focus to Collective Behaviour change : Community Led Total Sanitation (CLTS)**
 - **Campaign mode**
 - **Monitor ODF environment not toilet coverage**
 - **Policy and Process**

Challenge : Rural

- **Sustaining the Change**

- **National Policy continues to focus on hardware**

Challenge : Urban

- **Urban Importing the success from Rural**
- **Theory and Practice of City Sanitation Plans**

Lessons

- **Sanitation is primarily about Collective Behaviour Change and not Infrastructure Provision**
- **Policy must recognize and facilitate this by changing focus from 'entitlement' to empowerment**