

<u>Pollutants</u>	<u>Sources</u>	<u>Effect</u>
→ CO	incomplete combustion of fuels, automobile exhaust, burning of coal, blast furnace, tobacco smoking	respiratory problems, blood poisoning, toxicity
→ CO ₂	complete combustion of fuel, jet engine	toxicity, breathing problem
→ SO ₂	combustion of coal, petroleum products, sulphuric acid factories, oil refinery, power house, metallurgical operations	suffocation, asthma, bronchitis, breathing problem
→ Hydrogen sulphide (H ₂ S)	coker, petroleum industries, oil refining, sewage treatment plants	headache, respiratory disorders, irritant of eyes.
→ Oxides of Nitrogen (nitrous oxide)	automobile exhaust, fertilizer industries, explosive industries, power station	respiratory irritation, Bronchitis, headache, corroding teeth

→ O_3 (oxidants)
(ozone)

Photochemical rxnⁿ
in atm. involving
organic materials

irritation of
lungs, eyes &
respiratory
tract.

→ Dust

Asbestos
factory,
cement, ceramic
industry, mining

respiratory
diseases, toxicity
from metallic
dust, lung-cancer

Effects of air pollution:

→ Damage to materials.

→ Damage to vegetation

→ Damage to farm animals

→ darkening of sky & reduction in visibility

→ effect on human health & activities.

Control Measures:

There are 5 ways to control air pollution.

→ Controlling air pollution at the source

→ site selection or zoning

→ Controlling air pollⁿ by devices & equipments.

→ control by growing vegetation

→ Control by fuel selection & utilization

WATER POLLUTION

Presence of any contaminant in water in such concentration and for such duration of time that humans beings, animals and other organisms can't enjoy the beneficial qualities of water is called water pollution.

Characteristics of Potable water:-

- It should be colourless, odourless and tasteless
- It should be free from turbidity and other suspended impurities.
- It should be free from germs and bacteria and other pathogenic organisms.
(disease causing)
- It should not contain toxic dissolved impurities.
(Ex - pesticide, chemical)
- The pH value of water is neutral i.e 7 to 8
- It should be soft having hardness in the range of 50-100 ppm.
- It should not be corrosive to the pipe line.

Types of water pollutant:-

Organic pollutants:-

1) Oxygen demanding waste:-

→ (domestic & agricultural waste)

This includes domestic and animal sewage, carbon bio-degradable organic compounds, industrial waste from food processing plants, slaughter house (the place where cutting of chicken), paper mills, agricultural runoff etc.

Disposing causing waste:-

oil spill

synthetic organic compound:- man made
(ex-detergent, medicine, pesticide)

inorganic pollutant:- Acid, metal, heavy metal (toxic)

suspended solid & sediments:- soil erosion, mining activity, fly ash.

Radioactive pollutants:- Uranium, Cadmium

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Effects of water Pollution:-

BOD Effects:-

BOD stands for Biochemical Oxygen Demand. When bio-degradable organic substances are present in water they create BOD and deplete the dissolved oxygen present in water.

Eutrophication :-

Runoff from agricultural fields and waste waters from fertilizer industries when reach water courses they add nitrates & phosphates to water. This causes over fertilization algae and growth of aquatic weeds. This process is called Eutrophication which results in BOD & depletion of oxygen.

Bio magnification :-

Several pesticides like DDT, ~~allcham~~ enter the water courses through runoff and wind. These chemicals enter the food chain get metabolized and are absorbed in the consumer's fat tissues. These pesticides are bio magnified in this aquatic food chain.

Health Effects :-

All water cause diseases.

Ground water pollution :-

Control Measures:

- Scientific techniques to be adopted for pollution control of catchment areas of rivers, ponds, lakes and streams.
- Treatment plants should be constructed for domestic sewage & industrial effluents.
- Possible reuse and recycle of treated sewage effluents and industrial wastes should be ~~be~~ encouraged.
- Instead of throwing waste in water recycling should be ~~should~~ be done for better use.
- Industrial plants should be based on recycling operations.
- Min^m quantities of insecticides, correcticides, fertilizers & pesticides should be use.
- Public awareness for water pollⁿ must be there.
- Economic use of water resources.
- Conservation of forest and more plantation.
- New & improve techniques for removal of water pollⁿ should be encouraged.

SOIL POLLUTION

Sources of soil pollution:

- The major sources of metallic contamination of soil are mining, smelting (refinement of minerals), sludge fertilizers, pesticides etc.
- ^{Indiscriminate} Dumping of industrial waste and municipal waste which leads to seepage of toxic substances into the soil and pollution of ground water.
- Fly ash from thermal power plant, fly ash generator etc., industrial waste, mining waste, non-bio degradable pollutants, contaminate the soil.
- Commercial and domestic waste such as plastic, glasses, metal cans, waste papers, fibre, rubber etc.
- Human & animal excreta, farm wastes, radio-active wastes also cause soil pollution.

Effects:

→ Due to ^{use of} synthetic fertilizers may result in the following undesirable effects:-

- 1) Reduction in protein content of the crop.
- 2) Accumulation of nitrates in the soil which may contaminate the ground water.

3) Toxic effects in cattle.

4) Eutrophication of water body.

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5) Reduction in quality of fruits & vegetables.

→ Effect of Pesticides :-

1) Infertility of soil.

2) ~~Toxicity~~ Increased toxicity of soil

3) Contamination of ground water.

4) ^{Increased} Toxicity of fruits, vegetables & crops.

5) Tendency of harmful chemicals to enter into food chain causing diseases & disorders.

6) Pesticide poisoning the farmers & farm workers.

→ Effect of industrial effluents :-

1) Heavy metal contamination of soil.

2) water/ground water pollution.

3) degradatⁿ of quality of soil

4) Release of pathogenic bacteria

5) Ground water contamination

→ Effect of Urban wastes :-

1) Reducⁿ in fertility & productivity of soil.

2) Land & soil pollⁿ due to open dumping of wastes.

Control measures :-

- Launching afforestation & community forestry programmes.
- Activation & implementation of pollution control programmes.
- Effective implementation of pollution control legislation.
- Public awareness to educate people regarding environmental pollution.
- Banning the use of toxic & synthetic, chemical pesticides, use of bio pesticides, soil conservation.
- Soil conservation programmes.
- Proper treatment of domestic sewage.
- Proper disposal of municipal waste.
- Proper waste treatment method for industrial waste.
- ~~And~~ Avoiding excessive use of chemical fertilizers.

MARINE POLLUTION

Sources:-

- River water carrying wastes such as domestic sewage, industrial effluents, agricultural wastes etc. joining the sea.
- Waste from cities & industries situated along the coast line, etc.
- Ships' accidental spillage / leakage from ships carrying toxic substances, oil, fuel, chemical etc.
- Testing of atomic weapons, space crafts and other radioactive wastes when dumped in sea cause heavy loss of aquatic ecosystem.
- Pollution due oil drilling, tourism activities etc.

Effects:-

- Marine pollution affects the food chain in sea which leads to various diseases in human beings.
- Oil spillage is a threat to marine life, it affects the sensitive flora & fauna.
- Plastic materials when dumped into sea enters the food chain of animals causing them harm.
- Heavy metals & other factory wastes are a threat to marine life.
- Heavy loss of economy after getting polluted animals from polluted sea.

Control measures:

- Introduction of anti-pollution measures by coast authorities & postal cards.
- Various research organization & institute to check the marine pollution.
- Taking effective measures to check oil leakage from ships & tankers.
- Discouraging the dumping of wastes from human activities in the coastal areas.
- ^{Drainage of} Industrial effluent shouldn't be ^{done} there to the river.
- Minimizing the nuclear activities in sea.
- Minimizing development activities in coastal area.
- Creating public awareness.

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NOISE POLLUTION

It is defined as an unwanted sound at a wrong time & wrong place.

Measurement of noise:- frequency (Hz), intensity (decibel) → logarithmic ratio betⁿ 2 intensities

$$= 10 \log \frac{\text{sound intensity measured}}{\text{reference sound intensity}}$$

frequency = (20-20,000 Hz) ; pitch

pitch of normal conversation = 60 decibel , 200-300hz

Sources:-

Heavy traffic

avg. city traffic = 70 db

heavy traffic = 85 db

motorcycle = 90 db

jet fly = 103 db

Rock band = 111 db

jet plane takeoff = 150 db

Rocket (space) launching = 170 db

threshold of pain (that hurts our ears) = 140 db

Effects of noise pollution:-

- Ps. physiological (body) effect
- Psychological (mental) effect
- Hearing loss
- other health effects

Physiological Effect:-

- 1) At sound levels in the range of 120-150 db effects on respiratory system, dizziness, disorientation, loss of physical control and other physiological changes resulting from stress and vomiting may be caused.

Loud sound can cause hormonal imbalance in the body.

Psychological Effects:-

Loud noise reduces the working efficiency, interferes in communication, increases the frequency of errors, sometimes accidents, reduces mental capability & creates emotional disturbance.

Hearing loss:-

At about 150 db noise immediate permanent loss of hearing may be caused.

People working in noisy places often suffer from temporary loss of hearing.

Other Health Effects:-

Loud noise affects sleep, concentration & work performance of an individual. It makes us headache and irritability, long time exposure to noise affects our vision & our Cardio-vascular system.

Control measures:

- Reduction of noise at the source of its origin.
- Application of sound proofing techniques to muffle down loud noise.
- Establishment of residential localities away from noisy industries, ~~large~~^{busy} highways, aerodromes etc.
- Enforcement of strict rules & regulations against noise pollution.

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THERMAL POLLUTION

Thermal pollⁿ can be defined as addition of excess undesirable heat to water, that makes it harmful to man, animal, plant or aquatic life.

Sources:-

- Nuclear powerplant
- Coal fire powerplant
- Industrial effluents
- Hydro electric power
- Domestic sewage

Effects:-

- Reduction in dissolved oxygen
- Change in water properties
- Increase in toxicity
- Interference with biological activities
- Increased ~~vulnerability~~ to diseases
(easy to catch disease)
vulnerability
- Bio Chemical Oxygen demand

Control measures:-

- Cooling pond
- Spray ponds
- Cooling towers

Sources of Solid waste:

- 1) Residential :- Food waste, Rubbish, household waste
- 2) Commercial :- Hotel, restaurant, office, market place
- 3) Industrial :- Paper industry etc.
- 4) Agricultural waste :- Chemicals, plants, roots, animal excreta
- 5) Municipal waste :- school, college, medical
- 6) Open areas :- parks, market, open field.
- 7) Hazardous waste :- medical waste, nuclear waste, laboratory, research, chemical industries
- 8) Construction waste :-

Types of solid waste:

There are 7 categories.

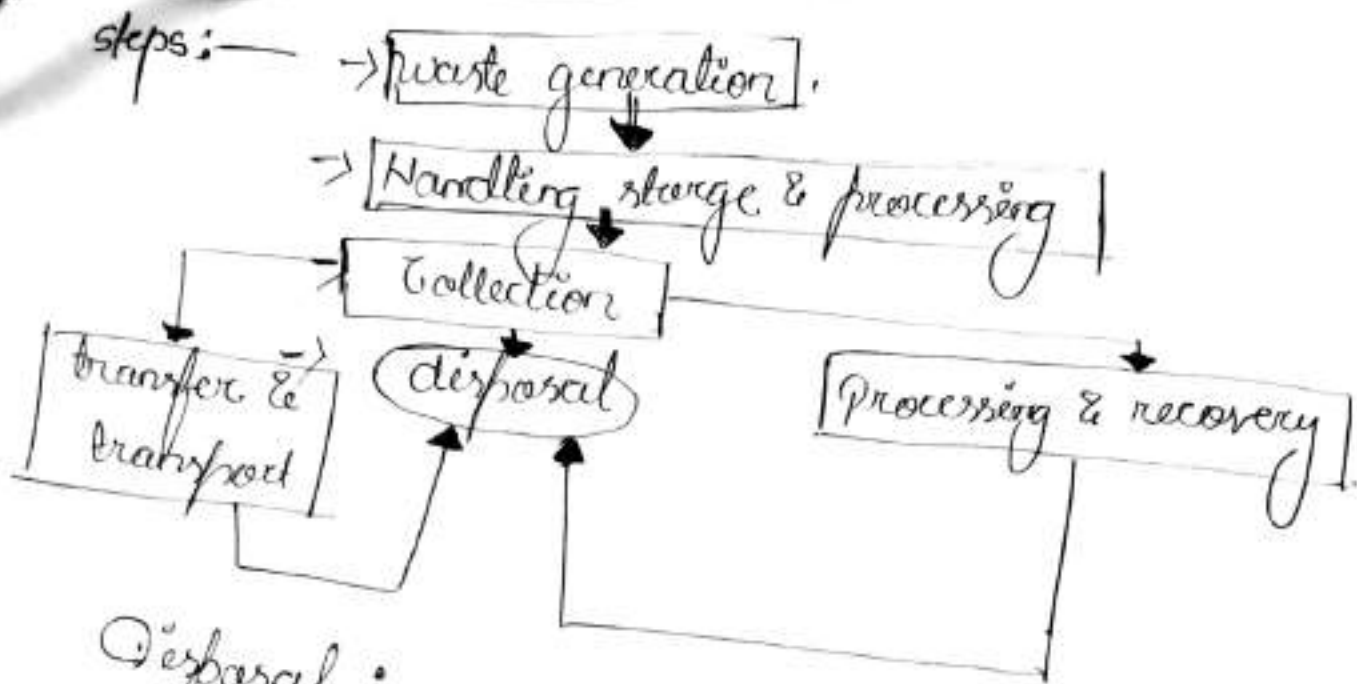
- 1) Garbage - Food products
- 2) Rubbish - Combustible / Noncombustible other than food
- 3) Ashes & Residues - after burning
- 4) Demolition & Construction waste
- 5) Agricultural waste
- 6) Hazardous waste - any waste which have tendency to harm
- 7) Special waste - dead or decaying animal, road side

Effects :-

- > The accumulation (gather) of waste at any place is a bad & risky situation.
- > various micro organisms like bacteria, fungi, viruses etc. worms, breed in the waste & start its decomposition & grow in number.
- > various types of germs which develop in the waste reach us through air, water & food.
- Most of the infection diseases like diarrhoea, cholera etc spread in this ways.
- waste accumulation is responsible for air, water & soil pollution.
- > improper disposal of industrial waste cause serious hazards. ex - heavy metal such as mercury can cause Minna-Mata disease.
- 1) Asbestos can cause Asbestosis
- 1) Disturbance in the drainage system
- 1) Contamination in ground water
- 1) foul smell & breeding of insects

Solid Waste Management :-

the activities involved in the management of solid waste from the point of generation to final disposal.



Disposal :-

there are 3 popular methods of waste disposal.

- 1) Sanitary Land filling
- 2) Thermal process
- 3) Dumping

3R Technique:-

- Reduce
- Reuse
- Recycle

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DISASTER MANAGEMENT

- Flood
- Earthquake
- Cyclone
- Land slide

Disaster:-

It is an event that causes a lot of harm or damage.

Types of Disaster:-

- 1) Geophysical - Earthquakes, Landslides, Tsunamis, volcanic activity.
- 2) Hydrological - Avalanches, Floods
- 3) Climatological - Extreme temperatures, Drought & wildfires
- 4) Meteorological - Cyclones, storms/wave surges
- 5) Biological - Disease epidemics, insect/animal plagues

Disaster Management:-

Disaster Management is defined as the organisation and management of resources and responsibilities for dealing with all humanitarian aspects of emergencies, in particular preparedness, response & recovery in order to lessen the impact of disaster.

Disaster Prevention:-

These are activities designed to provide permanent protection from disaster. Not all disasters particularly natural disasters can be prevented, but the risk of loss of life and injury can be mitigated with good evacuation plans, environmental planning and design standards.

Disaster Preparedness:-

These activities are designed to minimise loss of life and damage i.e. by removing people and property from a threatened location and by facilitating timely and effective rescue, relief and rehabilitation.

Preparedness is the main way of reducing the impact of disasters. Community-based preparedness and management should be a high priority is physical threat practice management.

Disaster Relief:-

This is a co-ordinated multi-agency response to reduce the impact of a disaster and its long term results. Relief activities include rescue, relocation providing food and water, preventing disease and disability, repairing vital services such as telecommunication and transport, providing temporary shelter and emergency health care.

Disaster Recovery :-

Once emergency needs have been met and the initial crisis is over, the people affected and the communities that support them are still vulnerable. Recovery activities include rebuilding infrastructure, health care and rehabilitation. These should blend with development activities, such as building human resources for health and developing policies and practices to avoid similar situation in future.

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Sustainable development is the development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of the future generation to meet their own needs.

Aspects of sustainable development :-

- 1) intergenerational equity & equality
- 2) intragenerational equity

Intergenerational Equity :-

- 1) This emphasizes that we should stop over exploitation of natural resources, reduced waste generation, pollution and maintain an ecological balance. So, that we can hand over a safe and resourceful environment to the future generation.

Intergenerational Equity :-

This cathegizes that technological developments should support the economic growth of poor countries so, as to reduce the developmental gaps within and between the nations.

Majors of sustainable development :-

- ⇒ To promote environmental education and awareness.
- ⇒ The 3R approach
- ⇒ Adopting ecofriendly technologies.
- ⇒ To utilize resources as per carrying capacity of the environment.

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Urban Problems Related to Energy

The main causes of energy problems in urban areas are : i) overuse of energy for domestic & commercial purposes due to increase in population and industrialization.

- ii) Industrial plants using big proportion of energy.
- iii) Decrease of non renewable resources of energy such as coal, petroleum, natural gas etc.
- iv) Increase of means of transportation.
- v) Decrease in production of hydroelectricity due to insufficient rain.

vi) Transmission loss due to defected power distribution system.

Steps to solve the energy related problems:-

- 1) Control Urbanization.
- 2) To develop renewable energy resources. Like solar, wind, bio-mass, etc.
- 3) limited use of non-renewable energy resources.
- 4) Effective measures against for transmission loss and energy theft.
- 5) Creating awareness programmes to save energy.

WATER CONSERVATION

RAIN WATER HARVESTING & WATER SHADE MANAGEMENT

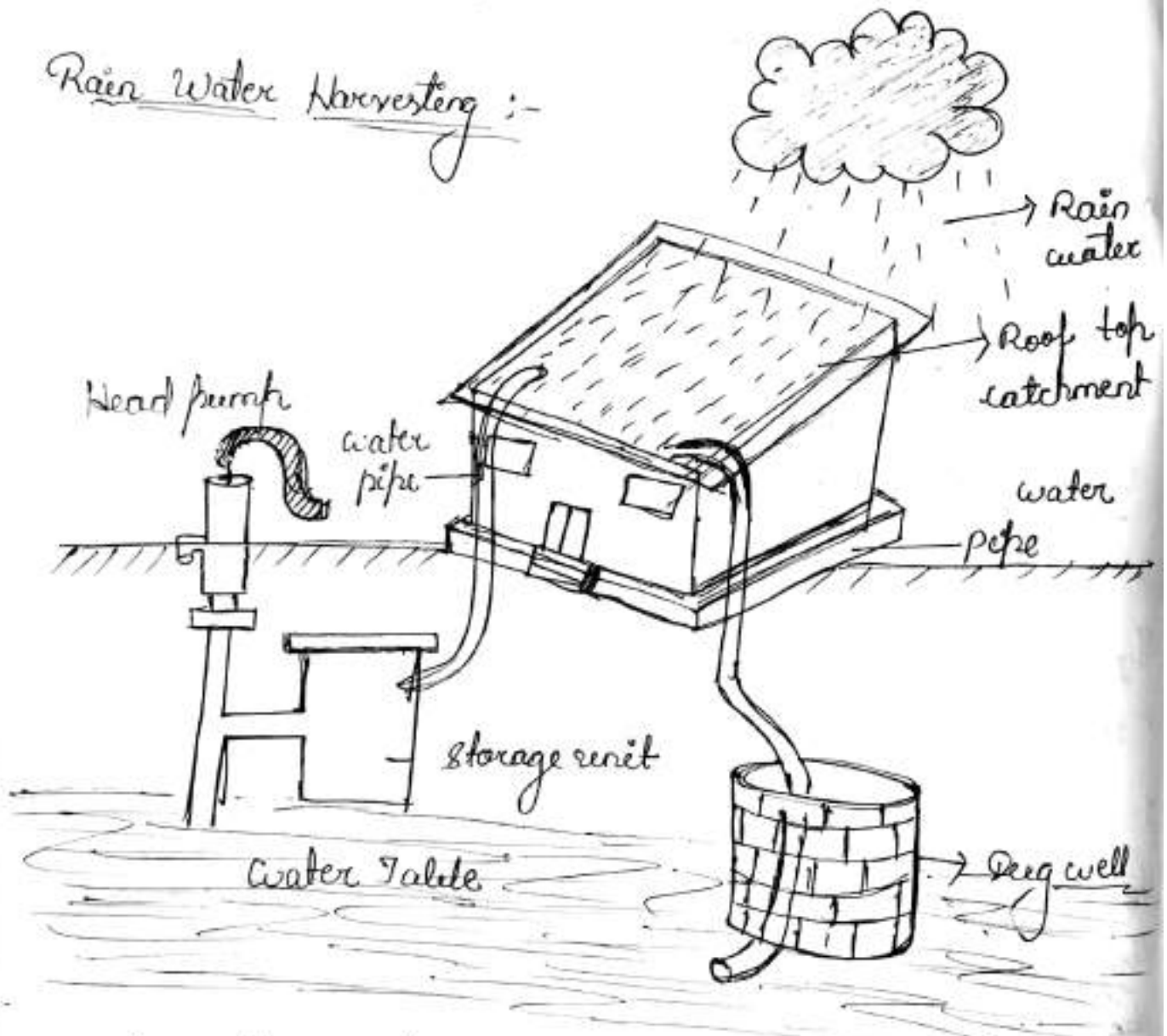
Important steps to be taken for Conservation of water:-

- water economy reuse and recycling -
- If water meters are installed and charged properly the consumption of water in domestic establishments, live stock managements (domestic animals) and industries ^{sale} ~~shall~~ drastically declined.
- The heated water from thermal power plants may be utilized somewhere else after proper cooling.
- agricultural runoff from fields & this can be used to irrigate crop land down the stream while an efficient use of water by proper

Drainage can reduce the agricultural runoffs.

- Efficient water distribution systems:-
- Enhancement of surface storage capacity
- Reduce evaporation loss
- Improvement of underground storage capacity:-
- afforestation and Reforestation

Rain Water Harvesting :-



this the example of roof top RWH by

- i) through hand pump
- ii) through deep well

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Rain water harvesting is control or utilization of rain water close to the point rain reaches to earth. It is categorised into domestic rain water harvesting & rain water harvesting for agriculture and erosion control, flood control & aquifer replenishment.

Rain water harvesting system consists of 5 basic components.

- Catchment area or roof surface upon which rain falls
- Gutters & pipes which are the transport channels from catchment to the storage area
- Leaf screens and roof washers
- Storage tanks where rain water is stored.
- Water treatment the filters & equipments as well as disinfectants

Main objectives of RWH:

- To reduce the ground water depleted to us due to over exploitation.
- To store excess water for use at subsequent times
- To improve physical & chemical quality of ground water.

- To reduce storm water runoff and soil erosion.
- To increase hydrostatic pressure of soil.
- To prevent soil salinity in coastal areas.
- To convert traditional water harvesting structures into ground water recharge facilities.

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Advantages:

- Rise in ground water levels.
- Increased availability of water in wells.
- Reduction in use of energy for pumping water.
- & the cost of it.
- Reduction in flood hazards and soil erosion.
- Improvement in water quality.
- Preventing salinity in water.
- Mitigating (reduce) the effect of droughts.

WATERSHED MANAGEMENT:

Watershed is a geohydrological drainage area on earth's surface, from which runoff resulting from precipitation flows past a single point into a large stream, a river, a lake or an ocean.

The area can range from a few square metres to a few thousand square metres.

Water shed management is the rational use of land & water resources for optimum production causing min^m damage to resources.

Objectives :-

- Rational utilization of water, soil & vegetation
- To increase agricultural production
- To minimize the risks of flood, drought & land slides.
- To manage the water shed for developmental activities like domestic water supply, irrigation & hydro power generation.
- To develop ^{the} rural areas & their life style.